

STEAMSHIP COMBINATION

Has Been Called Off by Independents

This Conclusion Reached at Conference This Afternoon—Calderhead's Public Benefit.

The steamboat combination is off and there are indications that there will be all kinds of war on Monday. A meeting of the combine was held this afternoon when it was decided to meet the cut of the Tyrrell, but as there was no one present with power to act for the White Pass in the matter of making the reduction, it was agreed to dissolve the combine and return the forfeit put up some months ago. This action will make free lanes of all the lines. Manager Calderhead announces that during the three days of next week beginning on Monday he will sell tickets to Whitehorse good on any of his boats to October 1 for \$20 and \$25. This he designates as a benefit to the public which will last for three days only.

Public Benefit.

On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday we will sell tickets Dawson to Whitehorse good until October 1st, 1902, at \$20 second class and \$25 first class. Holders of these tickets will receive every attention and courtesy from crew. New boats, good board and clean rooms. Do not miss this opportunity to save money.

Merchants' Transportation Co., R. W. Calderhead, Mgr.

WATER FRONT NOTES.

The Hannah pulled out for St. Michael at 11 o'clock this forenoon and will make another trip up this season before tying up for the winter. It has been decided that the Hannah will winter at this end of the line and will be accompanied probably only by the Rock Island, the remainder of the fleet putting up at St. Michael to be transformed into oil burners. As is always the case when one of the big steamers pulls out there was quite a crowd at the wharf this morning. The following took

The Ladue

Quartz Mill

IS NOW IN OPERATION.

We have made a large number of tests and are ready to make others.

We have the best plant money will buy and guarantee all our work in this mill and also in the

Assay Office

New China

All Nicely Decorated and Gilded in Newest Shapes and Designs.

Cups and Saucers, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00

China Salads, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50

China Plates, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00

McLennan, McFeely & Co., Ltd.

passage for lower river points: M. Mayer, H. S. McCoy and wife, Sisters Stephen, Gideon, Sylvia and Fousia, Mrs. M. Kreik, H. M. Rousseau, Mrs. Col. Springer, Lillian Cole Bethel, J. H. Adams, George Laughlin and wife, Peter Heater, Lynn Smith, H. W. Thurlow, Mrs. N. Harrison and Miss Bunoz.

The Yukoner which left for up river last night carried the following passengers: Gen. G. M. Randall, Capt. W. P. Richardson, Dr. Wm. Briggs, Miss H. J. Radcliff, Capt. W. K. Wright, Mrs. Wright, P. S. Hoyt, Mrs. S. G. Spence, Miss M. Cohley, O. P. Hubbard, Miss Clyde Lamont, Miss L. H. Porter, Burke Balfour, John Lind, Esther Bergstrom, A. Thompson and V. Selika. The Tyrrell arrived from Whitehorse at 11 o'clock with a small list of passengers. She is billed to leave again on Monday.

The Prospector came in at 6 o'clock this morning from Stewart river with the following on her list, a number of them being miners who are in the city for the purpose of securing their winter supplies: Frank Osborne, Mrs. Osborne, Geo. Gordon, J. Beaudet, Frank Contin, J. E. Bellevue, Gustave Vaucaire, E. J. Colgan, Mrs. Beaudrean, Sam Henry, L. Cruickshank and Alfred Belanger. The Thistle leaves this evening at 8 o'clock.

The Whitehorse came in last night at 8:30 without mail or express. Her passengers were as follows: W. W. Corey, H. McKinnon, Jas. A. Smart, M. Quinn, C. A. York, L. L. Wagle, Sisters Ramascena, M. Geison, M. Louisa, M. Sylvania, M. Georgianna.

Baseball at the Forks.

Sheriff Eilbeck's "Old Stiffs" left at 1 o'clock for the Forks for the purpose of showing Charley Lamb's "Young Colts" how to play baseball. The aggregation consists of Eilbeck, Hinton, Winters, Dundas, Senkler, Bell, MacLean, Shannon and Gibson.

Little Damage to Mine

Deaver, Aug. 8.—Dr. George H. Stover, president of the Union Coal & Coke Company, which owns the mine at Bowen, Cpl., in which an explosion occurred last night killing thirteen miners, received advices today from General Manager Bowen to the effect that the damage to the mine is not so great as indicated in press dispatches from Trinidad. Dr. Stover was informed, also, that the powder magazine at the mine did not explode, and that the accident was caused by a windy shot in one of the entrances.

A Modern Industry

The census bureau shows that in 1900 more than \$3,400,000 of capital was engaged in the manufacture of typewriters, though nearly 80 per cent. of that sum represents an increase over the amount invested ten years before. In itself, it is astonishing that a business in which less than \$2,000,000 was used as capital in 1890 should absorb 49 per cent. additional in the course of a decade. It is instructive to recall now that the first typewriter placed on the market at a cost justifying an expectation of reasonable profits made its appearance in 1874.—Minneapolis Times.

My Mother at Auditorium.

Job printing at Nugget office.

Valuable Information.

One of the leading specialists of Germany has just issued a very interesting circular on the treatment of dandruff and how to avoid baldness. For full particulars see

CRIBBS, The Druggist King St., next to Post Office.

DEPUTY MINISTER SMART

Now in Dawson Posting Himself on Matters Pertaining to Yukon Affairs—Interviewed by Nugget Representative—Will Remain Several Weeks.

Dawson is today entertaining a distinguished visitor in the person of the Hon. James A. Smart, deputy minister of the interior and confidential man of the Hon. Clifford Sifton, in the hollow of whose hand the destiny of the Yukon territory lies. Mr.



DEPUTY MINISTER OF THE INTERIOR, JAMES A. SMART.

Smart arrived last night on the Whitehorse and immediately was escorted to the executive mansion which will be his official residence during his stay in the city. Shortly after the dust stains of travel were removed a number of the officials and heads of departments were received, the reception being wholly informal and more for the purpose of renewing old acquaintances and the making of a few new ones. Mr. Smart has so long been in public life that there are few people of note throughout the entire Dominion who can not claim the honor of his acquaintance, in consequence of which his visit here will seem less irksome by reason of him meeting so many familiar faces.

The present is Mr. Smart's first visit to the Yukon and while his trip is principally for the purpose of personally ascertaining the needs and desires of the territory, yet there is much business of an administrative nature which will devolve upon him on account of the illness of Commissioner Ross. Many things which have arisen within the past two or three weeks have been deferred until the arrival of the deputy minister and the first few days of his stay promises to be noted more for the business transacted than for sights seen or pleasures experienced. During the entire afternoon Mr. Smart was closeted with Acting Commissioner Major Wood and it was largely through the kindness of the latter that a short interview was accorded a representative of the Nugget.

Newspaper men are much given to classifying public men whom they are sent to interview into three classes—the man who refuses to be interviewed, the man who interviews himself, talks much and says little, and he who meets you half way,—and it is of the latter class that Mr. Smart belongs. His is a genial personality, he is an affable, easy talker, and one has no difficulty in securing all the information he desires—that is, up to a certain point. In politics there are many things concerning which ignorance is often a most blissful state of existence.

"Is Mr. Sifton going to visit us this summer?" was asked. "I expect Mr. Sifton to be in Dawson this fall," was the reply, "though I can not say so positively. I know that his program was to leave Ottawa about September 1, remain here a few days and leave for the east shortly before the close of navigation, but the demands on a minister's time are so great and so varied that one can never tell what may transpire at the last moment to

was supposed at Ottawa to satisfy all concerned."

"Mr. Smart, does your coming signify any changes in department officials here?"

"That I can not say as much depends upon circumstances."

Asked about the creeks railway, Mr. Smart knew nothing of it and was surprised to learn the promoters were operating under the O'Brien charter. He had supposed it was purely a local affair.

"Will you assist in the election of the government candidate from the Yukon this fall?" was asked.

"No, I shall take no part in the election whatever. My trip here is almost solely for the purpose of acquainting myself with the territory and the conditions as they exist. I shall spend considerable time on the creeks as I have a great desire to meet the miners at home at their work. They are the bone and sinew of the country and must be protected to the fullest extent. There have been made many mistakes in the past but they have not been willful. We have been misunderstood and you have been misrepresented and it is to get at the true facts as they actually exist that I am here today. The department has nothing in view for the Yukon but the best interests of the territory. Concerning the reduction of the fees in the gold commissioner's office, one thing must be born in mind: Up to two years ago the territory yielded a surplus in revenue of something like \$600,000, but last year there was a deficit of \$250,000 and this year it will be even greater. The department will do all it can in the way of reducing such fees as the miner is required to pay, but it must not be forgotten that we are expending this year in new roads, trails, buildings, etc., a vast sum of money which comes from a source other than the Yukon. The territory is not regarded by the department as being a place of tremendous profits during the next few years."

On his trip down from Whitehorse Mr. Smart was accompanied by Mr. W. W. Correy and Mr. Hugh McKinnon. He states that it is his intention to remain here about six weeks, or until October 1, during which time he proposes to see all that is to be seen and acquire all the information possible about this rich region of the far north.

To Collect the Lepers

Washington, Aug. 8.—The navy department has received a report from Commander Schroeder, governor of the island of Guam, saying that the leper colony he proposed to establish would be ready for occupancy July 1. It was supposed that the lepers had all disappeared from Guam, but investigation developed that many victims had been secreted by their friends in various parts of the island and Commander Schroeder determined that they should be gathered in one place to prevent the spread of the disease.

Must Not Cut Cable

Washington, D.C., Aug. 8.—The United States & Haytien Telegraph & Cable Company, whose cable lands at Cape Haytien, has informed the navy department of a rumor that there is a threat to cut the cable at Cape Haytien and has asked that the orders have been dispatched to Commander McCrea to prevent the cutting of the cable.

Mons Montjoie at Auditorium.

GOOD NEWS FROM DUNCAN

Merchant Gordon Says It is a Winner

Good Trail From Steamer Landing to Diggings—Will be Busy This Winter.

Mr. Geo. Gordon who since last November has been located at Duncan landing, twelve miles below Fraser Falls on Stewart river, where he conducts a general merchandise store is in the city buying goods and otherwise preparing for what he is confident will be a heavy winter's business.

From Duncan's, or Gordon's landing to Duncan creek is 15 miles and a good trail for packing in summer and sledding in winter has already been constructed. Three heavy boilers were sledded over it last winter and others will be taken in as soon as snow falls. The trail leads over a low divide and is not difficult at any point.

In speaking of operations on Duncan creek Mr. Gordon remarked today that it is showing up well wherever prospected, \$117 having been shoveled in by two men in two days last week on a bench claim, bedrock on the bench claims being only from 7 to 10 feet deep. Bedrock has only been struck on two creek claims and that at a depth of 95 feet, but there is from six to eight feet of pay dirt and it is very rich.

At present there are about 60 men at work on Duncan and Mr. Gordon is of the opinion that the number will probably be increased to 300 this winter.

The main creek is about 20 miles long with several tributaries and all the latter that have thus far been prospected are known to be gold-bearing.

Mr. Gordon will return to his place of business on the steamer Prospector next Tuesday.

Female Populist After Pay.

Mrs. Helen M. Gougar, the female Populist of great lung power, has found it necessary to bring suit against the Populist state central committee of Mr. Bryan's state for an unpaid balance of \$450 for oratorical and literary work alleged to have been performed during the recent presidential campaign. The defense of the committee is that the great work of Mrs. Gougar did the party more harm than good, especially her references to William McKinley.—Butte Inter-Mountain.

Church Excursion.

At 3:30 this afternoon the steamer Whitehorse had not yet started on the St. Paul's church excursion which had every indication of being very extensively patronized as over \$200 worth of tickets had been sold at the ticket office and probably three times as many by outside solicitors. The steamer will return with the excursionists at about 9 o'clock tonight.

Slater's Strathcona Boots \$4.00 Sargent & Pinsky, 118 2nd Avenue, NO CREDIT.