

NEWS ALONG THE RIVER.

The Victorian Sails Tomorrow Afternoon.

First Through Shipment of Freight Now on the Way—River Rising—Rains General Up River.

The steamer Columbian sailed from Whitehorse this afternoon with the first through freight of the season. This is practically the opening of navigation as far as the shipment of goods is concerned, as no other freight cargo has been sent down the river by the steamers this season.

The Canadian will probably follow the Columbian in a day or so as the river is rising rapidly at up river points.

A general rain storm is reported all along the river with the temperature getting warmer at up river points. The highest point reached by the mercury today was at Big Salmon, 52 degrees. At Bennett the thermometer shows 45 but gradually rising. A wire has been received from Hootalinqua stating that the river is rising rapidly at that point.

Owing to the rains the trees along the telegraph line are causing a great deal of trouble as the branches are sodden with moisture and hang over the wires in many places, grounding the circuit. Linemen are now out from all stations making repairs and clearing the wire from the overhanging trees.

The Tyrrell is rapidly making all improvements necessary for the St. Michael voyage and when she pulls out from the dock Monday will be in excellent shape. She will carry a very large passenger list.

No news is good news, particularly in steamboats, consequently the steamers Ora and Flora are probably, as usual, crowding on to their destination and their welcome whistles will be soon heard again in Dawson.

SOGGS GUILTY.

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from one foot to the other constantly, and his hands were never quiet for an instant.

Among other witnesses called and briefly questioned concerning the general character of Soggs, a very large, dark complected gentleman—Mr. Sullivan—was called by the defense and asked if he considered Mr. Rogers a dangerous man. Witness said he didn't know. He and Mr. Rogers had once had a little difficulty but both had been looking on the "wine when it was red" and well the trouble was soon over any way.

"Is it not a fact, Mr. Sullivan," asked Prosecutor Wade, "that on the occasion you refer to, you gave Mr. Rogers a sound thrashing?"

Mr. Sullivan smiled a smile that was child-like and bland, and said that at the time he had spoken of he had had no flail with him.

Mr. Noel then asked for an adjournment, which, after some little consideration, Judge Dugas granted, and the case went over till 10 o'clock this morning.

Attorney Noel addressed the jury in behalf of Soggs this morning, going over the evidence of the case in review. The pith and marrow of his argument was that Soggs had been harried, bullied and terrorized for a long period of time by Rogers, who sought to drive him from claim 34. That in this effort Rogers had been seconded by Cahill.

Mr. Noel said that although all the witnesses for the crown examined had been cognizant of Rogers' intent to administer a bath to Soggs by violence—by throwing him in the creek—none had attempted to prevent its culmination or to save Soggs.

All the way through the argument the attorney strove to convince the jury that there was no intent to commit murder on the part of Soggs, and that the prisoner had been justified in the means he had adopted to protect himself; was justified in view of the fact of the manifest difference of physical strength between Mr. Rogers and the defendant. Mr. Noel made a very able plea in behalf of his client.

The court room was more completely filled than at any other time during the trial which one or both of the attorneys in the case might take in the light of a compliment as it was generally understood when court adjourned yesterday afternoon that the morning session would be devoted to the arguments of the attorneys.

Crown Prosecutor Wade made his argument on the ground that the claim owners, Rogers, and the laymen, had been justified in their evidenced desires, for a long time to get rid of Soggs.

The argument of both attorneys were marked by more or less quibbling on unimportant points.

Prosecutor Wade's address was sharp, concise and filled with the sparkling gems of sarcasm for which he is justly noted.

POLICE COURT NEWS.

In Magistrate Scarth's court this morning the first case was one against Ike R. Johnson who, after indulging freely in Yukon river water, strychnine and venetian red, had hied himself to Fourth avenue where he failed to discriminate between respectable intoxication and beastly drunkenness. As Ike stood before his honor this morning his mind appeared to be in Hepsydram or some other distant port, as after the charge had been read over to him twice he simply replied "Umph." He paid \$5 and trimmings.

For following Ike's smoke, so far as libations are concerned, John Rogers also paid \$5 and costs.

According to Fred Sater's story he was the most valuable man Nichols had on his scow on the trip from Bennett to Dawson. Sater submitted that he worked hard all the way down; that he was on deck day and night; that he frequently hopped into the chilly waters to shove the scow off bars; that for 48 hours he never bobbed an eye and that the grub Nichols provided was simply awful. He, therefore, wanted remuneration at the rate of \$2.50 for the trip. As a Florida summer differs from a Klondike winter, so did the testimony of Nichol differ from that of Sater. According to the former's evidence Sater had come down more as ballast than as a helper on the scow; he slept almost continuously and was the most no-account man the witness had ever seen in all his life; that when Sater got his board he got several times more than he earned. In cross-questioning the witness Sater, had he worn a lung meter, would have ran the register up to a high point. He insisted on Nichols defining the word "truth" and in other ways made dark insinuations. As it was admitted by both sides that no wages were stipulated and, at the start, none was expected, the case was dismissed and the voluble gentleman ponied up the costs and wished he had not so readily rushed to police court with his grievances.

In the case of Mack C. Thompson vs. Clark for \$400 due on wages, the amount was admitted and a satisfactory time of settlement was fixed upon.

BRIEF MENTION.

The Fourth of July sports committee will meet at the Board of Trade rooms tomorrow night.

A cricket game, to which all are invited will be played on the barracks ground this evening.

H. E. Ashelby, of Chechako Hill, one of the three owners and treasurer of the Bonanza Water Co., is in town on business today.

Herbert Williams, one of the pioneers of the district, is preparing to leave for Nome in a few days. He will go down the river in a small boat.

There is a meeting of the general committee on Fourth of July matters called for tonight at which every member is expected to be present.

C. C. Runner, for a long time manager of the Fifth Avenue hotel in Skagway, is here on his way to Nome for which place he will leave on the next steamer.

Sam Bonnifield is enjoying a prosperous business at his new place, the Juneau. He reports entire satisfaction with the change which he has made from the Dominion.

Mrs. Roberts, wife of O. V. Roberts, foreman of the Yukon Iron Works, was among the passengers to arrive on the steamer Victorian, and "Bob" is all smile today.

A fight took place Sunday night between E. L. Miller, layman on Frank Phiscator's No. 2 Eldorado claim, and an Irishman who was employed by Miller. The layman is said to have received a most severe beating.

Miss Annie Clayton, sister of the late Fred H. Clayton, was an arrival from Skagway on the steamer Victorian. She is here to look after several mining interests which were owned by her brother.

Dr. H. B. Tweedie, post surgeon at Circle City, is a late arrival in the city. He is now en route to his station at that point. Owing to the fact that a steamer will not leave this port for way points for several weeks, the doctor will go down the river in a small boat.

Mr. A. Bouillon of Bouillon & St. Laurent, co-owners of claim No. 19 below discovery on Dominion creek, has been in town for several days on business. He returns today to join his partner and continue the washing of their immense dump.

Attorney Fernand De Journal has again begun the practice of his profession. Mr. De Journal is associated with Mr. Henry Bleecker, a lawyer of wide experience and the new firm is certain to forge to the front in Dawson's legal circles. Their offices will be in the Joslyn block on Second street.

A Descriptive Curio.

One of Orr & Tukey's passengers to the Forks wanted his valise called for at a hotel and gave them the following written description:

"Vaise painted black, 30 inches long, as big around as a five-gallon oil can at Klondike hotel bound with three cords."

Death of Mrs. Telford.

Mrs. Telford, whose husband is manager for the Yukon Mining Co., died last night at the family home on Fourth avenue between sixth and Seventh streets. A three days' old babe sur-

vives its mother. Mrs. Telford was a young woman, this being her first child.

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