

BACK FROM FORTYMILE

Wolcott Is Enthusiastic Over That District

Price of Claims Advanced From \$1,500 to \$40,000 Since one Year Ago.

Mr. T. S. Wolcott, a well-known mining man who is heavily interested in property in the Fortymile district, returned to Dawson recently, having spent nearly the entire winter in the district. Mr. Wolcott is very enthusiastic over the outlook of the country and says that it has become a surprise to everyone.

"On Chicken creek a continuous paystreak has been located from 2 above discovery to the mouth of the creek, a distance of 4 miles, and claims which last year could have been purchased at \$1500 to \$3000 are now held at \$40,000 and \$50,000.

"On many of the benches pay has also been located, and the bench claims promise to rival the creek in extent and value of the pay dirt.

"A few steam thawers have been working in the district this winter and a number more will be taken down before the opening of navigation and set up for summer work. The ground is good for summer as well as winter working, as bed rock will average from 20 to 36 feet.

"Ingalls creek is a new discovery this winter and good pay has been found, but to what extent could not be learned.

"There are other creeks towards the headwaters of the Fortymile that have not been prospected yet, but which in all probability will make a good showing as soon as developed.

"There are about 100 men in the district this winter prospecting their claims, and the results as far as could be learned were generally more than satisfactory.

"The N. A. T. & T. Co. have a store on Chicken creek located opposite No. 11, and a hotel is in sight, and the expectation is that before long there will be a lively little city in the district."

Trip to Cape.

Victoria, March 26.—In a communication to Dick McConnell, of this city, Nelson P. McDonald, who joined the last contingent of soldiers from Victoria for service in South Africa, writing from Capetown on February 12th gives a very interesting account of the trip of the constabulary to Africa. He says the trip to Halifax was very pleasant, the boys being feted at every stopping point. A stay of about a month was made at Halifax, where the volunteers were made as comfortable as possible. There was plenty of work to be done, and the boys were kept hard at it from 6 a. m. until 11 p. m., there being 1,200 horses to look after and 1,000 men to do the work. Mr. McDonald describes the scene of the mounted force on parade as very striking. A fine send off was given the boys by the people of Halifax, thousands of people lining the streets to say farewell. The Royal Canadian Artillery of that place and the Halifax band assisted in the farewell demonstration. The trip to the Cape was notable for the fine weather, and was marked by no unpleasant incidents, with the exception of the death of seven of the horses. The voyage took in all thirty days. In conclusion, he states that it was probable his company would leave in a month's time for the front.

Back From Horsefly.

Vancouver, March 21.—The McClelland party arrived today from Horsefly. They say they thoroughly prospected Eureka and found not even colors in some places, certainly no gold in sufficient quantities for placer mining. They sunk shafts through the snow down to bedrock, and were disappointed in all places. They say that nearly all of the twenty prospectors now in there are coming out. Some of them have not got enough money to come out on. Mr. McClelland agrees with the recently published statement of Mr. Morrison, that the district is over-rated from a gold point of view.

Lady Hope Divorced.

London, March 21.—Lord Francis Hope was granted a divorce this morning on the ground of the misconduct of his wife, May Yohe, with Putnam Bradley Strong, of New York.

Counsel for Lord Hope lengthily detailed the marriage of his client to

May Yohe, their visit to the United States in 1900, the meeting with Strong, and the subsequent intimacy of the respondent and the co-respondent, ending with their departure for Japan under the name of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Smith.

Lord Hope, who is still suffering from the amputation of his leg, corroborated the counsel's statements. He said he had no suspicion whatever of his wife when he left her alone in a flat in New York. He first noticed a change in her behavior at the end of March, 1901, and in April his wife insisted on a separation.

Affidavits were read in proof of the misconduct of Lady Hope, and the decree with costs was pronounced.

Derelict Sighted.

Port Townsend, March 21.—Considerable speculation is being indulged in here among shipping men concerning the possible identity of a small derelict floating bottom up within ninety miles of Cape Flattery.

Captain Rosendahl, of the barque Kate Davenport, which arrived this morning from Honolulu, reports that on Wednesday forenoon, when about ninety miles west by south of Cape Flattery, he passed close to a small vessel floating bottom up. The unfortunate vessel was apparently a schooner or small brig, about ninety feet long, and the bottom was copper painted.

Police Court.

It was a short session of police court held by Judge Macaulay this morning, there being but two cases up for hearing.

Alex McDonald, not "Big Alex," who has but lately returned from hobnobbing with potentates in the old world, but another and lesser Alex and light.

"In the world's broad field of battle in the bivouac of life."

He had cultivated a lurid jag for which he was assessed \$5 and costs.

H. Brown, a stenographer, had likewise poured deeply of the brand that caused him to become hilarious and his knees to grow unsteady. He likewise, was assessed \$5 and costs. However, he had a chestnut brown taste left to remind him that life is not without its vicissitudes.

PREPARING FOR PLAY

Tennis Club Now Being Rejuvenated

A New Outfit Ordered by Wire—Court Will be Lengthened Considerably.

Tennis enthusiasts who last year were members of the club are beginning to arrange for this season's play, several informal meetings having been held recently with that object in view. A complete new outfit of balls, rackets, and nets has been ordered by wire and will arrive over the ice so that play may be begun as soon as the weather will permit. Among the improvements to be inaugurated is the lengthening of the court by 12 feet on each end. The court as it now stands is of the regulation size, though the rear lines being so near the ends makes it impossible to return some of the drives for fear of falling off the court. As the season advances a tournament similar to that played last year will be arranged and it is thought it will be much more interesting and more keenly contested.

Since the close of last season's play quite a number of new players have arrived in the city, some of whom were considered experts in their eastern homes, and there is every indication that Mr. Herbert will find plenty to do in defending the championship honors won last year.

The early arrival of the tennis season has sidetracked the proposed ping pong tournament, a game, by the way, which has become as much of a fad in Dawson in the past few months as it has outside. There are a number of sets in the city and every night they are in use at one house or another. Next winter, should the craze continue, there will doubtless be a tourney with its inevitable champions of both sexes.

Grand fancy dress ball at the Exchange Concert and Dance Hall, Monday night, April 14th. Elegant costumes, good floor, good music. Everybody cordially invited.

P. B. Butter, have no other. Try the "Old Crow" at Sideboard.

SCHEME IS FEASIBLE

Marine Men Say Islander Can be Floated

Steamer Believed to be Intact—Little Wreckage Has Ever Risen From Her.

Victoria, March 26.—Capt. J. G. Cox, British Columbia's agent for the big marine insurance company of Lloyd's, London, has closed a contract with Sirtuss Hope, of Seattle, for the raising of the steamer Islander, and the bringing of her to Victoria or some other Canadian port.

The Islander, it will be remembered, was lost in a collision with an iceberg to the south end of Douglas Island, at the entrance to Lynn canal, on the night of the 15th of August of last year. At the time she was on her return voyage to this city from Lynn canal with over one hundred passengers. Of these 42 lost their lives and many of these are believed to have gone down with the ship.

After striking the ship's course was changed, and she was steered for shore, but had not gone far before sinking. Whether any of her boilers exploded is problematical. Treasure that has been variously estimated at from \$150,000 to \$275,000 went down with the steamer, and from that day to this no attempt has ever been made to recover any of it. Where the steamer sank there is a depth of water upwards of 40 fathoms, but the exact depth wherein she settled has never been ascertained, for it is possible that her hull may have been carried a considerable distance after sinking beneath the surface.

The plans for raising the steamer cannot now be given. According to the agreement with Capt. Cox, Sirtuss Hope agrees to start work within sixty days. He is quite sanguine, it is understood, of success and of being handsomely rewarded for his efforts in the salvage money to which he will be entitled if as lucky as he anticipates.

The contract is certainly one of the largest ever attempted on this coast, and it is doubtful if one presenting the same difficulties is on record. The Islander lies at a depth of water where divers using the diving gear cannot work, and it is for this reason that nothing has ever been done towards floating the palatial C.P.N. steamer.

Navigators pretty nearly all agree that the steamer is intact, and that notwithstanding the tremendous pressure she is in her hull has held together. It is believed that if she can be floated repairs can be made to again fit her for service.

The steamer had a registered tonnage of 486 tons. Her original cost was upwards of \$200,000, so that as she lies with treasure and all on board she represents a loss of nearly half a million.

Since the vessel sunk very little wreckage of a substantial character has come to the surface.

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LOCAL BREVITIES.

Heavy freight sleighs loaded with merchandise for different mercantile houses are arriving every day. The White Pass is no longer guaranteeing delivery over the ice, but a few private concerns are still accepting consignments. The amount of freight brought over the ice has been fully equal to that of previous seasons.

Where the river overflowed and froze again some distance below Ogilvie bridge there is now first-class skating, the natural rink being fully a quarter of a mile in length.

Herb Wilson, of the firm of Clarke, Wilson & Staepole, has been busily engaged during the past few days shaking hands with his old friends and getting himself in training for taking up the duties of his extensive law practice. He enjoyed a thoroughly good time while on the outside, but is glad to get back to Dawson as are all old-timers.

It is reported that a big real estate deal is on foot for the transfer of a large tract of the unoccupied portion of the townsite, upon which the scarlet women of the town will be located.

Will Come up Tomorrow. Eselso Tonilli, a miner on 36 above

This Contest is FREE TO ALL!

Last Year the Ice Moved in Front of Dawson May 14th, 4:14 p. m.

This Contest is FREE TO ALL!

GUESS WHEN IT WILL GO THIS YEAR

The one coming nearest to the time we will give the following goods to be selected by the winner from the very best goods in our store:

1 Fine Suit; 1 Fine Hat; 1 Fine Dress Shirt; 1 Fine Suit of Underwear;
1 Fine Dress Scarf; 1 Fine Collar and Cuffs; 1 Pair Fine Dress Shoes.

Come and leave your guess with us, you may be the lucky one.

FIRST AVENUE
Opposite White Pass Dock

HERSHBERG,

The Reliable Clothier,
1st Ave.

on Hunker, charges his neighbor John Butler with having unlawfully appropriated to his own use 3000 pounds of hay of the value of \$120. Butler has been arrested and the case will come up for hearing before Judge C. D. Macaulay in police court tomorrow morning.

Public Notice.

I take this method to stop false rumors now spread in this city that I am selling out all my mining property and real estate in this camp preparatory to moving to the Koyukuk. The simple fact that I have bought a controlling interest in the Townsite of Coldfoot does not mean that I intend to sell either my business or properties, on the contrary, if any one has any Dawson business lots to sell at a sacrifice I will buy all I can get, providing, of course, that the sacrificing part is plainly shown to me.

That another great mining camp has been discovered in the Koyukuk I firmly believe, and I have backed my opinion by investing heavily there in both mines and real estate. It does not seem to me either reasonable or possible that this vast empire does not contain other equally as good camps as this, especially when good prospects and plenty of colors are to be found everywhere you see fit to try. I shall continue to do business and make my home in Dawson as long as I remain in this northern country. However, in the meantime I shall keep my eyes on Coldfoot and the Koyukuk country, because after a thorough investigation I have found out that there are many other more wise men than myself that are doing the same.

J. R. GANDOLFO.

"Stately Homes."

London, March 21.—The London Times today contains the following advertisement:

"Wanted to purchase, by a wealthy American desirous of settling in this country, one of the stately English homes. Would give a fancy price for a really suitable place. Must contain no less than thirty bedrooms, stabling for twenty horses, a finely timbered park, and land to any extent. Good shooting indispensable. Must not be more than two hours from London. Address Millionaire, care etc."

The well known firm of auctioneers whose address follows informed a representative of the Associated Press that the would-be purchaser was now in England, and was thoroughly known to them. They had strict injunctions, however, not to reveal his name until the purchase was completed.

The Irish and the B/ers

London, March 23.—The London Times today prints a letter dissenting from the suggestion that if John Redmond, the chairman of the Irish parliamentary party and chairman of the United Irish League, had been in the house of commons when some of the Irish members cheered the announcement of General Methuen's defeat and capture he would have rebuked his followers for their outburst of exultation. The writer refers, as evidence to the contrary, to the meeting at Chicago last autumn "in honor of the Manchester murderers," which Mr. Redmond addressed, and to the "proceedings, which were officially opened by Finerty." After quoting the resolution

passed at that meeting, and also referring to Mr. Redmond's speech at New York, advocating the hanging of Mr. Chamberlain, the writer asks "why should a man holding such opinions restrain the rejoicings of his followers at a British defeat?"

Of Interest to Shippers.

The Northern Commercial Co. is now prepared to make contracts for shipments from coast ports to Dawson and will be pleased to quote rates on large consignments to bona fide importers.

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