

THE BOLD DEFFY IS HURLED

Townsend & Rose Team Accept Challenge From the Forks.

Are Willing to Play for More Than \$500 Forks Men Think Language is Unsportsmanlike.

Baseball will be played in Dawson this summer and played for blood or at least for a good round stake if present indications count for anything.

An athletic association has been organized at the Forks and a ball team formed, which team as was recently published in this paper issued a challenge to the Townsend & Rose team of Dawson.

In reply to that challenge the following answer was made:

May 13, 1901.
Mr. Diebold, Man. G. F. B. B. Club.
Dear Sir—In reference to your challenge of May 6th, I hereby accept the same; date to be agreed on later so it will not inconvenience you any. The amount you wish to play for is a little small, but if that is all you can raise we will consent to play for it. Yours, in behalf of the Townsend & Rose B. B. Club,
NAT. DARLING,
Savoy Theater.

The Grand Forks association will accept the challenge and a match game will probably be arranged at an early date. The knights of the diamond who will defend the reputation of the Forks are somewhat incensed over what they term the unsportsmanlike language of the local team's challenge. In this connection they have written a letter to the Nugget which is published herewith.

May 15th, 1901.

Editor Klondike Nugget:
Dear Sir—Will you publish the following lines in your valuable paper. We have received an answer to our challenge for a ball game which we have enclosed. We would like you to form an opinion of it; we do not consider it a sportsmanlike answer.

We mentioned \$500 a side because it would take that to pay our expenses, but if the Townsend & Rose team desire to raise it I think we will be able to cover all they put up.

F. DIEBOLD, Man.
CHAS. ENNINGS, Sec.

F. FOWLES,
Capt. G. F. B. B. C.

The Forks men say they are in earnest about the matter and that they are prepared to take care of any proposition which may come up to them from Dawson.

A meeting of the whole Forks association is called at the Dewey hotel tonight and final arrangements for the organization of the baseball, football and cricket teams will be made. An invitation is extended to all who are interested in outdoor sports to attend the meeting tonight.

Women as Insurance Risks.

A subject so eminently altruistic in its nature and purport must of necessity elicit the greatest interest and closest study of those in any way connected with the science and business of life insurance.

The general standard or basis by which life insurance medical directors are to gauge the applicants for insurance has been established, doubtless, by a wide and extended experience covering a vast territory or less arbitrary multitude of lives; but it nevertheless must be a more or less arbitrary criterion which has thus been established, for we see its constant modification in some vital particular every few years. This doubtless is due in a large measure to the general advance of medicine and physical diagnosis in particular, but it is also been strongly affected by the general tendency of the laity to recognize and appreciate the importance of the laws of hygiene. Then, also, the discovery of practically certain specifics for many conditions of disease which had before been most fruitful and certain causes of mortality, has done much to increase life expectancy and to ameliorate the restrictions of the criterion which antiquated ideas had forced insurance companies to adopt.

In the early days of life insurance the idea prevailed that female lives were much more hazardous than male, in consequence of which few companies would accept the female risk under any circumstances; and those who did so did it only with a largely increased premium or other protective arrangement.

It is now generally admitted that this idea was an erroneous one, and not founded on a basis of fact.

When, however, some investigation and skeptical critic had taken cognizance of the fact that the gauge which was being used by insurance companies, to the complete discomfiture of woman-kind, was of a false standard, then began the gathering of statistics and the comparison of facts which resulted in woman being recognized by the majority of companies as equally entitled to the benefits of insurance as was her huge lord.

Among those who entered into an ex-

tensive and scientific study of the subject was Dr. Farr, the one-time register-general of England. He compiled his tables from statistics and census records of the entire population of both England and Wales, extending over a long period of years. His deductions were, in brief, that female lives had a greater expectancy than male lives at all ages. These results were obtained from such a reliable source and were so extensive that their reliability can scarcely be contradicted.

—R.x.

Pathetic, Yet Ludicrous.

"I witnessed something the other day that made me feel bad, and at the same time there was a laughable phase to the affair," remarked a Denver resident.

"Out of doors from where I live a deaf and dumb couple have been living for several years, and seem to get along with their neighbors better than any of us. The husband has good employment and the wife is a frugal and prudent woman; so, taking everything into consideration, they have gotten quite a nice little home for themselves and some money ahead. But they have one thing that is not a credit to them, and that thing is in the shape of a great big, overgrown boy, that is one of the meanest evidences of humanity on earth. Some day, if he is not checked, the hangman will get him, but that has nothing to do with the story.

I was passing by the house yesterday morning, and I noticed that the old man was angry at the boy. Now, the latter can talk and hear as well as anybody, and rather seems to enjoy getting a crowd of boys together and then cursing the old man, just so the other boys will laugh. This time, however, the old man was mad, and did not propose to allow his wayward boy to have his own way. Just as I was passing he motioned me to stop, and then, pulling his hand from behind him, brought to light what shone out in grand style as a newly purchased rawhide. Then I knew there was going to be some fun, and I walked inside the yard. Well, sir, he just grabbed that boy, nearly as large as he was, jerked him into a half upright position, and then began laying on the leather. The boy began to swear and use language that would shock any neighborhood, but, of course, the father did not hear a word of it.

"The father quit a second and then, coming over to where I was standing, took out his pencil and paper, and asked me in a line or two to tell him what the son said. I wrote out the brutal swear words just as I heard them. He read the words as I wrote them down, and then, fairly shaking with rage, returned to the boy and began anew the work. It was fully ten minutes before that boy was conquered, but when he did give in he was the most penitent fellow you ever saw. Before the old man had finished half of the neighborhood was present, and congratulated him on taking the boy in hand. Here is what he wrote on a slip of paper when they suggested thanks to him:

"I know he is a bad boy, but the Lord has made me without hearing, so I cannot know these things like you can. I got a letter from a neighbor woman this morning saying that he said bad words about his mother. That is what I punished him for. Please tell me when you hear him say bad words, and help me make a man of him."—Denver Times.

Cork Decoration.

The famous cork room that has been for ten years one of the attractions of New York city is about to be destroyed. The walls and ceiling of the room are covered in an artistic manner with champagne corks, no fewer than 40,000 representing 30,000 quarts and 10,000 pints, being used in the decorations. There has been more champagne than this consumed in the room during the past ten years, but large quantities of the corks had to be thrown away, so as not to mar the artistic effect of the 40,000 used in decoration. The corks are affixed to the ceiling and walls by felt and sealing wax.

Shot by Burglars.

Pittsburg, April 12.—Thos. H. Kahney, a grocer at 13 Albert street, Mount Washington, about 3 o'clock this morning was shot and killed by burglars looting his house. Kahney met death while trying to rescue his wife from the robbers.

Three men had entered his house, and were trying to force a gag in Mrs. Kahney's mouth to prevent her from giving an alarm. Several shots were fired at Kahney with fatal effect. After the shooting the burglars fled from the house and have not yet been captured.

Try Allman's sanitarium bath.

HIGH WATER ON KLONDIKE

By Overflow at the Mouth of Hunker and Bear Creeks.

Requiring Four Hours to Cover a Single Mile—Hunters Compelled to Take the Trees.

In sympathy with the rise which occurred in the Yukon last night the Klondike also gave symptoms of carrying more water than the bed of the stream can comfortably accommodate. At the mouth of Hunker creek the Klondike came up nearly four feet, the water rising that height in the space of a very few moments.

G. R. Soole and J. P. Simmonds came down from Last Chance early this morning and report the trip as being the hardest they have ever undertaken in the country. In fact the men's clothes bore striking evidence to the truth of their statements for every garment they wore was wet through and their coats and trousers were torn almost in shreds.

The high water was encountered at the mouth of Hunker at which point the bridge which crosses the creek was entirely submerged. A cabin occupied by a man and his wife was found with two feet of water inside and the owners of the cabin were on the roof waiting for the water to subside. The trail in many places is completely obliterated and at times the men were compelled to wade in water up to their waists.

The water came up very rapidly rising at the rate of two inches a minute. Several parties of hunters on the lookout for ducks were found taking refuge in trees and looking as though they were being hunted themselves.

Naturally traveling was very slow and laborious and Soole and Simmonds consumed four hours in making a single mile across the flat near Bear creek.

At 7 a. m. the water began to go down but the trail is left in such condition that traveling over it is now next to an impossibility.

New-Line of Steamers.

Seattle, April 18.—Lyman C. Smith, the millionaire typewriter manufacturer, of Syracuse, N. Y., is the head of a syndicate of capitalists which closed a deal for the purchase of a number of steamships on the Atlantic coast, to be used in the Oriental and Pacific trade, with Seattle the home port.

The syndicate proposes to build in its own shipyards, in this city, a number of sailing vessels suitable for the lumber trade of the Pacific coast and China, the Hawaiian islands and Australia.

In the enterprise \$1,000,000, it is estimated, will be immediately invested and an additional capital placed to secure the success of the syndicate's operations on a small scale. J. W. Clise, president of the chamber of commerce, is the Seattle representative of the syndicate.

Innovation in Building.

In most countries it is customary to begin at the foundation and build upwards in constructing buildings but in Dawson the opposite is being followed in one instance at least. Almost immediately opposite the Nugget office a building is being erected, the second story being put up first and hung in the air while the first story is built under it.

V. O. O. P. Notice.

All members of the Yukon Order of Pioneers are requested to meet at their hall at 9 a. m., May 24th, and form in order for their position in the line of march of the procession on Victoria day. By order of the
PRESIDENT.

Here's a Snag.

For Sale—A restaurant complete with tables, chairs, stoves, cooking utensils, etc., all ready for business. Lease on fine central location for one year secured. Must be sold immediately. Apply at once to R. Gillis, broker, McDonald hotel building, Second street.

Notice.

Any person driving or riding on any bridges in Dawson or on the Ogilvie bridge faster than a walk will be prosecuted according to law.

W. THIBAUDEAU,
Territorial Engineer.

Dated, 15th May, 1901. c18

Notice.

Board of health regulations—Till further notice all street, trade and household refuse, etc., must be deposited in the Klondike river from a pier built for that purpose above the Klondike suspension bridge.

J. H. MACARTHUR, M. O. H.
Dated 16th May, 1901. c18

South African Constabulary.

Gen. Baden-Powell has written to the officer in charge of the recruiting depot for the South African constabulary expressing satisfaction with the fine condition of the recruits sent out from England for his force. The first batch of recruits, which left England in December, has been under his eye, and he is much pleased with the class of men secured.

Up to the present 3200 candidates have been accepted for the constabulary. Of these over 1600 have already been sent to South Africa, and 1000 more are preparing to leave shortly. After that it is anticipated that another 1000 will be ready for embarkation after. With this last detachment will go three officers, including Capt. Laing Sims.

With regard to the recent decision of the war office that five per cent of the units of the regular army at present in England would be allowed to enlist in the force, the authorities have now ruled that those enlisting who have completed their 12 years' service must take their discharge from the army. Those who have not completed their 12 years may transfer into the constabulary without taking their discharge, and their service with the force will count towards the completion of their engagement. The time spent with the police will not, however, count for the purposes of a pension. To get his pension a man must rejoin and finish his 21 years in the army.

Another new order is that married men joining the force will be allowed to sign away up to three-quarters of their pay for the benefit of their wives. For this the colonial office is now engaged in making the necessary arrangements.—London Daily Graphic.

COMING AND GOING.

R. Butler, of 34 above Bonanza, is in town today.

Wm. Selby of Last Chance is a guest at the McDonald hotel.

Mr. Chas. Milne will leave in the morning for a trip to the Forks and Eldorado.

Mr. A. R. Biddle has returned to Dawson after a three months' prospecting trip to Quartz creek.

Mrs. Dr. Slayton has removed to her old location on Second avenue next to the Cafe Royal building.

The ice jam which is expected at any minute now is reported to be the largest that has yet come down.

Mr. J. H. Rogers, agent for W. P. & Y. T. returned this morning from an extended trip over the creeks.

The Bonanza King after getting a supply of fuel dropped down to the slough below West Dawson and will wait there for the balance of the ice to run out.

Telephone Combination.

Baltimore, Md., April 11.—Final steps were taken today in the big telephone consolidation scheme engineered by the syndicate headed by George Webb, of this city.

At the meeting of the directors of the United Telegraph & Telephone Co., today, the following properties were acquired: Maryland Telephone & Telegraph Co., capital stock \$1,000,000; Pittsburg & Allegheny Telephone Co., capital stock \$1,500,000; West Pennsylvania Long Distance Telephone & Electric Co., capital stock \$200,000; Allegheny City Telephone Co., capital stock \$200,000; Hartford County Telephone Co., capital stock \$1,000,000.

In all, about 500,000 'phones, either in actual operation or under contract awaiting installation, will go into the combination.

Reported Reverse.

London, April 15.—It is said that a private telegram has been received here to the effect that Gen. French, with 500 British troops, has been captured by the Boers while the force was enveloped in a mist on the hills. No confirmation of the report can be obtained.

The war office here knows nothing about the rumored capture of Gen. French and entirely discredits the report.

The report cabled to the United States that an attempt had been made to assassinate Mr. Kruger is purely imaginary.

A philosopher says that every failure is a step toward success. This explains why some men become richer every time they fail.—Chicago News.

It is unfortunate that every one's memory is best in retaining things it would be more genteel to forget.—Athenion Globe.

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Where she will be pleased to meet her many friends and patrons.

Hours, 10 to 10.

Tide of Prosperity.

Probably in the history of the continent there never was such a tide of prosperity enjoyed by any country as the Dominion of Canada is being favored with. That portion of Canada known as Western Canada is attracting thousands of people, who are seeking homes on the arable lands of that new but rapidly developing country. Possessed of exceptionally good railroad privileges, the best school system in the world, churches in every small settlement, while in the towns and cities all denominations are represented, and with markets in close proximity to the grain fields, most of the requirements for a comfortable existence are met. The development that is now taking place in the mining districts

gives an impulse to agriculture, and good prices, with good crops, bring about a state of affairs that the crowded districts of more populous centers are taking advantage of.

Loan companies that made advances on Manitoba property years ago regret that the return from the west during the past three months have exceeded expectations. One company has taken from Manitoba over \$20,000 interest, and discharged mortgages, many of which had been written off a year ago. Directors of leading loan companies are taking a greater interest in business of their institutions, and are inquiring into many properties on which advances have been made.

The climate in the western provinces of Manitoba, Alberta, Assiniboia and Saskatchewan is excellent, there being no healthier anywhere. The Canadian government is now offering special inducements for the encouragement of settlers, and they have their agents at work throughout the United States for the purpose of giving information and distributing literature. Among those going to Canada are many estimable men, who have failed to make a good living as they expected in the United States.—Ex.

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The Canadian Bank of Commerce will occupy its new premises situated on the water front at the corner of Second street on Monday next, the 20th inst. The Main and Downtown offices of the Bank will be amalgamated and all business of the two branches will be conducted there.

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