

COAST BOATS FOR NOME.

The First of the A. C. Co.'s Fleet Starts April 30th.

The Company Has the U. S. Mail Contract for That District—Esti- mated Population of Nome.

James M. Wilson, the general superintendent of the A. C. Co. for the Yukon river district, has returned from the outside and supplies the Nugget with some interesting information relative to the operation of his company in the Nome trade.

The first boat for that camp will leave San Francisco on April 30th. This is the steamer Portland, owned by the A. C. Co. At the same time another boat of the company, the Dora, will leave Seattle. These vessels will be followed by the Rainier from San Francisco on May 10th, and the St. Paul on May 25th, the latter stopping at way ports and entering St. Michaels.

The steamer Dora will be placed upon a regular route between Nome, York, Golovin Bay and St. Michaels this season and will carry the U. S. mail to and from those points. The A. C. Co. will also carry the mail to and from Nome as well as from all points on the Yukon river as far as Dawson.

Mr. Wilson reports that all accommodations on the company's boats bound for Nome have been secured by intending travelers and that he estimates 18,000 people will make the journey from San Francisco and Sound ports.

"I think a large number of tourists will make the journey via the White Pass," said Mr. Wilson, "as many people wish to see Dawson and can make the complete circle, going down the river from here to Nome, and from there returning to the southern coast. I believe 2000 people wintered at Nome and that 1500 more people arrived there from neighboring districts, so the city will have 3500 population at the present time."

When asked if his company was satisfied with the prospects of this camp, he answered:

"We are well satisfied with our winter's business and everything points to a season of great activity. It is my belief that fully \$22,000,000 will be the output for this district this season and that this amount will not be decreased for any reason for a number of years."

"I recognize the fact that conditions are changing rapidly here and we are assuming metropolitan proportions, consequently the A. C. Co. will keep up to the times, and the methods employed in its business will conform to existing conditions."

Mr. Wilson has been general superintendent of the A. C. Co.'s interests in this country for the past seven years and is probably as well versed in the necessities of the district as any man in the country.

Peace Overtures.

London, March 15.—A parliamentary paper containing the telegrams sent to the British government by the presidents of the South African republic and the Orange Free State and Great Britain's reply thereto was issued today. The first telegram sent by the two presidents to the Marquis of Salisbury was as follows:

"Bloemfontein, March 5.
"Blood and the tears of thousands who have suffered by this war and the prospect of moral and economic ruin wherewith South Africa is now threatened, make it necessary for both belligerents to ask themselves dispassionately and in sight of God, for what they are fighting, whether the aim of each justifies all this appalling misery and devastation? What is the object? And in view of assertions of various British statesmen to the effect that this war was begun and is being carried on with the set-purpose of determining her majesty's authority in South Africa and of setting up one over all South Africa independent of her majesty's government, we consider it our duty to solemnly declare that this war was undertaken solely as a defensive measure to maintain the threatened independence of the South African republic, and is only continued in order to secure and maintain the incontestable independence of both republics as sovereign international states and to obtain assurance that those of her majesty's subjects who have taken part with us in this war shall suffer no harm in person or property. On these conditions, but on these conditions alone, are we now, as in the past, desirous of seeing peace re-established in South Africa, while if her majesty's government is determined to destroy the independence of the republics there is nothing left to us and to

our people but to persevere to the end in the course already begun. In spite of the overwhelming pre-eminence of the British empire, we are confident that God, who lighted the unextinguishable fire of love of freedom in the hearts of ourselves, and of our belief that He will not forsake us, and that He will accomplish his work in these united states and in our descendants, we hesitated to make this declaration earlier to your excellency, as we feared that as long as the advantage was always on our side and as long as our forces held defensive positions far within her majesty's colonies, such declaration might hurt the feelings and honor of the British people. But now that the prestige of the British empire may be considered to be assured by the capture of one of our forces by her majesty's troops, and that we have thereby been forced to evacuate other positions which our forces had occupied, that difficulty is over and we can no longer hesitate to clearly inform your government and people in sight of the whole civilized world, why we are fighting and on what conditions we are ready to restore peace."

The Marquis of Salisbury replied to the presidents of the South African republic and Orange Free state:

"Foreign Office, March 11.

"I have the honor to acknowledge your honors' telegram, dated March 5, from Bloemfontein, of which the purport is principally to demand that her majesty's government shall recognize the incontestable independence of the South African republic and Orange-Free State as sovereign international states, and to offer on those terms to bring the war to a conclusion. In the beginning of October last peace existed between her majesty's government and the two republics under conventions which then were in existence. Discussion had been proceeding for some months between her majesty's government and the South African republic, of which the object was to obtain redress for certain very serious grievances under which British residents in South Africa were suffering. In course of these negotiations the South African republic had, to the knowledge of her majesty's government, made considerable additions to its armaments and the latter had consequently taken steps to provide corresponding reinforcements of British garrisons at Cape Town and in Natal. No infringement of rights guaranteed by the conventions had up to that point taken place on the British side. Suddenly, at two days' notice, the South African republic, after issuing an insulting ultimatum, declared war upon her majesty, and the Orange Free State, with whom there had not even been any discussion, took a similar step. Her majesty's dominions were immediately invaded by the two republics. Siege was laid at three towns within the British frontier, a large portion of the two colonies was overrun, with great destruction of property and life, and the republics claimed to treat the inhabitants of extensive portions of her majesty's dominions as if those dominions had been annexed to one or other of them. On anticipation of these operations, the South African Republic had been accumulating arms for many years past, which by their character could only have been intended for use against Great Britain. Your honors make some observations of a meditative character upon the object with which these preparations were made. I do not think it necessary to discuss the question you have raised, but the result of these preparations, carried on with great secrecy, has been that the British empire has been compelled to confront an invasion which has entailed upon the empire a costly war and the loss of thousands of precious lives. This great calamity has been the penalty Great Britain has suffered for having of recent years acquiesced to the existence of the two republics. In view of the use to which the two republics have put that position, which was given them, and the calamities these unprovoked attacks have inflicted on her majesty's dominions, her majesty's government can only answer your telegram by saying that they are not prepared to assent to the independence either of the South African Republic or Orange Free State."

The correspondence was read in both houses of parliament today, and the concluding paragraph of the British premier's reply elicited prolonged cheers.

CROWN GROUND.

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It can be readily understood that this manner of issuing grants is subject to gross abuse, unless the greatest vigilance and care be exercised by the commissioner. If the government attempts to remedy all the wrongs which have been occasioned by the regulations and clerical errors, it is doubtful if there will be any claims offered for sale next July. No doubt it would be interesting reading if the names of the 15 successful

applicants were published; but Commissioner Bell declines to disclose their identity.

In speaking of the matter recently, Mr. Bell said:

"It is not probable that the government will sell privately any crown properties. One or two such sales have occurred, but recently a letter was written from Ottawa rejecting a private bid, for the reason that its acceptance would conflict with the regulation respecting the public auction of claims next July. However, I will receive any fair offer for crown property, and forward it to the proper official at Ottawa; but I am satisfied that it will not be accepted."

"Persons who have been deprived of claims through clerical mistakes may be compensated by receiving grants for fractional properties whose value is proportionate to that which has been lost. These individuals should apply to me; and if I conclude that their demand is reasonable and just, I shall recommend that they be compensated. To the present time, 26 applications of this sort have been forwarded to Ottawa. In 15 instances, compensatory grants have been issued. The remaining 11 are still under consideration."

When asked for the names of the 15 successful applicants the commissioner replied:

"I do not feel at liberty to disclose the identity of these gentlemen; for the matter pertains to their private business, and they may not be disposed to make such affairs public."

PERSONAL MENTION.

H. Lanier is visiting the city.

E. H. Port is a guest at the Regina.

N. J. Bloom is registered at the Regina.

Capt. I. S. Sanburn is stopping at the Fairview.

Al Ross came to town from the creeks yesterday.

J. P. Galbraith is making a brief visit to the city.

Gus Chisholm is spending a few days in Dawson.

Michael Galvin, of Hunker creek, is in town on business.

M. W. Farrell is visiting his acquaintances in the city.

John Moriarity is enjoying a few days' vacation in town.

Sam Stanley is in town on business connected with the electric light company.

Robert E. Varshell and James Rugg started for the Koyukuk district this morning.

H. W. Cobb, of Sulphur creek, came to the city this morning. He is at the Fairview.

Thomas S. Cunningham, the well-known newspaper man, is a recent arrival from the outside.

Ernest A. Morick is shaking hands with his Dawson acquaintances. He is registered at the Fairview.

Gold Commissioner's Court.

Commissioner Senkler has rendered a decision in the case of Williams vs. Mulkey et al. The action involved the title of claims Nos. 58a and 58b below discovery on Sulphur. The text of the judgment is as follows:

"The plaintiff not having appeared in this case, and Mr. Barwell having proved the position of the stakes upon Nos. 58, 58a and 58b, by a plat filed herein and sworn to by him on the 17th day of March, 1900, the position of the claims Nos. 58a and 58b, respectively, are hereby decided to be as shown upon said plat."

The case of Gates and Kloke vs. Ekman is being tried in the gold commissioner's court today. The suit involves a boundary dispute between No. 28 Eldorado and the adjoining hillside, opposite the upper half, on the right limit.

Weather Report.

The maximum temperature for the 24 hours preceding 9 o'clock this morning was 48.5 degrees above zero.

The minimum temperature during the same period of time was 2.5 degrees above.

Saturday night the thermometer registered below zero for the first time during the present month. The temperature was 5 degrees below.

Table de hote dinners. The Holborn.

Big Clothing Sale.

The coming season promises to be one of great activity in commercial circles and the evidences of this is to be seen by the arrival of immense quantities of goods consigned to Dawson's merchants and brought in over the ice.

The attention of the writer was attracted in this regard by the great activity manifested in the Star Clothing house today, as case after case of clothing, shirts, boots and shoes, fancy neckwear and general gents' furnishing goods were being unpacked and placed on the shelves of the front street store, Mr. A. S. Levine, the enterprising proprietor of the Star Clothing house, when asked what he was going to do with all these goods answered:

"I am going to surprise the people of Dawson. I shall sell complete, well-made suits, tailor-cut, for \$15 a suit. I go direct to the manufacturer in buying

my goods and do not deal with the jobber or middleman, neither do I buy in Victoria or any coast city. These goods come direct from the factory and the purchaser does not have to pay any middle profit. That is why the Star Clothing house is doing the business and why we will continue to prosper where others fail."

When asked if he intended making a special sale in other lines as well as that of clothing he answered:

"Yes; sometime this month I will sell shoes for \$3 a pair which are now retailing anywhere for \$6, and will sell all our goods in the same proportion. You can tell your friends," he added, "to drop in and see for themselves. Our prices will make them think they are in New York city and forget they are in Dawson."

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BURRITT & MCKAY—Advocates, Solicitors, Notaries, etc. Office, A. C. Office Building. Safety deposit box in A. C. vaults.

TABOR & HULME—Barristers and Solicitors; Advocates; Notaries Public; Conveyancers; Offices, Rooms 1, 2, 3, Orpheum Building.

ALEX HOWDEN—Barrister, Solicitor, Advocate, etc. Criminal & Mining Law. Room 21 A. C. Co's office block.

PATULLO & RIDLEY—Advocates, Notaries—Conveyancers etc. Offices, First Ave.

DOMINION LAND SURVEYORS.
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ASSAYERS.
JOHN B. WARDEN, F. I. C.—Assayer for Bank of British North America. Gold dust melted and assayed. Assays made of quartz and black sand. Analyses of ores and coal.

MINING ENGINEERS.
REFUS BECK—Plans and surveys of underground workings. Third avenue, opposite Dr. Bourke's Hospital.

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Notice.
To the Shareholders of the Dawson Electric Light and Power Company, Limited:
Take notice that a special general meeting of the shareholders of the company will be held at the head office of the company, in the city of Dawson, in the Yukon Territory, on the 10th day of April, 1900, at the hour of 8 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of considering an application to the Commissioner in Council of the Yukon Territory for an ordinance to ratify and confirm the company's letters patent, and for a grant to the company

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Dated at Dawson this 24 day of April, 1900.
By direction,
THOMAS CANNON, Secretary.

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