

DOINGS BEFORE THE POLICE COURT.

John Collins Enjoys a Hop Dream at Another Man's Expense.

Third Street Girls Given Twenty-four Hours in Which to Get Into the Confinement of the Tenderloin District.

Constable Wilson and his men of the town station are enjoying a bit of fun out of the manner in which evidence was again secured of Sunday liquor selling at the Villa de Lion, West Dawson, and which resulted in the arrest of Mr. Lion, the proprietor. A couple of officers from the barracks who were well known went over to the place last Sunday, and, being recognized by the affable landlord, were treated in the hospitable, cordial manner characteristic of him and so deserved by them. While this was going on two other policemen, "made up" for the purpose, boldly applied for and were served with divers drinks, including whisky, and as a result Mr. Lion was next day arrested for selling during prohibited hours.

Constables Delatorre and Constantine, who procured the liquor, testified to the same before Colonel Steele on Monday, placing the time when they procured the liquor at between 2 and 4:30 o'clock; it was taken in the dining room. Mr. Lion, in his defense, admitted serving the men with beer, but said he was sure they did not have whisky; besides that, it was not after 1:30, as he could prove.

The court said he would adjourn the case in Mr. Lion's defense until 10:30 Tuesday, and if at that time he did not prove his claims he would impose the full extent of the law.

AFTER SOILED DOVES.

Marguerite Williams and Ida Smith, French women, notwithstanding their names, and prostitutes by reason of choice, were arraigned Monday on a charge of being keepers of houses of ill-fame. The particular reason for the prosecution, however, is the fact that they persist in maintaining establishments on Third avenue, contrary to police orders. The women first removed to Third avenue at a time when it was only ordered that they should vacate Second avenue, and later they were told they could retain their houses until the end of July, in order that they should not be subjected to losses. But instead of "mushing" at the expiration of the time of grace, they coolly hung out a sign each, laid in small stocks of the weed and a couple of women's waists, and pretended to be decent shop women. In court, too, they pleaded not guilty to the charge against them.

Constable Spill testified that the places were frequented by men and that there was every reason to believe the women were continuing their old business. Smith, indeed, had openly solicited him one night when he passed her place in civilian's clothes.

In summing up, Colonel Steele reminded the women that they had been allowed to stay only to save them from loss, but that they could stay no longer. "It is no good to fight it," he said, "the street is wanted, and must be had by decent people, and if all the lawyers in town were prayed for in your defense it would not save you. Now, I will suspend sentence until 7 o'clock Tuesday evening, and if you have not moved by that time I will give you the full extent of the law."

STUCK IN OFFICER.

Fred Saunders is putting in 60 days at the barracks for striking an officer. While under the influence of liquor on Saturday night Saunders became obstreperous at the Pavilion and was ejected by Nigger Jim. On the sidewalk he became involved in a row with another fellow, and when Constable Booth came up he struck him, and then resisted arrest, giving the officer considerable trouble. A soldier finally went to the officer's aid, and Saunders was taken to the barracks.

W. A. Goodwin was an interested spectator of the late exhibition of the fire brigade, and in his zeal to get before the kitescope he willfully neglected to keep with the crowd when repeatedly spoken to by Constable Smith. He was finally arrested, and on the way to jail he attempted to square things with a \$10 bill, which is a precarious undertaking in this country. Before the court Goodwin made as good a plea as he could, and some friends offered as a reason why he should be dealt leniently with that he was gently reared. "All the more reason why he should know how to deport himself," quoth the court; "we have had Carl's sons here, but their birth didn't save them."

ROMANCE OF A POCKETBOOK.

Thomas Palmer, a Victoria merchant, left for home last night with a hard luck story that will bring tears of sorrow from the eyes of his fellow-townsmen. He arrived at Dawson not long ago, with a cargo of cheecharko potatoes, which he expected to sell to the wealth laden denizens of the Klondike at prices which would immediately raise him above the cares of existence; but he found the market glutted, and was obliged to sell at an actual loss. Then, to cap the climax of his woes, the wallet in which Mr. Palmer kept the \$45, which constituted the proceeds of his sale, was picked up by an old bum named Collins in the Opera House, where Mr. Palmer had unwittingly left it, and before he was run down all the money but \$20 was blown in over the faro table.

Collins, when arraigned on a charge of theft, set up the plea that the wallet was empty when he found it and that the money he spent was his own (although it is said he had not possessed \$2 at one time for six months). "What was easier, judge," he said, pathetically, "that somebody else should have found the wallet,

taken out the money and left it on the gambling table, to be found by some poor, luckless, drunken fool like me?" The colonel did recognize the novelty of the argument, but the facts in the case were against him, and he had to take six months.

ANOTHER WONDERFUL DOG.

Another dog which proved its ability to be in two distinct places at one and the same time was the bone of contention in court Saturday, when Mrs. L. K. Hill caused the arrest of Dan Stewart on a charge of stealing her canine pride. Each party had witnesses to prove their ownership to the property, but Mrs. Hill's case was manifestly the stronger and she was awarded possession of the animal, though the charge against Mr. Stewart was dismissed.

STOLE A BROOM.

Solomon Albert, a thrifty gentleman who seems prone to attach himself to other people's property when left in his presence unguarded, stole a broom from the Yukon dock. The watchman tumbled to his work and had Solomon apprehended by Constable Skirving, red handed. Solomon made light of the affair and said he could not account for the presence of the broom in his boat; but the court opined that the circumstances were such he felt justified in giving Mr. Albert a sentence of ten days.

MINOR OFFENDERS.

Antonio Barbuso, who impersonated a fellow Italian who willed him his minor's license when he left the country and then recorded a claim by impersonating the absent one, was arraigned Saturday on a second charge, that of "causing and inducing E. D. Bolton, a mining recorder, to execute a certain valuable security," etc. He was held for trial at the territorial court.

Robert Mitchell, for overloading his team of dogs, was fined \$20 and costs. The complainant was Sergeant-Major Tueker.

A young man who passed a worthless check for \$50 on Hall & McKinney was discharged when the case had been mercifully withdrawn, but not before the defendant had received some sound advice from the court on the joys of rectitude and the sorrows of wrongdoing.

Julius Erickson of 56 below on Bonanza caused the arrest of P. Herold of 62 below on a charge of drawing a knife and using threatening language toward him.

INSANE MAN SUICIDES.

How Johnson Came to His Death—News From Up River.

EIGHT MILES FROM FIVE FINGERS, August 1, 1899.—Frank Johnson, formerly located on No. 12 Eldorado, committed suicide by jumping from the steamer Victorian this evening at 9:30 o'clock. He was one of three insane patients who were being taken outside, and was being guarded by John Gillespie and Jim Black. The guard had just put him to bed, and Black's back was turned for a few moments, when quick as a flash Johnson jumped out of bed and before anyone could realize it he was over the rail. A boat was lowered in a moment and followed down stream, but no trace of him could be found. He was seen to rise once, rub his eyes, turn over and sink for the last time. Johnson was a brother of the man to whom suspicion first pointed as having robbed George James on No. 12 Eldorado, and the worry and anxiety on his brother's behalf, even after the latter had been entirely exonerated, proved too much for him and unbalanced his mind. Mr. Johnson came from Brainerd, Minn., where he had lived for some time.

Another of the insane patients attempted to jump from the side of the steamer Thursday morning, and was only prevented from doing so by the crew. The passengers. The officials should be more exact in selecting a guard in future, as the one sent with this patient was careless, leaving the guard duty to Dr. Call, the father of one of the patients, who has been on guard most of the time.

STAMPEDE TO SELWYN.

A small crowd from the Victorian stamped to Selwyn Monday evening. A few of the passengers were booked for this point, and the anxiety surrounding their actions caused several of the crew to leave and go with them. Inquiry from the police at this point elicited the information that a small strike had been made on the Selwyn, about 15 miles up, but that it was not sufficient to warrant anyone going up.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The Victorian is making a record-breaking trip, and Captain Turner hopes to cut the Canadian's time by at least an hour, although no effort is being made to crowd her.

The cable has been put in at Five Fingers, and works to perfection. The Victorian made the passage in five and one-half minutes. The telegraph is completed to Five Fingers, and will be at Selkirk by the 10th or 12th of this month.

The Anglian is being pulled out of the water by the Columbian, and will soon be on the range again.

The Victorian blew out one of the tubes of her boiler on Thursday morning, occasioning a delay of five hours. Otherwise she would have made the trip to White Horse in 3 days and 19 hours.

Corporal Duma was taken on board the Victorian at Cassiar, suffering from a severe wound in his left leg, just below the knee, which he cut about two weeks ago while getting out some logs.

I. N. DAVIDSON.

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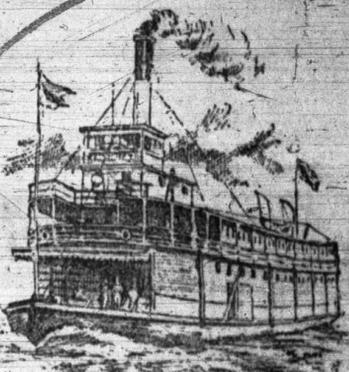
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