

Winter Lurks In The Pass

Heavy Snowfall Blocks May Travel on the Highway to Atlin.

Exclusion Bill Costly for Coast Traders—Opening of Water Route.

From Our own Correspondent.
Near Log Cabin. My 3-horse Sledge Skagway by the steamer Anna yesterday, my correspondent came over the White Pass & Yukon railway to the end of the track at the summit of the pass, a distance of 100 miles from Skagway, this morning; road to the horse sled over a good snow trail to this point where the Pantall trail for Mill City and the travelled road onward to Yukon. There was a brisk snowstorm on the way from the trail to the summit, but no pretty cold weather. Yesterday the snow was drifting so furiously at the summit that the train was delayed for 24 hours and the train service suspended for 3 days. From this it will be seen that while Victoria is enjoying a summer weather, here winter still holds its sway. It is most peculiarly so now, for although the weather is mild, it is not yet the

But before going any further in this letter, I desire to say a word or two about the trip that of the four days voyage from Victoria to Seattle on the good steamer Amur. We had fine weather all of the way, and the company of passengers could not have been better satisfied with the trip. The officers and crew of the boat were courteous and their attentions were unremittent. The ship recently received a fresh coating of paint and was as jaunty and as pretty as could be. The staterooms are spacious and comfortable and the food and the laundry supplied. With all this, I found as that the Amur is one of the steadiest and staunchest little steamers I have ever sailed on. I have pleasure in recommending her to people following me on the trip into this country.

quiry. It is what is termed a "wide open" place. In the widest possible sense of the phrase, it is a lawless place. It is a gambling territory, but Uncle Sam is apparently very tolerant in the administration of the law. There are no laws that have been in a Western town where there are as many wide open bar-rooms as in Skagway. Of course there is no attempt to enforce prohibition. It is a well known fact to be simply that the United States government loses the revenue from imports of liquor. It was told that the loss from the absence of licenses is made up by fines, which are not imposed by the territorial courts. But the law is not enforced, though they are given to smuggling their whiskey from British Columbia, have no laws against it, or, rather for the laws which govern it. Many of the citizens are waiting at Skagway with the intention of going to the Atlin country in the fall. They are not allowed to leave the territory, and they are disappointed in their expectation, with resultant loss to the business of Atlin. The enterprising citizens of British Columbia have established a business at Atlin, beginning to realize what this exclusion law has cost them.

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the outset in almost impracticable work. I have already read in the Colonist a pretty faithful description of the railway, and the scenery through which it runs, so that I will not repeat it here; but, in fact, no

one could adequately describe that awful tumbledle of nature. The railway is a narrow gauge (three feet), and it has cost \$62,000 a mile to get the rails to summit. Two trains a day are being run, the fare being \$1.25 for the 35 per cent—25 cents a mile, but not including any one mile grudgingly. I had the pleasure to chat with Mr. M. J. Hancey, the chief of construction, who informed me that the road would be completed to Bennett City by the 1st of July. There are perhaps 500 men at work on the grade now. They are working backward from Log Cabin to the summit, so as to avoid the deep snows at the higher altitudes. The work is well advanced, and shall certainly be completed. Mr. Hancey's prediction has been verified.

ett City. A ten-word message which I sent over this line cost me \$1.50—about 5 cents a mile—pretty "steep" for telegraphic service, but justifiable; and the wire is mostly unoccupied.

They apparently do not at present a great deal of traffic over the trail, either to Klonlidge or Atlin. This is owing, of course, to its being so far about 100 miles from the Pantall trail, over which I intend walking "light" to-morrow, is now reported to be closed by the Indians, and the trail around on the lakes, via Atlin City, fully twice as long as the Pantall, is now being kept open by the Indians, and it is probable that shortly break up. I saw Capt. Armstrong, whose company has steamers on the coast, and he informed me that by the last of June he fully expected to have the trail open, and that he was sure it would be general that the water route will be open by that time.

It is expected that at least three days' packing—perhaps four—over the 65 miles to Atlin, for the road will be heavy and the trail is so rough that it will be necessary that they will not likely get out from Atlin before the 15th of June. A number of people I met here were anxious to get to the coast, and were going for the government seal, town lots, which is advertised to take place on the 15th of June. At Atlin City, I am told, is a small, bustling little town.

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ing the wage-earning classes to join sick clubs, and thereby putting them in the way of taking care of their health and providing them with medical assistance and nursing at an early stage when tuberculosis is not yet incurable.

It is said that Fleet Admiral Richelieu, who is acting admiral and commander-in-chief of the Siamese navy, was a sailor and a deserter in the French navy, and that he was sent to Siamese waters with for striking an officer. This sentence has long been annulled. Richelieu is the possessor of the house of Richelieu, to which the great cardinal belonged. The Emperor of Japan rather than a conflict with parliament added to his own force for the appropriation of national defence. The Emperor has now shown its appreciation by vor-

The King of Abyssinia has installed a telephone service from his palace at the residence of his ministers of state and chief officials. He has projected removal of the famous old Vecchio of Florence has raised a storm that its safety is doubtless assured for many years to come.

THE FILIAN ORDEAL OF FIRE.

Remarkable Performance by a Band of South Sea Savages.

Temporary avenue of fern and palm trees led us to the clearing, where, in a grassy field, we saw a huge pile-up of firewood. The savages were busy cutting down trees and clearing the land.

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the store. One hardly had to wait for the cashier to provide that the best was available, he had it standing ready until he was served and began to eat, so that he was satisfied.

When he was ready, suddenly from out of the crowd a young man stepped forward without any of the usual formalities, he took a cigarette, lit it, and, while it was in and out; then, as they were about to leave, he turned back and said to them, upon which they promptly went back soon almost hidden by the thick, almost black smoke and the various people looked at it, without being any the wiser as to what it was. The large store was full of good-yams, rats, etc. etc. etc. The leaves were placed on the stones

my handkerchief, told him, as far as I
could, the whole of what I saw. I was
informed that one of the stones
was burnt. This I could not under-
stand at all; he went off with it, and then
looked, looking wisely up at me, won-
dering what I could mean by such a
statement. However, at last one of the
plebeians picked up a stone from the edge and
threw it. He evidently was not a hard-
hearted fellow, whether I was or not.
I was, I believe, holding it with leaves. It burnt
extremely satisfactory hole in my hand-
kerchief, but I shall send it home as a witness
of the story.

PRAYER - AN EASTERN
FABLE.

It was the Lord of Angels in London, togeth-

the Tobi-tree, which, tall and white,
 the prayers of men pass and there he heard
 Thorne, the wind's hiss into a shlow
 Myriads, like the wind's low
 the wind's wall seems unmarked to
 an answering voice, bidding it
 the hillows clamor to its woe,
 the hillows in the singing there
 unheeded, through the spangled skies
 of Earth's children seemed to
 perchance they pray not well! perchance
 they pray things which plague by wishing,
 'Jibril said:
 is the ear of Allah; night and day
 the world's thoughts do enter there
 the Dead
 His Love: the Livine cannot die
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from a little suburb but it came
on her face before an idol, kneaded
in eggs, wafers, whose wafer she ate
upon cakes and fruit, did feasting
his famished mother and frail child,
that good food now glad and
her forehead on the dust-wind,
dry mouth murmured to the block
nameless God. Lot not my daily sin
tent that to thy daily grace I pass!
I love, and them to Pass!
ake,
then all is done for Love's dear
assured the Archangel, "Have I, so
mistook
nearly right. Whose wage as she as
place before the righteous Such
right in the face of Heaven and rest

e close kiss of God—Death's ec-
 cstasy?
 The Jibrali's radiance in that room
 as it lingered, fell the Voice again
 majestic music through the gloom,
 saying: "Ay! bring her into peace from
 pain!"
 The purest prayer of all were
 those
 The morning, Gunga Bai was dead.
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 empire of Morocco is the most im-
 state that is absolutely without a
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Our Own Correspondent.
Skegway Log Cabin, May 9.—Reaching Skegway by the steamer Amur yesterday, your correspondent came over the White Pass and Yukon railway to the end of the track here, the summit of the pass, a distance of 15 miles from Skagway, this morning; and on horse sled over a good snow trail to this place, the point where the trail falls down to the river. The trail travelled round Chinai to Yukon. There a brisk snowstorm on the way from Chinai to Yukon, but the weather is pretty good here. Yesterday the snow storm so furiously at the summit that the train was delayed, and all filled up and train service suspended. For the day this it will be seen that while Victoria is still in the summer weather, winter still holds on at Skagway. It must speedily come now, for although the snowing here to-day, the weather is still cold.

before going any further in this letter I desire to say a word or two about the service of the four days voyage to Victoria. I was on the good ship "Victory," and the crew was headed by Amur. We had nine days on the way, and the company of passengers not have been better satisfied with the treatment on board. The officers of the ship were very kind, and their attentions were unerring. The Amur was given a fresh coating of paint, and was as jaunty and as pretty as could be. The staterooms are spacious and comfortable, and the food is most delicious. With all this, I found also the Amur is one of the steadiest and swiftest little steamers I have ever sailed on. I have pleasure in recommending the company following me on the trip into the country.

It is what is termed a "wide open" in the widest possible sense of the word. There is no prohibition of any territory, but Uncle Sam is apparently tolerant in the administration of the law. There have never been any Western town saloons, and no wide open bar-rooms as in Skagway. Of course there is no attempt to prohibit the sale of liquor, and it is simply that the United States government loses the revenue from imports of liquor. The revenue is lost, however, it was told that the loss from sales of licenses is made up by fines levied, and regularly imposed by the territorial courts. But, whether or not they are given to smuggling them by British Columbia, have no effect on the revenue, and the law is not enforced, or rather the laws are not enforced, and the citizens were waiting at Skagway with anticipation of going to the Atlin country to do business. They were told that their expectation with resultant business of Atlin. The enterprising business men of Atlin who established business at Atlin, and are beginning to realize what this exclusion as cost them.

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A man who looks out at the world
with healthy eyes cannot help feeling
that his vitality has been inherited from him no weak-
tendency to disease. The healthy
man has the muscles of his stomach
his digestion good and his blood
not one in a thousand does it. Germs
of the head, but without effect.
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weak spot, they will develop by them
and the blood will be full of them
and the giving rise to various diseases.
force upon them insinuations
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is a medicine for the whole body.
and purities with rich, red blood.

A dark, textured surface, possibly a book cover or endpaper, with a horizontal line near the top. The texture is grainy and uneven, with some lighter areas and some darker spots. A thin, dark horizontal line runs across the upper portion of the image. The overall appearance is that of a close-up of a physical object, possibly a book or a piece of paper.