ILATING THE PIG.

ARBITRARY INSTRUCTION

No Second Class American Mail to Be Brought.

—An important order regarding the class of articles admissible to the mails made up at Seattle for Canadian postoffices in the Yukon district was received today at the local postoffice. The nature of the mails to come from Seattle is closely objected. They are limited to letters, postal cards and newspapers. The latter are only accepted when wrapped singly and addressed to private individual. The order is as follows:

Referring to the correspondence ending with my letter of June 2, with reference to the class of articles admissible to the mails made up at Seattle for the Canadian postoffices in the Yukon district, I transmit for your information the following extract from a letter of the Canadian office dated the 20th instant.

"The attention of the department has been called to the fact that packages of third and fourth class matter addressed to places in the Yukon and Atlin districts are being included in the mails made up at the postoffices in Skagway and Seattle, and I therefore beg leave to inform you that department has been unable to make arrangements for the conveyance by land from the Yukon and Atlin districts during the current season of any matter other than letters and post cards and a limited number of newspaper matter sufficient to bring the weight of the mails up to the limit mentioned in the contract under which the mails are conveyed.

"The restriction thus made necessarily applies to matter originating in the United States as well as to matter originating in Canada.

May I request that notice to this effect may be given to the United States postoffices and that the postmasters at Seattle and Skagway may be instructed not to include in their mails for the districts mentioned during the winter season, any matter other than letters, post cards and newspapers in single wrappers, addressed to private individuals.

"Please cause the mails in question dispatched from your office during the approaching winter season to be made up in accordance with the indication given in the last paragraph of the foregoing extract."

The order is signed by N. M. Brooks, superintendent foreign mails for the United States postoffice department.—P. I. Dec. 3.

Good grain sacks are wanted at the office of the Klondike Mill Co. Will pay eight cents each for sacks in good condition.

LOCAL AFFAIR PROSPERS

Dome Commission Company Will Expand Next Season.

The Dome Commission Company, chartered early in 1900 to carry on a general trading and transportation business in the Yukon district, having secured an amount of trade during last season's operations satisfactory in the highest degree to the shareholders, now announce their contemplated extension of operations for the season of 1902 designed to utilize the respective advantages of transport afforded by both Yukon routes, viz. the Upper Yukon route from White-Horse to Dawson and the lower route from St. Michaels to Dawson. The steamer Clifford Sifton, which has always been very popular with the traveling public, will be rebuilt so as to greatly enlarge her carrying capacity and refurnished throughout, and at the opening of the season 1902 will be placed on the Whitehorse-Dawson run, operating there until the spring rush of freight and passengers is handled. She will then about July 10th leave Dawson for St. Michael and tow up river a large cargo of heavy staples, towing up at the same time a loaded model barge, of 500 tons capacity, which the company will build at Dutch Harbor. Arriving at Dawson from this expedition the Sifton will resume service on the Dawson-Whitehorse route until the closed navigation. The company believe they have proved their ability to successfully meet the very active competition existing on Yukon waterways and to secure satisfactory profits from rates immeasurably lower than any heretofore offered to the public.—Victoria Times.

In the Philippines.

Calabasogon, Island of Samar, Nov. 11.—The insurgents are flocking northwards. They are suffering great from fatigue. Many isolated bolos have surrendered. Only fear caused by Lukban's proclamation, threatening with death those who surrender, prevents a general submission of the insurgents, but it is expected that this will be secured in a few days.

TRAVELERS TO KOYUKUK

TAKE NOTICE

That the N. A. T. & T. Co. at Fort Yukon has a full stock of goods for outfitting, at reasonable prices. Any shortages arising will be reported to their Circle City station.

CHEAP FREIGHT RATES

WINTER RATES ON GENERAL MERCHANDISE TO THE FOLLOWING CREEKS, PER TON.

Sulphur, including 21 Below	$30.00	Mouth of Quartz	$30.00
Gold Run	$35.00	Montana	$60.00
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A Refutation.

A report has been maliciously circulated that the Dawson Licensed Victuallers' Association of this city has passed a resolution boycotting certain corporations of this city, particularly the Dawson Electric Light & Power Co. I desire as president of that body to refute that report, as it is false in every particular. Such action if entered into would violate the principles upon which the Dawson Licensed Victuallers' Association is founded.

GEORGE BUTLER,
Pres. D. L. V. A.

ANOTHER ONE GONE

An Old Pioneer Passes Away 12 Miles Below Ogilvie.

Another old pioneer, one of those intrepid spirits who came to the Yukon before the great bulk of those now here even knew of the existence of such a country, has panned his last pan and laid away the pick and shovel forever. Wm Gautier was his name and he breathed his last Monday morning in the Log Cabin road house 12 miles below Ogilvie, his death being due to consumption. He was a French Canadian about 50 years of age and has been in the country ever since 1888. He made a trip to Nome last year but not liking it there soon returned to be among his old time companions. While at Nome he contracted the illness which has just resulted in his death. Gautier was married to a native woman by whom he had several children. One of his sons is now with the fathers at the Holy Cross Mission and he has two daughters in school at San Francisco.

C. Geo. Johnssen wired the news of his death Monday from Ogilvie to the Pioneers and they are making arrangements for his proper burial.

Sam Emery and Sam Matthews have been dispatched to bring the body in and Dr. W. D. Thompson left at noon in order to hold the inquest Tuesday in order to hold the inquest will be given of the funeral, which will be held under the auspices of the Order of Pioneers, the interment to be in their cemetery.

WILL PAY THE PIPER

Though a Social Success, Receipts Did Not Equal Expense.

The final meeting of the St. Andrew's society will be held this week for the purpose of winding up the affairs of the ball held on November 29. Though the dance was a howling success attistically and socially when the bills came to be audited it was found there was a discrepancy of $228 in the cash on hand. There are 29 active members at present in the society who will be called upon to make good the loss, unless it should be decided to have another small and early informal dance to which the money will be turned. At the ball held a year ago a little incurred also a small loss which was met by a assessment. The St. Andrews comes but once a year and the members of the society are so intent upon making their celebrations such unalloyed successes the matter of a few dollars extra assessment matters but little. Throughout the entire universe wherever the day is celebrated it would be hard to find a city where the enjoyment is more keen or the event looked forward to with greater anticipation that here in Dawson.

CURLING MATCH HAS BEGUN

The curling rink is being liberally patronized these days. Not an evening during the week passing without several games being played.

A series of matched games is now in progress between teams selected by President Dr. Wilif and Vice President W. D. Bruce. Each of the two gentlemen named has selected his team. The president has the following playing on his side: Messrs. Hingston, de Gex, Richardson, Norquay and Young. The Vice President's team is made up of the following gentlemen: Moncrief, McKinnon, Crisp, Ross and Stewart.

The first two games of the competition were played last evening and were close and exciting to the end. The following is the result:

President—de Gex (skip), Wills, Macaulay, Lewin, (6). Hingston (skip), Jones, de Caplin, Watts, (6).

Vice President—Bruce (skip), Anderson, Herron, Fairbanks, (7). Moncrief (skip), Bruce, Hamilton, Sutherland (9).

Tonight Richardson and Norquay's rinks will play for the president against McKinnon and Crisp for the vice president.

Admission to the rink is free and all who may be interested in the sport are invited to attend.

Society Wedding Notes.

The bride was the recipient of many costly gifts.

Conspicuous among those was a ton of coal that had been in her family for more than four generations.

This was much admired by reason of its quaint, old-fashioned massiveness, it being much heavier than tons of coal in these days.

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From Wed's and Thursday's Daily.

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The gentlemen bring good news from the camp and say that the prospects are extremely flattering. More men are wintering about Coldfoot this winter than ever before and holes are being put to bedrock where but one was put down during previous winters. They confirm the report of the strike made on Hammond creek, 15 miles above Coldfoot, news of which was first brought in by Peter Dow a week or so ago. Practically everyone who has a claim that promises at all is engaged in hauling provisions up from Bettles to Coldfoot where it is cached away in their cabins to be drawn upon as needed.

Regarding the grub situation, it is said there is plenty along the Koyukuk this season, though there is none to be had at Coldfoot. There is a large stock at Bettles, principally staples, which is sold at reasonable prices. Flour sells for $7 a sack, bacon 40 cents a pound and sugar 25 cents. Eight miles below Bettles the N. C. Co. has a cache and there is another belonging to the same company 20 miles still further down the river. The Takotna of this season's stock of goods is 10 miles above Bergman.

One of the most important pieces of information received is the burning of the little N. C. steamer City of Paris which has plyed on the Koyukuk for several seasons. The boat was in winter quarters near Bergman and was occupied by the watchman and one or two others. The fire occurred at night and when discovered was so well under headway nothing could be done to save the steamer and it was a total loss. The origin of the fire is unknown.

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The Danish West Indies.

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A Yukon Song.

The Nugget this year proposes to offer fifty dollars for a song.

This Yukon territory, in the growth and prosperity of which every inhabitant takes the very deepest interest, has been celebrated the world over by newspapers and magazines, and books even, have been devoted to descriptions of its wonderful richness.

But its praises have never yet been set to music.

It is for the purpose of remedying this oversight that the Nugget makes its present offer.

We desire to publish a song which will represent to Yukon what the "Maple Leaf" is to the Dominion, what "America" is to the United States, and what "God Save the King" or "Rule Brittania" are to Great Britain.

The prize of fifty dollars will be offered for the words only. The music will be cared for later on.

We therefore invite every poet in the territory in whom the divine spark has been planted to call upon the muse and compete for the prize.

Please note the following conditions:

(1). The song is to contain five stanzas.

(2). No limitation is to be placed as to the metre or length of the verses.

(3). Manuscripts signed with nom de plume and accompanied by sealed envelope containing real name and nom de plume must be received at this office not later than December 20th.

A competent committee of judges will be selected to decide upon the merits of the verses submitted and the award will be made in accordance with their decision.

Everyone who desires may compete and we hope that a lively interest in the contest will be awakened.

TITLES THAT GO BEGGING

For the Reason That Rightful Owners Refuse Them

Work House Inmate Refused to Be Made a Baron—Some Jones Could Be Viscount Ranelagh.

There are more than a score of titles going begging in this country, often with estates attached, because no one will take the trouble to claim them, and of these a dozen are earldoms. In many cases the rightful owners have been traced, but for reasons of their own they flatly refuse to assume their titles and be classed among the "upper ten."

One of the most powerful baronies in Scotland at one time was that of Cameron, though the title has long since become dormant because no one will lay claim to it. The rightful owner has been traced, however. He is a doctor named Fairfax, who some years ago emigrated to a village in Western Virginia, U. S. A., and when apprised of the fact that the Barony of Cameron and several thousand acres of estate were waiting for him he was in anything but affluent circumstances. This was nine years ago, but he stoutly refuses to put forward his claim, as he prefers the humble life he is leading and has no heir.

It is not very often that an inmate of the workhouse refuses to be made a baron, but such a thing happened a few years ago. In 1838 the last Barin Farnborough died and the title became vacant. The family name was Long, and as the Baron left no direct successor an enterprising next-of-kin agent a short time back thought it would be worth his while to try and find such an individual. He spent a good deal of money in looking for the man fortunate enough to stand in the line of succession, and eventually unearthed what he considered the "rightful heir" in a Lancashire workhouse. He thought he would have no difficulty in persuading him to prove his claim and reward his benefactor for his trouble, but to his surprise the pauper replied that he was quite happy where he was, and being an old man did not wish to be burdened with a barony. As he died and left no heir the title is still vacant, and anyone of the name of Long might be able to substantiate a claim to it.

A portion of Lord Roseberry's estate, called New Hall, became his property because no one would claim to be Lord Innermeath, to which house it really belongs. The family name is Stewart of Craigie Hall, and the Last Lord Innermeath died some years ago and left no successor. His next-of-kin could not be traced, so the title became unoccupied, and this handsome estate for many years went without an owner. If a Stewart were to come forward and prove his claim to the satisfaction of the legal authorities, Lord Roseberry would no doubt willingly hand over the property, and a Lord Innermeath would once more take his place in the British peerage, for no doubt a rightful heir is in existence somewhere.

The great family of Jones do not often figure in the peerage, and it is only because it is so great a house that no member will come forward and lay claim to being Viscount Ranelagh. The last viscount, who was so closely allied with the volunteer movement, died in 1885, leaving no successor, but there is not the slightest shadow of doubt that someone possessing the prosaic name of Jones is fully entitled to call himself Viscount Ranelagh if he could only be persuaded to look up his ancestral table.

It is a rare thing for a turnpike-gate keeper to be buried in the tomb of an earl's family, but this happened in 1855. At the opening of the nineteenth century the last recognized Earl of Kent died, and the title became vacant until the year of the Crimean war, when someone discovered that a turnpike-gate keeper of Dudley, named George Wilmot, was fully entitled to claim the earldom. The man was approached, but he was sceptical, and replied that, being well advanced in years, he did not wish to abandon a certain means of earning a living for an uncertainty. However, the matter was referred to the law and the man's right established, but ignorantly he considered he knew better than the law, so lived a poor man until he died the following year, when he was buried as Earl of Kent. Since then the title has gone begging, and, though the family name is Grey, no claimant has arisen.

Burke, the undisputed authority on such matters, has it that there is a man living, named Dillon, who should at present be occupying the vacant Earldom of Roscommon instead of remaining in obscurity, and this is one of the finest estates in Ireland. Another Earldom, that of Dunferm-line, belonging to the family of Seton, is still waiting for a holder, because the rightful owner, according to those best qualified to judge, is a poor man named Seton who lives in Rome, and cannot find the money to establish his claim.

A baker in Dublin and a millwright in Drogheda have been proved by experts to be equally entitled to the earldom of Tyrone, one of the principal earldoms in the Emerald Isle, yet neither of these men will be persuaded to put forward a claim. Similarly, too, an east-end barber is believed to be the only living heir to the Earldom of Liverpool, the last holder of the office having died in 1851. The family name was Jenkinson, but the barber for some reason of his own prefers shaving customers to numbering himself among the leading peers in the north of England.—Tit-Bits.

WAS ABSENT MINDED

And Forgot the Date Set For His Marriage.

"Ask Mr. Gresham to step here," said Follansbee, dipping his pen in the mucilage and attempting to blot the stub of the hook with the check he had just drawn.

"Where is my list of engagements and memoranda?" he asked of the mild-eyed young man who entered.

"Er—you destroyed it by mistake. I've made up a new one," and Gresham laid a typewritten sheet of paper on the desk. Follansbee bent over it.

"H'm! Breakfast with Von Heilbron at 11 o'clock, and it's now 10 minutes to 12."

"Colonel Baskham," announced the office boy. "Shall he come in, sir?"

"By gracious, I had forgotten him. Ask him to wait five minutes and then show him in. Gresham, will you take a letter to—now, who in the devil was I going to write to? What have I on for this afternoon?"

Gresham picked up the list and read:

"Billings & Co. at 1:30, directors' meeting. H. F. & D., 2 o'clock; safe deposit vaults with Saunders, half-past 3, try on at tailor's'—"

"Confound it!"

"Dine at the Schuyllers', and meet Wesley at 11 with the Danforth papers and plans."

"And tomorrow I go to Rodney in the morning and to Philadelphia in the afternoon?"

"No, Rodney in the afternoon and Philadelphia in the morning."

"Ah, yes, quite so, quite so."

"And then Wednesday, of course—you'll hardly need me, will you, sir?" queried Gresham.

"No, I think not— My dear Baskam, how do you do? Why didn't you come right in?"

The caller looked somewhat amazed as he stepped into the private office.

Curtis Follansbee had the day before returned from a three months' business trip to Nicaragua. Middle-aged, he found himself the possessor of wealth and political power. His schemes and deals fairly outnumbered his dollars, and of the former the Nicaragua Company was the last but one. The "but one" was matrimony. In his nervous yet thoughtful manner Follansbee had decided to marry. He observed very business-like methods in becoming engaged to Helen Atkinson. He wished to be married with absolutely no fuss or frills. She was 28, sensible, poor and plain-looking. He proposed to her by letter the day before he left for Nicaragua, was accepted and forgot all about an engagement ring until he discovered a memorandum on the back of an envelope after he had been away six weeks. He indited a telegram directing Helen not to write or expect letters, as he was so busy—so busy, in fact, that he neglected to send it.

Wednesday evening after having consummated an unexpected coup in forming a new company, Follansbee slapped his knee as he sat in the hotel corridor and exclaimed:

"Why the devil did I let him go today? This is a mess!"

He paced up and down a moment, then suddenly turning almost ran into Gresham.

"I wish an immediate explanation," said Follansbee.

"I supposed you would.

There was a strange look in Gresham's eyes.

"Well, why did you neglect to remind me yesterday that this afternoon I was to marry Miss Atkinson?"

"Because I knew you were not to."

"What do you mean, sir?"

"I married her myself."

"What! I don't believe it!"

Drawing from his pocket an evening paper, Gresham pointed to a marriage notice. Follansbee read it, muttered to himself and blurted out:

"Remind me to discharge you—that is—we will arrange for a discontinuance of your service in the morning."

Whereupon he rushed out.

Next day Gresham appeared at the office but Follansbee forgot to discharge him.

"I can't let you have more than a week for your trip," was all he said.—Smart Set.

The Kaiser's Indolent Talisman.

The emperor of Germany is always meeting with accidents, although on the middle finger of his left hand he wears a famous talisman which for centuries has been credited with a supernatural power to protect the wearer from evil and injury of all kinds. It is a dark colored, square shaped stone, set in a massive gold ring, and originally belonged to Saladin, from whom it was captured by a German knight under the walls of Jerusalem during the crusades. It afterward came into the possession of Ulrich, the margrave of Nuremberg, who was the founder of the Hohenzollern family. This ring has been passed from generation to generation, one of the most highly prized and interesting heirlooms of the dynasty, but the kings of Prussia of late generations have seldom worn it until it was inherited by the present kaiser. It is a matter of discussion whether he wears it from superstition or ordinary interest. It has never left his finger since he came to the throne, although by this time he must have lost confidence in the protective power of the jewel.

Mrs. Newlands Improving.

Since the publication in a local contemporary of the serious and possibly fatal illness of the wife of Legal Adviser Newlands, now residing at her home in Regina, the many friends of the gentleman have beseiged him with sympathetic inquiries and offers of condolence and it is a pleasure to record that Mrs. Newlands has so far recovered as to be out of danger with every indication of the recovery soon being complete. The attack of paralysis was suffered November 13, over a month ago, though Mr. Newlands did not receive the information by wire until four days later. At that time unless provided with wings it would have been well nigh a matter of utter impossibility to have gotten out of the country. Since then word has been received of the lady's continued improvement and there is now no need of any further apprehension.

Ella—Bell, told me that you told her that secret I told you not to tell her.

Stella—She's a mean thing. I told her not to tell you I told her.

Ella—Well! I told her I wouldn't tell you she told me, so don't tell her I did.

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With Her Own Han Sprig of Myrtle Weddings.

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