

## BY WIRE.

## WRECK OF THE CHARLESTON

## Swift American Cruiser Goes on a Reef.

## Boers Begin an Attack on Kimberly—Gen. Buller Marching to the Relief of Gen. White.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 15.—A dispatch received by the navy department narrates in detail the sinking of the United States cruiser Charleston off the island of Luzon. The cruiser struck on an unknown reef, and sank in a short time. The wreck occurred during a heavy storm, which stove in the sides of the vessel, resulting in her keeling over and sinking. The men were taken off in the life boats, and none were lost.

The cruiser Charleston, Capt. H. Glass, which belonged to the Asiatic squadron, was of the P. C., or protected cruiser, class of vessels of the United States navy. She carried 20 officers and 280 men. Her original cost was slightly over \$1,000,000. Her speed was 18.2 knots. She was 312 feet in length, 46.2 feet in breadth, with a mean draft of 18.7 feet.

## The South African War.

London, Nov. 15.—The Boers have begun the bombardment of Kimberly. No details.

Gen. Buller is rapidly advancing to the support of Gen. White. Whether he will reach there in time to assist White against Joubert is as yet a matter of uncertainty.

President Kruger threatens the execution of six English officers unless the British release one Marks, a supposed spy now held prisoner.

An attack upon Ladysmith is expected at almost any hour.

## Trying a Senator.

Helena, Mont., Nov. 15.—The trial of Senator Clarke upon a charge of bribery is now in progress. An effort will be made to disbar the senator. If this succeeds, an attempt will be made to have his seat in the senate declared vacant.

## Nome Gold.

Seattle, Nov. 15.—Over \$300,000 worth of gold dust has been sent to the Seattle assay office by Messrs. Jaffet, Lindeberg, Jelsberg and Brynderson. The four men named were among the original locators of Cape Nome.

## In the Philippines.

Manila, Nov. 15.—An important American victory occurred yesterday. About one hundred Filipinos were killed and a number wounded. One American officer was killed.

## Cape Nome News.

Seattle, Nov. 15.—The steamer Alpha arrived here today, bringing news to the effect that the whaler Mermaid, of San Francisco, has been wrecked.

## TELEGRAPHIC TICKETS.

The general offices of the White Pass & Yukon Railway will soon be removed to Skagway.

Gross frauds are charged in the Kentucky elections. Both Democrats and Republicans claim a victory.

In his next message to congress, President McKinley will recommend the construction of 18 new warships.

Robert Molineux, accused of poisoning Mrs. Bishop, is on his trial for murder. The general sentiment is that he will be convicted.

A big rate war is now in progress between the transcontinental lines. Tickets from the coast to St. Paul are now eighteen dollars.

Work has been begun on the tunnel through the Chilcoot pass. It is confidently expected that the new railway will be in operation next year.

Returned Alaskan excursionists have been indicted for stealing a totem-pole from Alaskan Indians during the P. I. excursion. A number of prominent people are implicated.

## Mail Arrived.

The first mail this winter arrived on Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, and consisted of seventeen sacks, two of which contained registered matter.

This is the mail which in two Peterborough canoes ran into the ice above Stewart when being brought down by ex-Corporal Richardson a week ago. Nothing was lost, however, and by herculean efforts Richardson broke the 37 miles of trail to Stewart, from where it continued on to Dawson without incident. The first mail to arrive last winter came in in January, a distance in favor of this season of almost two months.

## STRANDED ON SCOW ISLAND

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saw the merchandise, machinery and provisions are safely piled out on the bank. On Scow island a watchman is constantly on duty passing from one cache to the other to prevent pilfering if possible.

"I saw ex-Corporal Richardson. He came down from above with 17 sacks of mail in two Peterborough canoes and was jammed in the ice a little above the Halfway roadhouse which is about 35 miles above Stewart. When I left there Richardson was out with three men and two dog teams breaking a trail above Stewart which had not been opened up to that time.

"All outgoing mail was cached at Stewart when I left. The trail between here and Stewart is excellent excepting in two places—the last three miles into Stewart and a place opposite Sixty mile. In these places the ice is piled up in blocks half as big as a house and is very difficult to cross.

"I met the Nugget Express messenger, Tritton, going like the wind. He was after making a 24-hour march into Stewart without sleep. The dogs were in splendid shape and appeared fresh as if starting out. Luckily he will find the trail above Stewart broken by Richardson and his men, whom he said he would quickly pass. He has probably ere this got far ahead of the mail cached at Stewart and it will never overtake him. Tritton said he was offered a premium to beat the mail out, the mail having upwards of a week's start of him, and he already saw the premium as good as earned and in his pocket."

Send your friends on the outside a special edition of The Nugget. It will tell them more about this country than you can.

The Salvation Army holds services in the new barracks, Second avenue, as follows: Tuesday, 8 p. m. (barracks time); Thursday, 8 p. m.; Saturday, 8 p. m.; Sunday, 3 and 7:30 p. m. Free reading room in same building, open every day. Also in the evenings of Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

## DR. BOURKE'S HOSPITAL.

Construction, equipment and staff equal to any hospital outside. Scientifically heated, especially to maintain an equable temperature. Trained nurses in attendance. Inspection invited.

Terms from \$10 a day, including medical attendance. Cow's milk and other delicacies required by patients administered.

Separate room for each patient.

Medical and surgical advice at hospital, \$5.

Medicines and stimulants extra.

## The White Pass &amp; Yukon Railway

Desires to satisfy the patrons of the road of its intention to deal justly with all shippers. With this idea in view, S. E. Adair, the representative in Dawson, requests that all shippers who believe they have been the victims of unfair charges or discrimination to communicate with or call upon him at his office in A. C. Co.'s Office Building.

## LUCK FOR W. O. SMITH.

## His Quartz Claim on Bonanza Is Improving Fast.

## Gets a Valuable Quartz Claim, a Valuable Placer Claim and a Lythia Spring—A Hard Fought Case.

The quartz claim on 76 below, on Bonanza, staked by W. O. Smith, is improving as the time goes on. Specimens from the ledge have been assayed out side with the following result:

Specimen No. 1, taken from the breast, \$3.30 in gold and traces of silver.

Specimen No. 2, the gouge accompanying the ore, \$5.16 in gold and traces of silver.

Specimen No. 3, taken out at a depth of 100 feet, \$142.22 in gold, \$2.32 in silver.

Specimen No. 4, the clay accompanying the vein, \$3.10 in gold and traces of silver.

Specimen No. 5, talc and loose carbon, \$3.51 in gold and traces of silver. The breast has since improved from \$3.30 in gold to the ton to \$5.60.

It is the purpose in the near future to secure stamps from the outside and go to working the ore at once since the gold is free and easily worked by stamping and washing. The mineral spring located also on 76 by Mr. Smith, has proven to be true lithia water, obtaining its valuable properties from percolating through a layer of vari colored clays lying between the spring and the hill. The clay is in nine distinct layers and as many colors. A large hotel and sanitarium is to be erected on the ground in the near future, the plans having already been prepared.

It will surprise many of our readers to learn that during all the interminable stampeding of 1896-7 and a part of 1898 a valuable claim stood open for location between 76 and 77 on Bonanza creek. Hundreds of eager claim seekers crossed the vacant ground every day, yet it remained for W. O. Smith to stake it in the fall of last year. The lawsuit which followed, and which was only terminated in the highest court of the land, was occasioned by the protest of the neighboring claim owner, H. C. Quiner. As stated briefly in our last issue, the gold commissioner, relying upon a re-survey made by the government, decided that there was only 205 feet of unrecorded ground, which was not sufficient to make it anything else than a government fraction. Minister Sifton has decided that Smith can have the ground and he obtained the grant at the local office on Monday.

The contest throughout was a most stubborn one, the resurvey and charge of base line, throwing Quiner's line on the right limit completely past the mouth of a promising gulch, giving him a side line of over 800 feet on the right limit of what was only a 400-foot claim.

Jenkins & Johnson, furniture and upholstered goods. Second ave., near Melbourne.

Call and see our stock of playing cards, leather pocket case with each pack. Nugget office.

## LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Saturday night, between Cafe Royal and A. C. warehouses, ladies gold watch, initials L. M. on back of case; marquise ring, opal and diamond setting, attached to chain. Leave at this office. Reward.

FOUND—A malamute dog. Owner can have the same by calling at 22 below Sulphur, proving property and paying for this notice.

## FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—Road house at 76 below on Bonanza creek; barroom, dining-room and bunk house attached; doing splendid business. Owner has decided to sell owing to her husband's recent death. Apply Mrs. Sanda, 76 below Bonanza.

## BLACKSMITHS.

OSBER & HAWLEY, Third st. south, near 5th ave.; blacksmithing, machine, wagon and sleigh work done promptly at low prices; scientific horseshoeing a specialty.

## OYSTER PARLORS.

OYSTERS! OYSTERS! Every style. Eastern coast and cove oysters, prepared by scientific oyster chefs at "The Kozy," Second avenue, between Second and Third streets. Turkey dinner Sunday, \$2.00. Wm. S. Hawley, Prop.

## PROFESSIONAL CARDS

## LAWYERS

WADE & AIKMAN—Advocates, Notaries, etc. Office, Bonfield Building, opposite A. C. Store, Dawson.

BURRITT & McKAY—Advocates, Solicitors, Notaries, etc. Offices, A. C. Office Building. Safety deposit box in A. C. vaults.

TABOR & HULME—Barristers and Solicitors; Advocates; Notaries Public; Conveyancers. Offices, Green Tree Bldg.

PATTULLO & RIDLEY—Advocates, Notaries Conveyancers, etc. Offices, First Avenue.

## PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS

J. H. KOONS, M. D.; A. C. Building.

## MINING ENGINEERS.

TYRRELL & GREEN, Mining Engineers and Dominion Land Surveyors. Office, Harper st., Dawson.

JOHN B. WARREN, F. I. C.—Assayer for Bank of British North America. Gold dust melted and assayed. Assays made of quartz and black sand. Analyses of ores and coal.

## The Gambling Situation.

The gambling situation has been complicated in Dawson by the championing of the cause of the alleged fraudulent black-jack dealer by one of our local contemporaries. It was intimated that certain money had been paid the constables, who made the seizure of the marked cards and worked up the case, and more was demanded. An investigation by Major Perry is pending. Constables Boothe and Cunningham both strenuously deny the imputation and interesting developments are expected shortly.

On Monday afternoon Constable Boothe swore out another warrant for the re-arrest of Thomas Forrest, the dealer. The charge is similar to the last—that of using marked cards on November 8. The police consider the case to be of sufficient importance not to be called until Crown Prosecutor F. C. Wade can find time from his duties in the higher court to handle it.

It is learned that the recent imposition of \$3300 in fines and costs upon gamblers in Dawson is by no means to be regarded as a license entitling those paying the fines to a period of exemption from similar prosecution. Constable Boothe states positively that complaints of citizens will not be awaited for the re-arrest of the men who have paid fines, but the police themselves will continue to arrest as long as gambling is maintained.

Bargains—Watches and diamonds at reduced prices. Uncle Hoffman.

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