

REGARDING THE GAME LAW

As Recently Passed by the Yukon Council

And Now in Force and Effect Throughout the District—Limit May Be Temporarily Extended.

As there seems to be a general misunderstanding regarding the present game laws as recently duly enacted and passed by the Yukon council and now in force and effect, the more important points of it are herewith produced:

* * * Except as hereinafter provided, the following beasts and birds shall not be hunted, taken, killed, shot at, wounded, injured, or molested in any way during the following times of the year respectively: Musk ox, elk or wapiti, moose, cariboo, deer, mountain sheep or mountain goats, between the first day of January and the first day of October in each year.

Grouse, partridges, ptarmigan, pheasants and prairie chickens, between the 15th day of January and the first day of October in each year.

Wild swans, wild ducks and wild geese, snipes, sand pipers or cranes, between the first day of June and the first day of September in each year.

No person will have the right to kill during the same season, except as hereinafter provided, more than two elk or wapiti, two moose, six cariboo, two musk oxen, two deer, two mountain sheep, or two mountain goats, provided, however, that licenses may be issued as hereinafter provided for, giving the right to any one person to kill a greater number of the beasts mentioned in this paragraph, during the same season, as may be fixed from time to time by the commissioner in council.

Any person who shall kill any of the above beasts shall be bound to report himself at the first mounted police detachment on his way to Dawson or the creeks, and to declare his name, the number of beasts killed and the place where he killed them.

Any person purchasing the meat of the above beasts for trading purposes shall keep a register showing the name of the person or persons from whom it was so purchased, the quantity and kind purchased, and also the date of purchase.

All members of the mounted police shall be ex-officio "game guardians" under this ordinance, and the commissioner in council may appoint other guardians as they see fit. Any game guardian may call upon any person at any time, found in the possession of game to state when, where, and from whom it was obtained, and whenever he has reason to suspect that any person is illegally in the possession of game, he shall have the right to inspect any bag, or other receptacle, vehicle or other means of transportation in which he may suppose it to be, and any person refusing, molesting, or obstructing the said game guardian in the accomplishment of such duties, is liable upon summary conviction to a penalty not exceeding five dollars and costs, and in default of payment to imprisonment not exceeding one month.

Notwithstanding anything in sections two, three, four and five of this ordinance, the beasts and birds mentioned in those sections may be lawfully hunted, taken or killed, and eggs of any of the birds or other wild fowl so mentioned may be lawfully taken:

By Indians who are inhabitants of the Yukon territory. But this exception does not apply to buffalo or bison; nor shall it be construed to permit such Indians to kill any such beasts for the purpose of barter or sale.

By explorers, surveyors, prospectors, miners or travelers who are engaged in any exploration, survey or mining operations, or other examination of the territory, and are in actual need of the beasts, birds or eggs for food.

By any person who has a permit to do so granted under the subsequent provisions of this ordinance.

Everyone is guilty of an offence who violates any of the foregoing provisions of this ordinance, and is liable on summary conviction thereof, to a penalty as follows:

For the violation of any provisions with regard to musk oxen, buffalo or bison, elk, wapiti, or moose, cariboo, deer, mountain sheep or mountain goats, to a penalty of not more than \$500.

And for the violation as to any other of the provisions of this ordinance, to a penalty of not more than \$100.

And he is also liable in every case to pay the costs of conviction.

The above is the law as it now exists and, unless the time on which it becomes an offence to offer this class of meat for sale is extended, there will be fully 100 tons of moose and cariboo which will of necessity rot where it is cached on the headwaters of the Klondike and at other points in the district; and as the law now is, both Major Wood and Capt. Starnes remarked to a Nugget representative this morning: "There is nothing left for us to do but enforce it."

Major Wood, however, realizing that a rigid enforcement of the law which make it an offence to expose for sale any of the above mentioned game after the first day of March, will work a serious hardship on many hunters who may not even yet be cognizant of the existence of the recently enacted laws, has suggested, in response to a large number of letters already received by him and bearing on this subject, that those interested petition the council for an emergency extension of the time in which game may be marketed and sold and thereby be permitted to reap in a measure the rewards of their labor and not be forced to see tons upon tons of good meat rot where it now lies.

On the other hand, the major asserts that butchers and meat dealers in the district may have on hand a large amount of meat imported last fall and which they must sell before the advent of the warm weather, otherwise it will be lost to them and to the meat eating public.

Although not definitely stated, there is every reason to believe that for this spring the season for marketing game will be extended, and if it is there is a glaring possibility that meat will be cheaper during the month of March than ever before in the history of Dawson.

BELCHER-M'DONALD.

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because of the credits he thought to be coming to him on the smaller notes. He offered them Sulphur creek properties Nos. 7 and 8, but they were not acceptable.

Under cross-examination by Mr. Wade, the witness said that he knew Alex McDonald whom he believed came from Nova Scotia.

"Is he a Scotchman?" asked Mr. Wade.

"I don't know," replied the witness. Mr. Wade wanted to know if he did not have the characteristics and symptoms of being a Scotchman, and the witness thought he did.

He had been a purchasing partner in 27 Eldorado with the defendant when that ground was purchased, paying \$200 in cash as his first payment, the defendant putting up \$1800 at the same time.

So far as he knew no accurate accounts of business transactions in which either himself or Calder had been interested with the defendants had ever been kept. At the time of the death of Calder at Selkirk he and Belcher were passengers coming in with the witness, who was not present at the death scene.

He identified the instrument transferring a half interest in the claim 27, known as exhibit H, and later when Mr. Wade handed him another typewritten document, known as exhibit I, asking him if it was the same document he had seen shortly before.

After some hesitation the witness said it was not the same although it might be a copy.

The case will be continued this afternoon.

Dog Team Reduced.

A man named Milligan who conducts a roadhouse at 20 above on Bonanza has had the number of dogs in his team reduced from five to one within the past few days, having been forced to kill four of the animals which became affected with rabies. Two of Milligan's dogs were bitten at the same time and in 18 days thereafter one of them developed madness and was killed. Five days later, or 23 days after being bitten, the second dog became crazed and was also killed.

From nearly every creek in the district comes reports to the effect that they are teeming with rabies affected animals, many of which are killed when the symptoms are first apparent, but as a rule each dog that goes mad manages to bite a number of others before he can be killed.

Many of the people on the creeks are now carrying weapons of defence and a dog on the rampage usually meets his fate early in the stage of his madness.

Ladies, if you want a fashionable tailor-made dress, place your order with Robinson from Vancouver. Room 10, Hotel McDonald.

Plenty choice fresh vegetables at Meeker's.

Mum's Pomeroy or Perinet champagnes \$5 per bottle at the Regina Club hotel.

POLICE COURT NEWS.

There were several cases before Police Magistrate McDonell this morning, nearly all of which were continued on account of absence of witnesses or wish to consult counsel.

Louie Blum was up as the result of a complaint sworn to by Tom Chisholm charging that on the night of the 16th instant Louie did take, steal and carry away wood to the value of 50 cents. As Louie desired time in which to secure an attorney the case, at his request, was remanded until tomorrow morning.

Arthur Wells, who is a cook by trade, had the indiscretion to attempt to carry an overload of hootch along the sidewalk in front of the barracks Saturday evening. The load was rather too much for him in that he was wont to stumble and, peradventure, to fall down and roll off the sidewalk and mingle with the snow. Court Orderly Mayne chanced to see the overburdened man and conducted him and his load to the guard room. Five dollars and costs was the freight rate on the load carried.

The case of William McMasters, charged with having, on the 15th of the present month stolen blankets, photographs and a pair of gold scales from a cabin on Hunker creek, was remanded until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

On Friday, Geo. E. Nichols of this city went to Grand Forks on business where, in the person of Molly Thompson who operates the Globe hotel, he recognized an old Montana acquaintance. In the exuberance of joy incident to the unexpected meeting of the acquaintances a few drinks of the compound fluid extract of quinine and George says that the next thing he knew he was on a bed in the upstairs of the house with a battered and bruised face and with a \$416 vacuum in his pocket. Failing to have his and his pocket's conditions satisfactorily explained by the erstwhile Montana acquaintance, he made complaint to the police and Molly was arrested on the charge of theft. Pending the arrival of witnesses from the Forks the case was continued until this afternoon. In court this morning the portion of the left side of Nichols' face which peeped out from beneath the sling in which it was worn resembled in color a Georgia Republican convention.

Friendly Feeling Cemented.

New York, Jan. 26.—A dispatch to the Tribune from London says:

One of the indirect effects of the death of the lamented queen is the improved state of feeling between England and America. The tributes to her memory have come from every quarter of the globe. But those from America have been unique in sympathetic appreciation and have touched the hearts of Englishmen. The honors paid in Washington, New York, Chicago, Philadelphia and many legislative capitals have been rightly regarded as exceptional and unprecedented, and general regret will be felt if the foreign office finds it necessary to emphasize any point of diplomatic difference with the United States. There will be a feeling of relief and pleasure if it takes advantage of an early opportunity for bringing to a close a controversy of long standing like the canal question.

The prospect for the acceptance of the amended treaty has cleared. There has been no further exchange of views between the embassy and the foreign office, but public opinion has been prepared for welcoming the adjustment of the troublesome question. It is not probable that the foreign office will act upon the treaty for a fortnight. The cabinet has not discussed it, and it will be held in abeyance until the queen's burial, and there has been an opportunity or ascertaining the king's own wishes. This delay, if anything, will be helpful in promoting a friendly adjustment.

A Surgical Operation.

Last evening a party of four were sitting around the fire smoking and talking after dinner, when the conversation turned on surgical operations, and one of them, a well known Dawsonite told the following personal experience:

"Some years since I was living in Seattle, and in some manner, and for some cause for which I never could account, I burst one of the small blood vessels in my left ear which resulted in a hard swelling in the upper portion of the member, which promised not only to grow larger but to be permanent.

"The blood vessel was not broken entirely through but merely ruptured slightly, and when I sought surgical relief I was told, much to my annoyance that the only remedy was to lay a flat, hard substance behind the member at the affected point, and wrap it smoothly with something of equal hardness on the other side.

"Now that would have been all right, but it had the drawback of being a very serious operation inasmuch as that if not successful it might prove fatal. On the other hand the swelling, I was told, might go on till it got as big as the first joint of my thumb.

While considering the chances of the operation one evening on the way home from my business, I noticed in

passing the woodpile that there was no wood split, and picked up the double-bitted ax and began splitting wood, something I had not done in a year before.

"It was all right for the first pass or two, but then the wire clothes-line got in its work with the result that the flat side of the ax came back and hit me on the right side of the head, almost flooring me.

"Naturally I was mad. I said something about the unhappy results of a combination of blanket fools, wire clothes-lines and double-bitted axes, and changed the ax into the left hand, and at once became intent on a large knotty stick as a means of absorbing a little superfluous energy.

"I raised the ax and gave it a turn or two, savagely behind me before bringing it down and then I put out all my strength.

"The ax never reached its mark, because with my usual foresight I had overlooked, once more, the presence of the clothes line with the result that the flat of the ax once more descended on my devoted head, this time landing fairly on my left ear, completely putting me out of business.

"When I came to and remembered what had happened, I put my hand to my ear and discovered that the troublesome swelling had gone. I had performed that surgical operation successfully with a double-bitted ax."

The Fire Yesterday.

The fire alarm blown by the siren last evening was for a fire in the residence of Harry Phillips on Sixth avenue, between Fifth and Sixth streets.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillips were both away, and had been for some hours previous to the sounding of the alarm; and, as they left a fire in the stove upon going out, the origin of the fire is thought to be due to that source, and because the stove was tightly closed, it is thought a spark from the top in some manner got out and found its way to the wood box behind the stove where it did the most damage, and evidently first caught.

About \$50 damage was done to the cabin, and a greater amount to the wardrobe of Mrs. Phillips which was greatly damaged by fire and smoke.

Information Wanted.

Mrs. Mabel Houck, of 401 Stimson block, Los Angeles, Cal., is desirous of gaining information concerning the whereabouts of James Houck, whom she supposes to be here. She writes as follows:

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 29, 1901.

Dear Editor—Would you do a loving mother and niece, the favor to advertise in your paper for a reasonable length of time, for a lost son and uncle. We are under the impression that he is here. His name is "James H. Houck." If you have any advice to give or suggestion to make address as given and very greatly oblige, yours sincerely,

MISS MABEL HOUCK.

General Order.

The following general order from Ottawa was received at the gold commissioner's office yesterday.

Whereas it is represented that in many cases the applicant for a placer mining claim in the Yukon territory has not had an opportunity of observing the indications sufficiently to make the affidavit required by clause 1 of the form of application for a grant for placer mining established by order in council of the 18th of January, 1898, which reads as follows: "That from indications I have observed on the claim applied for I have reason to believe that there is there a deposit of gold;" and it is deemed advisable that this should be eliminated.

Therefore, his excellency, by and with the advice of the king's privy

council for Canada is pleased to order that the said clause 1 of the above mentioned form of application for a grant for placer mining as above recited shall be and the same is hereby eliminated from the said form of application and affidavit.

(Signed) JOHN J. M'GER, Clerk of the Privy Council.

Pope on Socialism.

Rome, Jan. 26.—The pope's encyclical on socialism was issued today. It is dated January 18, and says a distinction must be carefully drawn between socialism and the movement among Catholics reviewed in his previous encyclicals on the socialist subject, and which was called Christian Democracy.

The pope commences with recalling his two previous encyclicals on social questions, and says the sequel of these encyclicals was that the Catholics devoted all their activity to social works to help the working classes. The pontiff here reviews all that has been done in this direction—the foundation of labor bureaus, funds established for the benefit of the rural classes and workmen's associations of all kinds. He considers the appellation, "Christian socialism," incorrect, and says Catholics who occupy themselves with social questions are sometimes also called "Christian democrats." But even this title is attacked by some people as being ill-sounding. Divergences have arisen therefrom, and the pope ardently desires to eliminate them.

The Weather.

Yesterday morning was the coldest weather experienced during the present cold snap, the official instrument registering 50 degrees below zero. This morning was not so cold, the indicator being at the 48.5 below zero mark.

For choice meats go to the Denver Market.

Up-river frozen fresh eggs. Meeker Shoff, the Dawson Dog Doctor, Pioneer Drug Store.

Beef, chechako, 33c by the side, at P. O. Markket, Third street.

To sell oats, hams and flour for cash see S. Archibald.

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