

MILLIONS ARE LOST

In Late Disastrous Conflagration in Jacksonville, Florida.

LOSS ESTIMATED AT \$10,000,000.

U. S. Government Furnishes Tents for Sufferers.

10,000 PEOPLE ARE HOMELESS

The City in Total Darkness, all Light Plants Having Been Destroyed—Relief Coming Fast.

From Friday's Daily.
Jacksonville, Fla., May 4, via Skagway, May 10.—This city was visited yesterday by the most disastrous fire which has occurred in its history. A total of 128 blocks were burned over, the total loss amounting, according to best estimates given, to \$10,000,000. It is believed that a number of people were burned to death although no bodies have as yet been taken from the ruins.

Ten thousand people are homeless and a call for relief has been issued to which liberal response has been given. The government has furnished tents for temporary purposes and subscriptions are being taken throughout the state for the assistance of the sufferers.

The city is in total darkness all public lighting plants having been destroyed. Martial law has been proclaimed and soldiers are patrolling all streets to prevent lawlessness.

Many Are Coming.

Skagway, May 10.—The steamer State of California arrived here today. She had on board 259 passengers, most of whom are bound for Dawson. A clean bill of health was given the steamer.

Another Quarantine Rumor.

Skagway, May 10.—A persistent rumor is in circulation to the effect that a quarantine covering parts of Southeastern Alaska will soon be established. The report is not authenticated.

Plaid His Threat Good.

Chicago, April 18.—Charles H. Sweeney, a wealthy cotton planter of Greenville, Ky., early today shot and killed his wife and then blew out his brains in the Dubuque flats, in Rush street. The tragedy was the result of domestic difficulties.

A month ago Sweeney and his wife separated, and she came to Chicago after notifying her husband that she would obtain a divorce. He replied, it is said, that he would kill her if she did so. Mrs. Sweeney arrived here a few days ago, taking up her residence with her sister, Mrs. W. L. Phillips, in the Dubuque flats.

Soon after breakfast Mrs. Phillips went down town to do some shopping, and a little later Sweeney, who, it is presumed, arrived in the city last night, called at the apartments and was admitted by Mrs. Phillips' 6-year-old son. He asked for his wife, and hearing his voice she appeared. Seizing her, he drew a revolver and told the boy to run. Before the terrified woman could scream Sweeney sent a bullet through her brain, killing her instantly. Placing the weapon to his own head he fired and dropped dead beside the body of his wife.

Mrs. Sweeney was a daughter of Thomas P. Morgan, an extensive planter in Greenville, Ky. W. L. Phillips at whose home the tragedy occurred, is a local tobacco merchant.

Wrong Impression.

The advocates of public parks wish the Nugget to state that the request which will be made to the Yukon council to grant to the people of Dawson the rear part of the barracks reservation for a public park is not that it may be placed in condition for May 24th particularly, but that it can be used at all times throughout the summer for athletic sports, games and meets of all kinds. It is proposed to have the sports on the 24th take place on First avenue the same as last year, provided the mud be dried up by that time.

The will of the late Gen. Leonard A. Dickinson of Hartford leaves half of his residuary estate to St. Thomas' church in that city, and one-fourth each to the Hartford hospital and the Hartford orphan asylum.

RUSHING WATERS.

All over the city last night the rushing of the water from the Klondike river as it swept over the flat fronting the barracks and hid itself beneath the as yet relentless ice of the Yukon could be heard as distinctly as though it had been only a few yards distant from the listener. The Klondike is putting out a large volume of water these days and if the upper rivers are doing equally well the Yukon can not much longer withstand the force brought to bear upon it.

The Klondike hotel, one of Dawson's historical landmarks, a relic of the old sour dough days is having a second story added to it which when completed will give it quite a chechako appearance.

Thackeray's "The Virginians" has been dramatized.

LATENESS OF SEASON

Causes Gold Dust to be Slow in Reaching Banks.

The movement of gold dust from the mines has thus far this year been very light.

Last year at this time there were several millions of dollars in dust on deposit with the banks awaiting shipment but owing to the lateness of the season this year and the fact that only a few hours in the afternoon have as yet been warm enough to allow sluicing the big bulk of the dust is still in the dumps.

All of the dust which has been brought in to date has been in small amounts and the total aggregate will not amount to over \$200,000. The larger portion of this amount comes from Bonanza. Yesterday evening \$10,000 was brought in for Alex McDonald from 34 above on Bonanza.

The banks are expecting the heavy shipments to start the first of next week and think that by the time the first boats can make the trip to Whitehorse there will be several millions of dollars on hand for shipment.

Latest photo buttons at Goetzman's.

WILL SUPPORT HIS WIFE.

Recalcitrant Barber Brought to Time by Law.

There was an entire family in police court this morning, a frightened looking husband who evidently realized what he was up against, a mid-nannered appearing wife who had the appearance of repenting at leisure and a pretty, prattling baby. The lord and master in the family is Sammy Moore, a barber at the Madden house who makes some pretensions to pugilistic exploits in the roped arena. Several days ago Samuel "done quit" his home, leaving his wife and child destitute. The wife complained to Constable J. S. Piper who investigated the case and night before last the tonsorial pugilist was arrested and taken to the barracks where he was soon released on \$100 cash bail. This morning when the case was called it was announced that the parties were willing to settle amicably which was done by Samuel promising the court to turn over to his wife one-half of all his earnings. The law governing such cases and the punishment provided was read to Moore and he was ready to agree to any terms named rather than that the case go to trial. Mrs. Moore was willing to accept the terms suggested and from now on or until the terms of the promise are violated, the gay and festive Samuel will have a family on his hands.

Money Lender Loses.

London, April 18.—The suit of Sanguinetti against the Duke of Manchester, which was postponed February 27 last, owing to the duke's absence in America, occupied the court of king's bench today. The plaintiff seeks to recover £1500 commission for procuring the duke a loan of £10,000. The defense pleaded that the terms of the loan were unreasonable. Mr. Zimmerman, the father-in-law of the duke, was in court. Sanguinetti testified that the duke said he wanted £500 in connection with a marriage, that he had insured his life for £50,000, and that he was making a good income as correspondent for a New York paper. The plaintiff admitted that he charged 25 per cent yearly interest, which he said was not exorbitant.

After evidence that the Manchester estates in England and Ireland showed a yearly deficit, and that the income did not suffice to meet the mortgages, charges and jointures of the dowager duchess, judgment was given in favor of the defendant on the ground that Sanguinetti had never found any one able or willing to provide the loan on which he claimed commission, on the actual security available.

To copy nature seems to work well. The Holland submarine boats are built in the shape of a whale.

RECEIVED BY WIRE. SAILOR SHARKEY WINS

Denver, May 3, via Skagway, May 10.—Sailor Tom Sharkey put out Big Fred Russell, the California heavyweight tonight in the fourth round of what was to be a ten-round go before the Colorado Athletic Association. The fight was characterized by rough and tumble tactics by both, science playing but little part. Much clinching and rough work was done throughout and it seemed that each had a good chance to win by landing a wild swing

at any time. Following are details of fourth and last round. Russell lands heavy right over Tom's heart and the latter misses both right and left swings. Sharkey lands both right and left swings on jaw, repeats both and Russell goes to the mat. Russell reaches for and grabs Tom's foot, pulling him down. Tom breaks loose and jumps to his feet and as Russell rises to his feet Tom lands a half right swing heavily on Russell's jaw, putting him down and out.

STABBING ON HUNKER

A stabbing affray occurred on Hunker creek yesterday morning at 6:30 o'clock and as the result one man now lies at death's door and another is probably by this time en route to a felon's cell.

The trouble occurred on claim 21 below discovery, owned by McNamee and managed by a man named Phlarer. At the boarding house on the claim Frank Billo was employed as head cook and John Thiers as assistant cook. While preparing breakfast yesterday morning at about 6:30 o'clock Billo gave an order to Thiers which the latter did not take in good part but resented. A quarrel ensued and there was a speedy mix-up in which Thiers used a knife with telling effect, stabbing Billo in two places, once in the breast and once in the groin. Several men who are employed on the claim and who were in the messhouse awaiting breakfast were witnesses to the trouble and interfered on seeing Thiers with a knife in his hand but not in time to prevent Billo being dangerously stabbed with the weapon, a fair-sized pocket knife.

The wounded man was cared for at the boarding house and the police at the station at Gold Bottom were notified. The latter were not long in reaching the scene of trouble when Thiers, who had been kept under surveillance by the men who had witnessed the assault, was taken into custody and taken to the police station at Gold Bottom. Capt. McDonald of the Forks was notified and left at once for Hunker, reaching there last night. Inquiry revealed that there were sufficient grounds to warrant the holding of Thiers to await the result of Billo's wounds and the news from Hunker at 2 o'clock this afternoon was that Thiers will be brought to the Dawson jail either this evening or tomorrow forenoon.

But little was learned regarding the two parties to the fray further than that Billo is a Belgian and Thiers an Alsatian.

Billo is still living this afternoon but the physician in charge was reported as reticent concerning his actual condition. The wounded man was entirely unharmed and made no effort to defend himself with other than his fists.

SCHOOL CHILDREN DIED OF HUNGER

Will Take Part in Victoria Day Celebration.

The committee consisting of R. P. McLennan, Col. MacGregor and J. H. Falconer appointed at the general committee meeting last night for the purpose of arranging for the school children to take part in the festivities of the 24th met with the teachers of the Mission street and St. Mary's schools, all of whom were in hearty sympathy with the movement and agreed to rehearse the children in the following songs: "God Save the King," "The Maple Leaf Forever" and "The Red White and Blue." The following ladies are requested to meet with the teachers and children of the various schools at the Mission street schoolhouse on Monday next at 3 p. m. to arrange for rehearsals: Mrs. F. C. Wade, Mrs. H. Te Roller, Mrs. P. Mullen, Mrs. Alex McDonald, Mrs. Libby, Mrs. A. McKay, Mrs. J. P. McLennan, Mrs. Devis, Mrs. Hines, Mrs. Fish, Mrs. Hulme and Mrs. D. Brown.

It is the intention to form the children into line at the Mission street schoolhouse on the 24th at 10 o'clock in the morning each carrying flags and banners and march them up to the grand stand, which will be located on First avenue and have them open the exercises by singing "God Save the King."

The chairman of the general committee will then introduce Gov. Ross who will deliver the oration of the day. The children will then sing their other songs upon which the parade will start. After the parade the sports, which were published in a previous issue will commence and be continued throughout the afternoon.

Cashier Wrecks a Bank.

Vergennes, Vt., April 13.—The Farmers' National Bank went into the hands of John P. Sullivan as receiver at the close of business this afternoon, and Cashier D. B. Lewis is about \$90,000 short in his accounts. He remains at home and has turned over to the officers of the bank his entire holdings of stock and negotiable property. His securities are valued at \$30,000 and the men who have signed his bond are believed to be good for the full amount.

Dogs Not in Evidence.

Were it not for a chorus of howls every time a saw mill whistle blows, the impression that there are no dogs in Dawson today would be but a natural one as there has not been seen a dog at large since yesterday evening, the recent order not being enforced in part, but in whole. Now if a dog goes mad there is no danger of his innoculating a dozen others before he can be killed.

Stung Robson will revive "The Henrietta" next season.

BIG MINING SALE.

The sale of Jim Hall's interest in 17 Eldorado is authentically reported, the purchasers being Frank Berry, John Moe, Tom Lloyd and Harry Say. By the conditions of the sale Hall receives \$60,000.

Forest Fire.

Although very early in the season a forest fire has already started a few miles up the Yukon and for a while last night gave evidence of having a good start towards destroying a large amount of timber. As there is no timber in this country to spare in that way it is to be hoped forest fires will be few and far between. As the snow is not yet all off the ground the fire noticed last night will probably burn out before much damage is done.

NEW SCHOOL PRINCIPAL.

George P. McKenzie to Succeed Mr. Burton.

At a late meeting of the Dawson school board it was decided that the interests of the school could be best advanced by a change of principals which change will be effected on Monday when Mr. Geo. P. McKenzie will take charge, vice the former principal, Mr. Burton. Mr. McKenzie is from Nova Scotia where he held a first-class certificate and from whence he brought with him to the Yukon recommendations from many of the leading educators of eastern Canada. He is ripe in experience as a high school principal and in him the Dawson school board are confident they have secured the right man. For several months past Mr. McKenzie has been connected with the Yukon Sun as general outside man.

The mail which left Dawson a week ago last Wednesday had a narrow escape from being lost, having gone through the ice together with the sleigh which was taking it out. It happened to be securely tied onto the sleigh which with great difficulty gotten out of the water.

TWO BIG SLUICEHEADS

Are Now Carried 350 Feet Up Chechako Hill.

The big pumping plant put in by Alex McDonald and partner, Mr. Grant, on Bonanza opposite Chechako Hill, was started on Monday of this week and is working in a manner which excels even the most fond hopes of its promoters. A 200-horse power engine operates two Worthington pumps which drive the water through a ten-inch pipe up the hill a distance of 350 feet, furnishing two strong sluiceheads and sufficient to sluice all the dumps there.

The incoming mail has reached Hootaliqua and will come from that place to Dawson on the first boat.

Barbarous Practices.

London, April 13.—A strong reaction is setting in against the barbarities practiced by European soldiers in China. Tales of horrors worse than the American Indians or the South Sea cannibals were ever guilty of are arousing English indignation. Similar stories were reported several months ago, but the public disbelieved. Now, they believe. The publication of a long letter in the Times by Aubron Herbert, an Englishman of great ability and learning, giving a catalogued account of the barbarities of the allied troops, has caused a sensation. It has been increased by the arrival of Japanese newspapers telling incredible stories of awful crimes against innocent people. All united in declaring the Americans the most humane and to have committed the fewest excesses. The Russians and French were the worst. Mr. Herbert says: "The wholesale devilry was in full flower during the march to Peking. For no useful purpose villages and towns were reduced to heaps of smoldering ashes and the country turned into a wilderness. Unoffending men, women and children and babies were killed in thousands. Women suffered the worst outrages. Killing was carried on for killing's sake and property destroyed for the love of destruction. After the relief of Peking we enter on another phase: Loot possessed all hearts. It entered like a fend into everybody without distinction. Not only the soldiers, but the foreign residents even were seized with this almost universal madness. Everybody looted. It was common for excursions and picnics, I presume, to be arranged into the country for looting purposes. Loot systematically collected was sold at auction under the colonnade of the British legation."

Dr. James Warrenne Sunderland, founder of what is believed to be the world's first college for the higher education of woman, recently celebrated his 88th birthday at his home in Colverville, Pa.

London theatrical people expect that King Edward will pretty soon confer the title of sir knight on an actor manager. Sir Henry Irving is the only one now holding that distinction.

CAST OFF LINES

Is Order Which Will be Given Soon at Lower Labarge

WHERE LARGE STEAMER FLEET LIES

With Heavy Cargoes Sledged Over Ice.

FOR SHIPMENT TO DAWSON.

Water Rising Rapidly in Thirtymile River Opening in Various Places All Along.

From Friday's Daily.
Public sentiment is now ripe for the opening of navigation and continual failure of the ice to move will result in great disappointment to everyone. In fact so anxious are the citizens of Dawson for the glad news about of "Steamboat" that they are almost ready to believe that the ice has already gone out and that the motionless body they see reposing on the placid bosom of the Yukon is an optical delusion. For some time past the machinery of the steamer Robert Kerr lying in the ice at the Yukon dock has been undergoing repairs and today, steam being up in her boilers, someone pulled the throttle rope and such a blast as has not been heard for seven long months rent the air. Fully 100 people on First avenue yelled "Steamboat" and, never stopping to consider that the ice still remained in the river, they made a mad rush for the dock only to see the steamer Kerr lying frozen in the ice where she has been since last October. This and similar evidences warrant the statement that public sentiment is ripe for the going out of the ice. Telegraphic reports today from up the river are encouraging to the belief that the river will soon be open. The reports are as follows:

Lower Labarge—The water is rising rapidly here and in the Thirtymile river. No boats have as yet started for below as only very light draught craft could now navigate Thirtymile owing to the shallowness of the water. In a few days at the rate of rise for the past 48 hours there will be an abundance of water for deepest draught steamers. River is open from here to some distance below the mouth of Big Salmon.

Selkirk—The river is going rapidly at this point, being open for miles at places both above and below.

Ogilvie—Travel on the ice is wholly suspended and open water is seen in many places.

It is reported that beginning at a point six miles below Dawson, the river is open for the next six miles.

Spilled Children.

Spilling children consists in letting one's darling have its own precious way on all occasions, and the way is such a pretty, cunning, winsome way nobody can see any harm in it. But grown up willfulness is quite a different thing from baby willfulness. It has claws and teeth, so to speak, and is not nice to contemplate. Spoiling appears to mean a great many different things. One of its mild forms is a total disregard for the feelings and convenience of others. If you notice a disagreeable, unaccommodating woman on the car or elsewhere you may know that she was a spoiled child.

Although poor people do contrive occasionally to spoil their children by indulgence, by making great sacrifices, this business is not carried on wholesale, as it is among the rich. Poverty is a severe yet kind stepmother. In a large family, not very well to do, the older children care for the younger ones and exert more influence often in their own way than their parents in teaching self denial and common sense.

Self control is the one thing spoiled children never learn. They must have everything they want and have it without delay. The child who kicks his nurse, bullies his mother and his younger brothers and sisters develops into the passionate, dissipated young man.

The spoiled girl becomes an exacting, disagreeable woman. The world must wait upon her, she makes everybody around her unhappy and all because she was a spoiled child. Her husband is a martyr to her whims and caprices, and her children are made wretched by her irritable and fretful disposition, and all because her early training was not what it should have been. —Boquet.

Our Indian population is not skillful in any line of manufacture save its own crude industries.