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IS A SPLENDID COUNTRY

So Says Emil Stauf of the Stewart River Section—Paradise for Sportsmen—Quite a Large Number of Men Rocking on Old Bars Which Were Worked Fifteen Years Ago.

Emil Stauf returned last night in his gasoline launch from his trip up the Stewart river, accompanied by Herbert Robertson and R. E. Englebrecht, arriving shortly after midnight. Contrary to expectations he did not portage his launch around Fraser Falls on account of the absence of a sufficient number of men to render him the needed assistance. Captain Ritchie of the steamer Prospector offered Mr. Stauf the use of his crew in taking the little craft up, but as there would be no one at hand to help him on his return he declined the captain's proffer. In speaking of the matter this morning Mr. Stauf expresses regret at having done so as he is confident after a thorough examination of the rapids which has been named the Falls he could have successfully run them with his boat in comparative safety. The falls, so-called, do not drop precipitously but instead plunge down an incline at an angle of perhaps 15 or 20 degrees. The channel is wide and there seems to be no obstructions in the way to prevent shooting them in a boat that is decked over. Mr. Stauf may make another trip to Stewart this fall and if he does he will transport his launch to the upper river and try the thrilling experiment of navigating the falls upon his return. There is lots of water in the Stewart and it is still rising. There is a sort of portage around the Falls and whoever laid out the skid road made the mistake of putting it on the right hand side of the river going up. The portage on the opposite bank through a steeper climb is much shorter. "That is a magnificent looking country," said Mr. Stauf, "and there is going to be gold and lots of it found there within the next year or two. There is not a bar below Clear creek that will not yield a prospect and I saw a number of men rocking on old ground that had been worked out 15 years ago. They don't make much, probably only \$3 or \$4 a day, but it is a grabstake for them and shows conclusively that there is gold somewhere about them. I was very sorry I was unable to explore the upper river, but there being but three in my party and no one living at the Falls I did not see how I would get the launch back if I portaged it above. We made a short trip above the Falls on foot, merely a few miles. While there we met a party of five old timers. They had a heavy outfit which they had packed around the Falls and were headed for far up the north fork. In that section there has practically never been any white men other than a few hunters and trappers, and I would not be surprised if some excellent discoveries were made there within the next year. With the completion of the trail the government intends putting in cross country to Clear creek, that section will be of easy access in winter as well as summer. There are at present only half dozen at the McQueen.

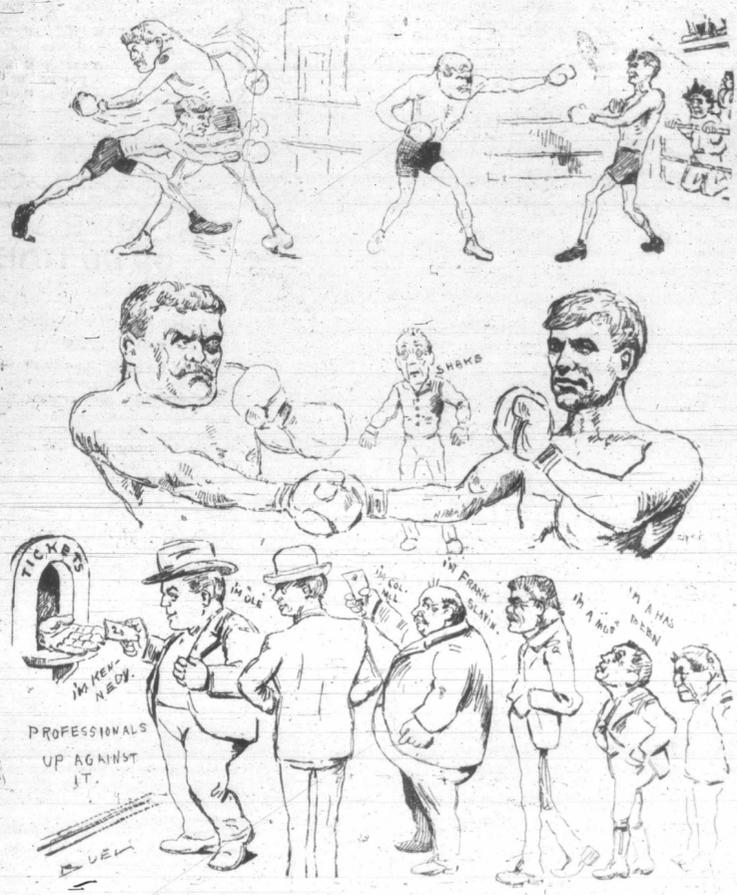
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LAST NIGHT'S CONTEST—SCENES DURING AND BEFORE THE MEET.

COMING AND GOING Edgar Mizner, manager of the Northern Commercial Co., is ill at his residence.

Mr. P. J. Hemen, of the Nugget force, started for a trip to Dominion and Gold Run creek this morning. He expects to be gone for several days.

C. W. Martin, formerly a resident of this city but now with the Klondike Corporation at Whitehorse, is shaking hands today with old time friends.

Mr. Chas. Hall, manager of the Northern Commercial branch store at Fortymile, arrived in Dawson yesterday morning. Mr. Hall's visit is strictly a business one and he expects to return to Portymile on one of the first boats going down the river.

Mr. H. H. Honnen, the well known freighter who sold his business early in the season to the Dawson Transfer and Storage Company, expects to leave for the outside between the 15th and 20th of this month. He will remain out all winter, but will probably return to Dawson early next spring.

Mr. Homer L. Bean, of Grand Forks, returned from a trip to the outside yesterday. Mr. Bean was only gone about five weeks, but took the opportunity to make a visit to his old home in Michigan. He is glad to get back once more to the greater activity of life in Dawson.

Reindeer for Alaska. Washington, Aug. 30.—The secretary of the interior has received from Lieut. E. P. Bertholf, of the revenue cutter service, a report of purchases of reindeer made in Siberia for shipment to Alaska during the present summer. He says he has secured 450 young does and 50 bucks, all of the large tussock breed, and that he thinks that a contract can be made for 1500 reindeer for next summer.

The deer were all bought in the vicinity of Orsk, and they were shipped from that place to Port Clarence. The distance is 2000 miles, and Lieut. Bertholf expressed some doubt as to the success of the experiment. The deer purchased cost 13 roubles per head in Orsk, but the additional expense in keeping, shipping, etc., brings the total cost of the animals landed in Alaska to about \$30 each.

To Meet at Sea. Berlin, Aug. 29.—The forthcoming meeting between Emperor Nicholas and Emperor William will occur at sea off Dantzig, Emperor William remaining on board the imperial yacht Hohenzollern during the maneuvers.

A special railway station has been built near the wharf so that the kaiser's train may stop close to the bridge leading to the Hohenzollern. The grounds will be surrounded by a high wooden fence.

Miss Mary Case will give a farewell concert at the Methodist church Tuesday next. Tickets on sale at Cribbs & Rogers, Third street.

Will Leave Wednesday. Captain W. H. Scarth has decided that he can not sail farewell to his many Dawson friends previous to leaving to join the South African constabulary, in which he has accepted a commission, before Wednesday of next week. Getting away from Dawson requires more time than the genial officer first anticipated; besides, by waiting until next Wednesday he will have the company of several other congenial spirits who will leave for the outside at the same time.

To Entertain Armenians. London, Aug. 30.—The Daily Mail publishes today an article written by Ali Nour Bey, former Turkish consul in Rotterdam, declaring that the massacre of Armenians by Kurds, which has just commenced, is part of a regular system of extermination. He says: "The number of Armenians killed will depend upon the outcry raised in Europe and the pressure brought to bear upon the sultan. The same horrible process will be repeated year by year until all are killed."

Brother Against Brother. New York, Aug. 29.—A dispatch to the Herald from Panama, Colombia, says: Plots and counter plots fill the air. There is war here of the most hideous kind, and strife that tears the country asunder, in which brother is pitted against brother, friend against friend, and neighbor against neighbor. Fertile fields have been devastated, once thriving towns have been decimated in population and villages have been wiped out of existence. Bands of armed men occupy every highway and traffic is practically at a standstill, while frantic women mourn their dead and hungry babes clamor for food.

The entire republic is a seething caldron of unrest. For so critical is the situation that officials of the government who wish to re-establish public confidence admit that the crisis must be reached within a few days, as matters cannot long continue as they are. Great battles must soon be fought, and upon the results will depend not alone the supremacy of clashing parties in Colombia, but also, perhaps, the integrity of the territory of three neighboring republics—Venezuela, Ecuador and Nicaragua.

Quiet Day in Court. But little was doing in the territorial court yesterday, the cases on for trial being either disposed of or stood over until next week. An adjournment was taken until Monday.

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STEAMBOAT NEWS. The Nora left last night for Whitehorse with 41 passengers.

The Whitehorse is expected this evening with mail at 11 o'clock and the Selkirk tomorrow afternoon. The former returns up river Sunday morning at 11.

The Canadian had a very heavy list of passengers on her up trip last night. The Lightning is in port again with another barge of Cliff creek coal.

No word has yet been received to 3 o'clock afternoon of the Will H. Isom or Louise, the next boats due from St. Michael.

Still at Liberty. Holden, Mo., Aug. 29.—"Bossie" Francis, the murderer of Miss Mary Henderson, of Columbus, Mo., on Tuesday evening, has thus far eluded his pursuers, and tonight the large posse that has been searching for him partially disbanded, discouraged over the failure of their efforts, after having been, as them are supposed, at the point of capturing the negro. A pack of bloodhounds was obtained today from Manhattan, Kan., and taken to the Hyatt farm, the scene of the murder. They found the trail of Francis readily and followed it straight to the coal mine at Blackwater, owned by a negro named John Hardin, whose wife is the aunt of Francis. The posse, composed of 200 men, felt sure that Francis was hidden in the mine shaft, but as he was known to have two pistols none of the men ventured to go down. Finally A. W. Rice, owner of the bloodhounds, entered the mine, taking the dogs with him, but failed to find Francis after a thorough search.

Sentenced to Death. Paris, Aug. 29.—M. Georges Doris, son of the late Prince of Siam, a former minister of the sultan of Turkey and formerly governor of Crete, has been condemned to death by the sultan's courts at the direction of Abdul Hamid II.

This action was taken in Constantinople because of the publication of M. Doris' book, "The Private Life of the Sultan." The book so angered Turkey's ruler that he exerted his influence in diplomatic channels to have it suppressed in all European countries. His efforts succeeded in Sweden, but the popular outcry against such action in Paris was so strong that the government declined to exert itself.

M. Doris secretly left Constantinople some time ago and is now resident in Paris, where he has identified himself with the Young Turkish party.

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HOME GROWN VEGETABLES

What Is Being Done in the Way of Supplying Local Market With Choice Eatables—Past Delusions Shattered By Actual Demonstration—Acreage Cultivated By Local Gardeners.

During the past week a representative tour of the vegetable gardens in and about Dawson with the object in view of ascertaining the amount of acreage in cultivation this year, the amount of crops raised, the variety, and the probable tonnage of fresh vegetables which will be held over for winter use. To say that the result of this personal investigation is astounding will but feebly express it. Time and again the statement has been made that the Yukon in a comparatively short period could be made self-sustaining in the matter of the harder varieties of vegetables, but the truthfulness of the assertion was always a question of doubt. Old timers have often referred to the garden truck grown in years gone by in small patches of ground at Fortymile. Harper's vegetable ranch at Sixtymile was long a source of wonder to all. The fathers at the Holy Cross mission for years have cultivated the rich river bottoms, successfully growing sufficient for their own needs. About Dawson, however, ever since Carmak's discovery first startled the world, the race for gold has been so keen that during the first four years of the city's existence all other ways of suddenly acquiring wealth were overlooked, and rich pieces of alluvial river land here and there beside while hundreds of men toiled in vain searching for the elusive pay-streak. During the winter of '96 there was not a potato or onion in the entire Klondike district, in '97 a very few of the chechakos arriving from the outside brought a small quantity of fresh vegetables with them for their own use and they could have been sold, dozens of times over for \$2 a pound. The thousands of people who thronged the Dyea and Skagway passes in '97 never once gave the importation of fresh eatables to the Klondike a thought, where by so doing they would have had a surer, quicker, and more certain fortune than by digging it out of the frozen gravel. In August of '97 an enterprising young man left Juneau with 12,000 pounds of onions and 150 boxes of apples for the Klondike trade, and had he succeeded in reaching his destination with his outfit he would have easily cleaned up \$25,000 in a couple of weeks' time. In '98 a few potatoes and onions were imported finding a ready sale even before the close of navigation at 50 cents a pound. Before the winter was half over they had all been consumed and again was recourse had to the granulated and sliced varieties. A \$-center amount was brought inside in April they commanded \$1.25 a pound. In '99 also, the first home products appeared, chiefly radishes, onions and lettuce, but the amount raised was comparatively so small that the native articles were looked upon more in the

nature of curiosities—the result of an experiment. The following year found the commission men going more extensively than ever into the importation of vegetables and throughout the winter not only were potatoes and onions to be had in an abundance at a maximum price of 25 cents a pound, but cabbage, carrots, rutabagas, turnips, parsnips and sweet potatoes could also be procured pretty much during the entire year. True, some of the articles mentioned were frozen as hard as the rock of Gibraltar, but even at that they were luxuries compared with the canned variety. Last year also found a great many more vegetable gardens in existence and more varieties grown, the gardeners delivering to one's cabin fresh every morning their products but an hour or two out of the ground.

It has remained, however, for the present year to demonstrate fully and beyond all doubt the possibilities of the gardener's skill in this country. Not only have vegetables been successfully grown that never before were dreamed of, but their yield when cultivated to the greatest extent has been something prodigious. The ranches, so to speak, are essentially truck farms and are small in extent, four or five acres being all that two men can possibly handle successfully. As to productivity, some of the soil found here on the islands and along the river banks can not be excelled anywhere. Upon one ranch this year on a piece of ground 30x30 no less than ten crops of radishes have been grown. As soon as one crop is matured another is planted and so on from early in the summer to the present date, the last crop sown being a late variety which will be ready for the market in another week. On one ranch the proprietors have realized over \$6000 from sales during the summer and will have over 20 tons of vegetable left for winter use which will bring them at a conservative estimate \$6000 more, and that from a piece of ground less than five acres in extent. Their garden will yield them an average of \$3000 to the acre and it is doubtful if there is another place in the entire world where so much per acre can be realized out of the products of the soil.

What is known as the Acklin farm situated on the side hill opposite Bonanza creek on the Klondike is the oldest ranch in the country. Mr. Acklin it is stated has expended \$35,000 on his property, but so far has failed to realize on it as well as some of his more favored neighbors. The discovery of gold on the farm some time ago, which was curiously named the Potato Patch group, has to a very great extent done away with gardening, gold now being the principal yield instead of spuds and cabbages.

The largest ranch is that formerly known as the Pee Pate farm, situated on two islands in the Klondike near the upper ferry. It is 20 acres in extent and this year was devoted almost

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