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KLONDIKE NUGGET.

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AMUSEMENTS.

Auditorium—"The Private Secretary."

A FOOLISH STATEMENT.

The morning organ announces today that with the help of the News, Joseph Andrew Clarke will be able to convince seventy-five per cent. of the people of the territory that he is responsible for all the favorable Yukon legislation secured from parliament during the coming session. Should such a statement emanate from the News itself, it would merely occasion a smile among those who are familiar with the political record and influence of that paper, but coming from the Sun, it is singularly refreshing.

In four successive campaigns the News has been turned down at every ballot. It tried to convince the people Ottawa and failed. It sought to convince the local electorate that Mr. Davison was the man for mayor — failed. Again it endeavored to convince the territory that its own editor was needed on the Yukon council, and failed again. But in spite of it all the government paper is responsible for the announcement that three-fourths of the people of this territory are sufficiently gullible to listen to and believe a fairy tale from the News which would not possess the slightest foundation in fact.

The powers of the News to "convince" people have been thoroughly tested and found absolutely wanting. It has come to be a saying throughout the territory that any candidate for political honors who is so unfortunate as to secure the support of the News is fore-doomed to defeat.

Nevertheless, with all the lessons of the past in view, the Sun, the government paper, comes out this morning with the statement noted above.

Clarke might go to Ottawa and remain during the entire session and everything that he could accomplish would simply amount to nil. The territory is properly and ably represented at the federal capital and anything in the nature of favorable legislation secured will be through the efforts and representations of the Hon. J. H. Ross and to him the people who have elected him will give due and proper credit.

The Sun's article of this morning merely convicts that paper of another act of gross folly, and will serve to establish more firmly the general conviction that there is more than close community relationship between the Sun and News.

Mr. Andrew Carnegie's latest freak was an offer to pay off Venezuela's debt to Germany. The offer was very properly turned down just as was the same gentleman's proposition relative to the Phillipines. Mr. Carnegie may have money to throw away but that accidental fact does not entitle him to a hand in shaping the affairs of nations. The arrogance of the modern millionaire is rapidly overreaching itself.

The number of fires that have occurred on the creeks of late has led to the suggestion that a territorial fire ordinance similar to the city by-law should be passed. A stringent measure of that nature is not required, but it would be well for all road houses to be provided with safety flues and to be subject to occasional inspection. Such action would be to the interest of road housekeepers and public alike.

FUEL SUPPLY.

It is to be hoped that during the coming summer sufficient coal may be mined and brought to Dawson to relieve the fuel stringency which is certain to occur next winter. The available wood in the vicinity of Dawson is rapidly being exhausted and with the removal of the supply, the price of fuel is certain to advance. We are informed that the desirable dry timber along the river has been pretty well thinned out and rafts of wood brought down during the coming months of open navigation will be made up largely of green sticks.

To overcome the difficulty certain to be created in time it is absolutely necessary that the market be supplied with coal, of which there is an abundance in the territory and of excellent quality.

If the public should be assured that coal could be purchased at a reasonable price, preparations would be made accordingly and a market for all that is produced be opened.

The election of Levi Ankeny to the United States senate from the state of Washington again illustrates the triumph of cash over conscience. In a popular contest Ankeny would not have carried a single county in the state. A few more such fiascos and the people will rise up in their might and take back the right of electing senators which the state legislatures have so woefully abused.

Who Knows Him?

Ex-Mayor Macaulay was in receipt of the following letter on the last mail, which is self explanatory:

Sir,—On May 17, 1900, my son James Edward Washburn wrote from Skagway, Alaska, that he had arrived there on the City of Seattle, and was going to go from there to Dawson city. That was the last we heard from him, and now I address you in the hope that you can give us some information about him. He was a seaman and I think had been in the employ of some transportation company in San Francisco, Cal. Please be kind enough to institute some inquiries, as I am naturally very anxious to know something of the whereabouts of my boy.

B. WASHBURN,
Wilson, Adams Co., Ohio.

SMALL DEBTS.

Court Will be Convened on Friday of this Week.

Mr. Justice Macaulay will preside over the small debts court on Friday of this week, the session convening in the southern court room. It is the first sitting of such court in several months and as will be seen by the following there is quite a grist of cases to be disposed of:

Labbe vs Viau.
Rogers vs Lynch.
Macaulay Bros. vs Pritchard.
Whitney & Pedlar vs Arlington.
Strait vs Auburn.
Wilson vs Robertson.
Mainville vs Bunn.
Hilzke vs Ripstein.
Goetzman vs Hall.
Dawson Saw Mill Co. vs Geisman.
Mazou vs Hansen.
Powell vs Anderson.
Hutchinson vs Englebrecht.
Bayliss vs Palmer Bros.
Labbe vs Steen.
Kay vs Davis.
McLennan vs Allen.
Erenson vs Woodson.
DeLion vs Adair.
Peterson vs Adair.
Foster vs Coldspring.
Wensky vs Schuman.
Riddell vs Cookson.
Riddell vs Larne.
Steel vs Klinsch.
Stone vs McDonald Trading Co.
Gibson vs Carter.
Smally vs McMahon.
Guilds ps Woods.
Davidson vs Soule.

A PUZZLE.

What is puzzling the brains of many in Dawson is easily explained by hundreds. The puzzle is: Why Dunham's trade increases monthly, while his competitor's decreases. Hundreds of his customers will answer: That it is because they are always sure of getting the very freshest and best groceries at his place, and that he never misrepresents any article.

See Mrs. A. P. Matteson as "Kate" in the opera "Pirates of Penzance" at the Auditorium on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Feb. 18—21.

See Mr. Geo. Craig as the "Sergeant of Police" in the opera "Pirates of Penzance" at the Auditorium on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Feb. 18—21.

MISSING.—If there is any one who knows the whereabouts of P. Chris Peterson please notify Mrs. S. Peterson, 12 Schuyler avenue, Kankakee, Illinois, U.S.A.

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MONCRIEF DEFEATED

Corneil Wins Bonspiel Championship

Brilliant Game in the Finals of the Curling Club's Tournament.

The bonspiel for the New York Life Insurance Company's trophy, the cup presented by J. G. Morgan two years ago, was ended last night at the curling rink, resulting in a victory for the rink skipped by C. A. Corneil after a series of the most brilliant plays ever seen on the ice in Dawson. Corneil's opponent in the finals was Robert Moncrief, a veteran curler who last year carried off the championship and who was thought by many to have a little the best of an even break for the coveted honor this year. Corneil is a comparative stranger whose abilities were misjudged in the beginning. As the bonspell advanced, however, it could be easily seen from the remarkable way in which he handled his rink that he was a past graduate in the art of laying the "stuns" just where he wanted them. The fact of the matter is Corneil is a curler with almost a national reputation. Over twenty years ago he began at the game at Lindsay, Ontario, and soon had become so expert that he was made one of the rink skipped by the famous Flavell which at the Winnipeg bonspiel in '89 carried off the American championship. He is a very steady player, one who does not become rattled in the presence of a crowd of spectators or during a critical stage of the game. His rink included Percy Palmer, lead; John T. Ross, second; P. R. Ritchie, third, and himself as skip.

The defeat of Moncrief's rink reflects no discredit upon the players. They curled a strong, up-hill game all through and took their loss very good naturedly. Up to the very last end it was anybody's game, Corneil having a lead of but two in the twelfth. Nearly every member of the Curling Club and also a great many others witnessed the match and the enthusiasm frequently showed itself in loud applause. The following is the play by ends:

First end—Moncrief scored one by a guarded by the skip.

Second end—Very closely contested and won by Corneil on his last shot. Scored one.

Third end—Near the close of the end Corneil was lying three when Moncrief played his last stone through a narrow port, taking out Corneil's three, his own remaining in the house which with an additional stone on the side gave him two points. Loud applause.

Fourth end—Corneil was lying shot, well guarded, when Moncrief attempted to guard, falling about three inches short and raising an opponent's stone. Corneil with his last shot touched lightly a side stone, passing it in and scoring two.

Fifth end—On the last stone Corneil lay one with Moncrief two seconds. The latter played for a raise, touched the stone but fell short, leaving Corneil the shot.

Sixth end—One of Moncrief's stones lay on the tee. Ritchie placed two excellent shots, his first taking out the stone on the tee and the second forming an admirable guard. Moncrief tried for the center with a running shot, but was too strong. Corneil one.

Seventh end—Corneil lay one, but Moncrief with his last stone drew in and scored.

Eighth end—Moncrief made a remarkable shot in this end. Corneil lay shot, well guarded. Moncrief played with the intention of taking out the two stones, shot too strong and swept the entire house with the exception of a stone on the outside ring, which gave Corneil one more.

Ninth end—Moncrief scored two, making the only tie in the game, with six all.

Tenth end—Corneil won by a hair, requiring the most careful measuring.

Eleventh end—Moncrief lay shot opportunely, well guarded with but a small port through which Corneil could draw. He did so successfully, raising his own stone and passing out. Moncrief followed through the same port and though making an excellent shot played too strong leaving Corneil two.

Twelfth end—Moncrief scored one by a fluke. Corneil drew in a very narrow port, but was too strong by a few inches.

Thirteenth end—This was one of the most exciting ends in the game and was practically Moncrief's chance to win. He lay four shot with Corneil one more stone to play. The latter made a very difficult draw and Moncrief's chance vanished.

Fourteenth end — Corneil scored three and the bonspiel came to an end amid cheers and congratulations for the winners.

The following is a summary of the score by ends:

Moncrief.	Ends.	Corneil.
1	1	0
0	3	1
2	3	0
0	4	2
0	5	1
0	6	1
1	7	0
0	8	1
2	9	0
0	10	1
0	11	2
1	12	0
0	12	0
0	13	1
0	14	3
7		13

In addition to winning the Morgan cup each of the players of the winning rink will be presented with an individual trophy, the Curling Club having voted $80 at the beginning of the season for that purpose.

Another bonspiel will be begun on Monday for the prizes offered by Mr. Hartman, president of the club. There will be seventeen rinks enter, one of which will be a bye. Eight trophies are offered and they will be contested for by the eight winners and eight losers in the first round of the bonspiel.

JONES LOSES

Exciting Game in the Semi-Finals of the Bonspiel.

Tuesday evening a large crowd witnessed the last game in the semi-finals in the bonspiel at the curling rink, the contesting teams being the rinks skipped by Harry Jones and Robert Moncrieff. The game was not noted so much for the brilliancy of the shots as for the peculiar features displayed by the score. Moncrieff scored one in the first end and then Jones ran right away from him, having a lead of six in the fifth end. Moncrieff pulled up two each in the sixth and seventh, Jones took two in the eighth, Moncrieff one in the ninth lead of one. Jones tied it in the eleventh and then they tied again in the thirteenth with but one more end to play. The stones had been well placed and when Moncrieff made his last shot the stone slid into an admirable position as a guard, to the accompaniment of loud applause, leaving a shot for Jones to make that in order for him to have won would have been phenomenal. He tried and failed, leaving Moncrieff the winner by a score of 12 to 11. The following is the score by ends:

Moncrieff	Ends	Jones
1	1	0
0	2	1
0	3	3
0	4	1
0	5	2
2	6	0
2	7	0
0	8	2
1	9	0
4	10	0
0	11	1
0	12	1
1	13	0
1	14	0
12		11

BANK EATEN AWAY

Sixteen Feet of the Bluff Road is Devoured by the River.

A matter that was brought up on Monday night near the close of the council meeting that will require early attention is that pertaining to the wagon road around the bluff between the two Klondike bridges. One of the aldermen stated that his attention had been called to the condition of the road by several different teamsters and all seemed to agree that it was imperative that something be done before the ice goes out or the water begins rising. The swift current at that point along the bluff has eaten away portions of the embankment in one place as deep as 16 feet and teams can scarcely pass upon what is remaining of the road.

The bluff road was widened last fall by the government at great expense, but it would appear as though the rip-rapping had in spots not been properly done. Alderman LaLande recommended that the council visit the road in a body as soon as convenient and if it is found as serious as reported action looking toward its repair should be taken at once.

Alderman Macdonald suggested that the Yukon council be applied to for assistance when the repairing was begun. The territory had in the past been very liberal in the matter of the bluff road, it being the only outlet to the mines, and it was reasonable to suppose they would again act likewise. If rip-rapping or brush facings are necessary such must be placed in position during low water.

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ROUGHNESS IN HOCKEY

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Many Colleges and Other Clubs Stronger in Rough Tactics Than Team Work.

All the big colleges and many of the schools and the athletic clubs have hockey teams, and these teams, or the more important of them, have regular times for practising in the rinks. Some of the smaller ones have to wait until the natural ice has formed on the lakes and ponds before they can indulge in any practice, and so local players are at a great disadvantage. In Canada, where the game is almost a national pastime, all the contests are played in the open, and as there is lots of ice there in the winter the Canadians excel at the sport.

Hockey is not a drawing room game, but there is no reason why it should be as rough as it sometimes is. One trouble with the local teams is that they do not play hockey, but a game something like shinny, with a little football and baseball thrown in. The beauty of hockey is team work. When the puck is put in play it is the duty of the forwards to carry it toward their opponents' goal and try to send it between the posts. The Canadians and some of the big athletic club teams, which are largely made up of Canadian players, depend largely on team work to do this. One player will start off with the puck, but when he finds that he is going to be checked by an opposing player he passes it to another of the forwards on his own team, and this player will in turn pass it to another. So by many passes they are able to dodge their opponents and get the puck toward the goal. On a good team each player is playing for the team and not looking for an individual record. The trouble with the local teams is that many of the players are trying for records and want to be star players, and little attention is given to team work.

No player on a firstclass team will leave his position, and it is noticed that when a player is going to pass the puck he does not have to look first to see if his team mate is ready, but he does so feeling confident that his mate will be there to get the disk and carry it along.

Many of the college and school teams rely on force to get the puck toward an opponent's goal and then rush it between the posts in the same way. A captain of one of the local college teams recently at a game played in St. Nicholas rink gave the other players on the team a few instructions before the game began.

"Get the puck," he said, "and if an opponent is in the way, knock him down. The chances are that the referee won't see you, and if he does he will only send you to the bench for a few minutes."

This is where unnecessary tactics enter into the game and very much mar the beauty of the contest. Players frequently are hurt by these rough tactics and the sport gets a bad name. Occasionally one sees a player hit at the puck as though it were a baseball. In the Corneil-Princeton game the puck had been lifted, that is, raised from the ice, and one Corneil player made a swat at it just as he would at a baseball pitched, and succeeded in hitting it and sending it into the goal. This time the play was successful, but very often it is disastrous, and some time another player's head gets in the way of the stick and an ugly wound is the result.—New York Sun.

ALLEY CROSSINGS.

Will be Cleared of Snow by the City Engineer.

The order put into effect on Monday requiring property owners to clear their sidewalks of snow has resulted very beneficially in some respects and disastrously in others. Many of the owners are out of the city and the walks of such remain undisturbed with the result that a walk along some of the cross streets reminds one of the rocky road to Dublin. The alley crossings, too, are in bad shape but they are being remedied today. Alderman Macdonald brought the matter up at the council meeting last night and said some of the walks were really in a dangerous condition and several hard falls had been experienced by pedestrians during the day. He suggested that the city engineer be empowered to hire such assistance as he needed and clear off the cross walks at once. Mr. Rendell thought three men for one day would be sufficient and he was ordered to attend to it at once. The bylaw requires snow to be removed within 24 hours after it falls. When owners of property are absent and have no agent to look after their interests the accumulatian of the beautiful is removed by the city and made a charge against the property the same as a lien.

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