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FRIGHTFUL EXPLOSION

In Colorado Mine Causes a Heavy Loss of Life.

Colorado Springs, Sept. 18, via Skagway, Sept. 24.—A special to the Gazette from Glenwood Springs says a frightful explosion occurred there at 5:30 o'clock this evening in the mine of the Colorado Fuel and Iron Co., at Spring Gulch, probably resulting in the death of 100 persons or all who were in the mine at the time, fully that number. There was not one chance in a thousand for any

one to escape as the concussion of the explosion caused the entire entrance to the shaft to cave in.

Gone Outside. Mrs. McNeil, housekeeper at the Copping house, departed on the Sifton yesterday to visit her daughter in Victoria, and expects to return in time to prepare the Christmas "feed" for "her boys" at that hotel. Before she left Mrs. McNeil was presented with a nicely filled purse by the ts of the Copping house.

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RECEIVED BY WIRE. THE PRESIDENT IS BURIED

His Body Now Rests in the Family Plot at Canton, Ohio—Grave Fears Are Now Entertained for Mrs. McKinley's Present Condition.

Canton, Ohio, Sept. 19, via Skagway, Sept. 24.—The president was buried today during most impressive ceremonies, many thousands of people attending the services. The exercises at the church were brief and simple, after which the remains were interred in the family plot. The personal grief of all the people was apparent. Mrs. McKinley's condition is exciting grave fears and it is feared a collapse may come at any moment. Since returning to her old home a full realization of her awful calamity has come upon her. This morning she wept piteously hour after hour and was able to take no part in the ceremonies today neither at the

church nor in the chamber of death when the body was borne away for the last time. Montreal, Sept. 19.—As a sympathetic tribute to the memory of President McKinley the Duke and Duchess of York refrained today from public functions but limited their movements to a round of visits of the religious, charitable and educational institutions. Chicago, Sept. 19.—For five minutes following 2:30 this afternoon, the hour when President McKinley's body was lowered into the grave, not a telegraph instrument clicked, orders having been issued, by all companies to disconnect all batteries.

PELKEY NOT GUILTY

Jury Returns a Verdict After Little Deliberation.

The criminal calendar was taken up in the territorial court this morning before Mr. Justice Dugas, the first case coming up for hearing being that of James A. Pelkey, who is charged on the 29th of August with having stolen \$400 in bills of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, the property of said bank. The trial was by jury, the jurors consisting of John H. Dickson, J. E. McAlpine, John Hepburn, A. M. Grant, J. A. Clarke and George Mitchell, the defense exhausting two challenges in the empanneling. Crown Prosecutor Congdon made the opening address to the jury in which he stated that the defendant on August 29 had gone to the Canadian Bank of Commerce for the purpose of making a deposit, depositing at the time \$450. The receiving teller in accepting the deposit with its accompanying slip, which had been made out in a badly written hand, had mistaken a figure "4" for an "8," in consequence of which up on the pass book which was subsequently issued to Pelkey, as well as the ledger in which the entry was made, a credit was shown of \$850 instead of \$450, as it was alleged the deposit amounted to. Later in the day another deposit of \$65 was made bringing the total credit as shown by the pass book to be \$915. The same day Pelkey drew a check for \$900 which was initialed "O. K." by the ledger keeper and cashed by the paying teller.

identified the check which he had cashed, paying Pelkey 45 \$20 bills. Pelkey took the stand in his own behalf. He has been here since April, coming from Vancouver. He swore to having deposited on the day in question \$850 as shown by the bank books, and not \$450, as is alleged. On that day he had \$800 in his possession, all of which he deposited except \$10. His deposit consisted of six \$5 bills, 44 \$10 bills, 14 \$20 bills and one \$100 bill, his enumeration of the number and denominations corresponding with the deposit slip except in the matter of the \$10 bills. The slip shows but four, whereas Pelkey claims there were 44, showing the discrepancy of \$400. The witness adhered firmly to his evidence and told in detail where and how he had earned the money to make considerable over \$1,000.

N. P. Shaw, Harry Sibble, Edward Orr, J. H. Bethune and A. F. George all testified to Pelkey's previous good character, some of the witnesses having known the prisoner for 20 years. But little time was occupied by counsel in addressing the jury, and they required only a few moments to consider their verdict, which upon being read pronounced the prisoner not guilty.

SLAVIN ACCEPTS

Takes the Bet of \$1,000 Put Up by Kennedy.

Kennedy made his word good last night and deposited with Jackson, of the New Savoy theater, \$50 as a forfeit on a \$1,000 bet that he would defeat Slavin tomorrow night. The latter was not slow in coming to time with his end of the purse, Joe Boyle putting up the money for Slavin and stating to Jackson that the balance of the \$1,000 for Slavin would be forthcoming on the night of the match. Devine who met Slavin and suffered defeat from his hands, said last night that he failed to see how Kennedy or any other man in this country had any show with the big Australian, Kennedy, who was standing near, smiled when he heard the remark and was introduced to Devine, who had just returned from Nome. The two indulged in a lengthy conversation relative to the work of Slavin and by Kennedy's expression it could be seen that he was thoroughly familiar with the champion's style of fighting. Slavin has been training constantly for the match ever since the articles were signed and will appear in fine condition tomorrow night. Kennedy's work at the wrestling match Saturday night shows how he is fixed. The meeting of the two big fellows may develop some unexpected incidents.

RECEIVED BY WIRE. J. C. BROWN DEFEATED

By Popular Vote in Provincial Bye-Election.

New Westminster, Sept. 19, via Skagway, Sept. 24.—At the bye-election held yesterday on account of J. C. Brown accepting a folio in Dunsanuir's cabinet as provincial secretary, Brown was defeated by Thomas Gifford, the opposition candidate, by a majority of 52 votes.

RECEIVED BY WIRE. HUNDREDS OF TRAVELERS

Crowd Trains From Skagway to Whitehorse.

Whitehorse, Sept. 25.—On Sunday nearly 500 people were here awaiting the train for Skagway, the steamers Ora, Flora, Whitehorse, Canadian, Crimmins and Monarch having arrived after the train left Saturday. Yesterday's train from here to Skagway was the largest in the history of the road.

RECEIVED BY WIRE. CONTEST ON GOLD RUN

Staked by 16 People Who Raced to Recorder's Office.

A case that is being heard in the gold-commissioner's court today takes one back to early last spring when there was an unparalleled stampede to Gold Run for two lonely claims. At midnight on April 25 No. 64 Gold Run became open for re-location, and as the claim is 500 feet long it made two claims under the present regulations, each 250 feet in length. At one second past 12 o'clock on the night in question 16 men were found to be on the ground and all presumed to have planted their stakes simultaneously and then started on a mad race for the gold commissioner's office. Men on horseback, on bicycles, on foot and in every sort of a conveyance excepting a balloon were in the race for a claim. Among the 16 participating in the race were Chas. E. Taylor and John Scott, both of the White Pass office force. They were mounted on Kentucky thoroughbreds, but Taylor alone succeeded in reaching the goal, making the ride in from Gold Run in 9 hours, getting his application on record, and subsequently receiving the grant to the ground. For Scott, however, the pace was too swift and he failed to connect at the recorder's office, and for the following two weeks took his meals standing up, the result of his folly in cross-country riding. The latter statement, it should be added, did not come out in the evidence heard today, but is merely mentioned to show how near a person may come to a good thing and still miss it. Alas! No sooner had Taylor received his grant than his right to the ground was contested by one of his fellow stakers, the case being entitled Rogers vs. Taylor. Gold Commissioner Senkler has reserved his decision.

RECEIVED BY WIRE. PLOT WILL BE UNRAVELED

A Letter Was Found on Des Moines, Iowa, Anarchist Which Furnishes a Key to Arrangements for Assassination of President McKinley.

Des Moines, Iowa, Sept. 19, via Skagway, Sept. 24.—An anarchist resisted arrest here last night and was wounded. When searched by the police a letter which was found on his person mailed at Los Angeles two weeks before the shooting of the president will, it is believed, furnish a key to the conspiracy. The letter contains two printed circulars of a strange mixture of letters, figures and characters. The circulars have been partly translated, the expressions being: "Beasts at Buffalo exposition; whatever happens is to be repeated." "Re 1 anarchists are known only to

RECEIVED BY WIRE. BOERS ARE STILL ACTIVE

They Surprise Three British Companies at Scheepers Nek on the 17th Killing and Wounding Many and Taking Both Officers and Men Prisoners.

London, Sept. 19, via Skagway, Sept. 24.—A dispatch from Kitchen-er dated at Pretoria, September 18, says that on the 17th the Boers ambushed three companies of infantry with three guns, commanded by Major Gough; at Scheepers Nek. After severe fighting the British were overpowered and lost their guns, the sights and breech-locks having been destroyed. Two British officers and 14 men were killed outright, five officers and 25 men wounded and five officers and 150 men made prisoners.

RECEIVED BY WIRE. LIVE STOCK FOR DAWSON

Heavy Cargo Reaches Skagway on Dirigo.

Skagway, Sept. 27.—The steamer Dirigo which reached here Sunday evening came loaded to the guards with live stock for Thebo, Klinert and Currier of Dawson. The stock was loaded at Vancouver and consists of 130 cattle, 135 hogs and 399 sheep. A large shipment of beef cattle and calves which came in on the Dolphin are a part of the same consignment, all of which will be shipped to Whitehorse by train.

RECEIVED BY WIRE. WILDCAT SCHEME

Company Incorporates to Build Trans-Alaska Railroad.

Denver, Sept. 19, via Skagway, Sept. 24.—The News announces the incorporation under the laws of Washington state of the Trans-Alaskan Railway Company, capitalized at \$50,000,000. The plan as stated by the promoters is to build and operate a line of railway in Alaska connecting with the Trans-Siberian railroad at some point opposite Cape Prince of Wales by a line of steam-boats across Bering straits.

RECEIVED BY WIRE. SAVAGE DOGS ON SULPHUR

Mr. Tom Mahlebus, foreman for Humboldt Gates on 13 below on Sulphur, was badly bitten by a savage dog on last Wednesday, which was tied with a long rope on claim 25, the brute making a deep wound in Mahlebus' thigh. As the dog has never shown any symptoms of rabies in his mind whether to demand his life or call it off.

RECEIVED BY WIRE. FIRST DANCE

The Dawson Social club is to give the first ball of the season at Pioneer all, this coming Friday night. Joseph Wile, president of the club, is now busy arranging the details of the event. The grand march will start at 9 p. m.

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