

IT LOOKS GOOD FOR VALDES

Private Advices Received Today Indicate That Road to Valdes Will Soon Be Constructed—Two Steamers Sailing for That Place Have All Accommodations Sold.

Private advices were received today from Seattle, under date of the 19th, the day of sailing of the City of Seattle for Skagway, that the Valdes railroad is now an assured fact, and that it will be built by Seattle capital. The enterprise has been capitalized at \$1,500,000 and its leading promoters are J. W. Chase, the leading real estate dealer in the city, and Herman Chapin, of the Boston National Bank of Seattle. No public announcement has yet been made of the organization of the company, yet many of the leading men, merchants and members of the bar and others, are already financially interested in the undertaking. That the news has slipped out some-

how, however, is shown in the fact that all the staterooms and passenger accommodations of the steamers Bertha and Excelsior have been sold in advance, for the sailing September 1st and 15th for Valdes. Also quite a number have purchased passage on the Skagway boats with the intention of going to Eagle and the Tanana, and some of the men who recently came out from there are hurrying to return.

There is a good deal of talk in Seattle in regard to the White Pass road and its general mismanagement. It is said on good authority: "Hawkins is entirely out of it or soon will be, and it is on the card that he has been offered the position of chief engineer with the Valdes company." It is the general opinion that he will accept the offer.

J. E. Hall, of San Francisco, who came up on the City of Seattle to Skagway and arrived here last evening, says he was only in Seattle over night and met no one there but he heard much talk of the railroad on board the steamer and before leaving San Francisco. "I met an old friend in 'Frisco," he said; a man named G. W. Dutton, who lives at 214 Guerrero street. He had come from Nome, where he had been very successful. He seemed to be one of the chief promoters of the Valdes railroad, and said the company had already men at work on grade surveys and hoped to be able to do some construction work before the season ended. He told me that he was going up there in September."

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RECEIVED BY WIRE. DANUBE IN SKAGWAY

Brings Largest Cargo Which Has Arrived for Some Time.

Skagway, Aug. 27.—The steamer Danube arrived last night with 40 passengers and 625 tons of freight consisting of lumber, merchandise and cattle. The cargo is one of the largest that arrived at this port for some time.

Among the passengers were Profs. Meirs and Coleman of Ottawa, accompanying Inspector Strickland who is en route to Dawson. Thos. Adams, Mrs. T. W. Kirkpatrick and child; Weisburg, of Hamburger and Weisburg; Mr. Chance and daughters, Manager Gardiner of Simon Leiser.

The heaviest shippers on the Danube are Gerow and Chance, Colby, Hamburger and Weisburg, Gandolfo, Ladue Co., Marks, Townsend, McLennan-McFeely & Co., Thos. O'Brien, Sargent & Pinsky.

ALL COONS MUST GO

Will Be Driven From Pierce County By White People.

Springfield, Mo., Aug. 21, via Skagway, Aug. 27.—The people of Pierce county declare that they will drive all the negroes out of the country. This action is the result of a brutal murder of a young girl named Gazelle Welde. Three negroes have already been lynched and 30 more have been driven from home.

HOT TIME IN JAP TOWN

Iron Spoon and a Bowl of Soup Take Prominent Part.

There was a warm time in Jap row on Second avenue last evening. Tom Matsui, proprietor of one of the hotels and D. Yasuaga, a cook in one of the restaurants were the creators of the time. Yasuaga the cook spent several nights as a guest at Matsui's lodging house and for which Yasuaga became indebted to Matsui to the amount of about \$2.

Now, Matsui needed money and as Yasuaga did not come to the hotel to pay then Matsui went to the place where Yasuaga was working and demanded his money. Perhaps Matsui used a little strong language in making his demand, for Yasuaga became highly indignant and picking up an iron spoon he began to beat Matsui over the head with it. When Matsui got out of reach of the spoon Yasuaga picked up a bowl of soup, threw it into the face of Matsui, at the same time telling him he had gotten his pay and that it was time for him to take his departure. The last insult forced upon him was too much for Matsui who had stood the hammering on the head with great fortitude and without a murmur but when he received the soup in his face and felt the greasy, slippery stuff in his hair, eyes, nose mouth and running down the back of his neck, he could contain his anger no longer and yelling murder ran after a policeman and had his antagonist arrested.

He had time to think the matter over during the night and came to the conclusion this morning that he was more scared than hurt and therefore when the matter came before Magistrate Wroughton this morning he requested permission to withdraw the case. His request was refused and the two men got into the boxes—one the witness and the other the prisoners—and then made an attempt to explain their actions. The magistrate with a patience born of long experience listened for nearly 30 minutes to their jargon trying to get a thread by which to connect the story in order to find where the trouble was, but it was of no use. With a string of words which sounded more like the chatter of squirrels than the voice of human beings and which without an interpreter were as unintelligible, the two men carried on a conversation which was made their case very ridiculous. Not being able to discover the cause of the affair or any evil consequences resulting from it the magistrate withdrew the charge.

BONDS ISSUED

Consolidation of Electric Light and William's Power Companies

ACCOMPLISHED BY A HEAVY FLOTATION

Capitalists Quickly Snapped Up \$85,000 in 12 Per. Cent Bonds.

LOOKS WELL FOR DAWSON

First Transaction of the Kind in the History of the Town—Local Money Took Up the Entire Issue.

The consolidation of the interests of the Electric Light Co. and the Williams Power Plant and Transmission Line to the Forks, was consummated at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, when Mr. Williams transferred his plant to the electric light company. In order to effect this consolidation it was necessary for the electric light company to increase its stock from \$75,000 to \$150,000, and make an issue of 12 per cent coupon mortgage bonds, running five years and interest payable quarterly, secured by trust deed on all the property of the company, present and future, with Edward O. Finlaison, of the Bank of British North America, as trustee.

This is the first issue of bonds in the city's history, and that they should have been eagerly taken up is ample proof of the confidence of the city and in its certain growth during the next twelve years.

The Dawson Electric Light Co. was organized in 1898 with a capital of \$75,000, all subscribed by local capitalists. (Continued on page 4.)

RECEIVED BY WIRE. RUHLIN AND JEFFRIES

Are Matched to Fight for Largest Purse Offered

San Francisco, Aug. 20, via Skagway, Aug. 27.—Jeffries and Ruhlman are matched to fight for the championship of the world before the club offering the largest purse. Articles of agreement have been signed. The fight will take place in November or December.

Resumes Service.

Victoria, Aug. 20, via Skagway, Aug. 27.—The Pacific coast steamship Co. has resumed its San Francisco service with non-union crews.

All three steamers are running. Steamers Due. Skagway, Aug. 27.—Steamers Topeka and Queen are due today.

FRANCE AND TURKEY

Are Having Serious Diplomatic Difficulties.

Constantinople, Aug. 20, via Skagway, Aug. 27.—The French ambassador M. Constans has notified the Sultan's secretary that all diplomatic relations between France and Turkey are severed. The trouble is caused by the failure of Turkey to settle certain French claims. If a speedy settlement is not made the Turkish minister in Paris will be given his passports.

The Nora arrived this morning at 4:30 with a scow containing 1000 bales of hay for Lancaster & Calderhead. Among the ship's cargo was a consignment of 5000 brick from Whitehorse for Welsh Bros. She leaves tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Elegantly furnished rooms with electric lights at the Regina Club hotel. New Savoy theater has got the big match—Leedham vs. Walker.



PETER WYBORG.
The picture herewith presented is a likeness of Peter Wyborg—the well-known miner who disappeared so mysteriously Saturday afternoon. Nothing has been seen or heard of Wyborg since he was seen near the bluff above Klondike City about 4 p. m. Saturday and the supposition that he was drowned either intentionally or accidentally has now changed to general belief. Thinking that perhaps he might have gone to his claim unobserved an inquiry was made yesterday afternoon by the Nugget of Corporal Ryan, in charge of the N. W. M. P. at Gold Bottom who replied that Wyborg had not reported there. A special messenger was sent to Wyborg's claim, 32 above discovery on Hunker and at 7:30 last evening an answer was received which stated that he had not been seen on the claim. These facts help to confirm the general belief in his demise, which is a source of regret to all his friends.

ANOTHER SLUCE BOX JOB

For the Second Time Within a Fortnight McNamee's Rifles on Bonanza Have Been Rifled, This Time of Three Thousand Dollars—Quicksilver Used in the Trick.

Another sluice-box robbery has been reported, the burglars in this latest instance making a haul of \$3000. Jimmie McNamee on 26b above, Bonanza, is the victim and it is the second time within two weeks that he has paid a similar toll. A fortnight ago his claim was visited between 12 and 1 o'clock at night, while the men were at supper, and the rifles were relieved of \$5000. No complaint was made and the matter was kept as quiet as possible with the hopes that the robbers in their fancied security would either give themselves away in some manner or return for another load. They did the latter and did it thoroughly and systematically, using quicksilver to gather up the fine dust so that none of it would be lost.

The robbery occurred Thursday night last, the thieves again taking advantage of the supper hour shortly after midnight. Until recently a night watchman has been employed on the claim, but as only a few men are now being employed on the night shift his services a few weeks ago were dispensed with. There is no clue to the perpetrators, but whoever had a hand in it was well acquainted with the lay of the land and came prepared to make a cleanup of their own. A quantity of quicksilver was poured in the boxes at the upper end of the rifles and such dust as could not be scooped up with a spoon was gathered in by the quicksilver as it passed down the boxes. The robbery occurred in the string of boxes that was touched a couple of weeks ago. Since the theft, which was discovered almost immediately, Mr. McNamee has kept a lookout for another visit.

"I don't mind the first one so much," said he, "but this last deal makes me sore, and I promise you that if it happens again there will be a little lead in the next cleanup the robbers make."

From the number and frequency of sluice box robberies which have occurred lately it would seem that there is a regularly organized gang of thieves who are making a practice of going up and down Bonanza and Eldorado and lifting the rifles wherever a chance presents itself. Harry Say on 6 above, Bonanza, has been bothered several times by petty thieves and a number of other claim owners have been pestered in a like manner. This latest is the biggest haul that has yet been made.

COMING AND GOING.

Clarence Berry left for the outside last night on the Dawson.
E. R. Peoples, ex-mayor of Skagway, is in the city on a business trip.
Mrs. E. B. Condon was a passenger for Seattle last night on the Dawson.
Mr. Botsford, general manager of the Laidlaw Company, left for the outside last night.
Miss Marie Long has taken a position in the hello department of the telephone company.
Bert Shuler is one who has recently returned from Nome satisfied that Dawson is not such a bad place after all.
Mr. Ron M. Crawford is just recovering from a severe illness which confined him to his home for several days.
Master Alex McDonald, a son of Clerk of the Court Chas. McDonald, was a passenger last night on the Dawson for Vancouver.
The Bank of Commerce sent out a half million dollars yesterday afternoon in care of the Alaska Express Company. Ex-Constable Holmwood accompanied the shipment as escort.
W. W. Tinkham, one of the original stakers on Gold Hill, returned on the Canadian last night from a two months' vacation spent on the outside. He was accompanied by Mrs. Tinkham.
Mrs. W. K. Wright, the wife of the post commander at Fort Gibbon was a passenger on the Sarah on her way to San Francisco. The captain will go down the river with his command and will join her there.
The furniture of the Standard theater was today seized by the police under instructions of Tax Collector Smith and notice of a sale of the effects is posted. This sale has been ordered by reason of non-payment of taxes.
Mr. and Mrs. Sam Stanley and his father left last evening for San Francisco. After a short stay there they will visit South Africa, and may make some investments there. Mr. Stanley calculating that they arrive there just about the beginning of the reconstruction era.
A. M. C. Treadgold, who holds the large hydraulic concession from the government the interpretation of which has caused so much discussion and

ALONG THE WATER FRONT.

The steamers Dawson and Prospector pulled out last night within a few moments of each other, one hurrying on the other for a race, which was just as quickly accepted. Until the point above Klondike City was reached, which was as far as one could see from the Dawson docks, the Dawson was leading, but Prospector arriving on the Sifton report that Twelve Mile island the Prospector was three miles ahead and both were taking on wood. The race will only extend to Stewart as their ways diverge there, the Prospector being headed for Fraser Falls.
The Clifford Sifton arrived last night with 50 tons of freight and 15 passengers. She returns this evening at 8 o'clock and will have one of the largest crowds of the season, the staterooms having all been sold out at noon today.
The Canadian arrived last night at 10:30 with a heavy cargo and 33 passengers. Close connection was made both at Skagway and Whitehorse, the Seattle passengers aboard making the through trip in seven even days.
The Dawson left for Whitehorse last night with 22 passengers.
The Leon returned last night at 6 o'clock with the barge she had previously left at Circle City. It contained 400 tons of general merchandise. The Leon returns down the river this evening at 8 o'clock.
The Linda left Skagway this morning at 8 o'clock. She will be in tomorrow.
The Leab with a barge in tow passed Eagle yesterday and is expected some time tonight.
Leedham vs. Walker is the coming event.

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