

MUNN'S VIVID IMAGINATION

His Story of Killing a Mammoth Sets the Nation Agog.

Yarn of a Circle City Indian Inspires a Fake Story Which McClure's Magazine Accepts as "Hot Stuff."

Many residents of Dawson will remember H. T. Munn, a peculiarly constituted individual of considerable literary ability, who spent some time here last year.

Before leaving the Yukon country Munn visited Circle City, where he met and conversed with an Indian of a romantic turn of mind. In the course of the conversation the native son told of how his grandfather's great grand father had killed a "copy" of the largest animal ever known to scientists, the mammoth. The Indian's story, like a badly trained case of measles, "struck in" on Munn and so possessed his mind that on reaching the outside he wrote a most thrilling account of how he himself had, during his visit in the Yukon, met and killed a mammoth. The animal was described as being as big as a governor's house and having tusks as long as the moral law; its foot prints were 5x7 feet and its tail resembled the mainmast of a clipper ship. The writer further stated that the skeleton of the mammoth had been cut up into sections, taken to the outside and sold for an enormous figure to Horace P. Conradi who had presented it to the Smithsonian Institute at Washington City, where it had been put together by means of hinges and was at once the wonder, amazement and adoration of the scientific world. Under the nom de plume of "H. Tukeman," Munn sent his article to the publishers of McClure's Magazine who pounced upon it as a gem "of purest ray serene."

The result of the publication of Munn's dream is best given by the following, which is from an exchange just received by the Daily Nugget:

"The article on 'The Killing of a Mammoth,' by Mr. H. T. Munn, ('H. Tukeman') and which appeared in McClure's Magazine for September, appears to have been very widely read and to have created a storm of excitement among scientists and people of learning throughout the world, as the following telegram from Washington published in the New York Tribune will testify:

"The Smithsonian Institution is daily overrun with visitors who are attracted there by an article appearing in McClure's Magazine for October, written by H. Tukeman, describing how he, in 1890 killed in Alaska the mammoth known to scientists all over the world as Conradi's mammoth, and given by Horace P. Conradi to the National Museum in this city. At the same time the mail of the institution is deluged with letters from scientists and people of learning making inquiries as to the accuracy and trustworthiness of the article."

"Charles Schuchert, in charge of the division of paleontology of the Smithsonian, in the absence of Mr. Lucas, who has charge of the skeletons of large animals, made a sweeping denial of the Tukeman article. He said:

"We are greatly bothered by these requests for information which the Tukeman article has occasioned. In the first place, this institution has not, and never did have a mammoth. Nor have we ever heard of the Conradi mammoth, over which scientists have 'been quarrelling,' according to Mr. Tukeman. I regard this one of the greatest 'fakes' that has been perpetrated, and do not care how broad you make the statement. The mammoth has long been extinct, and the only carcass of one that I have ever heard of being in possession of a museum is now in St. Petersburg.

"The mammoth has been so

thousands of years, and you need have no fear in denying positively that there was one roaming about in the Yukon country in 1890, when Tukeman declares he killed his, which was subsequently purchased, under the seal of secrecy, by Mr. Conradi. It is an interesting story but without foundation in fact, and I have made this statement to a representative of 'McClure's Magazine' who called on me."

Gold Commissioner's Court.

The trial of the case of Thompson vs. Johnson, involving a dispute respecting the boundaries of the bench claim on the second tier, right limit, opposite the upper half of No. 7 below A. Macks discovery on Quartz, was completed by Commissioner Senkler Saturday evening, but judgment was reserved.

Saturday afternoon the action of Painter et al vs. Hannon et al was tried. The question at issue related to the boundary between No. 3 Eldorado and the adjoining bench claim, on the right. The commissioner has taken the case under advisement.

Today the court is occupied in taking evidence in the action of Deran et al vs. Tozier et al. This case involves the title to No. 58 below on Sulphur. The plaintiffs allege that Doran is the original locator.

Flare Mail.

Besides the large lot of mail which arrived Saturday, 15 additional sacks were received at the local office early this morning. The postmaster and his associates are busily engaged in sorting and distributing the letters today. More mail is expected to arrive Thursday.

Sunday Night's Concert.

The third in the series of grand Sunday night concerts was given at the Palace Grand theater last night.

The largest audience that has attended any of the entertainments was present and displayed the utmost enthusiasm. There was a wide range in the program, classical numbers being interspersed with Sousa's marches and a round of national American selections which brought forward the most enthusiastic applause from the large audience present.

Miss Beatrice Lorne and Mr. F. W. Zimmerman in vocal selections added much to the enjoyment of the occasion, more particularly the former, whose sweet, clear intonations charmed the audience to such an extent that response to repeated encores was fairly insisted upon.

Mr. M. Hobbs rendered a trombone solo which met with a very favorable reception.

The program in full was as follows:

March, "Manhattan Beach".....	Sousa
Gems from opera "Faust".....	Gounod
Miss Beatrice Lorne, Marguerite, Mr. F. W. Zimmerman, Faust.	
"Echoes From Manila Bay".....	Watson
Stephanie Gavotte.....	Czibulka
Trombone solo, "Cavatina," from "Robert le Diable".....	Meyerbeer
Mr. M. Hobbs.	
Grand selection from opera "Gaspard et Colombe".....	Millocker
Song, "Then You'll Remember Me".....	Balle
Mr. F. W. Zimmerman.	
Medley Overture.....	Catlin
Song, "Dear Heart".....	Tito Mattae
Miss Beatrice Lorne.	
Serenade, "Espagnole".....	Metra

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