

TELEPHONE JONES IS ACCQUITTED

And the Jury Disagrees in the Case of Thomas Boldman.

And Bolton Receives an Electric Shock—And Finds His Twice-told Story Strangely at Variance With Itself.

The sensational Kentucky creek perjury cases are on, the assizes having been opened with the case of Fred. H. Jones. At the last moment the crown abandoned the complaint, and chose to try the accused on a charge of "obtaining a valuable security [i.e., a placer grant] by fraudulent representation."

The stipulated bit of evidence was that of Recorder Bolton himself. As usual a straight well told story was elicited, but as will be seen in the report, attorneys DeJournal and Mc Gowan, by referring to the typewritten evidence given by him at the preliminary examination, involved him in confusion both helpless and profound.

Mr. Bolton was the first witness called to the stand. He told how Jones had recorded the claim in question on October 7, after setting up in his affidavit that he had staked the ground on September 29 and taking the usual oath. "But did he take the oath; did you not forget or neglect to administer it, and wasn't it possible the oath was not attached to the book according to your custom?" were a few of the questions hurled at the witness by Attorney DeJournal.

Witness replied that he was pretty sure he had sworn Jones, but he had received thirty-seven applications for record that day, and he might have missed one; that he did not know whether he gave the affidavit to Jones to read, or whether he had read it himself, and that sometimes, in the press of business, the oath is not attached to the book when the latter receives the signature of an applicant.

Then the sensation was sprung. "I am going to ask you a delicate question now," said Attorney DeJournal; "how much were you going to get out of this claim?"

"Oh nothing," Mr. Bolton replied. "Yes, I am quite sure of it."

"How long have you known Jones?" was next asked.

"I met him first a few evenings before he recorded. Yes, it was at the telephone office at the Fairview hotel."

Attorney DeJournal then sprung his second sensation by reading from the evidence in the preliminary investigation, at which time Bolton swore that he had never met Jones and did not know him personally.

After watching the confusion of the witness for a time, the attorney renewed his attack. "I will ask you again, how much were you to get out of this claim?" The answer was similar in import to the first. Attorney DeJournal then referred to the evidence in the preliminary examination and said, "I want to know now whether Duffield lied, or whether you did?"

This elicited a mild rebuke from the court, and the attorney explained, in modified language, that he wanted to show that what Bolton was then saying was not true.

Bolton was then induced to relate that on the night before the Kentucky creek discovery was recorded, he went to the telephone office in the Fairview, and there talked over the whole matter with Jones, Duffield and Dague. He could not remember how he came to go there, but when pressed by the court he admitted that it might have been by previous appointment with Jones. Attorney DeJournal here actually begged for leave to impeach the credibility of the witness, but was dissuaded, and resumed questioning on what took place at the meeting. Witness could not remember that, after talking over the matter in hand, he had asked Jones

"What there would be in it for me," but he remembered talking with Jones about a typewriter. "Did you hint to him to give you one, or did he say he would give you one?" asked the court. Witness said no, but that Jones had promised to get him one like it. Witness then admitted that while Duffield and Dague were still present he drew a map of Kentucky creek, and made out the applications of the discoverers; he also admitted that he might have told them to come to the office a little before nine o'clock, the usual hour of opening the office; also that he had met Jones again before the latter recorded.

Mr. Bolton was permitted to quit the rack then, and W. H. Duffield was called. He testified that he met Jones in September and promised to let him know if he struck anything good on Kentucky creek. Jones telling him that they would arrange to stake the creek on shares. Later on he met Jones at the Fairview, and Jones gave Dague a list of names of people for whom they were to stake. He also told them they were to stake for Bolton on No. 2A, and told how Bolton had taken a description of the creek and made out their applications at the Fairview the night before they recorded.

The defense, upon assuming conduct of the case, introduced evidence to show that Jones had gone to Kentucky creek and staked on Oct. 8 and 23.

Mrs. Lila Brenner, of the telephone office, testified that he had secured a leave of absence from duty at the time, saying he was going on a stampede.

Frank Kinghorn showed by his books that Jones had partially negotiated for the hire of a horse from Bartlett Bros. to ride to Kentucky creek on the 28th, but that he had given it up on the grounds that it was impracticable and had carried his blankets away.

Defendant Jones also took the stand to support the contention. He said he went to Kentucky creek on the 29th, alone and afoot, and drew a map of the route he followed. Upon arriving there he found a claim staked for him, but it did not bear his miner's license number and he added it himself. Duffield was recalled and admitted that he had not put the number on the stake, though the balance of the writing upon a very anxious wife.

Inquiries. The police of the station are besieged with inquiries regarding the whereabouts of Matt Caviness, of La Plata City, Colorado. A letter from Mrs. Kate Dobson, 407 South 13th street, Denver, Colorado, prays for information of Henry Dobson who left home for the Klondike a year ago last October. Any information to that address would confer a favor upon a very anxious wife.

The Ski Tournament. Fully 3,000 people, it is estimated, witnessed the first ski tournament ever held in the Yukon country on Friday. Owing to the mild weather prevailing, the snow was soft and the hill slow, so that the records for distance were not so good as expected; but in all other respects the occasion was very successful. The contestants numbered 12 and a hot rivalry was on all the time. The prizes were awarded as follows:

First class.—First prize, 5 ounces of gold and gold medal, Lief T. Holter second prize, 2 1/2 ounces of gold and gold medal, Adolf Schilling; third prize, 2 1/2 ounces of gold, Adolf M. Mosheim.

Second (amateur) class.—First prize, 1 1/2 ounces of gold and medal, Captain H. E. Burdall; second prize, 1 ounce of gold and medal Dr. J. Svensgaard.

Longest jump, standing or falling.—Prize, 1 1/2 ounces of gold and a handsome gold medal given by the KLONDIKE NUGGET, Seron Eversom.

Best tumbler.—Prize, box of cigars, Andrew Erickson.

The longest jump, that made by Eversom, was 56 feet. All the best runners contested in this, as the Nugget medal was well worth striving for. Holte was by odds the best general runner on the hill.

The judges consisted of Dr. Hallward Lee, Dr. L. E. Benson, H. M. Henning, John Aune and John H. Lampe.

OUTSIDE BREVITIES. In several provinces of China, the hatred of foreigners has led to serious demonstrations against them. Troops have been sent to the excited districts.

A report has reached official circles at Peking that an assassin was dispatched to Japan to take the life of the emperor. An investigation has been ordered.

LONDON, Feb. 14.—Sir Thomas Eipton, the challenger for the American cup, has purchased the magnificent steam yacht Acetous for £80,000 upon which he will entertain a large company during the races. She is 200 feet long and has a speed of 17 knots.

After Mr. and Mrs. Amos Palmer, of Providence, R. I., had entertained a company of friends in honor of the eighth anniversary of their wedding, on Feb. 13, the former shot the latter to death, firing five bullets into her heart. He is believed to be insane.

A Vice-United States Consul. The American consul, Col. McCook, is just in receipt of a communication from Washington authorizing or approving of his appointment of Ronald Morrison as vice-United States consul for this district, and also of J. E. Doherty as deputy consul. The recommendations were made early last summer, and the answer has been buried in the congested mail at Tagish since the fall.

Alex. McDonald Married. The following is from the P. J. of February 11: Big Alexander McDonald, whose reputed fortune acquired on the Yukon runs into eight figures, is reported to have been married on February 9 in London to a Miss Margaret Chisholm, daughter of the superintendent of the Thames water police. The happy bride of the "King of the Klondike" probably does not know that her name may have had much to do with the winning of her rich husband, for it was Miss Margaret Chisholm, of this city, who was probably the first pretty girl that McDonald saw on coming down from Alaska, and this more than possible he was prejudiced in favor of the name.

When the miner left Dawson he was given two letters, one for Miss Margaret Chisholm, of this city, and the other for the father of the Miss Chisholm in London. The name of Chisholm became identified in the Klondiker's mind with fascinating femininity, and it did not take him long after meeting with the London girl to decide that he need look no further for a charming wife.

McDonald arrived in London shortly before Christmas. He had never seen the young woman he married. Their wedding was arranged in the quickest possible time because of McDonald's business affairs, which necessitated his return to the Yukon almost immediately.

In speaking of the marriage a London cable says: "The bride is 20 years of age and very pretty. She is a descendant of the ancient clan of Chisholm, which fought so gloriously at Culloden. The ceremony was performed by the bride's uncle, Rev. Canon Chisholm, of Glasgow. The bridegroom is a big, stern man, and looks the typical miner. The church was filled, mostly with youngsters, who sat upon benches with mouths agape, eyeing the Klondiker."

When Miss Chisholm, of this city, who is stenographer in the city comptroller's office, was informed of the wealthy marriage of her English namesake, she smiled and said: "Well, it's all in the family."

Fire Department Meeting. On Wednesday evening the usual semi-monthly meeting of the volunteers was held at the engine house and transacted the usual routine of business. Captain Hanson, for the fire commissioners, was there to say that the recommendations of Chief Fletcher for more paid men in the department could not be accepted. The commission had no funds and no way of

securing any, so that for the present the matter must be tabled. A good brand of cigars was presented to the boys and proved most acceptable.

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EMPLOYMENT WANTED. MALE. WANTED—First class cook, excellent references, engagement at end of March, creek preferred. Apply, giving fullest particulars to number, salary, etc., to "Norvill," care this office.

LOST AND FOUND FOUND—2 black shepherd dogs, brown legs and muzzles. James T. Kelly, 22 below on per Dominion.

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