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SKAGWAY TOWNSITE

Matter of People Against Moore Will Have Partial Re-hearing

FOR SUBMITTING OF NEW AFFIDAVITS

Other Evidence Favorable to Moore Will Stand.

LITTLE HOPE FOR CHANGE

Mineral Value Will be Investigated, Also Claims Made by Railroad—May Compromise.

From Wednesday and Thursday's Daily. Skagway, June 5.—Notice of the decision of the acting secretary of the interior to grant a rehearing in the Skagway townsite case has been received, the rehearing to take place before the register and receiver of the U. S. land office at Sitka when only new evidence in support of affidavits can be submitted. The evidence of which the decision was rendered in Moore's favor will still stand except that the decision may be modified by new evidence.

The particular reasons for which a rehearing has been ordered are that further examination into the value of the land for minerals may be made, also as to the justness of certain claims made by the railroad company to a portion of the property within the townsite.

As no mineral of value has ever been found either in or near Skagway, there is very little hope for on that score. As to the claims made by the railroad company nothing is known or will be known until they are stated at the rehearing of the case.

On the whole, the decision to grant such a limited and restricted rehearing contains but little encouragement to those who are occupying the property and there is now a strong probability that some sort of compromise will be effected by the people and Moore and that the whole matter will be settled before the rehearing is held.

HAD BETTER TURN BACK.

Bad Crowd at Skagway En Route to Dawson.

The Skagway Daily Alaskan of May 27st says editorially:

"The first evil fruitage of the influx of an undesirable element in consequence of the prevailing cheap rates manifested itself Sunday night in two burglaries. While the booty obtained by the thieves was inconsiderate, the event should serve to convince everybody of the danger which the citizens of this place will be subjected to if fares are kept at the low figure. We should interpret these tricks as harbingers of a grand carnival of crime which is sure to follow unless stern measures are adopted at the outset to let the lawlessly inclined know that they cannot operate here without imminent danger of being apprehended and severely punished.

"We have had occasion heretofore to refer to quite a number of ex-convicts who have arrived since the rate war commenced. They are still in our midst. Other criminals will undoubtedly come—no doubt are here now. Probably most of the crooks come here with Dawson as an ultimate destination, but they have very little money and they will be our unwelcome guests all summer if we do not impress upon them that they are not wanted and they may go back to the States.

"While there is no cause for alarm, it would be the part of prudence for everyone to exercise every precaution they can, such as having doors and windows securely fastened at night and during the absence of occupants at day time."

A Smooth Answer.

He—Do you think you really wanted a new dress now?
She—You don't know anything about it. I wish I had known before I married you what a stupid you are.
He—You might have guessed it easily, when I offered to marry you—Pick-Me-Up.

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BREAKING THROUGH ICE

Steamer Clifford Sifton Plowing Channel in Leberge.

Lower Leberge, June 5.—The steamer Clifford Sifton started yesterday at noon to forge her way through Leberge, the ice of which is becoming very soft. If she succeeds she will be the first boat of the season to reach Whitehorse from Dawson. Early this morning the steamer had accomplished six miles, breaking the ice with her bow every foot of that distance.

ARE GONE GLIMMERING

Days of Big Profits in Gaudy Female Attire.

Ever since Dawson was a town and until within the past few months there have been enormous profits made on such grades of female attire as are worn by the women of the lower classes, loud colored, gaudy apparel. But merchants who have been on the ground all the time say that class of goods is not the big money maker it once was, being now sold at only a nominal profit. This fact is due in a great measure to the large amount of it lately shipped in from the outside and to the further fact that money is not coming so easily now to the women as it did when miners came down from the creeks seemingly for no other purpose than to drink, dance and carouse. The miner has taken a tumble to himself and does not spend his hard-earned dust with the lavish hand that formerly characterized him.

For these reasons dealers in loud colored female attire must henceforth be content with legitimate profits as their patrons have been forced to renege the same as though they earned their money honorably and by legitimate effort.

England is Irritated.

New York, May 17.—A dispatch to the Tribune from London says not a little of the anti-American irritation existing in England is due to exaggerated or unfounded reports, published by the half-penny press respecting American enterprises. Englishmen breakfast and dine upon sensational stories that Americans are picking up one British interest after another, and are coming over to manage everything from underground electric railways to dock hoisting machinery. To flood the market with American notions and to drive the British flag from the seas. These fantastic fictions are accompanied by silly leaders warning England that their supremacy is challenged and their commerce menaced, and that their institutions and methods are chiefly remarkable for their inaptitude and inexpediency. With their press dingling into their ears that the Americans have taken pity on them and are trying to bring them up to date in their business relations, it is not strange that they frown and lose their tempers whenever America is mentioned, and especially when any comparison is made between English and American methods of financing a great war or capturing guerrillas.

A. B.'s at Whitehorse.

May 23d a new camp of the Arctic Brotherhood was instituted at Whitehorse by the grand camp from Skagway. The following are the charter members of Whitehorse camp, No. 12: Major A. S. Snyder, J. C. Tache, J. P. Whitney, E. Levin, J. Barteau, Capt. Wm. Turnbull, Thomas McGuire, Geo. C. Mallott, J. R. Shaw, R. D. Pinneo, F. B. Turner, R. A. Corbett, F. W. Walter, John C. Phelps, Joseph C. Morton, A. M. Rosseau, Spencer Coats, H. L. Peavy, J. P. Nirsch, A. D. Lewis, Maj. Wilson, Wallace Langley, Dr. Pare, J. West.

The following are the officers of the new camp:
Past arctic chief, Major Snyder; arctic chief, J. P. Whitney; vice-arctic chief, Major Wilson; arctic chaplain, R. D. Pinneo; arctic recorder, R. A. Corbett; keeper of nuggets, Geo. C. Mallott; trustees, J. C. Tache, Gilbert H. S. Sprout, F. W. Walter, Dr. Pare, J. West.

Local Sports.

The lacrosse team will have to suspend operations for a while owing to having lost the only lacrosse balls in the country in the slough last night, while playing a practice game. New balls have been ordered and will be here on the first boats and then the public may look for some interesting games.

The cricket team is getting in some good hard practice these days and it is expected that a match game will be forthcoming in a short time.

It is announced that a return match game between the Eastern and Western Canada association football teams will be played next Saturday.

Kodak tripods; \$3.50 Goetzman's.

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RATE WAR CALLED OFF

After Several Weeks of Indiscriminate Cutting Former Steamer Rate Is Restored.

From Wednesday and Thursday's Daily. Skagway, June 5.—After more than a month of indiscriminate rate cutting on steamers plying between Sound and British Columbia ports and Alaskan points, the schedule for both passengers and freight have been restored temporarily, a truce for a period of 60 days having been agreed upon, during which time the Washington & Alaska Steamship Company has agreed to keep its steamers out of Vancouver. If at the end of the 60 days permanent and satisfactory terms have not been agreed upon there is a possibility that the rate war will be reopened.

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SOLITUDE THE CAUSE

A. C. Co.'s Watchman at Tyoonik Travels Rope Route.

Seattle, May 31, via Skagway, June 5.—Particulars of the suicide of J. Lindquist, night watchman of the Alaska Commercial Company at Tyoonik, have just been received. The solitude of the place caused his mind to weaken and he disappeared on May 14th. Later his body was found hanging to a sapling. He had bent down the sapling with a second rope, then released it and slowly strangled to death.

Still Very Weak.

Washington, May 31, via Skagway, June 5.—The physicians in attendance on Mrs. President McKinley, after a consultation, state that she is still very weak and feeble and is far from being out of danger.

RUSHING DELINQUENTS

Collector Smith Hot on Trail of Property Owners.

Tax Collector Ward Smith is hot on the trail of delinquent tax payers these days.

With a note book in his hands and a constable by his side he may be seen going into places of business who have not as yet paid their taxes and making a formal demand on them. If their inclination is good but their funds are a little short a certain length of time is given them in which to secure the necessary amount.

When it has been demonstrated to his satisfaction that an effort is being made on the part of the payee to escape his just dues to the government his goods are seized and held for the amount.

This morning Mr. Smith was around giving one hour's notice to delinquents to pay or have their goods seized and many of them were seen flocking to the collector's office before noon today.

Juneau Wins.

Skagway will not become the home of the United States land office if the recommendations of the special agent for the interior department who recently investigated as to the advisability of the proposed change are followed by the officials at Washington City and it is very likely they will be. That individual has reported in favor of moving that office to Juneau, as its location there would be of greater convenience to miners and others having business with it.

Juneau, however, makes greater pretensions to being a city than Sitka and office rents are higher there, so high in fact, that the change will not be made now and may never be unless cheaper rates for quarters can be obtained than those quoted.

The matter has been again referred to the special agent and he will see what can be done in the way of obtaining suitable rooms and then report back to the interior department.

On the question of taking the office of surveyor general to Juneau the special agent reported adversely. He believed Sitka, the present home of it, the better place. This action will no doubt be final.—Alaskan.

Many Had Imbibed

An unusual number of intoxicated men were seen on the streets this forenoon, evidently the result of a hilarious night. As they were not particularly boisterous they were not a menace to peace and were not, therefore, taken care of by the police. Last night had evidently been an "off" one with many who seldom overstep the proscribed limits of semi-sobriety.

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NEW POLICE MAGISTRATE

C. H. McAuley En Route From Ottawa to Dawson.

Ottawa, May 30, via Skagway, June 5.—C. H. McAuley has been appointed police magistrate for Dawson, and Geo. Taylor of Bothwell, for Whitehorse.

(Inquiry at the barracks today failed to elicit any information regarding the above further than the appointment of police magistrates for this place and Whitehorse has been contemplated for some time.)

TO MAKE SURVEYS.

U. S. Geological Survey Party in Dawson.

An expedition of the U. S. geologic survey under charge of Walter C. Mendenhall arrived on the steamer Bailey Tuesday morning. The party consists besides Mr. Mendenhall of the following gentlemen, all of whom are experienced in survey work: D. L. Reaburn, W. B. Reaburn, R. C. Applegate, Geo. C. Revine, W. L. Poto, W. W. Von Canon. The party go directly from Dawson to Fort Yukon from which point a line will be run to Fort Hamlin. Thence a course will be taken overland to Bergman on the Koyukuk. This route as outlined takes them up the Alashuk river where a portage will be made to the headwaters of the Kook. They will descend the last named stream a distance of 500 miles to the point where it empties into Kotzebue sound.

Complete surveys will be made of the entire route, particular attention being given to geological formations which is Mr. Mendenhall's special line of work. The geographical and topographical features of the country will be closely observed and exhaustive reports thereon made to the department at Washington. The party is direct from that city where they left on May 6. They came by canoe around the shores of Lake Leberge.

An Outspoken Mayor.

Zanesville, Ohio, May 13.—Mayor James L. Hold, newly elected chief magistrate of Zanesville, sees no harm in wide open saloons or in the nickel-in-the-slot gambling and says so. He says it so plainly that some of his constituents are aghast and the good government league which insured his election by running a candidate of its own at the election and thus drawing votes from ex-Mayor Brelstord, is agitating for the impeachment of the new mayor, but isn't receiving much support. Most of the citizens of Zanesville are willing to give the new mayor a chance to see if his liberal policy isn't a good one after all. These are the views of Mayor Hold, as tersely given by him to the newspapers to the honor of many of the church folks of Zanesville:

"I don't believe that an open saloon on Sunday is as harmful as the alleged closed saloon. If a man goes to a saloon on Sunday when it is supposed to be closed, he is in constant fear of the police and he proceeds to drink all he can hold, as he dares not run the risk of returning again. In this way he becomes beastly drunk and goes out on the streets and annoys citizens.

"Now as to the slot machines. They are here and everybody knows it. Whether they are detrimental to the best interests of the city remains to be seen. I don't believe that they will do much harm but of this I cannot be sure yet.

"Of one thing I am sure. There is a certain class of fanatics who have a spite against the nickel slot machines. Slot machines, poker joints and crap games have been run in this town before and there is a certain class of people who want these things. I believe it is right to live and let live and I mean to conduct the affairs of the city in a manner which will satisfy the greatest number of people.

"These people who regard Sunday saloons and slot machines with horror are too good to live in a city. They ought to go to the country. A village is what they want and they should go there or change their views."

His Earthly Possessions.

"I am taking this up to my room to pack therein all the property I have accumulated during the past 20 years," said a well-known and well liked sporting man who will leave for St. Michael en route to Nome tonight, and as he spoke he held up a small telescope grip that would probably hold a shirt and two pairs of socks. However, his heart was as light and airy as a "furnished front room to let," and there is no denying that a much worse man than he may take his place in Dawson.

R. E. Misener of Grand Forks, is a guest at the Yukon hotel.

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PREMIER LAURIER

And Minister Sifton Will Start For Dawson About July First.

ARRANGEMENTS ARE DEFINITELY MADE

Right Rev. Archbishop Langevin and Four Priests Coming

CENSUS RETURNS NOT IN

Until More Pay is Forthcoming—Senator Sails for Nome With 300 Passengers.

From Wednesday and Thursday's Daily. Ottawa, May 30, via Skagway, June 5.—It is now definitely settled that Premier Wilfrid Laurier will accompany Minister of Interior Clifford Sifton to Dawson during the present summer. Arrangements have already been perfected for leaving Ottawa on the trip about the first of July.

Fathers Galore Coming.

Skagway, June 5.—Right Reverend Archbishop Langevin, Fathers Rene, Jacquet, De La Motte and Lachene will leave tomorrow for Dawson.

Holding Back Returns.

Ottawa, May 30, via Skagway, June 5.—Some of the census enumerators are displeased at the poor pay they are to receive for their work and are holding back the returns thinking to force the government to appropriate more money with which to recompense them for their labor. Until these delinquent returns are made there will be no means of arriving at a knowledge of the exact population of the Dominion.

Nome Steamer.

Seattle, May 31, via Skagway, June 5.—The steamer Senator sails today for Nome with 300 passengers and 1200 tons of freight. The travel Nomeward is less than one-fourth what it was this time last year.

NEW STORES ON CREEKS

Paralyze Business of Small Dawson Dealers.

"Do you dinks pegmeas vill pig up a leedle bid after some viles?"

The above question was asked by a small merchant in the old postoffice vicinity this morning. Being a pertinent question and one deserving of thought and consideration the reporter made a few inquiries and learned that among nearly all of the very small dealers there is at present general business stagnation. Inquiry revealed the fact that the Dawson dealers who are in position to sell only in small quantities have been superseded by dealers who buy goods off scows, have them hauled up the creeks and placed in cabins for which they pay little or no rent and thus they are prepared to sell goods to the miners right at their homes just as cheaply as the same goods can be procured in Dawson, the expense of freighting them up the creeks being offset by the enormous rent the Dawson dealer is compelled to pay for his store room.

This arrangement is a good one for the miner as he is thus enabled to supply himself with goods without undergoing the hard labor of packing them on his back for miles over bad roads, and as the miner is the bone, sinew and mainstay of the country, no one, unless prompted by selfish motives, can say but that the new condition is commendable. In the meantime, the small dealer who is not in position to wholesale and who has heretofore depended largely on the transient miners trade, who is the sufferer by the new order of business and about all that remains for him to do is to have his rent reduced or retire from the arena of trade.

Late Arrival.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Roselle who reside on Sixth street between Fourth and Fifth avenues are rejoicing over the arrival at their home of a lusty son who registered about 10 o'clock last night. As it is their first heir, the young parents are correspondingly happy over the family addition.