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THAT BRIDGE

Site Which Ogilvie Explained Receives Mr. Girouard's Attention

AND HE WANTS FURTHER PROOF

Than Merely a Statement of Mr. Ogilvie's Opinion

ABOUT THAT SIXTY THOUSAND.

Wants an Engineer's Report of Both Routes—Statesmen Have Troubles of Their Own

From Saturday's Daily.

Some of the joys of a member of the Yukon council are hinted at by Mr. Girouard in regard to differences of opinion and judgment in matters political, by his expressions after reading Commissioner Ogilvie's interview as published in the Nugget yesterday.

"This is all right," he said to a Nugget man this morning, tapping the article in question softly with his pencil, "but if all that Mr. Ogilvie sets forth here is a matter of fact, why does he not spread it before the council in the form of an engineer's report, or at least something more tangible than merely a matter of personal opinion.

"If the route involved by the building of the new bridge across the Klondike at the point asked for in the petition the other evening is going to involve fifty or sixty thousand dollars more expense than the way Mr. Ogilvie proposes to build, then I am quite sure

that he would have the unanimous support of the councillors to sustain him in his position.

"I do not want to be understood to be actuated in what I say by any feeling other than kindly towards Mr. Ogilvie, or that this is anything more than a matter of business. However, there are some things, which I do not understand in Mr. Ogilvie's interview as published in yesterday's paper, and it seems that there are some matters, facts, if they are susceptible of proof, in connection with this bridge proposition, that the public in general becomes acquainted with before the members of the council.

"For instance, Mr. Ogilvie states that some real estate in Klondike City will have to be purchased before the right of way could be had. Now, I have always believed, and do so still, that if the bridge were to be built to Klondike City the wagon road would be allowed to extend along the streets of that place without the necessity of purchasing any real estate.

"Of course, in 1897-8 the island was flooded, but it has not been since, and when Mr. Ogilvie says there are so many hundred feet of bridge work more on this route than the other, he is talking about bridges over sloughs, which is a very different and much more inexpensive class of work than the other.

"Regarding the rock work my information on the subject is to the effect that the distance, class of work and expense are about the same.

"But, as I said in the first place, if Mr. Ogilvie's statement is correct it is very easy to demonstrate, and I for one, am always open to conviction, and have no wish except to see permanent improvement made at the least possible expense to the people.

"I asked for an engineer's report of the routes proposed long ago, but they were never produced; why, I do not know. Possibly Mr. Ogilvie does.

"Another matter of which I have never been officially informed, which I see in the interview with the commissioner, is that the bridge has been ordered and shipped from Montreal to Vancouver, and is now on the way. It would have been impossible that this could have been accomplished since the last council meeting, and so if it is on the way it must have been ordered by Mr. Ogilvie on his own responsibility before the meeting referred to.

"It naturally follows that if this is true the commissioner dispensed with the counsel of the rest of the members and decided the matter himself, without our assistance."

From the view of the present situation as Mr. Girouard intimates is the way he sees it, the subject may prove interesting to those who are about to recklessly toss themselves into the political vortex. Judging by the general tone of the remarks quoted it may be inferred that the tot of the statesman is not one continual round of pleasure and after dinner speeches with great applause as an accompaniment, although Mr. Girouard says he likes it.

Christian Science.

Christian Science service will be held in the Christian Science reading room, Second avenue, between Third and Fourth streets, Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. All are cordially invited.

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AMONG MINERS.

Brief News Items From Creeks of Bonanza and Eldorado.

EVERYBODY HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS.

New Streak of a Peculiar Color Found on Eldorado.

ACCIDENT TO A SMALL BOY.

Washington Newspaper Man Turns Miner—Current Creek Notes.

Mrs. Hunter, of 9 below Bonanza, has been visiting friends in Dawson the past week.

Mrs. Anderson, of 28 below Bonanza and daughter Miss Jennie, visited their numerous friends in Dawson this week.

Mrs. Mitchell has opened a pleasant little lunch counter at 20 below Bonanza, and is doing a nice business.

The blacksmith at 36 above Bonanza has a tobacco box that is the envy of all the boys on the creek. The secret is to open the box properly in order to get the fine Havanas and sweet fragrant tobacco.

Mr. Ralph Abbott, of 9 Victoria, made a flying visit to Dawson last Friday.

Mr. Armstrong is now superintendent of the Yukon Gold Fields Co.'s valuable claims on Chechako.

C. G. Higgins, who has been working on 21 Eldorado this summer goes to his old home, Lexington, Ky., this week.

Messrs. Hodges & Pickett bought the Wagner claim on Chechako this week.

Jas. Brown sold his claim to Mr. Northrup. From all accounts Mr. Brown was given quite a serenade on his departure.

The day men on the McGillivray claims have been cut to \$4 and board.

Frank Goynes left his wagon loaded with merchandise on the highway at 48 below Bonanza the other night and found himself short of a case of eggs the following morning.

J. W. Frame, an old and popular newspaper man of Everett, Wash., has purchased the 22 below Bonanza grocery store, and has put in a large stock of goods. Mr. Frame expects his family in in three weeks.

Little 5-year-old Arthur Lutro, whose parents live on 13 Eldorado, had the misfortune to break his arm in a fall last Wednesday. A physician was at once summoned who set the broken limb.

Mr. Langlow, of 12 Eldorado, has found a new streak of gold on the right limit of his claim. The gold is different from any yet seen on Eldorado, being a dark hue, causing much conjecture as to its origin.

Dr. Austin, of Orofino hill leaves for the outside this week. Mr. Will H. Seeborn will take charge of the work during his absence.

The government road is completed to 9 below Bonanza.

M. E. Church Services.

Rev. A. S. Grant will conduct the services in the First Methodist church on Sunday evening, Mr. Hetherington being at present up the creeks. Miss J. Larson will sing the contralto solo from the Holy City, entitled, "Come, Ye Blessed," and the choir will sing "God is Love." All strangers cordially welcomed.

Presbyterian Services.

Rev. D. D. MacLaren, B. D., pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, Vancouver, and moderator of the New Westminster Presbytery, was a passenger to Dawson on the steamer Columbian yesterday afternoon. The Rev. Mr. MacLaren is also convener of the

western section of the home mission of the Presbyterian church. He comes here on a brief visit in the interest of the Christian mission work. He will occupy the pulpit of St. Andrew's church, Dawson, tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock and will conduct divine services in the evening at Grand Forks.

Chief Inspector of Customs.

J. S. Clute, of New Westminster, B. C., arrived at Dawson on Thursday last. Mr. Clute is chief inspector of her majesty's customs for British Columbia and the Yukon territory and is now on a tour of inspection along the ports of the Yukon. Mr. Clute is accredited as being one of the most efficient and trustworthy officers in the customs branch of her majesty's service in Canada. J. S. Clute is one of the landmarks of the Pacific province; a most genial and interesting companion and his many old time friends are pleased to meet him on the Yukon.

Population Increasing.

From now until the close of navigation there will be a material increase in Dawson's population. While the steamers leaving for up the river are carrying many passengers for the outside they return equally laden with incomers, and on the upper river traffic the city will fully hold her own. The greatest gain will be by the lower river, for, while the steamers going down will carry very few people away from Dawson, it is expected that coming up all steamers will be crowded, and in nearly all cases, those coming to Dawson by the lower river are coming for the winter.

Moosehide News.

The late rains revealed many leaks in tents which have withstood the elements for many years.

Chief Isaac lost a valuable dog last week, owing to its inability to digest the horn of a mountain sheep.

Silas' third child put a lima bean up its nose one day last week and it is there yet.

Our Sunday school is a thing of beauty.

Limping Liz, while out berrying last Saturday, fell from a bluff 85 feet high. She had upwards of a gallon of berries at the time of her disappearance. As Liz has not come home it is feared the berries are a total loss.

Andrew has traded his house and lot to Tagish Jake for a caribou skin coat and two young dogs.

At the last meeting of the tribal council Samuel was deposed 30 days for getting on a lonesome drunk.

The grandmother of Chief Isaac's wife is lame, having run a fish bone into her foot.

Hudson Bay Ann is again childless, her little 18 months' son having strolled into the river four days ago. This makes 12 children Ann has lost in 14 years.

As winter approaches there is an increasing demand for gunny sacks to be used as footwear.

A goodly supply of salmon is being put up by our citizens.

From present indications Old Mary, known as the Sore Eyed Grouse, will not pull through the winter.

An Eye to Business.

Dawson has an embryo Jay Gould in the person of a 12-year-old boy who owns several dogs and who has picked up a number of dollars by freighting in a small way. A few weeks ago he turned one of the dogs loose for a few days' rest and when next he needed him for work he found that the pound-master had possession of him. The boy went to the pound to redeem his property and was informed that there was \$6 charges against that particular canine. The lad looked the poo-bah of the dog pound squarely in the face and said:

"Say, mister, you can keep that dog!"

Several days later the boy attended an auction sale at the pound and bought his own dog for \$1.75.

When in town, stop at the Regina.

POLICE COURT.

Cloak Thief Held to Answer to Higher Tribunal.

KEITH THOUGHT HE WAS ABUSED

But the Court Did Not See It in the Same Light.

DRUNKEN DANCE HALL GIRLS

Fight Like Terriers in the Pavilion—One Pays \$50, the Other Sobering Up in Jail.

In the session of yesterday afternoon Geo. Bartell, who was charged with the theft of a lady's coat from Mrs. Thompson's store, was held over to the territorial court and, not being able to furnish the required bond, is hibernating in the royal bastle.

Last night Donald Keith, a Sulphur mine operator, came to the conclusion that M. McWilliams had abused him, with the result that the latter was before Magistrate Scarth this morning. Keith said in substance that McWilliams had threatened him bodily harm in that he had told him he would tear out his insides, thus giving him the appearance of the poor unfortunate man whose picture appears on the first page of Jayne's Family Almanac and Guide to Health, who, like a watch in a glass case, shows his works. In his own behalf McWilliams said Keith owes him money and refuses to pay it; that he had tweedled \$20 out of him yesterday when he had found him (Keith) upstairs in the Orpheum buying wine for two women, and where he had a big roll of bills in each hand; that last night he had asked him for the balance due and on Keith's refusing to pay it he (McWilliams) had probably used language not recherche in good society. The court decided that McWilliams had probable provocation, and that Keith was none the worse for the alleged abuse and, warning McWilliams to be more careful in future, dismissed the case. And as McWilliams walked out he said, "Come and take a walk, Mr. Keith," and the invitation was promptly accepted.

About the time Old Sol was in the act of casting his first rays over the vale of the Yukon this morning Leita Williams and Grace Irvin, two Pavilion dance hall women, were rolling around on the floor of that establishment engaged in physical combat, and the united efforts of the bartender and Constable Borrows were required to separate the combatants. Both women were taken to jail. By the time court opened Grace Irvin had materially sobered up, but Leita was bordering on "Jane jame," she having evidently poured more deeply of the fighting brand than her co-drunk. With four rings on one hand and three on the other, and with a taste as brown as it is possible to cultivate, Leita was taken back to the guard room to undergo the sobering up process.

Grace Irvin plead guilty to the charge of having been riotous and disorderly and was fined \$50 and costs which she paid.

In view of the flagrancy of the above two cases, the court instructed Constable Borrows to bring up the proprietors of the Pavilion on the charge of conducting a disorderly house.

A man named Belladeau acknowledged to having been drunk and disorderly in the Ottawa saloon and was fined \$10 and costs.

Joe Fonder had been associated with Belladeau in his social disorderly drunk, had not completed the sobering process and will have his case diagnosed this afternoon.

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