

# STEAMER BAILEY

First Boat From Up River With Clifford Sifton Close Second.

THEY PASSED HELLGATE BY STRATEGY

Both Bring Passengers and Full Freight Cargoes.

LOW WATER IN UPPER RIVER

Easy Navigating From Selkirk Down—Bailey Returns Tomorrow Evening and Sifton on Saturday.

From Wednesday and Thursday's Daily. The White Pass steamer Bailey in charge of Capt. Campbell and Murray and Mr. Duck, purser, arrived in Dawson from Lower Lebarge at 8 o'clock this morning, bringing 800 pounds of mail, 50 tons of freight nearly all of which is fresh fruit and vegetables and the following passengers:

R. M. Satphen, K. J. Ferguson, Mrs. M. L. McKenzie, J. W. Sullivan, I. Harbee, A. Oullette, Geo. Williamson, Mrs. M. Moore, J. E. Federly, J. A. Hildebrand, T. Dixon, Wm. Clayton, Chas. Godfrey, Mrs. Prather, Mr. Viquin, J. Hardacre, Wm. Green-shields, P. Craig, Capt. Abbott, Capt. S. C. Greene, T. Smith, M. E. Bennett, Sergeant Graham and J. A. Tepoor-lee.

The Bailey left the foot of Lebarge on the 17th, but was stopped at Five Fingers by the ice jam at that place and again at Hellgate where the last jam was encountered. The ice jamming at that place caused the water to rise over the slough on the other side to such an extent that Capt. Campbell after sending to Selkirk and learning that the river was clear below took what he says was a desperate chance and steamed over the slough around Hellgate, cutting it out entirely and by means of this strategy was enabled to make his boat the first one of the season to tie up at the wharf at Dawson, an honor which all the captains on the boats compete for every year.

The water in Thirtymile river is the lowest which has ever been known, making it extremely difficult for even the small boats to navigate it. The Bailey came down drawing 29 inches forward and 33 inches aft which is according to Capt. Campbell the heaviest draught boat to ever make the trip to Dawson at this season of the year. The only place where any serious difficulty was encountered was at Anchor bar where the water was only 26 inches deep and it necessitated the removal of the cargo before the bar could be passed over. The captain expected and was prepared to move the cargo three times, but found it was only necessary to do so once.

There is plenty of water in the river below Selkirk and it is still raising, but above that place the water is very low especially in Thirtymile river which from the 1st of April until the Bailey passed through yesterday had raised just three inches.

The Bailey starts on her return trip tomorrow evening. Following the Bailey the handsome steamer Clifford Sifton steamed down the river arriving at her berth next to the Bank of Commerce building at 9:45 this morning. An immense crowd gathered on the neighboring docks to witness her landing and many congratulations were extended to her agents, Townsend & Rose, for the safe arrival of their handsome boat. There were 680 packages of groceries and perishables, 20 sacks of oats, and 20 head of horses entered in her manifest all consigned to the Dome Commission Co., of this city.

The horses are selected Oregon stock and are handsome animals all matched in pairs. A particularly fine team of hays is among the bunch. The merchandise carried by the Sifton was sledged over the ice to Hootalingua where it was loaded just prior to the breaking of the ice. Among the perishables brought in by her is a big shipment of eggs, oranges and lemons. Capt. J. W. Langster and Pilots Bromfield and Cnlk are in command this year, with J. L. Wortham purser.

The Colorado is still frozen in at Hellgate, but is comparatively safe as the ice in that place cannot materially injure her when it breaks, the river all above and below being free which will allow her plenty of room to navigate. Capt. Langster reported the Flora at 1:30 this morning coming down with scows in tow about 20 miles this side of Selwyn. The Nora was

passed at 11 o'clock last night, she also coming down with scows in tow. The Sifton, like all other boats now on the way in went around Hellgate working through a neighboring slough. She will sail on her return trip in all probabilities next Saturday.

The following passengers arrived on the Sifton: L. Pasand, G. W. Rollins, Mrs. S. Wilson, Capt. and Mrs. John Fussell, Capt. A. M. Seaton, H. P. Miller, John Miller.

## STR. FLORA ARRIVES

After Running Gauntlet of Ice With Three Barges.

The steamer Flora arrived today at 12:15 with three heavily loaded scows in tow, Capt. Martineau in command. Her freight consists principally of perishables, 15 tons of which was loaded on the steamer, with a large consignment of cattle as part of the cargo. Capt. Martineau said that a most unusual amount of perishable goods are on the way down river by steamers and scows, the river being lined with the latter from the lakes to Dawson. The only reason the Flora did not arrive ahead of all competitors this season was on account of her heavy handicap by towing the accompanying barges and even with them but for meeting the jam at Hellgate she would have got in ahead. Capt. Martineau navigated the Flora through Thirtymile with a heavy barge in tow leaving all the other boats stuck on bars, they without any. Following is her passenger list: W. T. Langden, W. Langden, H. Emmett, J. B. Bell, Mrs. J. Lynch, J. F. Lynch, A. E. Gandolfo, A. DeGraff, W. O. Bohman, S. Cososky, A. Cososky, J. R. Clark, Mrs. W. A. Cummings, J. McAlvin, R. E. Nixon, C. A. Harrington, J. O. Binet, N. Atoller, R. A. Brown, C. Bartsch.

Two More Steamers.

The steamer Nora, Capt. Harris, arrived at 2:45 this afternoon with three cattle scows in tow. R. W. Calderhead, general manager of the company came in on her. She carried about six tons of provisions and the following passengers: R. W. Calderhead, Ed. Burns, G. W. Adams, G. E. Derby, J. Sylvester, C. Erickson, W. Barrett, J. Longdette, R. H. Ella, G. D. Devlin, W. H. Gilcher, W. C. Hall, L. D. Rhodes, J. O. Hassburg, Mrs. Harris, W. J. Clark, T. Cartright, J. F. Waring, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Apple, Mous. La Franc.

The Broom is Theirs.

To A. C. Feyerabend and A. Olsen belong the honor of being the first passengers to arrive by water from the outside, they having thrown out a gang-plank in Dawson at 4 o'clock this morning and stepped ashore from the light canoe in which they made the trip. The two men left Whitehorse on the 9th and reaching Lebarge hauled their boat across the lake with dogs. They left Lower Lebarge on the 13th and after several very lively experiences with ice jams landed in Dawson this morning.

STEAMBOAT ITEMS.

Steamboat hands are reported scarce. A big fleet of scows are on the way down river.

Frank Mortimer is in charge of the Chute & Wills dock.

A sunken scow obstructs the front of Chute & Wills' dock.

Capt. Hansen sailed on the Louise last night for Fortymile.

The river is steadily raising and is "thick" between here and Selkirk. Above that point low water is reported.

Capt. Campbell, for the past two seasons with the Ora, Flora and Nora line, is now in charge of the steamer Bailey.

The Robert Kerr will sail for St. Michael in a short time where she will be refitted with refrigerating machinery.

Rafts for the different mills were passed by the Bailey and Sifton. The mills will commence active operations the first of next week.

The general passenger and freight office of the Northern Navigation Co. is now on the south side of the A. C. Co. dock, handsome offices having been recently erected for the company there.

This morning the following steamers were in port: Kock Island and Leon, Robert Kerr, the lower river; Bailey, Robert Kerr, Gold Star and Clifford Sifton. The Gold Star is to be dispatched up the Koyukuk to the head of navigation and leaves next Saturday. The Rock Island is also booking passengers and freight for the Koyukuk and will leave Monday next connecting at the mouth of the river with the City of Paris.

O'Brien Case Witnesses.

A number of witnesses for the crown in the murder case of George O'Brien arrived in Dawson this morning on the Steamer Bailey. The parties include Mr. and Mrs. Fussell, Mrs. Prather, J. E. Federly, J. A. Hildebrand, T. Dixon, Sergeant Graham and Wm. Clayton a brother of one of the murdered men.

Mr. Clayton left Skagway on the 14th of this month arriving at the foot of Lebarge on the 16th and left that place on the Bailey on the morning of the 17th. His was the last party to cross the lake prior to the sailing of the boat and he says that the ice on the lake then was solid but was getting very slushy on top. In his estimation it would be two weeks before the lake would break up.

## POLICE COURT HAPPENINGS

One Man Fined for Drunkenness, Another Interdicted.

The police court was crowded at 10 o'clock this morning when Magistrate Wroughton took his seat upon the bench. A busy and interesting session ensued.

Angus McIntyre was placed in the box and charged with being drunk and disorderly to which he pleaded "guilty your honor." A fine of \$5 and costs was imposed.

Mr. Shaffer owns a dog. He keeps the dog in a house. In the house is a window without a glass. The dog saw the open window, jumped out, was caught running at large without a muzzle by a constable this morning and notwithstanding the explanation of Mr. Shaffer that the dog was alone responsible for being at large, the magistrate imposed a fine of \$1 and costs.

No one who has a dirty back yard is escaping the eagle eyes of Constable Scofield and Assistant Chief of the Fire Department Bullock in their tour of inspection under the health and fire protection ordinances and several more cases were before the magistrate this morning.

Wilfred DeLage, one of the firm of DeLage Bros., contractors, was interdicted upon the request of his brothers for the period of one year from the use of intoxicating liquors. The evidence showed that Wilfred had been drinking heavily and spending his money freely for several weeks and the magistrate had no hesitancy in granting the request.

## DUKE AND DUCHESS

Of Marlborough are Estranged and Living Apart.

London, April 20.—The Duke and Duchess of Marlborough have not been living together since Christmas. This fact has provoked rumors, as it is no longer possible to believe the separation is otherwise than deliberate.

The subject is freely discussed in society and sensational developments are even predicted.

At the beginning of the hunting season it was announced they had taken Syonby Lodge, Leicestershire, to hunt with the queen's pack, but the Duke went there alone. The Duchess hunted with the Heythrop hounds from Blenheim. It was while on the run with these hounds that she met with her accident. Even after the accident the duke did not return to Blenheim, but the duchess came to London and went for a couple of weeks to Paris, again alone.

For Christmas the duke and duchess were at Blenheim for a few days, since which he has been dividing time between London and Leicestershire, while the duchess has been coming and going between London and Blenheim. She finally went to Monte Carlo to join her brother, W. K. Vanderbilt, jr., with whom she has been ever since, and is now in Paris. The duke never appeared at Monte Carlo, but went to Spain.

It is rumored the estrangement began before the duke went to the war, and that since he came back it has widened. According to friends the fault is on both sides. The duke is not popular anywhere. His sense of his own importance is overpowering. The fact that they have hitherto been regarded as a most exemplary attached couple makes their estrangement excite all the more remark and its duration indicates that it is caused by no ordinary tiff, but by a radical incompatibility of temper.

Paris April 20.—A rumor is spreading here that there is an estrangement between the Duke of Marlborough and the Vanderbilt family, including his wife, the duchess. The duke got back here yesterday from Spain and now both are in Paris at different hotels.

A Scheme That Failed.

With a market basket filled with pieces of bank and treasury notes an old woman, who said she lived in Camden, appeared at the subtreasury and stated that she wanted the bits of money redeemed, says the Philadelphia Record. It required only a hasty examination for the officials to determine that the pieces of notes were all from the edges and corners of bills of various denominations.

The woman was asked how she became possessed of the pieces, which information she failed to give. Then she was bluntly told that the government would allow her nothing for the remnants of money, because it was plainly evident that the pieces were all clipped from whole notes. This the woman denied, yet she was obliged to go away without receiving passable cash for her offering.

The officials found that, though there were corners and edges from \$20, \$10, \$5, \$2 and \$1 notes, there was not a piece of a center in the entire collection, so that it would be impossible to make even one bill by pasting pieces together. There were enough bits, however, to equal a hundred notes in size. Judging from the paper and style of notes, it had required about 20 years to collect the pieces.

## RECEIVED BY WIRE. CHILDREN TOMORROW

Will Take Prominent Part in Day's Events.

The school children will take quite a conspicuous part in the celebration tomorrow. At 9:45 a. m. the band will escort them from the school on Mission street along First avenue to the grandstand where they will occupy a position on the left of the Commissioner. These seats have been reserved for the use of the children for the morning but for the public after noon. The children will sing "God Save the King" preceding the opening address by Commissioner Ross. They'll also sing Canada's national hymn, "The Maple Leaf Forever," after which comes "The Soldiers of the King." When the parade has passed they will compete in a series of races until the parade returns when they will disperse for the day.

The following prizes have been offered and is confined exclusively to the school children taking part as mentioned above:

Boys' race, 13 years and over, first prize \$5, second \$3, third \$1. Girls' race, 13 years and over, first prize \$5, second \$3, third \$1.

Boys' race, 9 to 13 years, first prize \$3, second \$2, third \$1. Girls' race, 9 to 13 years, first prize \$3, second \$2, third \$1.

Boys' race, 6 to 9 years, first prize \$3, second \$2, third \$1. Girls' race, 6 to 9 years, first prize \$3, second \$2, third \$1.

Boys under 6 years, \$1 each to first four. Girls under 6 years, \$1 each to first four.

Boys' sack race, 9 years and over, pocket knife each to first and second. Girls' potato race, 9 years and over, set of dolls' dishes to first and second.

Boys' sack race, under 9 years, pocket knife to first and second. Girls' potato race, under 9 years, set of dolls' dishes to first and second.

Alaska Mail Service.

Official announcement has been received by the local postoffice from Washington to the effect that an additional mail service has been inaugurated between this port and Nome. Mails by this service will leave July 1, August 1 and September 1. The North American Transportation & Trading Company has the contract for this, as well as for the old service. This will make mails by the regular contracts leave Seattle for Nome on the following dates: June 1, July 1, July 20, August 1, August 15, September 1 and September 10. In addition to these there will, as was the case last summer, be a large number of mails carried from this port to Nome by special contract.

The announcement was also received from Washington to the effect that a new postoffice is to be established on Solomon river, near Nome. This office will be designated as Solomon. It will receive mail from Nome by special service as often as practicable.

There has been established a new mail route between Unalaska and Nushagak. This is designated as "Route 78,042." It is 420 miles in length for the round trip. Sailing schooners will carry the mail over the route, the first one leaving Unalaska June 1. Leon Snow, of San Francisco, has this contract.—P-I.

Living Without Nourishment.

There seems to be no philosophical necessity for food. We can conceive of organized beings living without nourishment and deriving all the energy they need for the performance of their life functions from the ambient medium. In a crystal we have the clear evidence of the existence of a formative life principle, and, though we cannot understand the life of a crystal, it is none the less a living being. There may be, besides crystals, other such individualized, material systems of beings, perhaps of gaseous constitution or composed of substance still more tenuous. In view of this possibility—nay, probability—we cannot spodeotically deny the existence of organized beings on a planet merely because the conditions on the same are unsuitable for the existence of life as we conceive it. We cannot even with positive assurance assert that some of them might not be present here, in this our world, in the very midst of us, for their constitution and life manifestation may be such that we are unable to perceive them.—Nikola Tesla in Century Magazine.

Beyond His Comprehension.

An Indian's respect for women increases a hundredfold after his visit to England. But he finds it difficult to reconcile himself to the low necked dress which society imposes upon women, nor does he understand the ethics of an English dance which affords a friend or stranger an opportunity to place his arm around the waist of a fair lady who happens to be the wife of another. And he finds neither rhyme nor reason in the rule of society which, while permitting a lady to drink with male friends, denies her the privilege of smoking. Above all, the Indian has a horror of the new woman. She has very properly been described as the "third sex."—A Hindoo in Unkernal Magazine.

G. Gandolfo, a brother to the well known merchant, J. R. Gandolfo, arrived this morning on the Flora. This is the first time in 17 years the brothers have met.

Making the Plants Go Round.

The new reporter, in his story of the wedding, wrote, "The floral display stretched from the chancel rail to the doors of the church."

The city editor, in a mild manner, as is the custom of city editors with new reporters, suggested:

"Couldn't you have used a better word than 'stretched'? Say the floral display 'nodded' or 'twined' or something like that—some word more suggestive of flowers."

"Stretched is all right," replied the new reporter, with the stubborn courage of a realist. "The decorations consisted of six rubber plants, and they had to stretch to go the distance."—Baltimore American.

A flock of sea gulls were seen this morning taking a free passage to St. Michael on a cake of ice.

## TOO MUCH FREIGHT

Accumulating at Skagway More Rapidly Than W. P. & Y. R. Can Handle It.

EVERY STEAMER INCREASES QUANTITY

Skagway Will Help Whitehorse Celebrate Tomorrow.

POLICE WILL MEET COONS.

Members of Grand Camp of Arctic Brotherhood to Institute Camp at Whitehorse Tonight.

From Wednesday and Thursday's Daily. Skagway, May 23.—Freight for Dawson is piling up here on Moore's wharf in spite of the efforts of the railroad to keep it clear. Twenty loaded cars are dispatched every day but the big warehouses are filled, the wharf is covered and every incoming steamer adds to the accumulation. The company's four new coaches arrived today and will at once be put in commission. Additional freight cars will also be operated from now until the rush of business subsides.

A large excursion party left here this morning for Whitehorse where Victoria day will be celebrated on a large scale. Members of the grand camp of Arctic Brotherhood went and will institute a camp at Whitehorse tonight. The baseball team of the Twenty-fourth U. S. infantry, colored, are along and will play a match game with the N. W. M. P. team of Whitehorse. Every indication points to tomorrow being the most gorgeously celebrated day in the history of the new town.

He Holds His Job.

An occasional dog appears on the streets with just enough frequency to keep the dog catcher out with rope in hand standing on corners and casting furtive glances thither and thence in quest of the stray. But if more dogs do not present themselves for capture, his "nibs" will be forced to resort to throwing his lasso over posts in order that he may keep in practice.

In Readiness.

All is in readiness for tomorrow's celebration and indications are that the efforts put forward to make it a day long to be remembered will be crowned with success. First avenue, while not so dry as could be desired, has been put in the best condition possible under the circumstances. The business houses have been gaily decked in holiday attire and in all classes of sports there will be many participants. Business will be practically suspended for the day and representatives of all nations will meet on a common level in celebrating the glorious occasion.

Relished the Punishment.

An old Scotsman, Andrew Leslie by name, always rode on a donkey to his work and tethered him while he labored on the road or wherever he might be. It was suggested to him by a neighboring landowner that he was suspected of putting the animal to feed in the fields at other people's expense. "Eh, laird, I could never be tempted to do that, for my cuddy winna eat anything but nettles and thistles."

On a subsequent occasion, however, the laird, while riding along the road, saw Andrew at work, his faithful beast, saw Andrew at work, his faithful beast, saw Andrew at work, his faithful beast, saw Andrew at work, his faithful beast.

"Hello, Andrew!" exclaimed the laird. "I thought your cuddy would eat nothing but nettles and thistles."

"Aye, aye," was the response, "but the brutes misbehaved the day. He nearly kicked me over his head; so I put him in there just to punish him."

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## RECEIVED BY WIRE. VISITING PARTY

From Dawson Reaches Forty-mile on Louise at 10:45 Last Night

AND MET WITH DESOLATE SCENE

Owing to Late Flood Which Devastated That Town.

ALL GOODS MUCH DAMAGED

Clearing Away the Debris the Order—Steamer Will Start for Dawson at 7 Tonight.

From Wednesday and Thursday's Daily. Fortymile, May 23.—(Special to the Nugget.)—The steamer Louise with 75 prominent Dawsonites arrived here at 10:45 last night, no obstacles being encountered in the river on the down trip which was run in 3 1/2 hours.

The citizens of Fortymile are all busily engaged in clearing the town of the debris left by the late flood. The water rose to a height of 12 feet and when it began to recede it went back to its usual condition in 15 minutes. The townsites and the flat across the river from the town are still covered with huge blocks of ice.

All the merchandise stock as well as private property in the town was badly damaged by the water. Both the A. C. and N. A. T. & T. Co.'s stores were almost entirely filled and the loss of each company will run far into the tens of thousands, although it is not yet possible to accurately estimate the total of the damage done. During the flood the water of the Yukon turned that of the Fortymile river up stream. The stores and saloons have all reopened and are doing business but their stocks are in very bad condition.

The steamer Louise will coal up at Cliff creek and leave on the return trip to Dawson at 7 o'clock this evening.

ALLEN.

Will Clayton Arrives.

Mr. Will Clayton, brother of Fred H. Clayton, one of the three men whom George O'Brien is alleged to have murdered near Minto on Christmas day of '99, was a passenger on the steamer Bailey which arrived this morning. He is here for the purpose of attending the O'Brien trial which will begin on June 3d. Mr. Clayton and his deceased brother were among the first merchants of Skagway, where they were very successful. The surviving brother continues the business and is listed as one of the most substantial citizens of the gateway city.

Heavyweights Arrive.

The members of the Forks and Bonanza football and rugby teams came in this afternoon and just to shake off the dust which they accumulated on the trip down they will play a practice game on the barracks grounds this evening after dinner, probably about 7:30 o'clock. The big match between the association teams of Dawson and the Forks will be played on the barracks grounds immediately after the parade tomorrow forenoon. C. W. S. Barwell is referee and Dr. Edwards linesman for the Forks team.

COMING AND GOING.

Mrs. C. Bartsch, H. J. Miller and J. W. Mr. Whittmore are additional names on the Flora's list of arriving passengers.

Gustavson the cattle man is on his way in with a large consignment of beef and sheep. It is not expected he will open a market as it is his intention of doing a wholesale business.

The office building of the Ladue Lumber Co., which is also used as a residence of the manager, Mr. W. H. B. Lyons, is receiving a new coat of paint which gives it a very cheecko appearance.

A team has been busy for the last two days rolling down the race course on First avenue for the sports of tomorrow. In the absence of a roller built for such purposes an old boiler has been pressed into the service which performs the work very satisfactorily.

While the steamer Bailey bears the distinction of being the first steamer to arrive in Dawson from up river points, Mr. Olsen who brought in a consignment of papers for Mr. R. E. West the agent for the Seattle Times gets the credit for being the first to get in, having arrived in Dawson with a canoe at 4 o'clock this morning, making the trip from Selkirk to Dawson in 25 hours having passed the former place at 3 o'clock yesterday morning.