LOW GRADE PROPOSITION

Tanana Will Not Yield Such Quick Returns

As the Klondike—Is Now Similar to Latter in '97—F. W. Vinniconde Returns.

Mr. F. W. Vinniconde is the latest arrival in Dawson from the Tanana, returning from a trip to the latter place last Monday night.

Mr. Vinniconde enjoys the distinction of being the first man to leave Dawson after the first news came here and is also the first of those who left Dawson to return.

Mr. Vinniconde made the trip in the interests of the Pacific Cold Storage Co. and made as careful a study of the country both from a commercial and mining standpoint as the time he remained there would permit.

"I believe," said Mr. Vinniconde to a Nugget reporter this morning "that the country is good and in the course of time will make a substantial mining camp. At the present time it is in the same condition that the Klondike was in the year '97 and nothing more.

"There is a good deal of prospecting being done and some fair pay has been discovered but the season is so far advanced now that there will be very little money taken out this year.

"It is not a proposition where a man can go at any time and rock out two or three hundred dollars a day as has been done on many claims in the Klondike district.

"There is no money in the camp at the present time and with the exception of a small quantity of canned goods there is no provisions.

"At the time I left there were in the neighborhood of 500 people in the camp and people were coming in every day; but no one had arrived via the Fortymile route.

"I was in the camp eight days and travelled over Cleary, Gold Stream and Pedro, the three principal creeks of the country. Gold Stream is the best creek thus far discovered, on 5 below discovery from 10c to 25c to the pan is averaged with a pay streak about 5 to 6 feet in depth. Several other claims on this creek have also been prospected a little with nearly equal good results. Pedro and Cleary will not average as high as this. The depth of bedrock is from 13 to 25 feet.

"People are going from here with the idea that they will find large dumps out and will be able to go immediately to work but in this regard they will be disappointed as prospecting is the only work that is being done now.

"The few provisions in the camp necessarily command large prices. The Jap Wada who came to Dawson took back with him about 150 pairs of socks which sell for $2 a pair. Rubber boots command $18 a pair. Other commodities in the camp are in proportion.

"There is considerable rivalry between the two townsites as to which will take the lead. Henrich & Belt who have a store at Chena want the town located at that point while Capt. Barnett who is located at Fairbanks is making a strong effort to have the people locate the town at the latter place. The probability is that both towns will be established and the one which commands the best features as regards the mining district will be the largest.

"The trail from Dawson to Eagle divide which is 60 miles from Circle is in excellent condition and a roadhouse can be made every night providing the loads are not heavy enough to impede travelers. After Eagle divide is passed the troubles of the stampeders begin and difficulties are encountered for the balance of the trip.

"The trails are liable to be very wet and in many places the water is quite deep.

"The climate is much milder there and the season is nearly a month advanced over that of Dawson. Last year the ice moved out of the Tanana river on April 16th, almost a month previous to the breaking up of the Klondike. The snowfall is also greater, some 5 or 6 feet of snow being on the ground on the level.

"In traveling over the country where there are no trails it is necessary to go on snow shoes as the snow is so deep.

"Many people whom I met going in were making a mistake in taking too large outfits and they will simply be up against it before they get to their journey's end.

"Mr. Johannson of Eagle has made a trip into the country and will take in a saw mill plant upon the opening of navigation.

"There is quite a lot of provisions being taken in from Circle but it will cost $1 for every pound hauled which attaches considerable expense to the goods.

"I do not expect to go back before the opening of navigation and whether I go then depends largely upon circumstances."

Mr. Vinneconde left the diggings on February 27 and arrived in Dawson March 18 making the return trip in 17 days as against 28 days in going in. He had a good dog team and had altogether a very pleasant trip.

NEW TERMINALS

Seventy Full Blocks of Ground Are Secured in 'Frisco.

San Francisco, March 3.—If there was ever a doubt that the San Francisco Terminal Railway and Ferry Company and the Stockton & Beckwith Pass Railway Company will form the Pacific coast connection of another transcontinental railway system, says the Examiner, it has been dispelled by the consummation of the greatest deal they have yet attempted.

Representatives of the two corporations have just acquired a freight terminal in San Francisco at a cost of $1,000,000, which will provide greater facilities than either the Santa Fe or the Southern Pacific controls. The new terminal is located in the Potrero, just north of Islais creek, and comprises between sixty and seventy blocks, containing more than seventy-six acres.

The greater part of this property is submerged by the tides and it will require an expenditure of $2,000,000 to improve it, but the projectors of the enterprise are ready to proceed with the work.

It is the general belief in railroad circles that George Gould is furnishing the financial backing and that the new road will form the western connection of his system, which now extends to Ogden.

MATTERS IN COURT

A Steady Grind of the Mills of Justice

Judgment Yesterday in the Case of the McDonald Iron Works vs. L'Abbe.

The case of the McDonald Iron Works vs L'Abbe et al which was heard yesterday afternoon before Mr. Justice Craig was fought out to a final conclusion, during which there arose quite an acrimonious discussion. For the plaintiff the witnesses examined were George W. Waltenbaugh and Albert T. Smith, the former also giving evidence in rebuttal. Those put in the box by the defense were J. L. L'Abbe, George L'Abbe, and Captain Wm. S. French. His lordship rendered judgment against both defendants in the sum of $180 and costs, judgment for the balance of the account claimed going against George L'Abbe. The costs taxed against George L'Abbe were based upon the lower scale and a stay of three days was granted upon the application for a reviewal of the case on appeal being entered.

This morning the attention of the court has been occupied in the case of Terrill vs. Gaustad, an action on account. Following will be heard that of Peter O. Johnson vs Zenith J. Jewell and Clem C. Grimes. The suit is to recover the value of labor performed by plaintiff in connection with the operation of 25 Gold Run. The amount alleged to be due after deducting all board accounts and other offsets is $682 which is being sued for. Plaintiff in his statement of claim alleges that though the work was nominally performed on the account of and at the request of defendant Grimes, who it is said held himself out as a principal, it was really done for the defendant Jewell, for whom Grimes acted and upon instructions from the said Jewell who received the whole product of the claim upon which the work was done and used the name of Grimes merely as a blind.

Jewell is the only one of the defendants who has put in a defense and in it he denies each and every allegation contained in the statement of claim of the plaintiff.

There are other cases on the list for this week which will occupy the court probably the entire week.

A Remarkable Cure

St. Louis, Feb. 25.—J. J. Frizzell, an engineer on the Mobile & Ohio railroad, residing at No. 458 Columbia Place, East St. Louis, returned home yesterday from Indianapolis, Ind., where he has been undergoing treatment for cancer which almost covered the entire nose. He was under the treatment of Dr. B. F. Bye, of that city, who treats cancer and tumor with soothing oils. Mr. Frizzell says there were hundreds there under the oil treatment from all parts of the United States and Canada.

The most remarkable feature of the treatment is that it is entirely painless and the short time in which it requires to effect a cure. In Mr. Frizzell's case it required less than three weeks.

Advices received from Puerto Plata, Santo Domingo, say that the revolutionary generals are making great headway in Santo Domingo, and even threatening the capital.

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TO HAVE THE LIMIT REMOVED

Recommendation Will be Made

To Have Unlimited Mail Service to Dawson Summer and Winter.

An effort will be made before the next contract for the delivery of mail to Dawson is signed to have the limit which is now 1700 pounds of first and second class matter per week, removed so that the people of Dawson and the Yukon territory will enjoy the benefit of the same unlimited service summer and winter.

The present contracts call for 700 pounds of first class and 1000 pounds of second class mail per week, while all other classes are debarred from delivery in the winter time.

The limit of 1000 pounds on second class will hardly cover the newspapers that are sent into this country and excludes from delivery almost entirely magazines for which many orders have been placed this winter but as yet very few have been received.

The revenue which is derived from this territory should in itself be sufficient recommendation to the authorities for the most liberal postal service but apart from this the benefit that would accrue to the eastern manufacturers through an uninterrupted service would more than repay the extra cost.

Notices have been sent out inviting tenders for contracts for the delivery of the mail after the present contract expires which is in 1904. The notices call for tenders for the delivery of mail six times per week during the summer season between Whitehorse and Dawson, three times per week during the winter season between Whitehorse and Dawson, two times per week between Caribou Crossing and Atlin during the summer season, and two times per week during the winter season between Log Cabin and Atlin.

Printed forms of tender and guarantee may be obtained at the post offices of Dawson and Whitehorse.

Tenders will be received at Ottawa until 12 o'clock noon of Friday, the 22nd of May.

Mr. Hartman, the postmaster at Dawson, is going to make recommendations to the authorities to have the specifications increased to the largest possible limit and if possible have the limit removed entirely and in this matter he should have the strongest aid possible from the citizens of this country.

POLICY ATTACKED

Lord Rosebery Speaks on Venezuelan Question.

London, March 3.—The debate in the house of lords yesterday on the Venezuelan question served to fan the flame of editorial attack on the government for its conduct of the Venezuelan affair, but failed to throw any fresh light upon it. Lord Rosebery was in his fighting mood and made a brilliant attack on the foreign policy, seizing upon the statement that Germany a year ago obtained the consent of the United States to coerce Venezuela.

Lord Rosebery centered his attack on the question of Great Britain's relations with the United States. He said that the government had no right to approach America through Germany.

"If our relations with the United States are impaired," he said, "no thanks were due to the government. We are happy at having extricated ourselves without further discredit."

Lord Rosebery contended that it was the pressure of public opinion that at last determined the cabinet to secure a settlement in time for it to be paraded in the king's speech at the opening of parliament. He characterized the negotiations with the ambassies as to the attitude of the United States as an "exchange of winks." That was not the way great nations should conduct a case like that of Venezuela, "touching the keenest susceptibilities of the American people, which we are bound to respect with all the formalities in our power."

In a satiric vein Lord Rosebery suggested that all the foreign ministers would agree that it is time to fix the demarkation of certain states and to fix a board at their borders stating that those who lend money do so at their own peril. He said it was well known to everyone save the premier that England was accordingly unpopular in Europe and that was largely due to her ministers. Had they placed Great Britain's case in the Boer war before Europe in a diplomatic circular as Bismarck was accustomed to do, much of the European hostility would have been avoided.

The Duke of Devonshire, in the course of his reply, charged Lord Rosebery with endeavoring to embitter the relations of the United States with Great Britain.

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Power of Attorney Blanks for the Tanana—Nugget Office.

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LEAVES FOR HOME

Mrs. Giles Departs in Good Care for Ontario

Mrs. Carrie Giles, the insane woman whose sad case has excited so much sympathy in the city, left on the stage today for her former home in Paisley, Ontario, in company with Mr. and Mrs. J. G. McLaughlin who will not leave her side until she has been safely turned over to the care of her relatives and friends in the east. Her brother, J. A. McDonald, who was to have accompanied her had the misfortune to have one of his hands severely mangled in a steam wood saw a day or two ago which made it impossible for him to attempt the trip. The friends of Mrs. Giles state that her dementia is slightly improving and they have hopes of her ultimate recovery with good care and quietness where she will be free from worry. She is no longer violent, but rather is inclined to be moody and dejected in spirit, refusing to talk to those who have shown so kindly interest in her case. The government defrays the cost of her transportation and that of her two escorts as far as Vancouver and charitable friends have made the balance of the journey one of ease and comfort.

HOCKEY TONIGHT

At the D. A. A. A. Skating Rink

N. C. Hardware Employees Will Play Against Employees of the Store.

There will be a rattling good game of hockey and several old scores settled tonight at the skating rink when the employes of the hardware department of the N. C. Co. will play the employes of the general merchandise departments of the same firm.

The boys in the hardware department have an idea that they are as hard as the ware they handle and that no combination from all the rest of the departments can be found that will be able to compete against them.

The rest of the boys have an entirely different opinion and claim that the hardware boys won't "ware" as hard as they think they will and that the game will be very much one sided in favor of the merchandise men.

Both teams are composed of good skaters and old time hockey players and the game will be a fast and furious one as each is determined to settle once and for all time the supremacy of their branch. The lineup of the teams will be as follows:

Hardware department — Forrest, Joyal, Herd, Locke, McLachlan, Treneman and Pingh.

Store—Maltby, Overton, England, Ehlan, Ritchie, Seguin, Martz and a few others.

Ruggles—"Did you have any trouble in getting a settlement out of the insurance company when your Vermont maple molasses factory burnt down the other day?"

Biggler—"Well, they settled for the buildings all right, but they refused to allow me anything for the half dozen carloads of—er—corncobs in stock."

SULPHUR CONTEST

Dispute Over a Fraction in the Eighties

Plaintiff Alleges That Defendant Has no Licence and Failed to Properly Stake.

A protest was filed yesterday in the gold commissioner's court in which John F. Patterson is the plaintiff and Charles Huber the defendant, the litigation being over a fraction on lower Sulphur, 80a, which is claimed by both the litigants. Plaintiff alleges in his statement of claim that on February 24, immediately after midnight of the 23rd, he staked the fractional creek claim, 80a on Sulphur which at that time was vacant Dominion ground and open to relocation. On March 1 he made application for record which was accepted together with the fee required for the same. Later, at the expiration of fourteen days he applied for a grant to the same and it was refused upon the ground that the defendant had made application for a grant to the same ground.

Patterson alleges that the defendant is not a holder of a free miner's license, that he did not stake and relocate the claim at the time he alleges to have so done, and that he did not comply with the regulations regarding the relocation of claims. But if he did so stake, which is not admitted but is expressly denied, it was done prior to midnight on March 23, before which time the claim in question was not open to relocation. Plaintiff further alleges that the staking and relocation of defendant is void. He also declares that he (plaintiff) has fully complied with all the regulations and demands that the grant be given to him together with the costs of the action.

FRANK RALSTON.

Patient of Insane Asylum Taken to New Westminster

Frank Ralston, who has been a patient in the local asylum for the insane since last fall, was sent out today by the authorities to the asylum at New Westminster for treatment. Ralston lost his reason through despondency as many others have done in this country.

Throughout his mental illness he has been docile and has never had any attacks of violence. He would have been transferred before but the authorities have been awaiting warm weather. He will be taken out in a special team under police escort.

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Convicted of Gambling

Centralia, Feb. 26.—William McDonald, of Pe Ell, who was tried in Justice Miller's court, in this city last week on a charge of gambling, the jury failing to agree, was given a new trial in the same court on Tuesday. The jury brought in a verdict of guilty, and the defendant was fined $40 and costs, amounting in all to over $100.

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