

YARWOOD VS. CLEGG ET AL.

Decided By Gold Commissioner Senkler Yesterday.

The Action Involves the Title to Valuable Hillside Property Located on Boulder Creek.

From Saturday's Daily. Commissioner Senkler has rendered a decision in the case of Yarwood vs. Clegg et al. The action involved the title to the hillside claim, left limit, opposite the upper half of No. 1 Boulder creek. The text of the decision is as follows:

"The above claim was staked by one Lytel on November 14th, 1898. The adjoining hillside claim up stream was staked by one Menaugh on November 30th, 1898. In January of 1899, Mr. Jephson, a Dominion land surveyor, surveyed the Menaugh claim, running the side lines at right angles to the base line established on the creek by Gibbon, a Dominion land surveyor, prior to November 2d, 1898. Mr. Jephson's survey as filed into this office. In September, 1899, relying upon Mr. Jephson's survey, the defendant Clegg bought an undivided half interest in this property. He immediately went to work, and has worked continuously up to the present time, employing men and expending in all the sum of \$7000. His carpenter, Holcomb, bought in the month of July, 1899. The plaintiff Yarwood acquired an undivided quarter interest in the Lytel claim in August, 1899. Prior to Mr. Yarwood's giving notice to the defendants that he (Yarwood) intended to dispute their right to the ground in question as shown in Mr. Green's plan, Lytel had sunk two holes on his own ground, as shown on Mr. Jephson's plan; he had also run a tunnel. He is doubtful about this tunnel being on disputed ground. He at the same time admits that he saw the defendants working on the ground in dispute for several months without making any objections to their doing so. Mr. Yarwood claims that the Lytel location is entitled to all ground between two side lines run at right angles to a straight line joining Lytel's two front posts. (Relying on the decision of the minister of the interior in Clark vs. Johnson.) The case in question differs materially from the Clark-Johnson case in that the work performed upon the ground in dispute prior to a protest being launched was done by the defendants. The Jephson survey having been on file since January, 1899, on faith of the correctness of which survey the defendants worked and expended such large sums on the presence of and without any objections being made by one of the owners of the Lytel claim, that survey should not be changed on protest filed March 10th last. The plaintiff's case is dismissed."

No actions are being tried in the gold commissioner's court today.

Placer Claims Recorded.

Colin Inster has secured a grant for the hillside claim, right limit, opposite the upper half of No. 2 on a pup, which enters Hunker creek on the right limit at No. 6 below discovery. The ground was staked on November 27th, 1899; and the time to record was continued in order to enable the applicant to have the property surveyed.

C. B. Boshart has received a grant for the adjoining hillside which is situated opposite the lower half of said No. 2 on the pup, which enters Hunker at No. 6 below. Boshart staked his claim on December 7th, 1899; and he was granted an extension of time in order to obtain a survey of the ground.

A Knotty Case.

A Uganda woman had married three husbands at different times, and had had a son by one of them—the second, says a writer in Blackwood. The father unfortunately died, and the other two quarreled about the possession of the son, who meanwhile lived with his mother. As soon as he was old enough to take the law into his own hands the boy elected to live with the first husband, and left his mother to do so; thereupon the third husband raided the first, carrying off ten head of cattle, and, as if to still further complicate the case, one of the cows calved on the road. It now fell to my lot to decide with whom the boy was to live, and what was to become of the cattle.

So much evidence was produced that I became utterly confused, especially when the mother crawled in on hands and knees to give evidence as to parentage, in which, by the way, was flatly contradicted by her offspring. I finally decided that the boy was to live with the first husband, and that half of the cows were to be returned to

him, the remaining half, with the calf, being kept by No. 3. At this decision No. 1 was delighted, but I could never make out why, as five cows, even without a calf, are usually valued far above any human body in Africa.

"Black Watch."

The "Black Watch" frequently referred to in the dispatches from the battle fields, has a charm of history and dates far back in feudal times. It was first composed of several companies employed to watch the Highlands of Scotland.

In A. D. 1737, those companies were enrolled under the Earl of Crawford into the 42d regiment (Royal Highlanders). The "Black Watch" is a kilted regiment made up of picked men far above the average in stature, and has always maintained its rank as the most distinguished regiment in the army. In engagements it has been the rule to reserve the "Black Watch" for action in close quarters, and it has on several occasions carried the field with fixed bayonets against odds of ten to one. Napoleon remarked when in Egypt that with an army of those "kilted savages" he could not only overrun Europe, as he fully intended to do, but he could charge to the gates of the "Inferno." The term "Black Watch" is derived from the dark tartan worn—the colors being black, green, blue and purple.

(The above information was kindly furnished to the Nugget by its esteemed friend, Col. Donald MacGregor, and will impart the information that has frequently been inquired for, namely: The origin of the term "Black Watch.")

POLICE COURT NEWS.

Although two of a kind, John Evans and Leonard Boer showed belligerent traits yesterday in that they wanted to fight, and in other ways disturbed the peace and quiet of this particular portion of the broad, white earth. Their combative instincts had been aroused through looking upon red hootch. They were arrested and marched off to the guard house, and this morning only the charred embers, metaphorically speaking, of what was yesterday bright, lurid jags, remained.

When arraigned before Police Magistrate Scarth this morning both pleaded guilty and each man was assessed \$10 and costs or ten days at unforced labor. Both assessments were taken from the same \$50 bill and the men, their pugilistic instincts having faded away like dew from a huckleberry bush, left the court room together.

Hugh A. Matheson, of the locality of the concession on Hunker, was up on the charge of stealing various divers and sundry articles including ash wood and oak wood, round wood, square wood, attainments of a wagon and other things aggregating in all to the value of \$100. The prosecution was allowed to submit its evidence this afternoon, when the case was continued until the defense can secure its witnesses.

In the case against P. J. Sheehan, accused by Dr. Stearns of having secured money by false pretense, the evidence was all heard and the court stenographer instructed to have the case written up by Monday. Of this case the court remarked that it looked to him very much like an ordinary loan. On complaint of Miss May Miller, Sheehan was, on the same charge, yesterday bound over for his appearance before the territorial court in the sum of \$600.

Territorial Court.

The case of the Queen vs. Frank J. Golden, accused of theft, was to have been tried yesterday afternoon; but the action has been continued till April 13th. In fixing the date of trial, the court inadvertently overlooked the fact that the 13th falls on Good Friday, which being a legal holiday, renders it necessary to set the case again.

A Pair of Hustlers.

J. S. Barron, the clothing merchant is a hustler. He returned from a trip to the outside on Thursday last, secured a location on First avenue and First street, and already has a building with a 28 foot frontage nearly completed. He will conduct a store on the first floor and will have four fine office rooms to rent on the second story.

J. R. Gandolfo, Dawson's pioneer fruit and candy man is also raising his building, which is situated along side of Mr. Barron and the two together will have quite an imposing appearance.

Activity on Quartz.

Quartz creek today bears little resemblance to its appearance of one year ago; for where one man was employed then, there are ten now. The same ratio will hold good as to the number of claims being developed. The work is confined principally to those hillsides on the right limit, which are opposite creek claims, numbering from 5 to 30 below A. Mack's discovery. This stretch of country is about two and a half miles in length. Good pay has been located one very early claim in this vicinity, where proper work has been done. While the pay is not the richest that has been found in the Yukon district, yet it is wide, deep, and uniform; and can be extracted at less than half the expense which is incurred in many other places, where property is considered more desirable by reason of the high grade quality of gravel. Wood

and water, two of the essential and important factors to be considered in every mining deal, can be obtained in abundance. This fact removes the serious problem which is confronting claim-owners in other parts of the territory.

Below Calder creek only one claim is being worked, namely, No. 37, which is owned by John Lemke. He, with one man, has been working all winter, and has about 6000 buckets on the dumps. The pay runs, from five cents to thirty cents, with some as high as \$3.10 per pan.

On the hillsides below Calder, right limit, some prospecting was done last fall; and while pay was found in almost every instance, the miners did not consider it sufficient to justify working by the ordinary methods.

Swiftwater Bill and Adair have a large plant in place on Nos. 22 and 23; and as soon as the weather permits they will commence hydraulic operations. There is no doubt that they have good ground; and equipped as they are with all of the necessary machinery, they are bound to realize large returns from their investment.

On hillsides opposite Nos. 20 and 21, Anderson, Nelson and Company, have been working steadily all winter with a force of four men. A part of the property is being developed by two laymen. The owners have hoisted about 14,000 buckets; and the laymen in the neighborhood of 6000.

The outlook on Quartz is very bright. Owners and operators are gratified with the prospects of the creek, and there is no doubt as to the resources of ground in this locality.

PERSONAL MENTION.

J. Kinney is visiting the city. J. F. Gordon is in town on business. C. W. Everest is a guest at the Fairview.

M. McNamara is registered at the Regina.

George E. Ames is stopping at the Fairview.

H. D. Gillis arrived from the creek yesterday.

B. O'Brien is enjoying a short visit in Dawson.

A. M. Matheson is spending a few days in town.

H. M. Kerr came to Dawson from the creeks yesterday.

M. J. McNeil of Dominion creek, is making a brief visit to the city.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Patterson are among the guests at the Fairview.

Jack Cavanaugh, of Grand Forks, is visiting acquaintances in the city.

Messrs. Joseph McGilivray, Hay Packwood and Anderson have arrived from the outside.

Paul T. C. Dumais, a Dominion land surveyor, is shaking hands with his Dawson acquaintances.

Mrs. James Moore, of Eldorado, is in the city. She will visit her friends and acquaintances for a period of a week or ten days.

Dr. Macfarlane is back again looking the same as usual except for a deep tan caused by wind and sun on the trail. The doctor resumes his old position at St. Mary's hospital immediately.

With the Presbyterians.

Services will be held in St. Andrew's Presbyterian church tomorrow morning and evening at the usual hours. The subject for the morning's sermon is: "The Holy City," in the evening: "The Life-Giving River." At the latter services, Mr. Zimmerman will sing "Jerusalem," while Mrs. Davidson will delight all present with: "I Have Read of a Beautiful City." Mrs. Dr. Thompson will render a vocal solo, "The Palms." All are invited to attend, and especially is this invitation to strangers in the city.

The Mail Service.

The mail service to Dawson is now the most expeditious of its kind in the world, and something says the Alaskan, to be thoroughly proud of. Skagway has two services really from as far north as Dawson, that of the United States and that of the Dominion government, but the carriers are not working independently, but in close harmony. Whichever carrier gets in and starts out first takes the accumulated mail along the route, and this practically doubles the service, although the contracts call for a once a week service.

No reports are at hand of what the American carriers have done in the way of speedy journeys this winter. Their principal work has been beyond Dawson this winter, northward as far as Nome. The mail which arrived here last week from Nome was the first from that point carried under government contract. When it arrived at Dawson the Canadian carriers had not arrived there from Bennett, so the American carriers took up the Dawson mail and carried it all the way through.

But generally most of the mail from points above Dawson is carried by the Canadians, and the latter have made this winter some of the most astonishing trips on record.

By the courtesy of George E. Pulham, general superintendent of the Canadian Development Company, we are able to give a list of these rapid trips from

February 7 to March 7. From this it will be seen that the company is literally covering itself with glory as a government mail carrier.

Left Dawson.	Ar. Bennett.	Days. Hrs.
Feb. 7, 6 pm	Feb. 14, 7:30 pm	7 1/2
Feb. 15, 4 am	Feb. 20, 8:10 am	5 4
Feb. 21, 7 pm	Feb. 27, 7:30 pm	6 2 1/2
Feb. 28, 6 pm	Mar. 6, 5:30 pm	4 2 1/2
Mar. 6, 9:10 am	Mar. 12, 5:30 am	7 20
Mar. 7, 6 pm	Mar. 14, 8:00 am	7 14

FOR SALE—Twelve horse pipe boiler, with 250 feet piping; nine points and hose—Inquire of John Murphy, opp. 7 B B, left limit, P.

This, as will be noticed, gives six trips within the month, and while there is one trip made in less than five days, the average for the whole month is scarcely over six days, which is a truly wonderful performance.

Joseph C. Dillow.

J. C. Dillow, formerly well-known Tacoma, Wash., attorney, arrived in the city day before yesterday from Skagway, bringing with him a small consignment of goods. For the past two seasons Mr. Dillow has been an Atlin magnate, but having disposed of his interests there; decided to push further into the interior. He may decide to go on to the Koyukuk country.

Two bits for joy at Rochester Bar.

Timothy Hay and Oats.

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PATTULLO & RIDLEY—Advocates, Notaries, Conveyancers &c. Offices, First Ave.

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TYRELL & GREEN, Mining Engineers and Dominion Land Surveyors. Office, Harper st., Dawson.

ASSAYERS.
JOHN B. WARDEN, F. I. C.—Assayer for Bank of British North America. Gold dust melted and assayed. Assays made of quartz and black sands. Analyses of ores and coal.

MINING ENGINEERS.
RUFUS BUCK—Plans and surveys of underground workings—Third avenue, opposite Dr. Bourke's Hospital.

L. NETLAND, C. E.—Underground surveys. Reports furnished on mining properties and hydraulic concessions. Office, Room 1, Dawson City Hotel.

Notice.

To the Shareholders of the Dawson Electric Light and Power Company, Limited.
Take notice that a special general meeting of the shareholders of the company will be held at the head office of the company, in the city of Dawson, in the Yukon Territory, on the 10th day of April, 1900, at the hour of 2 o'clock in the afternoon; for the purpose of considering an application to the Commissioner in Council of the Yukon Territory for an extension to ratify and confirm the company's letters patent, and for a grant to the company of exclusive rights and privileges in respect of supplying electrical light, heat and power, and to confirm and ratify a certain trust deed of the company, dated the 22d of June, 1899, to increase the capital stock, and to extend the borrowing powers, and for other purposes and objects mentioned in the Notice of Application, published in the Yukon Star, and dated the 19th of February, 1900, and made on behalf of the company by Messrs. White & McCaul, advocates of Dawson, and to confirm and ratify the said notice and for the election of directors and transaction of such business as should or might have been transacted at the regular annual meeting of the shareholders, and such other business as may legally be brought before said meeting.
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