

MAD DOGS INFEST CREEKS

An Exciting Encounter on Claim 43, Eldorado.

Miners Stimson and Knight's Wild Scramble for the Top Bunk—Other Creek News.

Mr. Jas. Tweed of 7 above Bonanza, was in town on business last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Ainsley, of Chechako Hill, visited with Mr. Barnes of 2 above Bonanza.

Mr. Geo. Amies, of Chechako Hill, was in town on business last Wednesday.

Mr. W. Steinberger, of 47 below Bonanza, visited Dawson last Friday.

Mr. Chas. Croyden, of 28 below Bonanza roadhouse, made a flying trip to Dawson Saturday.

Mrs. J. D. Barnes, whose serious illness was noted in a former issue, is again convalescent.

Mrs. Jas. Monroe, of French Hill, visited with Mrs. C. D. Blodgett last week.

Messrs. Stimson and Knight, of 43 Eldorado, had an exciting encounter with a mad dog last Thursday. While their cabin door was open the dog rushed in and there was a big scramble for the top bunk. The dog was finally shot in the cabin. It is reported that a number of animals were bitten before the dog arrived at the Stimson and Knight cabin.

Fire broke out in Capt. Mickle's engine room on Monte Cristo gulch last Wednesday, caused by a defective fire box, and at one time it looked as though the whole plant were doomed. The heat was so intense that the steam gauge, water glass, and a number of check valves and stop cocks were ruined.

One of the most pleasant affairs that has taken place on Bonanza creek in a long time was the dance given by Tom Jones, jr., at the Star roadhouse, 22 below. The elite of the creek were present, and the way Tom and his sister did the honors as host and hostess was remarked by all present. Tom is an old sour dough and knows just how to treat everybody. Three large tables were bountifully supplied with everything the market affords, and much praise was heard on all sides for the manner in which Miss Jones supplied the good things that make men and women genial. Those present were Mesdames Smith, Johnson, Tipp, Waechter, Munroe, Rothweifer, McDonald, Wight, Walne, Davis, White, Fame, Gilbert, Cline, DeJo Bell, St. Louis and Boles; Misses Jones, Oleson, Johnson, Barnes and Monroe; Messrs. Smith, Johnson, Waechter, Monroe, McKay, McDonald, Wright, Hammesley, Tipp, Thompson, Nicolson, White, Frame, Gilbert, Cline, DeJo Bell, St. Louis, Boles, Doggett, Carr, Taylor, Rowe, Hall, McAskill, D. McMullen, McLennan and Thos. McMullen.

RABIES IN TOWN.

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rabies, and if so, there is absolutely no hope. You must die in perhaps the most terrible way known to man.

There are a great many people in Dawson who have been thus bitten, some of them have entirely recovered, their wounds have healed nicely and they feel no ill effects whatever, yet their position is far from being one of safety.

The foregoing statements are not made hastily, but are the result of scientific study of the cases themselves, and this article comes from that study regretfully, but with absolute certainty that it is correct in many particulars.

Dr. T. B. Cook, of the Ladue Co., is authority for the statements made, and he only gives the matter to the press after having exhausted every possible means of testing its truth.

That Dr. Cook is perfectly competent to decide the matter there can be no doubt, as he has made a study of human disorders of kindred nature for years, having had charge for a long time previous to his present visit to the Klondike, one of the largest insane asylums in the state of New York, and being a searcher after scientific truth always places him here as one whose decision can be safely taken.

He has always been a lover and raiser of dogs, and has noted carefully at all times their diseases.

"When I came here," he said yesterday, "and heard there were mad dogs running about the streets, I was much

interested, as I had never seen a case of rabies, though I would have always gone 50 miles to have examined one. Since my arrival here I have examined a great many dogs in this condition, and have no hesitancy whatever in saying that the disorder is beyond the shadow of a doubt, dumb rabies.

"Note, if you see a case, the following facts: The dog in health traveling along the street, will not be found trotting steadily along in a straight line, apparently unconscious of his surroundings, unless, indeed he chances to be a malamute on his way to a cache, but generally diverges from point to point, pausing here and stooping there, and seems full of interest for the things along the way. The dog with rabies travels in a straight line from which he only diverges when attacked, or when he flies at another dog. He will not usually attack a man unless he chances to come near enough to him to snap him in passing, but he will nearly always attack and snap at any dog he sees. This is one of the peculiarities of the disease, and another is that the dog so affected will, after traveling for a time, secrete himself. This accounts for the fact that once a mad dog snaps at a person and is lost sight of, he is rarely to be found again till he is once more seen running amuck.

"The lower jaw hangs, the tongue lolls and is bloody, or froth drules from the open jaws. The eyes are set in a wild glare.

"These and a certain greater or lesser appearance of a paralyzed condition of the hind quarters, are the principal indications of rabies.

"The dog is mad only in a certain sense.

"He knows his master and will ordinarily seek him out with more marked affection, when suffering from rabies than at other times, because he realizes that something is the matter with him, and that he needs attention. Ordinarily he can be approached with comparative safety by the master if it is carefully done. He must be soothingly spoken to, care being taken not to touch him suddenly because the disorder is largely nervous in its character, and a sudden movement may cause a snap from the animal who does it involuntarily, but which may prove fatal all the same.

"The dog never bites to set his teeth in and tear, but snaps quickly, letting go instantly.

"The disease is a specie of peculiar lock-jaw, which admits of opening and closing temporarily of the jaws but will not permit the animal, or person, affected to drink, which fact gave rise, I presume, to the name hydrophobia. As a matter of fact, hydrophobia has long since been proven to be a misnomer, as there is no such disease known. The dog with rabies, commonly said to have hydrophobia has no aversion to water whatever, but on the contrary tries in vain to drink.

"There is no cure possible, so far as is known to science, after the symptoms are once noticeable.

"If taken at once, the proper treatment is to inject the serum into the person or animal bitten, and if that can be done there is comparatively little to fear.

"The first thing to be done in case of a bite from one of these dogs is to suck the wound for a time after which it should be thoroughly cauterized with lunar caustic.

"The dog pound here should be at once divided up into compartments and no two animals should be placed in a pen in common. All dogs should be shot on the first symptoms being discovered.

"The rabies may make their appearance in from five days to three weeks after the person is bitten, or they may not appear till 18 months or less later, but I do not believe they will develop later than that."

The authorities are alive to the great danger threatened and some immediate steps looking to the eradication of the disease and the lessening of the danger may be expected at once.

Major Wood has arranged for a conference with Dr. Cook this afternoon, looking to a more complete understanding of the situation.

Dawson, while it is undoubtedly the center of the disease, is by no means the sole point affected, as the whole district seems to be filled with it, and there is not a creek which has not its portion of mad dogs.

On Hunker creek alone upwards of 25 dogs suffering with rabies have been shot.

Not only has a careful study of all the symptoms displayed by the poor brutes in the various stages of the affliction been made here, but upwards of 20 sets of brains, taken from animals known to have had the disease, have been subjected to careful scientific examination, with the foregoing result.

What will be done is not yet known,

but that immediate steps are urgently demanded, there can be no possible room for doubt, and the future can only be awaited, in many cases, with the gravest fears.

Affairs in China.

New York, Jan. 25.—A dispatch to the Herald from Pekin says: Germany has put the screws on China with the result that the negotiations have retrograded to where they were three months ago. A demand for the death penalty will be preferred against all the leaders mentioned in the decree in addition to the posthumous degradation of such anti-foreign leaders as have committed suicide. Minister Conger stated at the meeting that he could not support the demand if it should be made in writing, but verbally he would do so with heart and soul. This is the situation now and will continue to be for six months or more unless the American plan for change of venue finds acceptance.

Tung Fu Siang, whose head is asked for, possesses, as the ministers well know at this moment more real power and controls more troops than any man in China. Moreover the emperor is at present in his custody; yet he is expected with his scribes and eunuchs to overpower the Kansu army and head it in general.

Count Von Waldesree is making ostentatious preparations to leave, but evacuation is not now near. The peace and tranquility of the country are further away than ever.

Better Than Rubber Heels.

Every one knows that when soldiers cross a bridge they are ordered to break step so that the regular vibration of so many feet shall not endanger the safety of the structure. An army surgeon of France discovered that the brain jar due to long marches in regular step is as trying on the human frame as such marching is on the structure of a bridge. To the regular repetition of a shock to bones and brain caused by this uniform and long continued marching are due the peculiar aches, pains and illness of the troops. On a one day march, he says, this shock is repeated 40,000 times, and often the strongest men who can walk the same distance without trouble when not in line succumb to the strain in two or three days. Therefore this surgeon proposed as a remedy the use of rubber heels. This device has been tried in the French infantry with great success.

But our army has a better plan than that. We simply break step with the command "route step." At this gait the men march in columns of fours at the rate of 3 to 3½ miles an hour. They carry their pieces at will, keep-

ing the muzzle elevated. They are not required to preserve silence nor to keep the step. And that's why the American army doesn't wear rubbers.—New York Press.

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At the present rate of consumption, the white fish the Pacific Cold Storage Co. brought in for the lenten season will all be gone long before Easter.

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Notice.

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Now, therefore, the public is hereby notified that on the 26th day of February, 1901, a mining recorder's office will be opened at Barlow City, and all records and documents pertaining to the Clear mining district will be located there.

Dated, January 31st, 1901.
(Signed) J. LANGLOIS BELL,
Assistant Gold Commissioner.

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