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KLONDIKE NUGGET.



KOYUKUK OUTLOOK.

Latest reports from the Koyukuk country do not vary in essential details. All authorities are agreed that the Koyukuk presents excellent opportunities for prospecting and that sooner or later a lively camp will be developed in that district.

It is apparent, however, that up to the present time the country has been seriously handicapped. Provisions have been exceedingly scarce heretofore and it has consumed most of a season for prospectors to land their outfits at the diggings.

The present summer has been a particularly unfortunate one also by reason of the fact that water has been exceedingly scarce. Reports from authentic sources state that on most of the producing creeks there has been only about ten days of sluicing water, and during the balance of the season it has been almost impossible to carry on operations in a profitable manner. It is quite evident, therefore, that a man to expect success in the Koyukuk country must go well provided and with the expectation of meeting many difficulties.

The Koyukuk is a big country with a large extent of gold bearing ground which, however, has not as yet been thoroughly prospected, and which has not proven to be of extraordinary richness. It undoubtedly offers attractive inducements to men who can afford to spend a season in prospecting, but to those who are not thus prepared it presents an entirely different aspect.

Dawson and the Yukon country generally have suffered from the practice followed by many claim operators of sending the results of their summer's clean-up to the outside, with the expectation of conducting their winter work on a credit basis. This system has entailed hardship not only upon the merchant who supplies the goods, and the laborer who waits until spring for his wages, but it also works injuriously to the claim operator himself who in accepting credit for his winter's supplies, invariably pays a much higher price for what he buys than would be the case if he paid cash. The man who works his ground upon a cash basis consults his own interests just as is the case in any line of mercantile business.

If Brother Beddoe would sandwich a portrait of himself in between his editorial descriptions of a suitable M. P., his meaning would be brought out very clearly. This pen portrait business is too apt to flatter the subject.

Candidates for the Yukon constituency will not be asked to express themselves to any extent upon preferential tariffs and other similar questions. They will, however, be asked to define their position upon

Yukon affairs very clearly. In other words the coming election will be decided almost entirely upon local issues. What is wanted and what the people are determined to have is a Yukon man who will work for and protect Yukon interests.

The delays which attended the fireworks display on Saturday night detracted considerably from the success of the occasion. Hundreds of people left the water front before the first rocket was fired. It seems inevitable that Dawson celebrations must be subject to long waits between acts.

A meeting will be held in Dawson tonight for the purpose of selecting delegates to the coming opposition convention. Much more than ordinary interest attaches to this meeting and its deliberations and conclusions will be followed with close attention.

The Illinois coal miners have contributed no less than \$100,000 to the strikers in the anthracite regions. Organized labor is rapidly becoming a power in the financial world.

A St. Louis physician has been fined in court for swearing at central through a telephone. Moral: Hang up the receiver before expressing yourself.

Concessions have become so much the order of the day that an application to take more water from a creek than the creek itself carries causes very little surprise.

The fact that a good cause is espoused by bad men is not necessarily a reflection on the cause.

The Fourth of July Surplus

Dear Sir,—I notice by a recent issue of the Nugget that the members of the Arctic Brotherhood have voted to decline the money left over from the Fourth of July celebration. This action of the Brotherhood will, I think, tend to raise the order very considerably in the eyes of the public. I do not believe that the A. B.'s generally approved of the manner in which the money was secured in the first place and I feel certain that all are satisfied with the recent action of the camp in declining to accept it.

The question now remains, what is to be done with the money? Several plans have been suggested for disposing of it, among others that the money be given to an athletic park fund, that it be used to fence the cemetery or that it be devoted to certain deserving charities. To my way of thinking the only right course to pursue is to return the entire sum to the general committee which had charge of the Fourth of July celebration. As long as the A. B.'s are not to accept the money, no person or persons should deal with the matter other than the committee above mentioned.

A meeting of that committee should be called and the question be settled. As to what disposition the committee should make of the funds, it seems to me that only two courses are open. First, the distribution of the money pro rata among the original subscribers, or second that the money be held for the Fourth of July celebration next year. Either of these two methods of dealing with the question would, I think, be satisfactory to the great body of those who contributed the funds and they are the ones whose wishes in the matter should be most regarded.

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A sample of Indian tenacity was witnessed in Dawson two years ago last spring when a boy not over a dozen years old brought a wild duck to Dawson to sell for \$2. There was no demand for the duck at that price but the boy would not sell it for any less. The result was that day after day the young son of the forest walked the streets of Dawson making a house to house canvass back and forth with his duck. (It was a canvass-back duck.) Spring developed into summer and yet the boy still had his duck from which after awhile the feathers began to fall but the price of that particular duck did not drop with the feathers.

By the first of June it got so people could detect the coming of the boy with his duck before he turned the corner. Like the anthracite coal miners' strike the duck developed more strength every day. At last one day the boy of the duck dropped from the legs by which it was being carried. The boy stopped short, muttered the Siwash word for hades and, with a disgusted look on his face, started for Moosehide in quest of a fresh duck.

A Salt Lake Tragedy

Salt Lake, Utah, Aug. 1.—At the Salt Palace grounds at 1 o'clock this morning J. C. McCaslin, a well-known mining man of this city, shot and killed Lottie Russell, dangerously wounded Max Peters and then committed suicide by shooting himself through the head.

McCaslin, Miss Russell, Peters and another man, whose name has not been learned, formed a party which attended the bicycle races. It is said McCaslin had trouble with his wife today and had been drinking. Peters and Miss Russell are reported to have twitted him about his domestic troubles, whereupon he became angered, drew a revolver and shot Miss Russell, who had started to run, through the back. Peters, who attempted to keep McCaslin from shooting the girl, was shot through the chest.

McCaslin, after firing a shot at the other member of the party, placed his revolver to his right temple and fired a bullet through his head. He died an hour later.

What Gen. Buller Did

London, Aug. 2.—Surgeon General Hamilton, before a meeting of the British Medical Association at Manchester yesterday definitely charged that Gen. Buller, during the Boer war in 1881, used army medical wagons with the red cross thereon for taking ammunition to the front and armed the bearer companies, using them as escorts. The surgeon general declared his authority for the statement was the principal medical officer, to whom the orders were issued, and he added that the British could not complain at the Boers doing what Gen. Buller had done twenty years previously.

Contempt Cases Closed

Charleston, W. Va., Aug. 2.—The trial of John Richards and others charged with contempt of court came to a close today and Judge Keller fixes August 12 as the date for argument. All the prisoners were released on their own recognizances until that time.

Before adjourning court Judge Keller called the numerous defendants before him and delivered a lecture on the question of proper behavior while injunctions are pending.

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The case has been occupying the time of the court for several days and was warmly contested from its inception. Col. James Hamilton Lewis, who represented the plaintiffs, assisted by R. B. Albertson and Robert Walsh, returned from the east a short time ago in order to be present at the trial and the railroad was represented by Judge B. S. Groscup, of Tacoma, and Hon. Jas. F. McElroy, of this city.

Dense and Palmer were employed by the Northern Pacific on a work train operating near Snohomish a few months ago. One day while the work train was standing on the track a number of loose cars from a freight train in the Snohomish yards came running down the track and struck it. The two boys (both of the plaintiffs are minors) were standing on a flat car attached to the work train at the time, and the impact of the flying freight cars threw them from the car off a bridge, a fall of some fifty feet. Both boys had their legs broken, Palmer losing both and Dense losing one.

The attorneys for the railroad contended that the cars were allowed to get loose by the negligence of the brakeman of the freight train, who was a fellow workman with the plaintiffs. The plaintiffs contended that the brakeman neglected to set the brakes on the loose cars for the reason that other duties assigned to him called him elsewhere at that time. This the brakeman testified to on the witness stand.

The argument between Col. Lewis and Judge Groscup which marked the close of the trial, became at times very heated and threatened once or twice to lead to a physical contest. The case will probably be appealed.

To Strike September 1

Pittsburg, Kans., Aug. 2.—President George S. Richardson, of the miners' organization in the Kansas district, tonight, stated that the miners of Kansas, Mohawk and Indian Territory, would go on a strike September 1. The recent inter-state conference here decided to postpone a strike until next year. Since that time, however, developments make it necessary to strike in order to enforce a recognition of the union from certain companies. The miners have little hope of securing a contract here, and in case they do not all four districts will stand together in the fight.

Boycott is Enjoined.

Kansas City, Aug. 2.—Judge Phillips, of the federal court, issued a temporary injunction today restraining the officers and members of the Retail Clerks' National Protective Association and the Journeymen Tailors' Union from enforcing their boycott on a Kansas City clothing firm. The patrolling of the sidewalk in front of the premises was stopped by order of the court.

Only One Coronation Drunk

Only one man was arrested on Coronation Day for being drunk and disorderly and that was not a very loud case. The offender's tongue became too loose in a first avenue saloon Saturday night and in police court this morning he paid \$2 and costs.

A Brave Rescue.

Nome, July 30.—What might have been a serious mishap but for a prompt and heroic rescue, occurred yesterday afternoon in the treacherous surf of Bering sea in front of Barracks square. Louis Botana and Ned Dobbs, two skilful boatmen, started in a small dory through the breakers. When 75 or 100 yards from the shore the boat was caught by a huge wave and overturned. The men made shift to catch hold of the overturned dory, which the breakers tossed violently, and it was evident that, weighted down with their clothing and gum boots in the icy waters of Bering sea, they could not hold their precarious grip very long.

But rescue was prompt. Messrs. Monahan, Baggett and Goldspring, of the Nome Boat House, saw the accident, and without the waste of a second launched a boat in the surf, which, under their strong arms and the judgment that comes from training and experience, seemed to leap through the turbid breakers like

something endowed with life. The large crowd that had hurriedly gathered on the beach was breathless with excitement, but when the unfortunate men were reached and hauled into the boat by the life savers, it found voice in a tremendous cheer.

The rescue was a prompt and pretty piece of work. No injury was done to the men who were swamped, but it is a warning that should prevent people from unnecessarily risking their lives when the sea is rough. Of the men who so promptly went to the rescue it is sufficient to say there are heroes whose deeds are not found in history, song or story.

"My young friend," said Senator Sorghum, "you have an exceptional talent for speechmaking."
"Yes," replied the statesman, who gets a great deal of applause from the galleries. "I feel justified in saying that oratory is a gift."
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