

BETTER MAIL FACILITIES

Are Being Arranged For by the C. D. Company.

Will Endeavor to Cover Trip Between Dawson and Whitehorse in Three Days Over Ice.

The C. D. Co., is now engaged in perfecting arrangements for the hauling of government mail this winter. There is a possibility that a semi-weekly service will be put in operation, the C. D. Co., having ample facilities for the handling of the same. Before this can be accomplished, however, the Dominion government will be required to increase the contract price, as the agreement now in operation is only for a weekly service during the winter months. During open navigation the mail contract calls for a semi-weekly service.

It is the intention of the mail contractors to use dogs at the early part of the season until such time as the trails become hard, when horses will be substituted. The best time made last year was four days and twenty hours from Dawson to Whitehorse. This year it is hoped to cover the distance in less than three days.

Mr. French, who has charge of the mail at this end, says the company has now in Dawson four swift horses awaiting the close of navigation and safe travel on the ice, when they will be dispatched either singly or in tandem to Whitehorse with the mail. A relay has been established every 24 miles and Superintendent Pulham claims the mail this winter will beat the fastest time made this summer by the crack steamers of the upper river.

While the contract with the C. D. Co. calls for but one shipment a week in winter and two in summer months there has been 16 deliveries made in August and 15 in July. Way mail, however, has been delivered only twice a week at points between the terminals, as the cost of stopping each steamer carrying mail at small stations would amount to a large sum at the end of the season. The price paid by the government for the mail service is \$76,000 annually. The contract calls for the delivery of one mail a week in winter time, with a time limit of 20 days. The time limit in summer, coming in, is five days.

The C. D. Co. have handled the mail very efficiently ever since it took the contract and no doubt its contract with the government will be renewed at the expiration of its time.

A Body Found.

The remains of a human body were found in the river ten miles below town yesterday afternoon by a party coming up stream in a small boat.

John Sherman and three companions named Schuman, Wilson and Dugan were poling up the river from the Forty-mile coal mine yesterday when a point about ten miles below town had been reached, something which resembled a human body was seen, partly afloat at the edge of a bar. Upon investigation it was found to be the body of a man, the head and shoulders afloat, the body and limbs afloat.

Only the vaguest kind of conjecture points to a possible solution of the mystery which in all probability will always surround the identity of the body, as decomposition has advanced to such an extent that it will be difficult, if possible at all, to bring the body to Dawson.

Early last spring just about the time the ice was breaking up and traveling on it was becoming both difficult and dangerous, the Indians were telling a story about the drowning of some man whom they did not know, some six or seven miles below Moosehide. That, so far, seems to be the only clew which might be followed with any hope of establishing the identity of the body found yesterday.

The men who found the remains anchored them with a rope to a log and last evening upon arriving here reported the matter to the police, and this morning a detail of police were sent to bring the body up.

Mr. Ryley Informed.

The Board of Trade held a special meeting last evening for the purpose of conferring with Mr. Ryley, of the interior department at Ottawa, who is here to look over the mining situation and examine into the workings of the present system of mining regulations. Mr. Ryley was furnished by the department, shortly before leaving Ottawa, a copy of the mining regulations, drawn and adopted some time since by the Dawson Board of Trade, and these regu-

lations formed the principal theme of discussion during the meeting last night.

There were numerous differences between the regulations as submitted to the government by the Board of Trade and those in use, and upon these differences the visitor wanted information. Mr. Condon, as chairman of the committee which drafted the regulations, was able to answer the questions asked in what seemed a very satisfactory manner, as Mr. Ryley did not dissent from any of the articles explained, and, although he did not, of course, state what his attitude would be toward the adoption by the government of the regulations, it was inferred from his manner that he would approve of the adoption of the regulations as recommended.

The discussion was long, as each article contained in the draft was taken up and explained separately and in detail, and Mr. Ryley showed himself to be a man of ability and experience in such matters by the thoroughness of his questioning.

The matter of the granting of concessions to irresponsible parties also came in for a large share of the evening's time, and different members of the board took pains to explain the evils growing out of that practice, which the visitor agreed with fully.

Regarding the throwing open of ground which has from time to time reverted to the crown from different causes, and which was held as alternate claims, Mr. Ryley stated that it had practically been decided upon by the department, and there was little reason to suppose it would not be done within a very short time.

The proposition that the government establish an assay office here was discussed and many reasons why such action would be well advised were advanced by different members of the board.

That the visitor was favorably impressed was plainly seen, and there is every reason to believe that the results which will develop from last night's meeting will be beneficial to the territory generally.

Successful Air Riding.

The balloon ascension last evening by Prof. Leonard was a very pretty and successful one. He came down on the west side of the Yukon as gently as a bird would alight on a willow twig. The balloon, which went half a mile further northward, has not yet been found.

Cold Storage Food.

Meats frozen and kept cold in storage for long periods do not undergo organic changes in the ordinary sense—that is, they do not putrify, soften, or smell bad, but they certainly do deteriorate in some intangible way. After a certain time frozen meat loses some life principle essential to its nourishing quality. Such meat, says the Sanitary Record, lacks flavor, it is not well digested or assimilated. Its savorless condition cannot be remedied or successfully disguised by the use of sauces or condiments. Those who eat cold storage food for any length of time develop diarrhoeal disorders, lose in weight, and would eventually starve to death unless a change of diet was made. The same reasoning applies to tinned fruits and vegetables. They should not be used after a certain period has elapsed. Especially should people be warned against using stale eggs and old milk and cream. Milk and cream are kept for days, rancid butter is washed and treated chemically, but all food, and especially cold storage food, is damaged by long keeping, and will not nourish the body properly.

To Carry the Mails.

Washington, Aug. 27.—The postoffice department has given a contract to the Canadian Development Company, Ltd., to carry letter mail from Skagway to St. Michael and Nome from December 1 next to March 1 next. The route will be via Dawson, Canada; Fortymile, Canada; Eagle, Star, Circle City, Rampart, Tanana, Koyukuk, Nulato and Eaton, Alaska, a distance of 1603 miles each way, with a branch from Eaton by Chennik to Nome, 240 miles each way.

On the main line there are to be two round trips a month, leaving Skagway on the 8th and 22d of each month, running time not to exceed 60 days each way between Skagway and Nome. Suitable relay stations will have to be provided by the contractor along the route. The department has also made a contract for carrying letter mail on two trips from Eaton to Kotzebue mission, a new Alaskan postoffice, a distance of 400 miles each way. The mails will leave Eaton on January 1, 1901, and March 1, following, 30 days running time being allowed each way.

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POLICE COURT NEWS.

Yesterday afternoon Murray Eads, of the Standard bar, was convicted on the charge of conducting a disorderly house and fined \$100 and costs.

The hearing of a similar charge against the proprietor of the Fairchild saloon was continued this morning until later in the day.

There was as despondent appearing an array of chestnut sorrel tresses on the front row this morning as has been seen in the courtroom. Magistrate Scarth presided and made short work of the docket.

Gas Johnson was the first called. He had wrapped himself up in yesterday's sunlight and lain down on the street to woo nature's sweet restorer after having looked upon the slumber brand of home brew until his eyelids became heavy. Had he not been taken in he would, in playhouse parlance, have experienced a frost last night. He was assessed \$5 and costs or five days at the end of a royal saw.

Thos. Edwards had partaken of the brand that induced him to remain down town after an officer had advised him to hie himself to his cabin. He later became noisy and was hied to the barracks. It took \$10 and costs to square him with the crown.

Three times and out. That is the record made by Joe Farley, a freckle-faced son of Erin. When Joe was fined \$5 and costs Wednesday morning for being drunk and asleep on the street the previous night it was supposed to be an accident. When Joe was fined \$20 and costs yesterday morning for having been drunk and asleep on the street the previous night it was considered a coincidence; but when he was brought in this morning for having been drunk and asleep on the street last night, the court decided it was a habit, and, thinking that Joe's system required that he sober up and keep awake for a while, sentenced him to ten days at hard labor, during which time Joseph will not be given an opportunity for lying around the street at night either sleeping or studying astronomy. With a sigh that started below his belt, Joseph went over to the guardhouse where he was armed and equipped with an imperial saw.

A man named Ellis, who has passed the hey-day of his youth was in court this morning with a grievance against T. J. Kearney, who, he alleged had been playing in his back yard, swinging on his gate and otherwise taking the position which the head of the Ellis family would, in recherche circles, be naturally supposed to fill. Ellis stated that he and his wife have been at "outs" for a few days and that when he went home last night she was drunk, Kearney was in the house and to his eagle eye things looked very suspicious. No action was taken in the matter and the head of the Ellis family is keeping his optics peeled for further evidence.

Another Case of Smallpox.

John Chisholm, a miner from discovery on Hunker creek, reported himself day before yesterday to Health Officer McArthur, and was promptly sent to the island. He had been broken out with the rash five days when he came down, and as near as is known regarding his movements previous to that, he had been working on a claim in the vicinity of No. 6 Bonanza some two weeks previous.

Dr. Glendenning, who is now in charge of the patient went to Hunker yesterday and vaccinated all hands on discovery. The patient had never been vaccinated.

Florence S. Victim Buried.

The body of Walter L. Monastes, who lost his life in Thirtymile river last July, in the brave endeavor to save the lives of other of the party, and which was brought here for burial, was on Sunday consigned to the grave in the Skagway cemetery. There were a large number of relatives and friends present at the funeral, which was conducted by the Rev. G. Cameron, of the Episcopal church, and the many floral emblems decorating the bier showed the high esteem in which the young man was held in this city.—Alaskan, Sept. 4.

LOST AND FOUND.

LOST—Between Dawson and Grand Forks, red leather pocket book containing papers of value to owner only. Finder please leave at Flannery Hotel or Postoffice, Grand Forks. James Tweed. p8

FOUND—Gray colored malamute dog pup, about 2 months old. Owner may have him by paying expenses and proving property Bell Saloon. p7

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A DISSENTING VOICE

A. S. Levine Objects to Depreciation of Gold Dust.

What is to be done with the gold dust problem? Are the people of Dawson willing to accept dust, commercially, at the rate of \$15.00 an ounce, or will the same rate obtain this winter as in the past—\$16.00 an ounce?

From published interviews of many leading merchants here, as well as resolutions passed in the Dawson Board of Trade, it would seem that gold dust at the depreciated value of \$15.00 to the ounce should be the standard.

There are some few merchants, however, who take a decidedly opposite view, and among them is A. S. Levine, the proprietor of the Red Star Clothing House. Mr. Levine was interviewed on the subject, and he gave the following reason for his antagonism toward the proposed measure.

"I am opposed to the reduction of the accepted standard for this reason: The people who patronize me are largely hard-working men who earn every cent they get. Now these men, when paid their wages, will get paid at the rate of \$16.00 an ounce. If they buy a suit of clothes from me which I sell for \$15.00 they will lose on that one item \$1.00 if the \$15.00 rate is arbitrarily established.

"The majority of men spend at least two-thirds of their earnings, consequently if a man earns \$150 a month and spends \$100 at the rate of \$15 to the ounce he has lost over \$6 a month, or \$1 on every \$16. His employer will not pay at the \$15 rate; it is not human nature.

"Now you can tell the readers of the Nugget that while I am in business I shall accept dust at my store for \$16 to the ounce and not \$15. There is no law that can be made which will compel me to depreciate the value of a medium of exchange when the same is offered to me for goods in my store.

"This proposition looks to me," continued Mr. Levine, "like another job at the working man, who in the end is the one to suffer for all radical changes in the monetary system.

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