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CONGER LIVES

As an Official Telegram Received at Washington Bears Evidence.

MESSAGE WAS IN DEPARTMENT CIPHER

And There Is No Doubt as to Its Being Genuine.

WILD RUMOR ABOUT RUSSIA.

She is Said to Be Conniving With Prince Tuan—700 Chinese Killed at Tashichau.

From Saturday's Daily.

Washington, July 22, via Skagway, July 28.—There is every reason to believe that United States Minister Conger at Pekin still lives, as a reply has been received from a message sent to him through the Chinese minister here. The reply comes from Consul-General Goodnow at Shanghai, who says:

"Gov. Shong Tung informs me that he today received a cipher telegram for Conger and a few minutes later Conger appeared in person at his office, when the telegram was handed him."

The reply received from Conger states that he is in the British legation building which is under continuous fire from the Chinese, and that only speedy relief can save them from being slaughtered.

This message was undated, but it came from Pekin, and as it is in department cipher there is no doubt as to its genuineness.

A cabinet meeting was held today at which it was decided that under no circumstances will the United States go in with the other powers for a joint partition of China. On the other hand America will use all her influence to prevent dismemberment of the Chinese empire. But while America will not declare war against China, she will cooperate with the other powers in restoring order.

Is Russia Conniving.

London, July 22, via Skagway, July 28.—A mild rumor has been printed and circulated here to the effect that Russia is secretly intriguing with Prince Tuan, and that Hung Chang is behind the secret negotiations. The Russian forces have been hard pressed at Nien Clang and expelled from Tien Chwan. They were also compelled to abandon Tashichau, where the Chinese lost 700 killed and many more wounded.

A Furious Fight.

Chicago, July 17.—The exciting spectacle of two men fighting fiercely 175 feet above ground, with a constant danger of being plunged to a certain death below, was witnessed by a great crowd about the new Coliseum building yesterday.

Richard Collins was distributing cinders about on the roof of the big structure, while J. R. Howland was at work on the ground 175 feet below. A brick from above dropped and grazed his head. Angered, he went to the roof and accused Collins of dropping it. They soon began fighting. The roof is only 25 feet wide and slants at an angle of 20 degrees. The fight took place on the west side of the roof. A misstep would have hurled the combatants to certain death on the stone work below.

The attention of Charles Wilson, foreman in charge of the expanded metal work, was attracted by the struggle of the two men. Calling to several laborers, he rushed to the scene of the conflict. He arrived on the scene in time to seize the fighters as they were in imminent peril of falling together over the edge to waiting death.

The men were separated and Foreman Wilson sent for assistance from the police force, who arrested the fighters. Howland was seriously injured.

Fresh drugs in all prescriptions. Cribbs & Rogers, the druggists. c30

Five hundred tons hay, grain and feed en route. Macauley Bros., Third ave. warehouse.

ABOUT TANANA.

The Country Large and Offers Many Inducements to Prospectors.

G. A. HEDGE ARRIVES FROM CIRCLE.

"I'm Sorry I Went," Says a Man Just Back From Koyukuk.

NO NEWS FROM BEACH TOWN.

The Quarantine Is Apparently Successful, as the Tyrrell Brings No Passengers From Nome.

The steamer Tyrrell, which arrived this morning, 17 days from St. Michael, brought in about 70 passengers, a large percentage of whom came from Circle and the Koyukuk country. Among those from Circle was G. A. Hedge, who made a trip from here to start a man out to prospect in the Tanana.

"Circle," he said, "is very quiet, no business to speak of, of any description, is being done, and the only time anything can be seen in the way of business is when the pack trains come in to fill orders for the prospectors. Packing is still a dollar a pound, and the packers won't touch anything for a cent less, although there are a great many horses in the country. Little can be said concerning the mines yet, as there is nothing being done but prospect work so far.

"The country offers many inducements for prospectors, as it is large and has hundreds of creeks, many of which have never been prospected at all. One may go from one divide to another and be sure of finding a small stream between each two of them. The creeks so far prospected are said to be better at the lower end and the middle than towards the heads. The gold, what I have seen of it, is very pretty and flaky, and is said to assay from \$16 to \$17 per ounce."

Mr. McConnell, of the Melbourne, has been on a two weeks' trip to Circle and returned on the Tyrrell. In speaking of the country and his observations, Mr. McConnell said: "I wasn't out to the diggings at all, going no further than Circle. There are supposed to be about 1200 people in the Tanana country, and many horses are busy packing. The price of packing is still high, and will probably remain so during the season.

The diggings are shallow, but so far, as near as I could learn, the work is principally prospecting. The Homestake claim is said to have gravel which pays from three to five cents, and if so, it will probably pay pretty well, as the natural conditions for working are said to be very favorable. This is the principal claim. The country as near as I can make out is all staked."

Regarding the Koyukuk the whole situation is summed up in the words of a gentleman from Sweden who stood on the forward deck of the Tyrrell and talked to his friends, while Health Officer McArthur was examining the passengers. He said:

"Ay tank Ay am sorry Ay went." A part of the Tyrrell's cargo was exposed to the admiring gaze of the crowd on the wharf and was regarded with much satisfaction by the throng. It consisted of a large number of barrels of Pabst beer, and a goodly array of Old Tom gin.

There were no passengers from Nome and only two from St. Michael, so that the steamer brings nothing new from Nome, the quarantine being apparently effectual.

Following is the Tyrrell's passenger list: E. Obberman, J. Couture, C. Zelke, E. McConnell, Chas. Morrow, D. Cardiac, C. A. Suttler, John Armour, J. Applants, O. N. Ramsey, C. B. Za-

biski, E. B. Harley, Robert Holly, E. Otto, J. B. Wingate, T. H. Loughin, N. S. Ophun, Emil Granfelt, John Thompson, C. McDonald, Mrs. McDonald, Miss McDonald, A. Sicotte, Robert Brake, M. Beaulieu, J. Clayton, Geo. Puddroombe, R. Bengett, J. Green, M. McClare, Geo. Wellman, C. Bank, H. Weiser, A. H. Smith, Emma Hale, Geo. Bethel, S. Marks, A. Hergen, Robt. Martin, Chas. Gorham, P. Heney, A. I. Johnson, Jas. McConnell, W. E. Delaney, J. Horey, C. P. Johnson, T. Leonard, J. Domillon, C. Peterson, P. Bhaadt, Louis Gayner, Geo. Grove, Alf. Bjonnes, Jno. Keigh, T. Cavanaugh, A. McDonald, G. A. Hatch, G. B. Osbrook, W. Scott, D. McGinnis, W. Redmund, H. Goldrink, G. A. Nichols, Chas. Lund, L. S. Nelson, A. Wilson, A. H. Smith, W. J. Davis, Mrs. Davis.

Co-Operative Committee.

The object of the citizens' mass meeting called by Col. MacGregor, chairman of the citizens' committee, for next Wednesday evening is for the purpose of selecting a committee to co-operate with the committee of the Board of Trade and with any other committees that may be selected for the purpose of properly receiving and entertaining his excellency the governor general, who is to visit Dawson in the near future. It is not the object of any one committee or organization to monopolize the distinguished gentleman's time and attention while here, but at the same time it is proposed that the people will at least insist that his time be divided between them and the officials.

Organize a School.

Editor Nugget: I was pleased to see in your issue of yesterday the statement that a consignment of school books have arrived, also to see your urgent advocacy of a school being organized at once. I am one of those to whom you refer as being ready to bring my family here to live so soon as there are educational advantages offered to children. I am but one of 50 or more who are waiting for the same thing, and if we get our families here this fall, there is but little time to lose in the matter of getting a school started.

The fact that there has never yet been a school here—a regular, modern school such as we have in other parts of Canada—looks to me more like criminal carelessness than anything else. I do not believe the people at Ottawa are aware of the fact that we have no school in Dawson, and I am very certain that they are not aware of the fact that there are today over 200 school subjects in Dawson. That number will be doubled by the time navigation closes if immediate steps are taken to provide for a fall and winter school. Let the matter be agitated until Dawson is put on an equality with other Canadian towns of her size.

Territorial Court.

Yesterday afternoon Judge Craig sentenced Herman Nipping to six months imprisonment. Nipping was found guilty of stealing gold dust on one charge and of withholding the proceeds of rocker upon another. The sentence was three months on each charge.

In the case of Dot Pyne, charged with the theft of sundry gold nuggets, Crown Prosecutor Wade stated that the prosecuting witness had disappeared and notwithstanding the efforts of the police his whereabouts could not be ascertained. The judge returned a decision of not guilty, and the accused went forth vindicated.

A Handsome Souvenir.

Traffic Manager S. M. Irwin, of the White Pass & Yukon Route, has issued a handsome souvenir of that line in the form of beautifully illustrated playing cards, each card of the pack having on the face, and in addition to the spots, some scene to be found on the line of the road. The souvenir cards have been received and are for sale in Dawson by Burne Pollock, the P.-I. agent.

Breakfast dishes at S-Y. T. Co.

GROWING CIRCLE.

Old Town Takes on New Life and Is Out for Business.

IS GATEWAY TO TANANA COUNTRY

Which Has Indications of Future Greatness.

THE PRICES ARE EXORBITANT

For Packing Freight into the Mining District—Very Few Claims Yet Worked—Prospects Good.

The following letter from Circle City indicates that new life has been instilled into the formerly quiet town and that an era of prosperity is before her: Circle City, July 20, 1900.

Editor Daily Nugget:

Hon. Jas. Wickersham, district judge for the district of Alaska, arrived here this evening on board the Hamilton and will remain a few days while licenses are being issued to the business firms, and on other matters of importance, when he will return to Ragle. We regret that the judge's residence has not been located in this thriving little town, which is gaining rapidly in importance and bids fair to become the chief mining center in Alaska.

Lieutenant J. McLeod, of the 7th U. S. infantry, arrived here on the 16th by the Leon and is in charge of the camp at this place.

Mr. A. R. Heilig, clerk of courts for this district, is here on business connected with his office.

Mr. Edgar L. Webster is in town doing business in the interest of the New York Life Insurance Co.

Mr. Bemis, arrived on the boat today from Dawson.

Dr. Watt left town on the 19th for a vacation of a few weeks.

Mr. Hastings, wife and child, arrived here a few days ago. Mr. Hastings will have charge of the A. C. Co.'s books at this place.

Mrs. H. Turner, Mrs. R. Smith and Mr. Mensies will sail down river on the Susie when she returns from Dawson.

The Indians of this town are suffering from a severe form of la grippe, otherwise it is quite healthy and no signs of smallpox have yet been noted.

The mining prospects of the Tanana district continue to improve. The latest reports are very bright, and packers are hauling supplies on bedrock proposition. As the cost of packing from here to the mining district is \$1.25 per pound, the above speaks well for present conditions. The claims on Faith and Homestake are the only ones worked at present. Homestake shows two ounces to a day's shoveling for one man. Faith is equally as good. Wages are \$15 per day at the mines. A specimen of gold (value 60c) from a single pan is on exhibition at the A. C. Co.'s store. Tanana gold assays from \$18 to \$19 to the ounce. Good reports come from the Beaver creek district opposite the Tanana. The cost of packing is the present drawback and the chief cause for men coming here without sufficient money to stake claims, then returning to await developments. Large numbers are expected from Nome as soon as the quarantine at St. Michael against smallpox is raised. H. V. TWERDIR.

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