

COLUMBIA COINS ARE SOLD HIGH

...Brought Nearly a Thousand Dollars in Recent London Sale.

...is well interested in a sale conducted by auction recently in London, in which coins were unprecedented sums (for Canada).

...of the coins in which these included comprised mainly of the British colonies and the states, and extended over nine of the British Columbia 20 piece, went at \$116, while the \$10 piece realized \$11,000 for the pair.

...The investigation into the causes of the explosion at Cumberland has been concluded. The stenographic report of the evidence was taken by Oscar C. B. ...

...The marriage took place Thursday at St. Barnabas's church of Miss Bessie Wall, daughter of E. Wall, of this city, and John R. Noot, the groom is the son of Geo. Noot, ex-custos department of this city, and resides at Vancouver. Mr. and Mrs. Noot left for Vancouver Thursday night to take up their residence there. Mr. Noot is a mail clerk on the C. P. R. train.

SALISBURY'S DEATH.

...A sailor belonging to the ship Semantha, now lying in Esquimaux harbor, was injured on Thursday by falling down a hatchway. The man was going down to make the descent when he lost his hold and fell. He was taken to the Marine hospital, where his injuries were attended to by Dr. H. Robertson. They are not considered to be serious.

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...THREE SHOTS FIRED AT H. NOBLE YESTERDAY

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...Shortly before 4 o'clock yesterday morning three sharp reports in quick succession rang out from the Bodega saloon on the View and Douglas streets corner of the Balmora block. The door of the main entrance was then flung open and a man dashed out and down the street crying "Murder." He rushed down to Government street shouting at the top of his voice and ran into the Bay. "Shut the door, quick, or he will be in!" he exclaimed to the astonished occupants of the place, going fearfully towards the entrance. It was then discovered that he had been wounded and a doctor and the police were at once notified.

...The attempt to murder Harry Noble, proprietor of the Bodega, was one of the most daring in the local history of crime. Three shots were deliberately fired at him from a distance of only a few feet, and his escape from instant death was a volume of miracles. There were no eye witnesses to the affair, and particulars are available from but one quarter, the victim of the attack. His story, as given to the police, is in effect as follows:

...About a quarter to four o'clock yesterday morning Frank Munoz, a cigar maker, entered his place and said he "would shake him for the cigars." They shook the dice for a while and then the game shifted to seven-up. They had been playing for some time when without the slightest warning, and like a flash, Munoz whipped a revolver from his pocket and covered the other with an oath. "You're in a hurry," replied Noble, as he moved unhesitatingly to the safe, which was at the head of the counter.

...The only response to this overture was an oath and another command, "Give me that you have in your pocket." "Yes, you have, I know you have, so hand it out quick," growled the other, accompanying his order with a fusillade of oaths.

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...BIG CAPTURE JUST MADE AT SEATTLE

...Victoria Seal Hunter Accused of Theft and Under Arrest—Will Be Prosecuted.

...Consequent on a big seizure of ambergris, alleged to have been stolen from the Victoria Sealing Company and smuggled across the international line, Charles Todd, a well known seal hunter of this city, has been arrested at Seattle and charged with taking goods into the United States without a manifest in a vessel that is not registered. He has been bound over to the December term of the United States grand jury in the sum of \$2,000, and the bond, it is said, was immediately forthcoming.

...The theft of the ambergris occurred in this city last September. The commodity, so prized for its properties of perfumery, was brought to this city by the sealing schooner Triumph, and according to Capt. Grant, manager of the sealing company, was landed on the company's wharf in the upper harbor. The vessel returned from her sealing cruise in northern waters on the 9th of that month, and the city sealers were placed ashore, no report, however, being made of its discovery. Capt. Grant saw it lying on the wharf and immediately gave orders to have it placed in the shed, expecting to make use of it later on.

...Discovery is the only claim on Duncan creek which is being worked now. In a clean-up made after three days' shoveling in \$2,000 to \$3,000 was taken out. This report is brought by F. M. Shepard, of the gold commissioner's office, who has returned from a visit to Duncan. He says: "The ground at Discovery, on Duncan, is shallow, and is easily worked. Ten thousand feet of lumber used in making flumes on the property was whipsawed on the claim. The ground at Discovery is the same which the mysterious Sevelevs were party worked two or three years ago, before they found the creek. The reasons given by the owners of other Duncan claims for not working their properties are that the water is so low, and the cost of installing equipment. Some are waiting until the question of a road is finished."

...The Yukon council has decided to build a road from Mayo landing to Duncan creek. The road will be 26 miles long, and cost \$25,000 to \$45,000. It will be built by tender. The work will begin within a few weeks, and be rushed to completion.

...The shipments from Dawson since last season for the first three months have been as follows: May, \$178,781; June, \$3,324,480; July, \$2,015,786.

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SHORTAGE OF WATER.

...Stewart River is Very Low and Navigation Affected—Dawson Gold Shipments.

...Advice comes from Dawson, under date of August 10th, reporting that the great shortage of water is affecting navigation on the Stewart river. It is thought likely steamers will be unable to ascend that stream more than two to four weeks more this season if the river does not cease falling. Duncan creek has suffered much this year from underground water channels boistering the waters of the mountains. The machinery must first be taken into the camp. Machinery will be introduced slowly, because the owners mostly are poor, and desire to hold their ground until they acquire means to buy equipment.

...Discovery is the only claim on Duncan creek which is being worked now. In a clean-up made after three days' shoveling in \$2,000 to \$3,000 was taken out. This report is brought by F. M. Shepard, of the gold commissioner's office, who has returned from a visit to Duncan. He says: "The ground at Discovery, on Duncan, is shallow, and is easily worked. Ten thousand feet of lumber used in making flumes on the property was whipsawed on the claim. The ground at Discovery is the same which the mysterious Sevelevs were party worked two or three years ago, before they found the creek. The reasons given by the owners of other Duncan claims for not working their properties are that the water is so low, and the cost of installing equipment. Some are waiting until the question of a road is finished."

...The Yukon council has decided to build a road from Mayo landing to Duncan creek. The road will be 26 miles long, and cost \$25,000 to \$45,000. It will be built by tender. The work will begin within a few weeks, and be rushed to completion.

...The shipments from Dawson since last season for the first three months have been as follows: May, \$178,781; June, \$3,324,480; July, \$2,015,786.

...The shipments from White Horse since last year were \$246 in May, and \$2370 in June.

...The shipments from Forty-Mile this year amount to \$1,082 in June, with no report for July.

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PERSONAL.

...E. E. Teeple, of Iowa Falls, accompanied by a party of tourists, arrived in the city Sunday night and registered at the Dominion hotel. Mr. Teeple visited Victoria last summer and was so delighted with the place that he has returned, bringing friends. The party comprises, besides Mr. Teeple, G. L. Dobson, wife and son, and four of the Teeple family. Iowa; Miss Pearl Watt, of Sea City, Iowa; W. A. Waterman