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## BOERS INTEND

To Invade Basutoland--An Attack on the Town of Wepener.

3,000 TROOPS INVESTED AT ALWAI

Alarm Felt Over Gen. Brabant's Colonial Forces.

BOERS REPORTED ACTIVE.

Prince of Wales Is Invited to Visit Canada--F. R. Burnham Captured By Boers.

London, April 12, via Skagway, April 17.—The Boers are preparing to retake Wepener, the possession of which town will give them an entrance into Basutoland. It is stated that the Basuto government is prepared to meet the enemy, but the approach of the forces is having a bad effect upon the natives, necessitating the utmost vigilance among the local officials to prevent an uprising.

Gen. Brabant's force of 3000 colonial troops is apparently invested at Alwai, as no news of active movements has been heard from Brabant for some time.

### Boers Active.

London, April 12, via Skagway, April 17.—Amazing activity is manifested among the Boers in the country south-east and southwest of Bloemfontein. The Boer commandos apparently are coming and going as they please through a wide stretch of territory, though they take good care to avoid points known to be held by the British.

### Wales Coming.

Ottawa, April 12, via Skagway, April 17.—It is generally believed that the Prince of Wales will visit Canada dur-

ing the coming summer. Premier Laurier recently communicated to the Prince an invitation to make the proposed visit, assuring him of a welcome from the entire Dominion. The mayors of Ottawa, Toronto, Quebec and Montreal have cabled the prince their desire to throw the gates of their respective cities open to him in case the invitation should be accepted.

### Burnham Captured.

San Francisco, April 12, via Skagway, April 17.—A special from Cape Town to the Examiner states that F. R. Burnham, who was in Dawson last summer and who has been in the scouting service of the British army since the outbreak of the war has been captured by the Boers.

(Frank R. Burnham referred to above, came to Dawson on a hurried business visit early last summer, returning to Skagway in July, where he became interested in a proposition to construct an electric light and power plant, the motor power for which was to be the water falls near the cemetery east of that city. As the water right was contested and as, owing to a rush of order, the machinery for the plant could not be supplied for many months, the proposition was dropped. In the meantime, Burnham, who is possessed of a large amount of capital, purchased and improved some fine business property and built for his family one of the finest residences in Skagway. He contributed largely to the building fund of the Bishop McCabe college at Skagway, of which institution he was one of the directors. He continued to reside in Skagway until offered a handsome price by the British government in December to go to South Africa in the capacity of scout. Burnham, who is an American citizen, with all the instincts and love of adventure of the typical Yankee, was with Jameson in his famous South African raid where his services were so valuable that he was awarded a medal and highly complimented for the valuable services rendered. He was also presented with a township of land six miles square in South Africa, which property has since become quite valuable. Later he was a partner with Cecil Rhodes in some of the latter's adventures in that country. He is supposed to possess very valuable information of the topography of the country where war is now being waged, hence his value to the British government as a scout.—E.D.)

### Klondike River Accident.

Yesterday a team of horses attached to a wagon broke through the ice while attempting to cross the Klondike river. After much difficulty the rescue of the animals and outfit was effected. The ice on this tributary is now so treacherous and unsafe, that travelers and freighters are crossing by way of the toll bridge.

### Lion and Toe.

The Monte Carlo will open to the public today and the management extends a hearty invitation to all to visit their resort. It will be found to be the most carefully arranged saloon in Dawson and is well worth seeing. Many of the attractive conceits which George Lion had in his place across the river has been put in here and they make the place look cozy and inviting in the extreme.

**OUR HISTORY**

We have enjoyed a prosperous season, and now that spring is upon us our old location in the McDonald Hotel is found to be too small to accommodate the steady increase of business we enjoy.

We have secured a splendid location opposite the Bank of B.N.H. on Second Street. Our goods always lead in style and "money back" is still our motto if you are not satisfied.

## ARCTIC SAWMILL

Removed to Mouth of Hunker Creek, on Klondike River.

Sluice, Flume, & Mining Lumber

Ones: At Mill, at Upper Ferry on Klondike River and at Boyle's Wharf

.....J. W. BOYLE

## DISTRICT COURT

Some Important Decisions Are Rendered By Justice Dugas.

### JUDGMENT OBTAINED BY DEFENDANTS

In the Case of the C. D. Co. vs. La Blanc et Al.

### CAPIAS LAW INTERPRETED.

Trial of Charles Hill Postponed to April 24th—Queen vs. Showers Continued Till May 1st.

Justice Dugas delivered several important decisions this morning.

Judgment was rendered in the case of the Canadian Development Company, plaintiff, vs. La Blanc et al., defendants, who are owners of the steamboat W. K. Merwin. The plaintiff sued the defendants for damages, resulting from the accidental collision of the steamboat Canadian and Merwin, which occurred in the Thirtymile river on August 21st, 1899. The plaintiff alleged that the accident was occasioned by the negligence of the defendants, who, in their answer, responded that the unfortunate affair is attributable to the plaintiff's carelessness. The court, in deciding the action, said: "Taking all the circumstances into consideration, I come to the conclusion that everything which could be done by the Merwin was done, and that the whole fault lies on the Canadian, which, besides, does not seem to have been very thoroughly equipped. Judgment will be entered against the plaintiff for the amount of damages which shall be established by a person to be hereafter appointed." Belcourt, McDougal and Smith were attorneys for the plaintiff, and White, McCaul and Davy represented the defendants.

In Ashelby vs. Fay, the plaintiff sued the defendant for \$700, and the latter was arrested under a writ of capias, issued upon the representations of the plaintiff, who asserted that the defendant was about to depart from the territory with intent to defraud his creditors. The defendant moved some time ago that the capias writ be quashed. In determining the matter, Justice Dugas expressed himself as follows: "It strikes me that if the spirit of the ordinance was interpreted in such a way as to immediately give the right to arrest a person who may express a desire to leave the territory, it would give there to a sense which was never intended. The acts and words of a party indebted must show, at least, a probable reason to believe that such must be the intention, for in that only lies the right of a creditor to arrest his debtor, and surely, when a party having a debatable account with another, tells him squarely and openly that his desire is to come to a settlement thereof (as in this case), whether he really intends to leave or not, it does not show or divulge any intention on his part to defraud his creditors. The application is granted, and the defendant liberated from the capias with costs." August Noel was attorney for plaintiff; White, McCaul and Davy appeared for the defendant.

In Larson vs. Blaker, the defendant was released by a decision of the court from the writ of capias, issued in the case.

In Courtney et al. vs. the Canadian Development Company, judgment was rendered in favor of the plaintiffs with costs. The damages are to be ascertained by a referee who will be hereafter appointed.

The trial of the case of the Queen vs. Charles Hill, accused of murder, was postponed to April 24th.

The action of the Queen vs. Mrs.

Showers, charged with arson, is continued to May 1st.

The hearing of the motion regarding the injunction in Raymond vs. Faulkner has been postponed to April 20th.

An application for the appointment of a receiver was made in the case of Williams, Smith, et al. vs. Faulkner and Johnson. The matter was taken under advisement.

In Styles vs. Galpin, the interested parties agree that the judge shall name the receiver to be appointed in the action.

In Mazave vs. Delphel, the plaintiff made an application to strike out the appearance of the defendant. Taken under advisement.

An application for the appointment of a receiver was made in the case of Sherman vs. Rowan. Taken under advisement.

In Ames vs. Jensen an application was submitted for permission to file a bill of interpleader. The matter was taken under consideration.

In McNamee vs. McNamee, an order has been entered allowing the cost bill, amounting to \$1600, to be taxed against the defendant. This is the case which was settled out of court some time ago by the parties to the action, without notice to the attorneys who had been employed.

This afternoon, the motion in McKay Brothers vs. Y. T. Co., is being heard by Justice Dugas. This action involves the disposition of \$16,000, which has been deposited in court by the defendant company, which now applies to be permitted to withdraw the money.

### The Water System.

The main pipes of the water system which is being constructed by Messrs. McLennan, McPeely and Matheson have been laid to the corner of Harper street and Second avenue. Workmen are now engaged in extending the pipes north on Second avenue, and they will be so continued until the corner of Sixth street is reached. The present system is merely temporary. Later in the season the pipes will be laid under ground, and encased in wooden boxes.

### Very Little Sickness.

At present there is probably as little sickness in Dawson as in any city of her size on the American continent. There are quite a number of inmates at both hospitals, but the majority of them are from the creeks, and many are confined as the result of accidents rather than of sickness and disease.

However, as a large number of people are still using water from the Yukon river which is taken from holes in the ice near the lower part of the city, it will not be surprising if there is considerable sickness later on in the spring.

### Dawson's Easter Storm.

In some of the old settled countries where superstition and beliefs have been handed down from father to son for a dozen generations there is a saying that Easter Sunday must invariably be accompanied by an Easter storm, which either immediately precedes or follows the festive day; and as Easter occurs at a certain stage of the moon, the old saying is usually verified.

The snow this morning was probably the Easter storm for this part of the country. In the outside this would have been a typical March or early April morning, as sunshine and storm alternated in rapid succession. If ancient traditions are carried out, the Easter storm will close the winter for good, and spring will begin in earnest.

Shoff's Cough Balsam; sure cure

Sliced Lubeck potatoes and Crown flour. Royal Grocery, Second ave.

Silver shield apricots 50 cents a can. Royal Grocery, Second ave.

## IN YUKON WATERS

Near Selwyn, Several Sacks of Incoming Mail Are Baptized.

### LOVE-LADEN LETTERS ARE MOISTENED

Intrepid Carriers Fish Pouches From Icy Waters.

### THE POSTMASTER'S ADVICE.

Hold Valuable Letters Until Navigation Opens—Mail Steamer Ready.

After the most severe trip made for many months with the mail over the river route, 17 sacks arrived at the local postoffice between 6 and 7 o'clock yesterday evening and had all been distributed ready for the patrons of the office at the usual time for opening this morning.

The mail which is being delivered today, or a portion of it, is decidedly moist, several sacks of the mail having been in the water in the vicinity of Selwyn for a period of several hours, and then they were only recovered by heroic efforts on the part of the carriers. Had there been a strong current where they went through the ice, the mail and possibly the teams and carriers would have been swept away and lost.

Very few letters arrived in the mail received last night, the bulk of the consignment being papers which had been left at Skagway when the one or two previous mails were forwarded.

In conversation with a Nugget representative today, Postmaster Hartman said that while mail will continue to be dispatched for the outside as usual so long as it is possible, yet he would advise people to not risk the sending of any valuable packages, for the reason that it is very hard to get over the route now without an occasional involuntary dropping into the water which is ruinous to many articles which may be contained in the sacks.

Postmaster Hartman gave it as his opinion that by the end of three weeks from date the river will be open for navigation, when said he, "We will start a mail steamer up the river within 24 hours after the ice is gone."

### Tomorrow Night

The Yukon Theosophists will entertain the thoughtful public again on tomorrow evening at their regular Wednesday open meeting, over the Juneau Hardware store, Second avenue. Mr. T. S. Solomons will deliver one of his usual interesting discourses, and a large audience is anticipated. The meetings are free, and all who are interested in occult study are invited to attend.

The Star Clothing House can fit you out. See ad for sale days.

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Sausage and Sauer Kraut, 6 Cans for \$1.00. Jams and Jellies, 4 Cans for \$1.00. Pearl Milk, California's Pride, 5 Cans for \$1.00. A Full Line Fancy and Staple Groceries. Flour, Rex Hams, Rex Bacon, Etc.

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A full line has been brought in over the ice. Special prices in quantities.

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