

RATE WAR NOW ON.

First Class Tickets to White
Horse Selling Today at
\$25.00.

ROCK ISLAND TONIGHT FOR ST. MICHAEL

Three C. D. Steamers Arrive in
Twenty-four Hours

WITH BUT FEW PASSENGERS.

Sarah Carried Full List—Calderhead
Estimates 18,000 Tons of Freight
En Route via Skagway.

(From Monday's Daily.)

Today saw the first rate war of the season and tickets are selling on the Flora for \$25 first class and \$20 second-class to Whitehorse. It is understood, however, that rates will be put up again on the sailing of the next boat. The cut was made to offset the cut made by tramp boats which have entered the field of legitimate transportation business. The passengers who travel on these irresponsible crafts cannot hope for any succor from the regular transportation companies should ill-luck befall them while en route to their destination.

The Rock Island will make a record trip as her engines and boiler are in excellent shape. Those fortunate enough to have secured passage on this boat will have a delightful journey down the river.

The steamers Bailey, Victorian, Sybil and Canadian arrived within the last 24 hours. The Bailey came without passengers who arrived on the two later boats.

J. H. Brogan, Mrs. E. A. Hegg, Miss Hegg, Mr. Summers, H. P. Ireland, P. P. Heien, E. S. Lewis, J. H. Coufourt, T. Shaw, Mrs. Schofield, Mrs. De La Pole, Mrs. F. A. Davis, Mrs. M. B. McFarland, Mrs. F. J. Davis, Mrs. J. McNamee, M. J. Tellis, D. Menard, F. J. Belcher, R. P. McFarlane, J. L. Davis, G. W. Wallenbough, Gordon S. Legg.

The J. P. Light is nearly completed repairing and will be taken off the ways in a few days. The Zealandian is also at the C. D. Co.'s shipyard undergoing an extensive overhauling.

Captain Martineau brought the Flora again to her berth from Whitehorse Saturday afternoon. She leaves tonight. The following passengers came in on her:

N. E. Haun, S. E. Webster, S. N. Hibbard, Mrs. J. J. Thornton, Geo. Banash, Mrs. J. McQualls, Mrs. St. Jennings, John McQuinn, Miss B. Sherman, Edw. Gibson, E. D. Moore, Miss J. P. McLennan, B. A. Leitry, Geo. H. Mead, Miss E. McLennan.

The steamer Sarah sailed for St. Michael Saturday with a larger passenger list than was expected to be booked at this late date. Fully 160 people took passage, a large proportion of which are to stop at Circle City. The Tanana country is now the favorite stampede ground and Nome and the Koyukuk take second place.

The Rock Island sails to night. No second-class tickets are on sale as there are ample accommodations on the upper deck for all who desire to travel. It is expected that the Rock Island will make a record trip.

R. W. Calderhead estimates that there are 18,000 tons of freight on the way to Dawson, divided as follows: Six thousand tons at Whitehorse, 6000 at Skagway and 6000 at Seattle or on the ocean. The big boats which carry to their best capacity cannot take away collectively from Whitehorse the tonnage which is landed there daily. There are four train loads, with 10 cars, arriving from Skagway every day with an estimated tonnage of more than 1000 tons every 24 hours.

Better Late Than Never.

A person who claims to be in position to know whereof he speaks, submits the following which we gladly reproduce:

"I read in the Nugget an item con-

cerning the marriage of William C. Gates at Circle. The story reported is incorrect. Mr. Gates, I am informed, was married a year ago last May to his present wife, but owing to some irregularity in the divorce proceedings by which he was divorced from his former wife, he entertained some doubt as to the legality of the marriage. On learning that the divorce from his former wife was held to be regularly granted he had his marriage to his present wife solemnized before a justice of the peace at Circle City. Mrs. Gates left Dawson with him on the morning of the 19th ult. and she is the person with whom he was living on Quartz creek."

Missing Persons.

U. S. Consul McCook has received several letters of inquiry for missing people, among which is a pathetic inquiry from San Francisco, signed by Geo. F. Ohlin. The writer, in behalf of the missing man's wife, asks for information which may lead to the discovery of a man described as a Swede, born in Sweden, six feet tall and of sandy complexion. The writer omits the trifling details of the man's name, evidently thinking that to a man of the consul's Sherlock Holmes acumen that piece of information would be superfluous.

Harry Cohn, of New York city, writes asking information concerning the whereabouts of Joe Mokowitz, who, when last heard of some months since was in one of the local hospitals.

A law firm of Milwaukee, Wis., seeks information concerning the estate of one Richard Legnu, whose death, it is alleged by the writers occurred May 21. The writers ask on behalf of deceased's widow that the remains be shipped to Milwaukee, but states that the circumstances are such that this expense will necessarily have to be borne by the estate. Legnu is supposed to have died possessed of some interests on Green gulch, and also to have had considerable ready money.

Information is wanted at the consulate of the whereabouts of Mrs. Margaret Mitchell, who a short time since made application for a widow's pension. Some further data in support of her claim is wanted.

Did You Ever? Well, Scarcely.

It is proper to designate a fire as "lucky," there was one today at the noon hour when a slight blaze occurred on the roof of the gymnasium and bath house on Third avenue. An alarm was rung and then followed a sight which was sufficient to bring tears to the eyes of a potato. The big fire team, with the chemical engine wagon, emerged from the lower fire house and with much jumping and wind-broken horses wheezing that could be heard nearly as far as the tones of the fire bell, the team managed to get the chemical wagon as far as the first crossing where it stopped, the horses refusing to move more than "tighten the traces in their efforts to proceed. Willing bystanders grabbed the wheels and, by shoving the wagon forward on the horses, persuaded them to move on a few feet and until left to their own resources to move the wagon, when they again stopped and again the wagon was forced upon them by the hands of men who could have kept in advance of the team by hopping along on one foot.

Finally, by the free use of high-priced lumber used as clubs, the once good, but now badly spoiled and wholly worthless horses, were persuaded to aid the "wheel yankers" in moving the wagon to the scene of the embryo blaze, which, fortunately had been extinguished by a dipper of water.

How the chemical engine was gotten back to the fire house is not known. If it is there and was taken back by the department team, it is worthy of congratulation. The next time it is needed it is suggested that, in the absence of a team of malmutes, a sail be put on it and some old woman be allowed to take the tongue and steer it to the scene of the conflagration.

Let Every Member Attend.

Tomorrow night at 8 o'clock sharp, in the Board of Trade rooms in the A. C. Co.'s office building, a meeting for the annual election of officers of the Board of Trade will be held, at which meeting it is important that every member of the organization be present. For some months past the interest that should be taken in this commercial and business body has not been apparent to any great extent, and it is now proposed that new life be imparted thereto. Remember to be at the rooms tomorrow night promptly at 8 o'clock.

Who Knows W. Clyde Nold.

A letter has been received at this office inquiring as to the whereabouts of W. Clyde Nold, formerly of Columbus, Ohio. He was last known to be located on No. 5 Gold Bottom. Any information brought to this office will be forwarded to his home address.

Special Power of Attorney forms for sale at the Nugget office.

JUNE THE 19TH

Was Yukon Field Day in the
House of Parliament at
Ottawa.

AN EARLY ELECTION IS NOW ASSURED

Of Two Local Representatives on the
Yukon Board of Council.

TUPPER WOULD ACT AT ONCE.

Laurier Suggests That Representation
From the Yukon in Parliament Be
Deferred Until Next Spring.

Copies of the official debates and proceedings in the house of commons at Ottawa are just at hand. By these reports it is clear that June 19th last was a Yukon field day in the house.

Sir Chas. Tupper offered a resolution which demanded immediate provision be made to allow the Yukon territory to elect members of the house of commons and the Yukon council. That portion of his resolution regarding the election to the Yukon council he withdrew as Hon. Sir Wilfred Laurier assured the house and country that the election would take place for these two members of the Yukon council at once.

Compared with the many irrelevant and wandering debates regarding Yukon affairs that have taken place in various parts of Canada, this representation debate is a relief. It shows that those in charge of the movement have taken care to fully inform both the government and opposition of the exact wants and conditions of the territory. It must indeed be very gratifying to the members of the citizens' committee to have their acts and work so thoroughly understood and appreciated by government and opposition alike, and certainly they are entitled to more than the bare thanks of the territory for their work.

The masterstroke of the movement, as the debate shows, was in sending the petitions direct to the governor general, and the answer of the governor general is probably unique in Canadian history. The points at issue and the feelings of the Yukon citizens are more thoroughly understood than ever before.

Sir Chas. Tupper opened his speech by simply reading the resolution passed at the last public meeting demanding immediate representation in the Dominion house and then continued: "That petition sets forth so clearly not only the claim of the inhabitants of the Yukon territory, but the ground on which they make their claims to representation in this house, as to make it unnecessary that I should add much to what has already been stated. Now I do not see any necessity for postponing, as Mr. Laurier has virtually admitted that when the census is taken it will become necessary to provide representation for the Yukon. I think the government should act on the census just taken, which census furnishes all the information that is necessary in regard to a question of this kind." Sir Charles then quoted from an article in the government organ, the Globe, strongly supporting the citizens' demands. "There is, naturally," says the Globe, "a strong feeling in Dawson in favor of electoral representation in the Yukon council, and also in the Dominion parliament. Complaints about taxation without representation have a disagreeable sound and should not continue unheeded in a British colony."

The Globe continues: "The demand for representation is well founded. The petition to parliament sets forth that the people of the territory pay one-twenty-fifth of the gross revenue of the Dominion." It also dwells on the reforms needed in the territory, and the failure of parliament and of people outside of the territory to properly understand its position.

Sir Chas. Tupper said: "The opinion of the government newspaper is so much like my own that I will not dwell any further on the matter, but I accept the prime minister's assurance that an election will be held immediately to

elect two members to the Yukon council and my motion will simply be that immediate provision should be made to allow the Yukon representation in the house of commons of the Dominion of Canada."

Hon. Sir Wilfred Laurier laid down the government decision and opinion as follows:

"Upon the general principles of Sir Chas. Tupper's speech we will have no controversy; they are the opinions of all. It is in the spirit of the British constitution that the people should be represented in all legislative assemblies. Regarding the enforcement of the act giving the citizens the right to elect two members of the Yukon council I have already stated that it is the intention of the government to have the proclamation issued for this purpose immediately. I will say that it is intended that the proclamation will issue about the first of July so that immediately the elections shall take place to give representation to the people of the Yukon upon the executive council. As to that point we are all agreed."

"Regarding representation in the house of commons, of course everyone must admit that representatives made by a mass meeting of citizens anywhere under our system of government are always entitled to respect and consideration."

As to how many members the Yukon should have and what should be the franchise, Sir Wilfred said: "First of all I expect that when the people have elected two members of the Yukon council within the next few weeks, we probably shall have representations made by the executive council, reinforced as it shall be by the voice of popular opinion, as to what shall be the representation of the Yukon territory in this parliament. I expect we shall have much more valuable suggestion from such a body as the executive council, is then constituted and one which will be entitled to more consideration than the simple resolution of a mass meeting. We have already provided that manhood suffrage shall be the franchise for electors for the Yukon council, and we would like to have the views of the council whether or not that franchise should be adopted for representation in the house of commons."

"We will deem it our duty to introduce a bill to admit the population of the Yukon to representation in this parliament as soon as the census has been taken."

The census referred to is the regular decennial census taken in 1901.

POLICE COURT NEWS.

In the police court Saturday afternoon C. M. Woodworth was held over to the territorial court in the sum of \$2000 on the charge of having unlawfully secured valuable securities.

Uncle Hoffman, on the charge of assault on the person of May Newman, was fined \$10 and costs.

May Newman, who upon the charge of fighting and being disorderly, she having engaged in an embryo bout with Uncle Hoffman at the Palace Grand, was warned and dismissed.

Looking very much the worse for his libations, a man by the name of Roache was also charged with having been asleep on the street. He likewise was fined \$5 and costs, and the requisite not being at hand, was taken back to the guardhouse.

The cases of two laborers vs. Sala were continued until tomorrow, it being said that the defendant is sick on the creek, where his claim is located and, therefore, not able to appear.

The case of J. L. Hawks for hawking without a license, will be heard this afternoon.

At the beginning of the afternoon session the O'Brien case was called and the examination of Witness Mrs. Jennie C. Prather was taken up where it was left off Saturday evening, when the witness testified to having seen O'Brien at different points along the trail, and identified his dog "Bruce." The examination had barely started when O'Brien's attorney came in and asked for a recess. The request was granted till tomorrow at 2 p. m.

The Record Breaker.

The steamer Lightning, belonging to the Dawson & Whitehorse Navigation Co., arrived at Whitehorse this morning after a record trip of 3 days and 17 hours. This lowers all previous records made between the two points and establishes the Lightning's reputation as being the swiftest boat on the river. The actual running time was three days and six hours. The steamer is in charge of Capt. Harris and Pilots Fulk and Matlock.

In Hard Luck.

Only a month ago Mutchler Bros. were the fortunate owners of the heaviest and best team of horses in the Yukon district, the span being valued at \$1500, which price was frequently refused by the owners. Three weeks ago one of the powerful animals suddenly sickened and died, and yesterday the remaining horse followed the example of his mate. The loss to the owners is a heavy one.

ADNEY'S BOOK.

The Klondike Stampede of 1897.
98 an Interesting
Compilation

OF CONDITIONS AS THEN EXISTED.

He Understands His Subject When
Writing of Hootch.

MANY MEN WERE FLAT BROKE

And Hundreds Slept in Berrooms and
Lived on Charity—The Moosehorn
Saloon a Popular Resort.

Tappan Adney's book, "The Klondike Stampede of 1897-8," is filled with good things, well worth the time necessary for careful perusal, by either new comer or old timer. One paragraph may be cited as being of local interest and showing the general accuracy of the writer in descriptive matter, and how truly he caught the spirit of the times of which he writes.

Under the page caption of "Hootch," appears the following:

"An example of the better class of Dawson saloons was the 'Pioneer' or 'Moosehorn,' a favorite resort of old timers. The proprietors, Messrs. Dinsmore, Spencer & McPhee, were types of the early Yukon pioneer. Frank Dinsmore, in fact, was among the first who crossed the pass, and he rocked for gold on the bars of the upper Yukon a dozen years before the Klondike was known. I recall the 'Pioneer' as a large, comfortable room, with the usual bar on one side, having a massive mirror behind, and several large moose and caribou antlers on the walls, a number of unpainted tables and benches and chairs, the latter always filled with men talking over their pipes, reading much worn newspapers (six months out of date), a few engaged in games of poker, and nine-tenths dead broke, but as welcome apparently as the most reckless rounder who spilled his dust over the bar. It struck the outsider with wonder, the seeming indifference of the proprietors whether one patronized the bar or not, for what other interpretation can one place on a water barrel at the end of the bar? Then, too, the 'busted' man of today, might be the millionaire of tomorrow; but the reason lay deeper than that. There were men destined not to have fortunes. Very late at night, when Dawson had turned in for a snatch of sleep, one might see them lying on benches and the tables, homeless, stranded men, half sick and dependent from day to day on the charity of strangers, and who, but for this welcome bench or table, had no place to lay their heads. Something of the generous spirit of the old Yukon life made these men welcome."

Safely Removed.

After considerable delay and a trip that required until 1 o'clock Monday morning to successfully complete, the two smallpox patients and one suspect were successfully removed to and located on the island below the city. The towing of the scow on which the pest-house is located was accomplished by the steamer Emma Nott, under the direction of Sergeant Wilson. The fact that the tow line became mixed up in the wheel caused things to look favorable to the whole business going down the river to St. Michael for awhile, but a friendly bar intervened and stopped the steamer, when the rope was finally gotten free and the scow towed to position.

The patients were not inconvenienced by the removal, and both were feeling fairly well on arrival at their temporary home.

Dr. Berry, with two attendants and a messenger, has charge of the camp at the island. It is not thought that either of the cases will prove fatal.

First Honors.

W. H. B. Lyons was awarded the gold medal for scoring the highest number of points, 23, on the Fourth of July. Frank Wright came second with 19 points and Roy Agee third with 11 points.