MILLIONS IN YELLOW

Three Treasure Ships Arrive Last Night With Over One and a Half Million Dollars From the Klondike Creeks.

The Successful Trips of the River Steamers Up the River From Dawson.

The Trip From Victoria to the Klondike Now Occupies Ten Days.

Ten Millions Said To Be Coming Out by the Way of St. Michaels.

The eyes of the newspaper reading public of the world are no longer turned with such eagerness towards the seat-ofwar, the curtain is descending and that act is fast coming to an end. To-day the topic of street gossip heard in places where men do congregate is once more the Klondike and the yellow metal being found there in such quantities by the much envied miners who are commencing to return to civilization.

Last night and early this morning a fleet of three treasure ships arrived safely, without molestation from the privateer, if he is feally in business. The Cottage City was the first to reach the wharf, bringing about thirty successful miners and about one million dollars in gold. The news of the arrival of the miners spread like wild-fire, and crowds hurried down to view the first of the treasure ships. The excitement was soon kindled and it seemed that the scenes of last summer when the rush was on were about to be re-enacted. The lucky prospectors, many of them carrying heavy sacks of the yellow metal, hurried to town, and after placing their wealth in safety started in to "see the town." As can be imagined, the buskskin treasured contingent, especially the couples who carried so tenderly, the heavy bags of gold, were the cynosure of all eyes.

Each of the miners brought from two to ten thousand dollars in dust, with the balance in drafts, and all are homeward bornd. Forty of the new arrivals came out on the river steamers Goddard and Ora. The Goddard left Dawson on June 24th, and reached the Thirty-Mile, where she landed her passengers, on July 4th, and the Ora, leaving the Klondike capital on June 28th, arrived at the rapids on July 5th. Ten came out overland, wis the Dalton trail, occupying 23 days to make the journey. The Dawsonites who came down on the Ora were Tom Mahrer and his four nephews, Richard, John, James and William Butler, from Elisworth, Minn., who have \$350,000 to \$400,000 to show for the two years they have spent in the Yukon country. They have spent in the Yukon country. They have sold out their interests to the Rothschilds and are going home to stay; H. N. Coleman, H. C. Macaulay, of Victoria; W. C. Duncan, E. J. McKenna, George Macleod, John Sigraham, J. H. Holmes, C. P. Devine, William Chisholm, Jack Macintyre, John Hanley, James Brennan, E. M. (or "Bläck") Sullivan, C. C. Peoples, William Minter, Charles Morris, Walter Holmes, J. L. Gray, Frank Aborke, John C. Richards (S.S. of the N.W.M.P.), Peter Frisell, A. B. Cavanaugh, Carl C. Anderson, S. C. Schwarz, E. Lewin, Capt. J. Holmes, E. O. Kenyon, H. Boyer, M. J. Conelly, F. A. Roney and Thos. Hibconal.

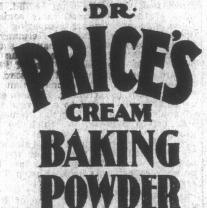
cline to give figures, in fact, the majority sponse to all enquiries "Oh, I've got erough."

According to the Butler Brothers, who have claims on almost every creek in the district, the Canadian government has already collected from \$300,000 to \$400. 000 in royalties. This in itself is suffi-cient evidence that the output will be a large one. Like many others who have just arrived, the Butler brothers do not like the mining laws as applied in the Klondike district. They say many changes will be necessary to ensure the permanency of the diggings and the contentment of the claim owners. The powers of the gold commissioner are too arbitrary and the right of appeal is owing ers of the gold commissioner are too arou-terry, and the right of appeal is, owing to the conditions, practically non-exist-ent. The ten per cent, royalty is consid-ered excessive, and although the larger claim owners can stand it, it works a severe hardship on the smaller owner. Many of the smaller claim owners have endeavored to avoid payment of the roy-alties by hiding the result of their work, but the authorities are ever on the qui but the authorities are ever on the qui but the authorities are ever on the quivive and their suspicions on such occasions are aroused by the approximation
of the results of near-by claims.

The Butlers say that the North Amreican Frading and Transportation Co.
have despatched five million dollars
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About Fifty Fortunate Prospectors
Out From the Mining
District.

teous B. Weare. This, in their opinion, will be the biggest single shipment of the season. They, in common with others, express the opinion that fully one-half of the proceeds of the clean-up will remain in the mining country, as the miners have great faith in the district, and many will prefer to invest their earnings there The Dawson Midnight Sun, referring to the shipment down the river, does not put them as high as the out-coming miners. It says the Charles H. Ham-ilton, Bella and Weare have but four million dollars on board altogether. It, however, adds to its statement that

> The steamer May West, which left Dawson on June 24th, had \$750,000 on board. The steamers Belle Isle, Weare and Hamilton left about the end of June. Even if these boats make connection, at St. Michaels, which is extremely problematical, it will take them under the most favorable circumstances, twenty-six days to reach Victoria, while on this route it took the hardy pioneers but eight days between Dawson and Skagway. days between Dawson and Skagway, which included a wait of two days at White Horse rapids for the transfer boat from Lake Bennett. When this news gets back to Dawson it will turn the bulk of the travel this way.

> Editor Shirpy, of the Skagway News, who was a passenger on the Cottage City, says a conservative estimate of the year's clean-up places the amount at slightly less than twenty million dollars, slightly less than twenty million dollars, but probably three-fourths of this is in the custody of the two great trading companies, and they will, of course, send it out in their own boats by way of St. Michaels. The remainder is sure to come out by way of Skagway.
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> The new-comers speak enthusiastically of the outlook in and about Dawson. The richest strikes recently made have been

richest strikes recently made have been on the hillsides of Skookum Creek and its tribuary, French gulch. On the latter a man picked up with his hands \$2,000 in nuggets in two hours. The richness of these bench claims has created great excitement and turned the attention of gold seekers in a new direc-tion. On the Skookum bed diggings as deep as 70 feet had proved unproductive. The latest discoveries on Monte Cristo island have caused that district to rank

high as a gold producer.

The talk of the downward miners as to the provisions at Dawson differs. Some say the river steamers from the Yukon mouth, each vessel having from 300 to 500 tons of supplies, dispelled all fear of a shortage. Others, and among these is John Anderson, said there are said to be 40,000 people around Dawson, and the river all the way up is crowded with incomers. Provisions are getting scarce, yet the first boat in to Dawson, the May West, which arrived June 15th. was loaded down to the gunwales with whisky. It was then \$1 a drink, "and bad at that," said Mr. Anderson last

Wages keep up to \$10 and \$15 a day. but there will be very little work at min-ing until the frost sets in, and men who have gone in on a shoe-string will un-doubtedly have to suffer.

Some of the out-coming miners came out over the Chilcoot by way of Dyea, but the majority over the Skagway wagon road. Of the former, three old-timers, headed by Jim McIntire, called at the old stopping place before Skagway at the old stopping place before Skag-way was, Healy & Wilson's store, and there deposited 150 pounds of gold dust and nuggets. Five of his companion

All say there will not be nearly enough boats in Dawson to carry out the men who have completed their spring clean-up, but all who can secure transportation will come out this way, even if the fates go up, as the difference between 10 and 26 days for the trip is an irresistble attraction

The First Bank of Skagway kept open late to receive in their time safe the dust to the time safe the dust be ought in by the Yukoners, and all the safes of the hotels in the city were utilized. The brothers Butler preferred to keep their dust in sight all the time, and when they went over to the Pack Train restaurant from the Hotel Astoria, where they were staying, they carried their winnings with them. Richard Butler, the captain of the team, has been in for two years, and sent for his brothers, John, James and William. They are all sturdy, handsome, well educated men. and they brought out enough to buy each a blue-grass farm.

More Fortunate Ones. At 1 o'clock to-day an express wagon to warrant his statement that he backed in to the walk in front of the ons he can live without working Oriental Hotel and a few minutes later a couple of men emerged with a couple of canvas sacks, the contents of which seemed out of all proportion in weight to their size. The wagon, closely followed by the two men, wended its way to the Bank of Montreal, where the sacks were again shouldered by the men, who speedily disappeared within the

doors of the building.

The men were John McLeod and E. M. Sulllivan, who were passengers on the City of Seattle, and who have evi-

\$40,000.

In addition to the two there are at the Oriental M. B. McKa-man and son, T. W. Chisholm, Charles L. Holmes and William McTaggart, all of whom have one or more of the coveted sacks of gold. It is impossible to approximate with any definiteness the amount brought down last night, or even that owned by men now in the city, and those who know show a strong disjinclination to divulge their knowledge.

VICTORIANS AT DAWSON. What Those Who Went From Here

Are Doing in the Klondike. H. C. Macaulay arrived from Dawson by the Ora and Cottage City last night. He places the total output at \$12,000,-000. Of this he says ten million has already gone down the river to St. Michaels, \$8,000,000 on the Weare and \$2,000,000 on the Bells. A large amount of gold is being deposited with the Bank of British North America and the Bank of Commerce, who are paying \$14 an ounce for it, paying differnce in value after catting easest returns Messes. an ounce for it, paying differnce in value after getting assay returns. Messrs. Doig and Finlaison, who are in charge of these banks, are doing busines in a tent. taking their gold to police head-quarters nightly. According to Mr. Macaulay the Yukon is very low, but it is expected that the boats from the mouth of the river will make at least one trip. The river steamer Willie Irying, one of the upper Yukon fleet, was

sold at Dawson for \$27,500. Jack Dalton and Maloney were the purchasers. They intend to run her from Dawson to the end of the Dalton trail, connecting with their pony express. Major Walsh, since his arrival, has strictly enforced the sanitary regulations. Front street is being paved with sawdust, and the citizens are raising a big subscription to citizens are raising a big subscription to pay for the fire fighting apparatus now

being sent in.

Mr. Macaulay brings the following news of the movements of Victorians.

Dave Carmody has sold his goods at a big advance; Captains Balcom, Harris and Martin, the sealing men who forand Martin, the sealing men who forsook their schooners to go in, have safely arrived. Jim Macaulay spent the winter in trading instead of mining. Messrs.
Sugrue and Van Milligan have reached
Dawson, Harry Howard and W. J. Perry are both working for wages in Dawson City. Dave Spence and the Eckhardt brothers left for home on June
24th via St. Michaels.

THE ORA RETURNS.

Successful Trip up the River From the Klondike Capital.

The cynics who were loud in their statements that the river steamers would never be able to make the trip up the "there is on these boats more or less gold in private sacks not included in these figures. The Dawsonites may, however, be afraid of the government rake-off for royalties, and have become modest as to out, fearing the experimental trip. Now that such a success has been made of the voyage, however, the upper Yukon river steamers will revolution. river steamers will revolutionize the Klondike travel, for with them the miner is now able to make the trip to Dawson from Victoria in ten days, and the return trip in about twelve days. When the necessary supply stations are established to provide fuel along the banks the time will be lessened considerably. On this trip from three to four days were lost trip from three to four days were lost in gathering wood at different points. The only difficult place to navigate was the Five Finger rapids, through which the steamer had to be warped by the capstan somewhat after the manner of the troop boats on the Nile cataracts. Captain Richie was in charge of the lost of the l Ora, but now he will give way to Capt. Bragge, the well known Victoria scaling man who has one of his old time scaling friends, Capt. Rupert Cox, with him as mate. Of the twenty-seven passengers who took passage on the Ora, but few head any faith in her until she fully dehad any faith in her until she fully demonstrated her capacity to force her way up the river against the swift current. The Klondike and Lake Bennett Navigation company, owners of the Ora, cleared \$9,000 on her first voyage. She left again a few days ago taking in be-sides a large number of passengers and much freight 1,000 pounds of mail for

the United States. The Goddard, another of the upper river fleet is at Thirty-Mile, beached, her boilers having been rendered useless by the sand which was sucked into her

pipes from the river.

In a letter received by the Klondike and Bennett Navigation company from Mr. Fall, their agent at Dawson, it is stated that provisions are scarce at Dawson, tons upon tons which were being taken in on scows have been lo many cattle have been taken in and there is a great shortage of produce. Beef is selling at from \$1.25 to \$1.50 a pound. Land is being sold in Dawson pound. proper for \$1,000 a foot,

There is considerable dissatisfaction among the liquor men who have taken in the wet goods to the mining country. A large number are still encamped at Lake Bennett, the Northwest Mounted Police having refused to recognize the permits obtained in British Columbia and allow them to move the fiquor into the Northwest Territories. Another cause which grieves them is the charge of \$2 per gallon levied by the Northwest Mounted Police, notwithstanding the fact, as alleged by the liquor men, that they had already paid a similar sum in the Northwest Territories when they ceived their permits.

THE CITY OF SEATTLE. Brings Seventeen Klondikers and Over Half a Million Dollars.

The steamer City of Seattle, which arrived this morning, had on board the following passengers who are returning from Dawson: O. Oleson, William Mc-Taggart, John Beckman, David Gunn, H. A. Conn and William Wilson, who H. A. Conn and William Wilson, who came over the Dalton trail, and Peter Frizelle, W. J. McLeod, F. A. Raney, C. Johnson, M. Veire, Theo. Habernal, E. M. Sullivan, J. Anderson, W. H. Snyder, W. C. Duncan and E. Lewin, They brought out about \$400,000 in 2000 to 2000 the cold dust. drafts and \$183,000 in gold dust. The alleged wife of "Soapy" Smith attempted to come down on the Seattle, but she was hustled ashore by the citizens' committee, who, it is said, released her of \$3,000. She came down on the steam. er Tartar, which arrived this morning.

A LUCKY OREGONIAN. After an absence of three years in the Klondike Theodore Hemsworth, of Oregon, is returning with sufficient gold dust ons he can live without working for the rest of his days," and he is still a young man. He went in with six cousins and with them took up a claim on Dominion Creek, which cost them \$150, and he estimates that they have already on the dump \$150,000 worth of dirt.

DIPLOMATS IN CONFERENCE. Foreigners Try to Arrange Peace Terms For Spain.

Washington, July 14.-The Star claims to be in a position to state authoritatively dently struck it rich at Dawson. Like all gold owners they are reticent regarding their wealth, but those who are supposed to know estimate the contents of the two sacks at from \$30,000 to States and Spain. It is also stated that the Spanish go

ernment is ready to agree to evacuate Cuba

if her soldiers are allowed to depart in a manner acceptable to an army which has not been defeated, and if the United States is ready to assume the Cuban debt. The greater difficulty is with the question of war indemnity, but a solution of this may perhaps be found in a proposal from a syndicate of American and English bankers to repay the United States its war expenses in 20 annuities, taking in turn the tobacco monopoly and the railway concessions in Cuba and the Philippine Islands.

NO COMPLAINT TO GERMANY. Washington, July 14.-It can be stated ositively that no representations have yet been made to the German government respecting the actions of the German naval

HIS BOOTS ON

Soapy Smiths' Checkered Career Terminated on Friday Last in a Most Tragic Manner.

While Endeavoring to Bluff the Indignant Skagwayans He Was Shot by City Surveyor Reid.

Trouble Was Caused by the Robbery of a Klondiker's Earnings by One of Soapy's Gang.

"Soapy" Smith, one time known as Hon, Jeff. Smith, gambler, politician, "sure thing" man, and for a long time the uncrowned king of Skagway, is

He bluffed the residents of the Gate way City once too often, and at last the bluff was called and Soapy lies cold in death. It was on Friday last that his checkered career was brought to a sudden end by a 38 calibre bullet from a revolver in the hands of City Surveyor Frank H. Reid.

Frank H. Reid.

The cause leading up to the trouble which ended Smith's life had its origin on the morning of the 8th, when J. D. Stewart, a young man just out from Dawson, was robbed of a sack containing from 12 to 15 pounds of gold. There are conflicting stories of how the robbery was committed, the accepted version being that Stawart desired to soil. bery was committed, the accepted version being that Stewart desired to sell his gold, and that one Bowers, a well known member of Smith's gang, represented to Stewart that he was there for the purpose of buying gold for some big assaying company below. The unsus-pecting stranger accompanied Bowers to a point in the rear of Smith's place on Holly avenue, where two of Bower's pals were in waiting. The three men overpowered Stewart, wrested the sack of gold, containing \$2,670, from his hands, and disappeared from sight around adjoining buildings, leaving the returned Klondiker as poor as when he started for the land of gold and hardships nearly a year hefore

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As soon as the news of the bold and
daring broad daylight robbery became
circulated about Skagway there was
great indignation. Business men quietly discussed the situation, and, feeling
assured that it was Smith's men who did
the deed, many of the best and most infractil attracts what quietly to the fluential citizens went quietly to "the leader and informed him that the gold must be returned, and that he and his gang must shake the dust of Skagway from their feet. During the earlier part of the excitement Smith partially promised several men that, in case there was no "rorr" made in the papers, the gold would be returned by 4 o'clock that evening, and that his influence would be used to prevent his men from in any way inverfering with returning Klondikers in the future.

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The gold was not returned, however; The gold was not returned, however; on the contrary, Smith began to drink heavily and talk in a rash, defiant manner. When some of his lieutenants feminded him of his promise, suggesting there might be trouble if the gold was not returned, he said, "By —, trouble is what I am looking for." He got it in a way he least expected.

The gold not being returned, public indignation continued to increase until at

dignation continued to increase until at 8 o'clock it had reached fever heat. Cond heads prevailed, however, and no out-ward demonstrations were made, al-though there was an ominous look worn by several hundred of men, including the best of Skagway's citizens, which plainly said: "Sure-thing men must go."

meeting was held on the Juneau dock and a committee of four, including City Surveyor Reid, was appointed to guard the approach to the dock in order that no objectionable characters might be admitted to disturb the deliberations of the meeting. Smith, who was then well primed with

liquor, hearing that the meeting was being held, went to it. The committee of four who were stationed at the end of the dock, saw Smith coming, but did no notice that he was carrying a Winches ter until he was right on them. He walked straight up to Reid and with an oath, asked what he was doing there, an oath, asked what he was doing there, at the same time striking at him with the barrel of the gun. Reid grabbed the gun in his left hand as it descended, pushing it down towards the ground, and drawing his revolver with his right hand at the same time. When the point of the rifle was close against Reid's right groin, Smith pulled the trigger. The ball passed clear through and came out through the lower part of the right him ball passed clear through and came out through the lower part of the right hip. At about the same time Reid fired two or three shots in rapid succession, one of which pierced Smith's heart, another striking one of his legs. Smith also fired a second shot, striking Reid in the leg. Both men fell at about the same time, "Source" Smith stops deed did City Englished. "Soapy" Smith stone dead and City Engineer Reid dangerously, perhaps mor-

tally, wounded.

The meeting was at once adjourned and the dead and wounded were picked up and brought to town. "At first it was thought the wounded man could live but a few hours, but he has since rallied manow considered very fair, and strong hores are entertained.

Later in the evening the citizens again corvened the meeting and a thorough organization with the object of clearing out the gang of "sure-thing" men was effected. It appearing to the citizens that Deputy Marshal Taylor. by his



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affiliations with the Smith crowd, was not the proper man to head an armed body of men, Captain J. M. Tanner was sworn in as deputy marshal by U. S. Commissioner Sehlbrede, and about twenty-five others were deputized to assist Captain Tanner. Captain Sperry was placed at the head of the citizens' committee each one of whom carried a

was placed at the head of the citizens' comittee, each one of whom carried a Winchester rifle.

All night the measured tread of the guards could be heard as they patrolled the streets. All the haunts where any of those supposed to be in any way contained with "Scopy" gang" was liable. nected with "Soapy's gang" was liable to be found, were visited. But in most cases the birds had taken warning and fled. However, quite a number were placed under arrest, and all were confined in the city jail, which was closely guarded. The three men who robbed Stewart of his sack of gold have escaped to the hills, as did several others of the research learning the death of their gang on learning the death of their leader. All the avenues of escape from the city have been closely guarded, and unless the bold highwaymen got out by small boats during the night their chances small boats during the high their chances for escape are exceedingly small. Every wharf is closely guarded, and detach-ments of deputies have been sent to Dyea, as well as to Lake Bennett. The Lyea, as well as to Lake Bennett. The entire trail from Skagway to Bennett is closely watched. Business was practically suspended, and hundreds of men, the majority of them armed with Winchesters, patrolled the streets.

Hon. John U. Snith, the U. S. commissioner, has somee interesting stories gathered in his experience as private which capacity he had to rectly with many of the crooks who in-fest northern towns. He describes an instance, the excitement oveer the death of Soapy Smith, and theimprisonment of a large number of suspects. A characteristic incident illustrating the terror Soapy' inspired in life, is giveen by Mr. Smith. It was while Soapy's body lay in the morgue and the crowd was viewing it that the following conversation was overheard:

"And that's the notorious gambling

"Hush, it's the Hon. Jeff. Smith."
"What makes you call him that"
"I'm not sure he's dead yet."

Edward H. Crosby, who came down early this morning on the steamer City of Seattle, brings more details of the shooting of Smith. He says that when some of those on the wharf heard that "Soapy" was coming with a Winchester they jumped into the water and swam to places of security. Immediately after the shooting 50 special constables were sworn in and every gambler was ordered to leave town. The nen who had robbed Stewart were found by scouts on the day following and ar rested. Bowers was incarcerated in the city hall, and while there he made a break for liberty. He was recaptured, and the citizens were preparing to lynch him when Captain Yeatman and a body of soldiers from Dyea appeared, intercepting the vigilance men and placing Skagway under martial law. The prisoners taken by the citizens were released, and many came down on the City of Seattle and Tartar, which arrived this morning.

Another passenger from the north, talking to the cause which led up to the shooting of Smith, said that the United States deputy marshal, though notified of the robbery, refused to interfere. United States desioner Schiblede was then sent for and he arrived at Skagway about four hours after the robbery. He at once sent for Smith and told him he would have to cause his satellites to give up the gold they had stolen from Stewart. Smith said "the boys had won it in a fair gambling game and he would stay by them." Judge Schibiede then made arrangements for the arrest of Smith and a number of his following. The warrants were being prepared when Smith was seen running down to the Juneau dock with his Winchester.

At the inquest held on the following doy the jury returned a verdict of justifiable homicide.

Mr. C. B. Bush, president of the Gilmer county court, tells briefly his experience with an epidemic of bloody flux in his family. He writes under date of October 8, 1896, at Auburn, W. Va.: "During the past summer we had three cases of bloody flux in our family which we cuted in less than one week with we cured in less than one week with Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarr-Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. In some instances there were twenty hemorrhages a day." This remedy never fails to cure the worst cases of bloody flux and all bowel complaints, and every family should keep it at hand. For sale by Langley & Henderson Bros., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

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mission set out: Take notice that a meeting will he held a in the afternoon on the 21st day of July 1858, to answer all questions touching the subject matter of the said inquiry, as follows: The social, industrial and financial welfare of agriculturists.
 The incidence of the tax on mort-

gages.
3. Irrigation in the dry belts of the prov ince.
4. Cold storage for the beef products of the interior.
5. Forestry—the prevention of fores 5. Forestry—the prevention of forest fires, etc.
6. The reclamation, clearing and draining of lands.
7. The settlement of unoccupied agricultural lands.
8. The establishment of Provincial Experimental Stations.
9. The establishment of Mutual Credit Associations.
10. The conversion and improvement of posturage and the promotion of cattle raising and dairying interests.
11. The access to markets, means and rates of transportation.
12. All other matters directly or indirectly connected with agriculture in British Columbia.
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And herein fail not.

Dated July 14th, 1898.

THOS. H. SHARPE.

Chairm R. E. GOSNELL

HENRY (OTHERWISE SAMUEL) CLAPHAN Late of GalianoIsland, British (clinlis, as formerly of Bynesbury, in the County of

Huntingdon, England, Deceased

Notice is hereby given that at the expraction of three mouths from the first publication of this notice, I shall register the title of Amelia Franklin, of Eynesbury, St. Neots, in the county of Huningdon, England, the wife of Stephen Franklin, and Mary Ann King of the town and county of letterster, England, widow, the two sisters of the said deceased, the sole co-heiresses and next of kin of the said deceased unless proof shall be furnished me that other persons are entitled to claim heirship to the said deceased with the said Amelia Franklin and Mary Ann King.

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