

## Drowned in the Yukon

City of Topeka Brings News of the Drowning of Five Miners

Queen's Birthday Celebration at Ketchikan and Its Accidental Termination.

The Old Cannon Exploded—The Rich Mines of Ketchikan.

A Budget of Other Late News of the North Land.

Two more steamers have returned from Alaska. Yesterday afternoon the steamer Alpha came into port and at seven o'clock this morning the City of Topeka arrived. The Topeka, which was the last vessel to sail, brings news of a drowning fatality on the fast crumbling Yukon. According to reports that have reached Skagway the big Alaskan river has claimed five more victims. The names of but three of the drowned men were learned. These were:

Conrad Maharg, of New York.  
David Peters, an Englishman.  
—Rhodes.

The five unfortunates are said by a latecomer at Skagway to have left Dawson on April 21st, one of them, it is said, bringing a fair sized bag of gold. They did not have any dogs, and little food, their intention being to live at the road houses en route out. When near White river, about eight miles out from Dawson, the ice broke and the party were left on a drifting slab of ice. They endeavored to reach the main ice, about twelve feet away, for two hours, without success, then the five in their excitement crowded on to the corner of the slab on which they stood, nearest the main ice, with the result that the slab "killed" and all were thrown into the icy water. A mounted policeman who was journeying from the camp at the mouth of the Stewart to Halfway, thirty miles further down the river, saw the accident from a distance. Before he could reach the scene the whole five had sunk.

The chain of lakes down, commencing with Bennett, is now considered unsafe for any further travel. At least that is the latest report received from Bennett. It is said that Lake Bennett is open along the shore on the Bennett side all the way down to the boundary island. While the centre of it is fairly good in some places, in others it is rotten and dangerous; so that the lake is now in bad shape for travel and freighting has practically stopped. Marsh Lake, is still passable, but the Fifty-Mile River is open to White Horse. Le Barge is not much better, and Thirty-Mile is also practically opened.

With the continuation of the present warm weather it is safe to say that navigation will be open in a few weeks. The ice in the Yukon River last year in front of Dawson broke on the 8th of May, and it is expected to do the same this year.

Late comers at Skagway report that the mounted police officials have posted notices warning all persons from attempting to go down Lake Bennett as the lake is breaking up in some places and already almost impassable. Several tried to go over Monday morning before the sun was up, but the ice had not hardened any during the night and they barely escaped with their lives.

From the summit to Bennett all the smaller lakes are getting soft, but without a heavy pack they can yet be crossed in safety.

Word was received at Bennett that the mounted police at Atlin Lake in order to prevent the loss of life by reckless gold hunters who persist in trying to cross the lake after it is almost broken up.

Bennett and Atlin Lakes are expected to run out inside of two weeks, and the boats at Bennett and Atlin will be ready to move as soon as the ice breaks.

News is also given of the narrow escape of a few patriotic Brits at the Ketchikan mining camp on the Alaskan coast. At the camp was

An Old Brass Cannon

left there by the wrecked steamer Ancon in the days of the genesis of northern mines, and on festive occasions, St. Patrick's Days, Queen's Birthdays, Fourth of July or Dewey Days the old brass cannon was brought from the shed in which it lay in state and taken to the sea shore, loaded and saluted fired in honor of the festive occasion. On the morning of May 24th, shortly before the Topeka left Ketchikan, according to A. Hallis White, of Boston, a mining engineer, who represents the Hartford Copper & Gold Mining Company, owner of the Copper Giant mine, the cannon was brought out, and with Union Jacks waving a little string of miners, Britishers and Americans, marched down to the centre of the camp. The cannon was mounted on a mound, pointed to the open sea, and loaded with blasting powder. The intention was to fire a royal salute of 21 guns, but when the fuse reached the powder the concussion was too much for the old cannon and it blew up with a roar. One piece went through the side of a shed about twenty feet away, another piece was thrown about thirty feet, just missing some of the would-be celebrators, and another piece was embedded about five feet in the earth.

Mr. White brought down 100 tons of ore from the Golden Giant mines for shipment to Tacoma as a test. He says that without doubt big sums of money will be taken out of Ketchikan. Miners are rushing there, about twenty are landed from every north bound steamer. On his property, the Golden Giant, good finds of Both Gold and Copper

have been made. The ore gives a return

of about twenty per cent. Recent assays gave from \$8 to \$8 in gold. Mr. White says that he has never been in any country where such good surface showings are to be seen. He looks for fabulously rich finds there this summer. Already three of the properties are producing richly, the Gold Standard, Sea Level and Copper Giant, and before long more will begin to put ore on the dump.

News is given by the Topeka that the Trails to the Atlin Country are in very bad condition, and the ice on the lakes is in very dangerous condition. Howard McDonald, who left Atlin on May 14th, reports Atlin lake, near the city, all broken, necessitating a long walk down the lake in order to find a crossing to the centre ice. The ice all the way across was weak in parts and made it a perilous trip. The portage across Taku Arm is mud, water, and rocks, and makes walking very difficult. The only way to get freight in now will be with pack horses, and not long at that.

At Taku City he had to make a detour of about two miles owing to the open water working a channel through the ice. On the east Taku Arm he found the ice open almost all the way across. After that it is a fairly good trail until he struck Golden Gate, which he found very dangerous. In fact, he considers it now impassable, especially during the heat of the day.

From Golden Gate to the portage the ice was found very good, smooth but weak. The portage from Hahn camp to Mrs. Munsen's, at the head of Otter lake, was another bad place and he had to ford the creek twice, the trail being through brush and generally very bad. On Otter lake he broke through the surface at every step and had nine miles of this kind of travel. By travelling early in the morning the trail there would be all right, but the moment the sun rises the top layer of ice becomes weak, and then it is a continual break through to a depth of from two to three feet.

From Otter lake to the portage the trail is worn down to the gravel, and all the rest to Topeka is water. From Topeka to Log Cabin it is full of bad places, while on others the snow is from five to six feet deep and very soft, so that a person sinks down into it.

Skagway papers brought by the City of Topeka have the following interesting Smuggling Story.

The order of the Dominion government prohibiting the introduction of liquors into the Yukon district has tied up about \$50,000 worth of liquors of all degrees at Bennett that were destined for Dawson City, and which were awaiting the opening of navigation. Some \$20,000 worth of liquors belonged to Alec McDonald and his agents and the owners of all the liquors held at Bennett are trying to "unload" and get out, if possible, the original cost of their precarious venture.

It is reported recently that whisky was so plentiful in Bennett that it had got down to 10 cents a glass. Even at this low price there were not men enough in and around Bennett to make much of an impression on so large a stock, hence every effort is being made by the owners to find a market for it in the various camps, including the Atlin district.

It has recently been reported that some of this liquor has been finding its way back into Skagway; in other words, that it is being smuggled back across the line to various parties in Skagway. The United States customs officials here have been on the lookout for it, but as the number of deputies is limited it is practically impossible to head it off if any serious attempt is made to smuggle it into town, for the reason that the cases could readily be disguised by some other covering and taken off at Camp 1 or some other station short of Skagway, where it is next to impossible to have an officer.

It is understood that one shipment of eleven cases and two kegs were made openly from Bennett recently and was supposed to have been consigned to some party in Skagway. This came to the deputy collector's ears, who made a hasty trip to the summit, only to find that the liquor was consigned to Mr. Tom, proprietor of the Monte Carlo on the summit. He found the liquor in the railroad warehouse and as this warehouse was on alleged British territory he felt that he could not legally seize it.

The United States' officer found the warehouse guarded by three members of the Mounted Police, each wearing side arms. Being Canadian liquor on alleged Canadian territory, the liquors were left alone. A stricter watch, however, will be kept on coming down to Skagway from the summit.

Little Johnnie, the 10-year-old son of Skookum Jim, one of the discoverers of Klondike, died recently at Dyea. The rich Indian was almost crazy with grief and will give Johnnie's site the finest tomb in Alaska. Native friends from Haines were present, and the customary feast was spread, and almost the entire population of Dyea were present at the services.

The steamer Lorelei, which was built in Skagway during the fall of '97, to run between Skagway and Dyea, has been purchased by Capt. Bull and Frank Leitz, who will operate her on the Chilkat river. She will leave Skagway for Haines Mission on May 20th and will proceed up the Chilkat river as far as possible. When there is more water in the river they expect to make regular trips as far as Klukwan. This may do away with the usefulness of the Haines Mission summer trail and leave the Indians in sole possession of their berry marshes along the banks of the Chilkat.

The car shops of the White Pass & Yukon Railroad at Skagway have just turned out two of the ten stock cars under construction. These were constructed under the supervision of Division Superintendent Whittling, who has charge of the shops. The length of the cars are 33½ feet and are patterned after the regulation stock cars of the States. Superintendent Whittling has already turned out a number of cars since the shops were first opened, namely: Thirty-three box cars, twenty flat cars, one snow plow and one dumper. The men are now at work building a wrecking or derail car. The company now furnishes steady employment to fifteen men. It times of rush this number is increased to meet the demand.

In an interview given to the Skagway papers by General Traffic Manager Lewis of the W. P. & Y. R. R., he says his company are shipping freight from Skagway to Lake Bennett in forty hours. One of the shipments was a printing press, type, paper, etc., consigned to Dr. Schenckmidt, who is about to start a newspaper in Bennett. His heavy machinery got through

## The Girl of to-day

will be the woman of to-morrow. She does not know it, perhaps her mother does not fully understand it, but between the "to-day" when she is a girl and the "to-morrow" when she will be a woman, her life's happiness and health are in the balance. If she is to be a full-breasted, strong, healthy woman, she must develop right now. She is at a crisis. She needs more strength, more blood to tide it over.

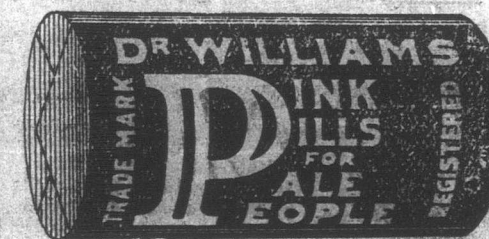
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#### A YOUNG GIRL'S HEALTH.

Mr. F. H. Hibbard, of Sawyerville, Que., says: "My daughter Lena kept gradually failing in health for nearly two years. She was studying hard at school and this may have been the origin of the trouble. She lost flesh, was very pale, subject to headaches, and had a poor appetite. We became very much alarmed and doctored for some time, but with little or no benefit. Finally we read the testimonial of a young girl whose symptoms were similar, who was cured by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. This decided us to give them a trial in my daughter's case, and the result was beyond our most sanguine expectations. Before more than a few boxes were used Lena was rapidly looking better and gained sixteen pounds in weight. She is now as healthy as any girl in Sawyerville, and I am quite willing this statement should be published, that our experience may prove an equal blessing to some other similar sufferer."

There are numerous pink colored imitations against which the public is cautioned.



The genuine are only sold in boxes with wrapper resembling the engraving on the left, but printed in RED ink. If your dealer does not have the genuine, send direct to the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont., and they will be mailed post-paid at 50 cents a box, or six boxes for \$2.50.

## Carey's Folly.

Story of the destroyed Landmark and the Man Who Built It.

Made a Fortune in the Colonial Days on William's Creek.

The San Francisco Chronicle, under the head of "A Vancouver Island Landmark Gone—Carey's folly and the man who built the Architectural Freak," says: On the 18th inst. Carey Castle, one of the most unique structures on Vancouver Island, was destroyed by fire. Since the sixties Carey Castle has been used as the residence of the Lieutenant-Governor of the province. It was a queer architectural intrusion on the wild landscape of the island, occupying a commanding position overlooking the Gulf of Georgia and the archipelago of a thousand islands occupying its northern waters, the Olympian range of the State of Washington, and the beautiful indentation in the island shore line known as Cudboro Bay. The house was nevertheless an architectural freak. It bore a remote resemblance to the ancient structures erected by the feudal barons of Britain, the ruins of which grace the landscape of the tight little island here, there and everywhere; but the resemblance was only a remote one. Its builder was also a freak, notwithstanding the fact that he was once Attorney-General of the province in its colonial days and a leading member of the British Columbian bar, and the credit of its erection was also one of the freaks of fortune in the halcyon days of gold mining in Cariboo.

Carey was a briefless English barrister who joined the rush to Cariboo when the news of the discovery of gold on William creek reached England, and he was as poor as a church mouse when he reached his destination. Fortunately for him litigation in the new mining camp was plentiful, mine owners were liberal, and the lawyers employed to represent either side in the litigation had no conscience about fees. The latter usually took the form of a big round sum in gold dust or an interest in the claim in dispute. Carey left the mines at the close of the first season with a fortune in gold dust, and he was so elated with his success and so thoroughly imbued with the idea that the fickle dame would remain constant that he invested the major part of his money

in the construction of the mansion which some called "Carey's Folly," and which became finally known as Carey's Castle. But Carey went broke, practically before the castle was fairly finished, and he occupied it but a short time, if at all. He retained, however, a leading position at the bar for years and until dementia set in and ended in his demise. He was an odd character at best. He dressed out of the usual, and conducted himself everywhere in a way that made him conspicuous. He was an eloquent speaker, nevertheless, and a very successful pleader, and he had a semi-idiotic smile on his face during the trial of any case in which he was employed, particularly when addressing the court or a jury or while the opposing counsel was engaged in that occupation, which always irritated his opponent beyond the limit of endurance, and there was invariably an open revolt and protest against it. The destruction of the structure has swept away one of the landmarks of the golden days of the province.

#### HONEST ADVICE FREE TO MEN.

The Times is requested to publish the following: All men who are nervous and debilitated or who are suffering from any of the various troubles resulting from overwork, excess or youthful errors, are aware that most medical firms advertising to cure these conditions cannot be relied upon. Mr. Graham, a resident of London, Ont., living at 437½ Richmond street, was for a long time a sufferer from above troubles and after trying in vain many advertised remedies, electric belts, etc., became almost entirely discouraged and hopeless. Finally he confided in an old clergyman who directed him to an eminent skillful physician, through whose skillful treatment a speedy and perfect cure was obtained.

Knowing to his own sorrow that so many poor sufferers are being imposed upon by unscrupulous quacks, Mr. Graham considers it his duty to give his fellow-men the benefit of his experience and assist them to a cure by informing anyone who will write to him in strict confidence where to be cured. No attention can be given to those writing out of mere curiosity but any one who really needs a cure is advised to address Mr. Graham as above.

#### A LOVER'S CRIME.

San Diego, Cal., May 26.—Infuriated by her refusal to marry him, Benedict Bergmann to-day stabbed Miss Elizabeth Berkeley, an elderly matron, three times in the breast as she lay in bed. Bergmann then cut his own throat. Both will die.

## RELIEF FOR GOLD-SEEKERS.

Government Will Relieve the Four Hundred Destitute Men on the Trail.

Late arrivals from the upper Stikine tell the shortage of food among the miners who wintered at the headwaters of that river. The government has taken action to send a relief party to these unfortunate. A despatch from Ottawa says: The attention of the department of the interior has been called to the statement made by the Hudson Bay Company's inspector at Cassiar, British Columbia, and the Provincial government's agent at Glenora, to the effect that about 400 persons, many of whom are Americans, were in a state of destitution and sickness on the Liard and Dease rivers and Dease lake, caused in no great measure by exposure and starvation, and in general were suffering very greatly. These people were overtaken by the winter in endeavoring to reach the Yukon, and their supplies became exhausted. It is believed they were beaten by the obstacles to travel in the uninhabited country through which they had to pass, having gone by Edmonton, N. W. T., and were unable to proceed.

As the report seemed to be authentic having first been promulgated by Premier Sefton, of British Columbia, the department of the interior has immediately taken steps to make an arrangement with the Hudson Bay Co. by which supplies should be sent by steamer up the Stikine river to Telegraph Creek, and thence by pack trail. These supplies are going forward as fast as possible to relieve the distress.

## Free Art Classes

The Canadian Royal Art Union Limited, of Montreal, Canada.

Offers free courses in art to those desiring same. The courses include drawing and painting from still life, models and for magazine work. These courses are absolutely free and application for admission may be made at any time.

The Canadian Royal Art Union Limited, was founded for the purpose of encouraging art, and distributes works of art at each of its monthly drawings, which are held on the last day of each month. For further particulars apply to The Canadian Royal Art Union, Limited, 336 and 340 St. James st., Montreal, P. Q. Next Drawing, Wednesday, May 31st.

## "Christianian Science"

Origin and History of "Christian Science" Man's posture of the Mind

Gross Absurdities of Faith Cure Laid Competent

In the March number of Edinburgh Magazine appearing a slashing critique of the recently threatened dangerous extent, and what earliest years could come by the score. The existing gross and ridiculous well educated, practical one of the inexplicable the human mind.

There have been few superstitions has not found soil in the human mind. willing to rest satisfied reaching of religion, nature, mankind has ever been plunged into extravagant beliefs. It would be hard to say that the human mind is in ages of faith or delirium. In the former, to believe much has made believe a little more. In the latter, determination to believe by a natural reaction, readiness to accept anything is that no amount of progress, no quantity of information has hitherto sufficed this most characteristic of the human mind.

Even the possession and over-mastering of no trustworthy safeguard against the assaults of credulity. In the untutored rustic who dissolves and mysterious two omen and event, of a recent girl who expects foretell the complexion sweetheart. Bonaparte's secret convictions at white marvel. Mr. Parnell's imprisonment if the bed-chamber to him in a hotel room 13, or if he noticed three simultaneously in the lobby, chromography, and Kluge survived the middle ages, we can tell many an anxious day is busily engaged, in retort and crucible, in philosopher's stone, or in the site of buried treasure, a simple suffocation, money to have their character handwriting. No complete without its soothsayer. This aspect of a life and discreet than C. "Pregnant Pickle." But for he or she is quite prone to nervous clients into fits of imminent or remote life many ladies may be read.

Read Your Horoscope with the perspicacity of Maugrabia, or to construct their with the judgment of They will discourse to you few pages of life and health, Mercury, and above all, Saturn appear combust, a long face, and their future will know no bound have more dignity than is the cusp of the twelfth house "scrying" in a crystal globe all-know that Mr. Lang's chief diversion after a long day.

Many of these are, after all, respectably pastimes for example, is an ancient branch of learning, well as a few pages of "horoscopes" devotees to it. It is fine, impressive, and deceptively, from which the everyday life has not disappeared. The fact is, however, that the framework of excellent story. Who has a ready wit of the then on the point of being regarded with the he feelings of a man by announcing the hero's death should take three days after his well as a man of letters, and Sir Walter adapted the dent to his own purposes. "Dunward"? No; astrology, regarded with an amused, different from the feelings one contemplates some contradictions of belief. The century witnessed the growth of more positive spiritual quackery than mere fortune telling. Since then had to name no others, spiritual marriages expound world thirty years ago worth Dixon, and the shattered life of Laurence. And now the close of our confronts us with a creed, confessed impudence of its attached the name of "Christian Science."

Although some little time ago Science attained to rather than its devotees probably in connection with the use of a rising literary man, it to premise for the benefit of that, like so many other, has been the result of its burst upon the world in its founder, or archpriest, Rev. Mary Baker G. Eddy, of the Massachusetts Metaphysical Church. A volume from her "Science and Health, with Scriptures," and now in its third edition, is the text system. To understand an

it is absolutely necessary to "First, because it is the v to this age, and contains Christian science, or the science through mind; second was first published by a statement of Christian