

NEWS FROM ALASKA

A Rosslander's Experience in the Copper River Country.

THE VALDEZ GLACIER

The Dangers Encountered in Crossing This Great Body of Ice - Terrible Snowslides - Bears and Wolves - Women Dressed Like Men.

The Alaskan and Yukon regions seem to be full of difficulties, for the miner, prospector and nearly all who visit them have stories of hardship to tell. One of the latest Alaskan bubbles that has been exploded is the alleged richness of the Copper river country. A large party of prospectors returned to Seattle a few days ago with no gold and only stories of hardship and privation to tell of their experiences in that country.

Under the new revenue law on the other side, an American bank cannot put Canadian money into circulation without a tax of 10 per cent. thereon. This necessitates shipping the bullion back to the nearest Canadian bank to have it exchanged, and the expense connected with this is said to amount to nearly 2 per cent. of the amount involved.

When a fellow arrives at Valdez his troubles begin. First is getting his goods off the boat. These you have to pack off on your back to a point on the ice about three-quarters of a mile away. The next thing is checking up and making camp on top of the snow.

"The next day we started for the glacier, which is about six miles away. We strung out three sleds to the horse, and put from 600 to 800 pounds on each sled, which gave each horse from 1,800 to 2,400 pounds to pull.

"On account of soft weather we were not able to use the horses on the bench, so we had to rope it over, which is done by putting in a snubbing post on the upper end and attaching a sled to each end of the rope after it has been passed through the pulley at the post; four men can pull up in that way about 500 pounds to the sled.

"The next day we pulled to the foot of the second bench and had to camp on account of a snow slide. We had no sooner pitched camp than a snow slide came down and covered up six jacks and many tons of outfit.

"We were then at the foot of the second bench, which is a tough proposition. It is a raise of 1,700 feet in three pulls. It took us three nights to pull to this bench on top of the trail.

"The woods are full of doctors and there are many women of all shapes and sizes, and they wear the same clothes as the men do, so it is hard for a fellow to know when he should not swear.

for a long time I took for a big fat boy of about 17. "While we were at the summit a snow slide occurred which killed two men and buried hundreds of tons of provisions, a good deal of which has never been recovered.

"I suppose you have heard that J. E. Hudson was killed on the Chilcoot by a snow slide; he was formerly of Rossland and Ymir. He was interested in Ymir. I am going to take a moose to explore the country between here and Lake Tazlina.

"Give my kind regards to my many Rossland friends, and tell them I believe I am the only Rosslander in this part of Alaska."

OUR MONEY DISCOUNTED. Spokane Bankers Will Charge a Two Per Cent. Discount. At a recent meeting of the Spokane Clearing House association at which all the Spokane banks were represented, it was decided that on and after July 10 next, Canadian money would only be accepted at a discount of 2 per cent.

THE RANKS OF SHAREHOLDERS. The rank of oppositionist of them all will admit that it was distinctly a government meeting from start to finish at the opera house last Saturday.

THE MEETING. The meeting was a revelation to the people who have fostered the belief that James Martin has a walkover. Although Mr. McKane, the independent government candidate for the legislature, was not present, yet the mention of his name was the mark for enthusiastic applause.

THE POLICY OF THE GOVERNMENT. In calling the meeting to order the chairman, Dr. Bowes, announced that while the meeting had been called by the independent government association, yet in order to present a fair exposition of both sides to the election, the opposition party would be allowed an hour's time for debate.

THE POLICY OF THE GOVERNMENT. The policy of Mr. Kelle, the present opposition representative of this riding, was briefly dealt with by Mr. Galt. Mr. Kelle, he said, while nominally the legislator for this part of his constituency, really acted exclusively for the benefit of his own little section of the country, lying in the Big Bend, and he totally ignored the needs of the important centres in the southern part of the riding.

THE POLICY OF THE GOVERNMENT. Touching upon the personal character of Mr. Turner, the speaker declared that it should be a matter of pride to British Columbia that its premier was a man of such recognized business capacity and personal characteristics.

THE POLICY OF THE GOVERNMENT. The Reddin & Jackson company Saturday received a long letter from a Lisbon, Portugal, firm stating that as soon as the Hispano-American war was over that it intended to make some large investments in the mines of this vicinity.

THE POLICY OF THE GOVERNMENT. J. F. Fitzpatrick of the Rossland metal works, has been awarded the contract for roofing and all work on the new War Eagle boarding house.

THE POLICY OF THE GOVERNMENT. T. MAYNE DALY, Q. C. C. R. HAMILTON. Daly & Hamilton. Barristers, Solicitors, Notaries. Rossland, B. C.

GREAT MEETING

The Government Enthusiastically Endorsed Saturday.

DALY'S FINE SPEECH

The Opposition's Feeble Attempt to Uphold its Cause.

BODWELL DISCONCERTED

A Speech Full of Inconsistencies and Rashness - An Opposition Destitute of Principles, Policies and Leaders - The Audience All One Way - McKane Will Be Upheld - Galt Made a Logical and Convincing Address.

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