

HOMELESS HUNDREDS

Forest Fires Create Big Loss

Eleven Lives Lost and 200 People Lose All of Their Property.

Special to the Daily Nugget. Portland, Ore., Sept. 15.—Oregon forest fires have wrought incalculable damage and still continue. From Ariel Cowlitz county, Washington, to the foot of Mount St. Helens, a distance of 25 miles, eleven are dead and four missing, while more than 300 are homeless, many with nothing to wear. The dead in Cowlitz county are as far as known as: D. L. Wallace, wife and two children, the 12-year-old son of Mr. Hanley, John Pollock, brother and child, W. E. Newhouse, and Mrs. Graves. Four men working a claim for Jas. Hawthorne are missing. Fifty or sixty people camping near a lake at the foot of Mt. St. Helens have not been heard from since the fire. Milo M. Dimick brought the first reports to Portland this morning after terrifying adventures.

Wilson the Leader. Vancouver, Sept. 15.—The Conservatives of British Columbia have passed a resolution in favor of party lines and have again chosen Charles Wilson, R. C. O., as compromise leader to reconcile the McBride, Gellon and Prior factions.

Indian to Hang. Deadwood, S. D., Sept. 15.—Allan Walkingshield, a Rosebud Indian, has been sentenced to hang Oct. 24 for the murder of Mrs. Bear and the abduction of her daughter.

Decrease in Birth Rate. London, Aug. 30.—Sociologists are disturbed by the vital statistics just issued, showing a marked decline in the English birthrate. London shows a decrease since 1881 from 27.4 to 20.6 per hundred married women under the age of 45. The decline is most noticeable in the fashionable quarters of the capital, while the alarm areas, such as Stepney, Shadwell and Bethnal Green are almost stationary. Outside of London the decline amounts to 23.8 against 30.3 in 1881.

Married at Noon. At twelve o'clock noon today Mr. W. M. Dickey of the Dominion Commercial Co. and Miss Mary Clemmer were united in marriage, the Rev. Dr. McCann officiating. The happy couple were the recipients of many warm congratulations.

At Auditorium—The Plunger.

The Ladue Quartz Mill

IS NOW IN OPERATION. We have made a large number of tests and are ready to make others.

We have the best plant money will buy and guarantee all our work in this mill and also in the

Assay Office

OPENING SATURDAY

Crockery and China Store

SPECIAL LOW PRICES IN ALL LINES FOR ONE WEEK ONLY. SEE OUR \$1.00 TABLE. IT IS FULL OF BARGAINS TOO NUMEROUS TO MENTION.

McLennan, McFeely & Co., Ltd.

To Occupy Malay. London, Sept. 15.—British troops have occupied principally of Malayan, Malay, preliminary to the extension of a British protectorate over the entire peninsula.

Reported Sale. Montreal, Sept. 15.—It is reported that J. S. Ellerman has disposed of the Antwerp-Montreal line of steamers to the Morgan combine.

Justice Gray Dead. Washington, Sept. 15.—Retired Justice Gray, U. S. supreme court, is dead.

BIG MEAT COMBINE

All Interests Are Now United

Biggest Trust in the United States Except the Steel Combine.

Chicago, Sept. 15.—The long expected merger of the meat packing interests of the United States will go into force Sept. 27. This industrial combination will be second only to the steel trust in magnitude.

Telegraph Office at Sea. The latest wireless telegraph schemes is the proposed installation of a combined lightship and ocean telegraph station a hundred miles west of Lisard. It is suggested that a vessel provided with a powerful searchlight, projected against the clouds, marks the position of the station at night. The wireless plant is to be powerful enough to command the fairway of the channel and exchange news and orders with passing vessels. Should the experiment succeed it is proposed to establish a number of such ships along the coast. It is thought that they will be particularly valuable in the transmission of meteorological reports and warnings.

Claim Sold. Timm, of the below appears on Donjon has bought all the interests of the Alaska and Northwest Exploration Co. on 28 below upper including hillside and hydraulic machinery, and is now getting the claims in readiness for next year's production.

Officers Elected. The Licensed Victuallers' Association of Dawson held a meeting yesterday afternoon at which the following officers were elected for the coming year: Geo. Butler, president; Wm. Baird, vice-president; Joe Hutton, secretary; A. D. Field, treasurer; Executive committee—Jas. F. McDonald, Tom Lamar, Dunc Senler, Joe Crahan, R. L. Hall.

The shirtwaist man doesn't object to a coat of tan—Philadelphia Record.

The Plunger at Auditorium.

JUDGMENT IS RENDERED

In many cases on general appearance. Many a man who hasn't a cent but wears good clothes escapes the Vagrancy law. The natural conclusion is that it is general appearance that you are judged by. If you use only the best and up-to-date stationery you will always make a good impression. Hubbard's Old Time Stamp Book, Highland Lines' Flashman's Initial Stationery, Sovereign Postal Cards, etc., are acknowledged by all to be the very latest and best. Circulars, the Druggist, has a full line at remarkably outside prices. See him.

CRIBBS, The Druggist

King St., next to Post office.

FATAL ACCIDENT YESTERDAY.

Dan McKinsey and Robert Haddock Were Instantly Killed and Frank Mills Probably Will Die—The Men Had Recently Purchased a Claim and in Making Inspection of Their Property Fell Down a Shaft 114 Feet in Depth—Accident Due to Defect in Hoisting Cage.

One of the saddest accidents that has taken place since the discovery of gold in the Klondike occurred on King Solomon's Hill yesterday at 1 p. m. The old Fax claim has always been known as a good producer, and was purchased by W. P. Brayton some time ago. Last week Wm. Glendonan, Dan McDonald and Chas. Croydon, proprietors of the Monte Cristo hotel at 25 below Bonanza, made arrangements to purchase the claim from Mr. Brayton for \$8,000. The deal was consummated. Mr. Croydon was asked to withdraw in favor of Dan McKinsey and Robert Haddock, which Mr. Croydon cheerfully did. The four above mentioned young men had always been friends, and worked together, were "sifty" and industrious, had saved their wages and desired to work together the coming winter. Last Saturday they consummated the deal. On Sunday after

lunch Messrs. McKinsey, Haddock and Glendonan, owners, and Frank Mills, an employee, started to go down the shaft. As the four men stepped onto the cage something was heard to crack. They immediately signaled the engineer not to start, stepped off the cage and examined the same to see what had happened. As no breaks could be found, the engineer was signalled to lower the cage which was sent down empty. On its return it was again examined and thought to be safe. It was then the accident occurred. Messrs. McKinsey and Haddock stepped onto the cage and it still seemed to them all right, but when Frank Mills stepped on the bottom separated from the top part of the cage and the three men went to the bottom, a distance of 114 feet. As quick as possible the men were taken up one at a time. Mr. Haddock's face was battered into an unrecognizable mass and he was instantly killed. Mr. McKinsey lived a few minutes after being rescued, and Frank Mills, who was shortly after examined by a physician from Grand Forks, was found to have both legs and several ribs broken, and is still alive. Nothing encouraging is given out today except that while there is life there is hope. Every possible measure is being done for the young man, and it is hoped that his youth and strong constitution will carry him through. The accident is accounted for in the following manner. During the noon lunch barrels of water were being sent down 700 pounds, so it was certain that at that time the cage was all right. A regular trap is not used, but a cross-piece is placed under the center of the cage until the load is removed. It is thought that this cross-piece instead of being placed in the center after hoisting the water, was placed on one side,



THE PACKHORSE: "WE NEVER WILL GET BEYOND THAT GATE, JOE."

St. Lawrence Quartz

Although the American miners taken from Nome by the North Star Siberian Co. have only been scattered over desolate tundras of Siberia but a short time, some of them who have been prospecting about ten miles inland from St. Lawrence bay have discovered a quartz ledge. The company's schooner Lilly returned to Nome last Saturday and brought a quantity of the quartz to be assayed. Experts who have seen the rock state that it is highly mineralized and undoubtedly carries considerable gold. The captain of the schooner stated that the miners told him they had traced the vein for several miles and that they had crisscrossed a specimen of the rock and planned it being an accomplice of Peter Four-nare in the murder of Leon Bouthillier, Guy Beaudin and Alphonse Constant. The capture of a Hoyle was stated in the telegraph column of the Nugget some days ago, was effected in Washburn, Nevada, after a chase which extended across a half dozen states and territories and totaled over two thousand miles. Detective Welch was met at the stable Egan who retained him at the prisoner and hurried him off to the jail. The arrest is of medium height, swarthy complexion, heavy mustache, and had several dark growth of beard on his face which

RETURNS WITH HIS PRISONER

Detective Welch's Successful Search for La Belle Ends After Many Weeks—He Receives Many Congratulations from the Officials.

William Welch, who has achieved an upward reputation for his appearance. He wore a dark suit of clothes and a monocle which he kept balanced down over his eye. As though he wished to avoid any appearance of knowledge of the case, he kept his eyes fixed on the ground and when other persons would be brought by disquieted, he would be removed by other persons to the Canadian side. La Belle pointed out the island to Mr. Welch where the prisoner had been confined and when other persons would be brought by disquieted, he would be removed by other persons to the Canadian side. La Belle pointed out the island to Mr. Welch where the prisoner had been confined and when other persons would be brought by disquieted, he would be removed by other persons to the Canadian side. La Belle pointed out the island to Mr. Welch where the prisoner had been confined and when other persons would be brought by disquieted, he would be removed by other persons to the Canadian side.

Will Make a Fight.

Special to the Daily Nugget. Denver, Sept. 15.—Mrs. Nellie Victoria, Sept. 15.—Mrs. Nellie Craven, wanted for perjury in San Francisco in connection with the Fairwell case, is in Victoria and will make a fight.

Steamer Lost

Special to the Daily Nugget. San Francisco, Sept. 15.—The British steamer Mithridat, bound near Cardiya Island, Ceylon. The captain and thirteen of the crew were lost.

Due to Meteorites

Special to the Daily Nugget. Denver, Sept. 15.—Scientists attribute the forest fires of Colorado to exploding meteorites.

THE SCHEME WAS NIPPED

Indians to be Robbed of Land

Washington, Aug. 30.—William A. Jones, Commissioner of Indian Affairs, thinks he has nipped in the bud a scheme that promised to deprive a total of \$10,000,000 or \$20,000,000 worth of Indian lands and some one of the worst scandals the interior department has had to deal with. Commissioner Jones admits there is a chance yet for the Indians to be robbed by the investigators of this scheme, but says he will do everything in his power to prevent it. Many large syndicates have been organized throughout the west to purchase the lands, ostensibly owned by the Indians, which are now in the hands of the government, with which they cannot be disposed of without the approval of the interior department. Many thousands of acres are valued at from \$1 to \$100 an acre. In many instances attempts have been made by these syndicates to induce the Indian agent at the reservation to furnish them with all the descriptions and specifications of the lands. A big fight in Nebraska, in which a number of prominent public men are interested, made an attempt to secure from the agent at the reservation near Outlook the description of 70,000 acres and the names of the heirs of the dead allottees. This syndicate contemplated purchasing the land for about one-third of its value and selling it to settlers on the mortgage plan for about \$50 an acre.

U. S. Interior Department Will Take Measures to Prevent Frauds.

YUKON COUNCIL

Enlarges Powers of the City

May Now Compel Property Owners to Construct Sidewalks.

Two of the amendments to the Dawson City charter that were made by the Yukon council last week are of considerable importance. Firstly, that by which the powers of the city council to compel property owners to construct sidewalks is first of their premises is increased. Heretofore it has been impossible to compel the owners of property to lay walks except on certain streets, upon nearly all of which such walks are already being constructed. On the cross streets the owners of unimproved property could laugh at their neighbors who had perhaps built a residence and thereby improving the adjoining lots and still be compelling to walk through the mud in order to reach their homes. Things have changed now, however, and the city council will compel the laying of walks throughout the entire city. The amendment to the charter consists in the addition of the following words at the end of one of the sub-sections: "Compelling the owner or occupant of any premises in the city to construct sidewalks of such description, height and grade as the council may by resolution direct and in such places or places on the street or streets which adjoin any such premises" as the council may by resolution direct. The other amendment referred to was made to sub-section 30 of section 137 and confers on the council the power to contract for the lighting of the city for a period not exceeding two years. The amendment is as follows: "Contract with any person or persons for the lighting of the city or any part thereof with gas, electricity, oil or by any other means for any length of time, not in the first instance, exceeding two years."

Five Drowned

Battle Creek, Mich., Aug. 30.—The bodies of five employees of the Battle Creek Sanitation, who lost their lives in Lake Sturgeon last night, their row boat being run down by the steamer Wagon, were recovered today. The bodies of Louis Brady and Walter Hildner, a photographer, were found floating in the water. They had evidently been killed by the collision, or else they would have sunk. The bodies of Della Dursey, of Allegheny, Pa.; Fannie Willis, of Toronto, Ont.; and C. F. Bennett, of Salado, Texas, were found after the lake had been dragged for several hours. Carrie Ervick, the other occupant of the boat, was rescued by a man who put out from shore in a row boat. She was the only one of the party who managed to reach shore after the boat after it had been overturned.

News about the lake and the party was reported in the Battle Creek village about 10 o'clock, but at the steamer Wagon was having no luck with an excursion party. The small boat was struck and the hull crushed, and the occupants being thrown into the water. All the victims except Miss Ervick were members of the new class of women.

Tomorrow Evening

A meeting of the shareholders of the Dawson Assay and Refining Association is called for tomorrow evening at the board of trade rooms at 8 o'clock sharp. A full attendance is desired as the contract for the construction of the building is to be considered.

Shows a Falling Off

Washington, Aug. 27.—The monthly statement of the internal revenue shows that for the month of July, 1902, the total collections were \$22,230,000, a decrease as compared with July, 1901, of \$7,167,000.

Gold Exports

New York, Aug. 30.—Exports of gold from New York for the week ending today were \$10,000,000 and \$12,235,000. Imports of gold were \$28,285,000, of silver \$10,500,000. The imports of dry goods and general merchandise for New York for the week ending today were \$10,300,000.

Rain Coats

Advertisement for Rain Coats and Umbrellas. The ad features a central illustration of a man in a raincoat holding an umbrella. The text reads: 'Rain Coats and Umbrellas. Sargent & Pinsky, 116 2nd Avenue. Made in New York. Imported from the Continent.' The ad is framed with decorative borders.