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FEARFUL DISASTER

Occurs in Tunnel at Smuggler Mine Telluride Colorado

DEATH ROLL IS OVER ONE HUNDRED

Day Shift Had Just Taken Their Stations

AN EXPLOSION OCCURRED

Efforts to Rescue the Doomed Men Were Unavailing—Mine Operators Admit Great Death Loss.

Denver, Col., Nov. 21.—One hundred men are imprisoned in Smuggler mine near Telluride, Colo., and probably have been suffocated by gas as a result of a fire which destroyed the buildings at the mouth of the Bullion tunnel this morning. The fire started at the bank house at the mouth of the tunnel, the principle opening of the mine from which the property was worked, and spread rapidly. The Tram-way terminal, the ore bins and smaller buildings were soon in flames. A strong draft drew smoke directly into the tunnel and the mine of drifts, upraises and stopes connecting began to fill rapidly with smoke. In the excitement of trying to control the fire outside the danger was forgotten and before the situation was realized the workings filled with smoke. By this time the buildings about the mouth of the tunnel were ablaze and nothing could be done to stop the smoke going in. As soon as possible great bodies of snow were blown down into the tunnel mouth and the openings stopped, but not until the workings filled and the smoke began working its way through the shafts to the surface, a mile or more up the mountain from the bunk house. The day shift of two hundred and fifty men had gone into the mine and reached their stations before the fire started. Some escaped through the old Sheridan tunnel and old union workings, but a small part of the force, only 22 bodies, have so far been found and the management concede the death roll will considerably exceed one hundred. The Smuggler Union is the largest mine in the Telluride district, its output being two thirds of the camp.

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KING FORBIDS SALE OF SEATS

In Westminster Abby to be Occupied at Coronation Ceremonies.

London, Nov. 21.—King Edward has forbidden the sale of seats in Westminster abbey for the coronation services and he has also announced that no foreign invitations will be issued except to accredited diplomats.

GERMAN PRESS.

Berlin, Nov. 20.—The German press and people have taken fresh offense at Colonial Secretary Chamberlain. The new complaints are caused by Chamberlain's statement that no sensible German would misunderstand as an affront his justification of British actions in the Transvaal by precedents created by Germans in the war with France.

German army afficers are urged by the government press to take no part in the agitation.

A NOVEL PLAN.

Vienna, Nov. 21.—In the Austrian diet today, an ex-army officer created a sensation by hurling pamphlets at the members and shouting "Traitors." He was immediately arrested, when he stated in explanation that he had certain grievances and could command no attention in any other way.

SKIPPER'S WOES.

Seattle, Nov. 21.—Captain Johansen, master of the Northern Navigation Company's steamer Bertha, is fighting his wife's application for divorce in the King county courts. He says he had no knowledge of her intention to seek separation.

CRISES COMING.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 21.—Colombian affairs are approaching a crisis. Everything is quiet today but decisive action may be anticipated tomorrow. The liberals will probably overthrow the existing government and a coalition with Venezuela will probably be effected.

TOOK POISON.

Belgrade, Nov. 20.—Queen Draya having crossed the humor of her royal husband, he is stated to have slapped her; whereupon she retired to her private apartments and took poison. Through the efforts of court physicians she still lives.

ROYAL QUARREL.

London, Nov. 21.—An Antwerp dispatch states that the illness of Queen Wilhelmina and her premature confinement is due to a violent quarrel between herself and the prince consort.

GOING AHEAD.

St. Louis, Nov. 20.—Despite the heavy financial losses of the Pan-American exposition at Buffalo, the St. Louis exposition will be carried out as planned.

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WEAK-MINDED SKAGWAYANS WERE TAKEN IN

By a Couple of Fakirs Who Argued That Time Was Ripe for Revenge on Canada for Passing Alien Exclusion Act Three Years Ago—Free Miniature Republic Was to be Established in Klondike With Dawson as Capital—Enthusiastic Cranks Contributed Good Money to the Cause—Men, Rifles and Ammunition Were to Come From Seattle—After Bleeding Skagway Suckers the Sleek Promoters Stole Away—Collector of Customs Busby Was "Next" and Sent Official Report to Ottawa.

Seattle, Nov. 21.—The Seattle Times prints a story this evening which affirms the truth in every detail of the San Francisco Call's sensatioal disclosures of an alleged conspiracy of miners in the Yukon to attempt to overthrow Canadian authority in that country. The Times says it has in its possession documents and seals of the Fenian Order of the Midnight Sun, organized for the establishment of a free miniature republic on the Yukon embracing the Canadian Klondike, and with headquarters in Dawson.

STORY OF AMUR PASSENGERS

Vancouver, Nov. 21.—Passengers who arrived here from Skagway on the steamer Amur this morning thus explain the origin of the San Francisco Call's and Seattle Times' stories:

"During the summer two Americans opened a brokerage office in Skagway, the "brokerage" part being only a blind. These fellows worked on a certain faction of Skagway residents that are opposed to Canadian authority and have been ever since the passage of the Alien Exclusion Act by the British Columbia legislature in January of 1899, and convinced these weaklings that their plan to capture the Klondike and establish a republic could be easily carried out. They agreed to form an association and for that purpose a sum of money was collected; how much, none but the two fakers ever knew. The scheme was to begin hostilities about the time of the close of navigation, at which time the promoters informed their dupes that they would begin pushing American interests and start the trouble for the Canadian authorities.

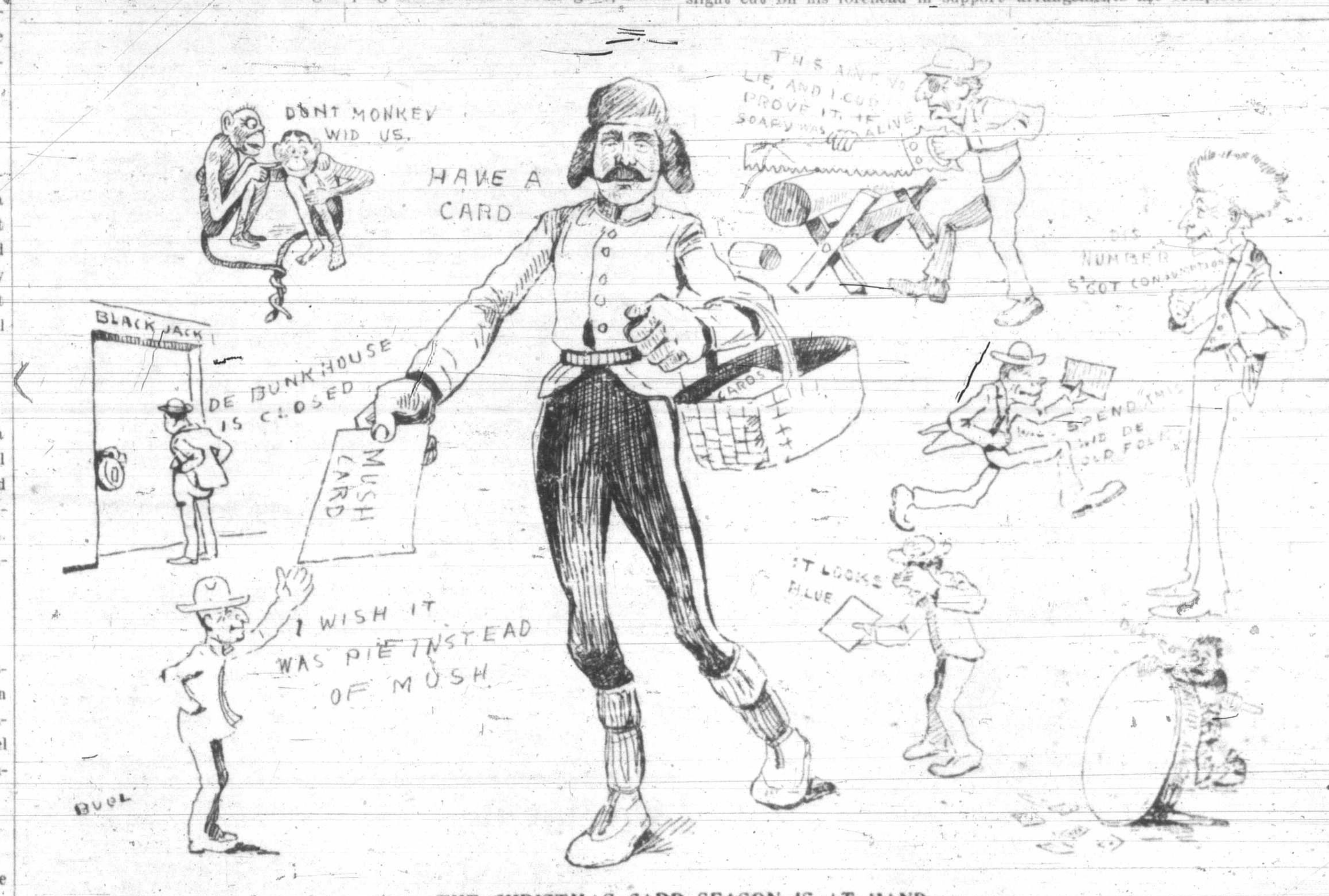
"After the two fellows got all the money they could raise in Skagway they left and have not since returned. It is known that one of them went to Seattle, telling the people whom he had roped in at Skagway that he was going to arrange for shipping in rifles and ammunition. It is said he even tried to work his graft in Seattle but it did not go. The people who allowed themselves to be duped by the fakers now realize that the fellows never had any intentions of carrying out their alleged proposed plans."

"This afternoon the newest of the story to reach here was told by Collector Busby, who looks after Canadian customs at Skagway, to a reporter of the Province. He said that not only this attempt at Fenian conspiracy had given Canadian officials some annoyance, but that an official report detailing the result of an extensive investigation is now on the way to Ottawa. He said the plan of the alleged conspirators was to bring several hundred men from Seattle, when they would start the proposed raid on the country, the stated arrangements being to seize banks and use the funds to further the movement. Mr. Busby said the officials took every precaution to see that no rifles or other fire arms were shipped in quantities into the country."

MURDER AT FORTYMILE YESTERDAY

Fortymile, Nov. 22.—A man named Harry Owen was brought here early this morning by Capt. Hosher and a companion from Hutchinson creek on the American side. Owen is charged with the murder of Chas. Christensen and is now in the keeping of the police. It appears Christensen went to the cabin where Owens was stopping and demanded some grub, which he claimed Owens owed him. In the dispute which followed Christensen was fatally stabbed by Owens. There were no witnesses present. Owens claims self-defense, and exhibits a slight cut on his forehead in support of his plea. It is also stated that the dead man had a knife clutched in his hand when he was found.

Owens will be turned over to the U. S. marshal as soon as necessary arrangements are completed.



THE CHRISTMAS CARD SEASON IS AT HAND.

PUGILISTS MEET TONIGHT

Devine and Slavin Will Enter the Ring at 9 p. m.

Tonight is the big event in sporting circles as Slavin, the as yet invincible, will meet Devine in a 10 round bout at the New Savoy. Of one thing the public can be assured, and that is that a big surprise is in store for somebody. Either Slavin will win in a few rounds or Devine will wollop the big Australian in something like eight rounds. Tickets are selling to the go at both Ben Davis's cigar store and at the Savoy theatre. A big house will probably greet the pugilists, as there is no counter attraction in Dawson at present.

The Mail.

Sixteen sacks of mail weighing 500 pounds left at daylight this morning for the outside, cleaning up the entire accumulation of letters since the departure of the Emma Knott. The next mail leaves Tuesday morning, closing Monday evening at 8 o'clock. No word has been received of the incoming mail, it being still above Selkirk on the cut-off.

Shoff, the Dawson dog doctor. Pioneer drug store.

TOO MUCH ADVERTISING

Causes a Dawsonite to Spend His Money to Get Rid of It.

That everybody reads the Nugget was fully demonstrated to one man in Dawson yesterday evening before the paper had been out an hour. The paper contained an account of Andy McKenzie's having won a large sum of money by a lucky plunge the night before and of his having $1,000 left after buying $550 worth of wine at the Aurora. The result was that a steady stream of chronic borrowers began to pour in on Andy about five o'clock with such requests as:

"By the way, old boy, could you loan me an X?"

Andy at length decided that his money was becoming troublesome, so he again depleted Tom Chisholm's wine stock to the amount of $500 and today he banked the remainder of what was left of his big winning.

Police Court.

In the police court yesterday afternoon "Whitey" Moore was sentenced to two months hard labor on the charge of vagrancy.

Saml. C. McCartney, "Society Red," was acquitted of the same charge.

WORK IS RESUMED

Effort Will Be Made to Deepen the Fire Well.

Work was again resumed yesterday on the fire well opposite the old post office. At the time the ice jammed and the river overflowed the bar the well filled to the top with about 11 feet of water. This it will be necessary to pump and an engine has been stationed alongside for that purpose which will furnish the power for the big centrifugal pump already in position. Mr. Matheson, in charge of the work, states that he intends sinking until he runs into a perpetual flow of water sufficient in extent to keep an engine running continuously at its greatest capacity. He does not think he will have to go over ten feet deeper. Should the scheme prove a failure a house will be built on the ice in which an engine will be installed similar to the one in vogue last winter.

Ho! for Whitehorse.

Fast dog team leaves Saturday, Nov. 23rd, carrying passengers and express. Apply L. & C. Dock.

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SMALL FIRE YESTERDAY

Shack Occupied by Five Japanese Received a Scorching.

An alarm of fire was turned in yesterday afternoon about 5 o'clock which called the department out for a quick run. The location of the blaze was in a small shack in the alley at the rear of Coben's second hand store on Third avenue, occupied by five Japanese. They were away at the time and the fire is supposed to have arisen from the usual defective flue. A neighbor who happened on the scene shortly after the alarm was turned in assumed charge until the department arrived, displaying more intelligence than the average layman at a fire. He prevented the doors and windows from being opened, which would have caused a draft, with the result that when the chemical arrived the incipient blaze was easily extinguished. The building is owned by Mrs. M. Morgan. The Japs suffered the loss of some blankets and clothing, which they place at $200.

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WILL LOSE HIS OFFICE

Mayor Morris of Ottawa Has a Thirst After Hours.

Ottawa, Nov. 20.—Mayor Morris of this city was prosecuted and convicted in the police court on the charge of buying a drink at a bar on Saturday after the closing hour. By the law of Ontario this not only loses to him the mayorality but debars him from holding any public office for a period of two years.

ULTIMATUM.

Constantinople, Nov. 21.—Consul Dickinson has issued an ultimatum to the Bulgarian brigands stating that they must accept 12000 pounds as ranson and release Miss Stone, or all negotiations will cease and they must take the consequences.

A BODY BLOW.

New York, Nov. 20.—Sporting writers all over the country agree that the Jefferies-Ruhlin fiasco at San Francisco has given prize-fighting the worst setback it has ever yet received in America.

INDIAN ROUND UP.

Vancouver, Nov. 21.—A number of Kingcomb Inlet Indians have been rounded up by the revenue cutter Quadra and brought here to serve sentences for various petty crimes.

APPEAL CASE.

Victoria, Nov. 20.—The appeal case of Avignon vs. Jones, from the Yukon court, has been partially heard by the full appeal court and adjourned until January.

TO ABSORB ALL.

New York, Nov. 21.—The American Tobacco Co. aims to monopolize the world's tobacco trade. The firm of H. D. McAlpine has recently been absorbed at a cost of $2,500,000.

BULLETS FOR TWO.

Aberdeen, Wash., Nov. 21.—County Commissioner Silas W. Smith was fatally shot in a fracas here last night by Wm. Yournex. The latter is in a hospital badly wounded.

RECIPROCITY.

Washington, Nov. 21.—The reciprocity convention has closed at Washington after adopting measures looking to improved relations with Canada and Mexico.

TO FIGHT TRUST.

Pittsburg, Nov. 21.—A Pittsburg syndicate has purchased 2,000 acres of West Virginia coal lands and will fight the coal trust.

WEST INDIES.

Washingto, Nov. 20.—It is expected that negotiations for the purchase by the United States of the Danish West Indies will be completed in May.

LI WAS POISONED.

Shanghai, Nov 20.—It is now certain that the late Li Hung Chang was poisoned by his political enemies.

Special power of attorney forms for sale at the Nugget office.

HERE ARE THE PROOFS

Of the Most High-handed and Gigantic Hold-ups in the History

OF RAILROADING OF THE WORLD

Only Those Who Paid the Bills Realized Enormity of Steal

THE LIFE BLOOD WAS EBBING

From the Country, Being Absorbed by the Vampire, When the Government Interfered.

No more gratifying news was ever published for the enlightenment of a long suffering public than that which the Nugget gave to the citizens of Dawson and the Yukon in yesterday evening's issue concerning the action parliament has just taken on the unlawful and unjust freight rates which the White Pass and Yukon railroad has been extorting from the people during the past two years. Nearly every merchant in the city, both big and little, commission men, brokers, cattlemen, and many of the heaviest mining operators who in the past have themselves felt the blood-sucking power of the mighty octopus, have not hesitated to extend the glad hand in the warmest terms of congratulation for the victory won by the Nugget single handed and alone. The amount wrung from the Klondike during the last two years in absolute extortion over and above what would have been considered a fair compensation for the services rendered is a sum so colossal as to be absolutely staggering. Indeed, the burden was becoming so great that the question of how much longer this the richest section on earth, could stand the continued drain was paramount in the minds of those most concerned in the future welfare of the country. That the action of parliament was inevitable there can scarcely be a doubt. If it were destined that the Yukon should continue to increase the wealth of the world at the annual rate of $25,000,000 it became necessary that the cost of production should not exceed the value of the product, which in many instances it came near doing. Freight rates regulate the cost of practically everything in the country and if the ruinously high tariff were continued in vogue another year or two it would have simply meant ruination to three-fourths of the citizens of the Yukon territory. The result of the brawn and brains of thousands of honest toilers would have passed into the rapacious maw of a monster which possesses no soul and knows not the meaning of satiety.

The clerk, the miner, the tradesman, the laborer who does not ship goods inside and consequently is not brought into direct connection with the payment of freight bills does not realize that he is one of many contributing to the yearly purchase of the White Pass road—a sum which in the aggregate is said to be nearly sufficient to build the road twice over, and it in operation but little over two years. He buys his provisions, clothing and other necessaries, making a mental comparison between the prices paid here and what the same goods could be bought for outside, complains of the excessive cost, but

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