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YOUTHFUL MURDERER

Boy of Six Killed His Companion

Dismissed by an Atlanta Court on Account of Nature of Evidence.

Special to the Daily Nugget. Atlanta, Ga., May 8.—Victor Nuttall, aged six, has been dismissed from the charge of murder because the magistrate refused to accept the evidence of his young companions. He was accused of imprisoning a lad in a sewer manhole until he was suffocated.

A Train Wreck

Special to the Daily Nugget. London, May 8.—Lord Kitchener reports another train wrecked between Pretoria and Pietersburg. One officer and ten men were killed.

Instruction Begin

Special to the Daily Nugget. Ottawa, May 8.—On May 26 a six days course of instruction for the army medical corps will be started at Ottawa. The split in the Ottawa

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AUCTION To be sold at public auction on the premises corner Princess street and Fourth avenue, where the goods may be examined, Saturday, May 10, at 11:00 a. m., all the salvage from the steamers Mona and Glenora, consisting of One 80 H. P. Locomotive Boiler. Two 60 H. P. Brick-set Boilers, Duplex Pumps, Steam Capstans, Steam Engines, Paddle Wheel and Shafting, Pipe and Fittings, Iron and Steel Castings, Tools, etc., as may be seen. Also the damaged hulls of said boats as they lie in the slough on the west side opposite Dawson. W. FURNIVAL, Auctioneer.

Liberals has been healed and the candidature of Alex. Lumsden and Samuel Bingham enthusiastically endorsed.

Hettie Green Afraid

Special to the Daily Nugget. New York, May 8.—Hettie Green has been granted permission by the New York police department to carry a revolver. She represented that she frequently carried large sums of money about her person.

J. Jewett Suicides

Special to the Daily Nugget. New York, May 8.—John Jewett of Saugerities suicided today. He was formerly colonel of Pennsylvania Black Tails, famous sharp-shooters. Business troubles was the cause.

Brady on a Visit

Special to the Daily Nugget. Port Townsend, May 8.—Governor Brady of Alaska arrived at Port Townsend this morning en route to Ashland, Oregon, to visit his family.

Noon Day Meetings

Special to the Daily Nugget. Toronto, May 8.—Toronto Conservatives are holding noon-day meetings for the benefit of electors who cannot attend in the evening.

Gerst Fined

Special to the Daily Nugget. Buffalo, May 8.—Philip Gerst, formerly treasurer of Buffalo, was fined \$1,000 for misappropriating public money.

Queries Answered

Editor Klondike Nugget.—Dear Sir,—Please answer the following questions: 1.—By what authority and who was responsible for the enactment of the income provision—\$900 in previous 6 months—in the late election in Dawson; also 2.—What lien laws are there in the Yukon territory by which a mechanic may secure wages due him for work on buildings or other work. J. G. TAYLOR.

(1)—The ordinance of incorporation passed by the Yukon council, provided that voters should be able to show an income of \$1800 per annum. 2.—The mechanic has a lien against any building upon which he may be employed to the extent of any unpaid balance which may be due the contractor. If, however, the contractor has received all moneys due him from the builder, the mechanic has no lien against the building and must look to the contractor for his wages.) Seats for the A. B. minstrels are selling rapidly. Tickets may be secured at Rudy's drug store.

HOLBORN CAFE

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DIVIDENDS IMPORTANT

Trade Cares Not a Fig for Flags

Says Andrew Carnegie to London Reporter—Says He Has Reformed.

Special to the Daily Nugget. London, May 8.—Andrew Carnegie says there is no cause for alarm from the shipping combine. "The combine of the shipping traffic is a big order," said he to a London reporter this morning. "There is a free right of way on the ocean, and tramp steamers are always with us. I am not in the navigation syndicate, having retired from business, and reformed. Combine is merely a question of money making. Trade don't care a fig for a flag, but dividends count."

Mr. Carnegie concerning trusts said "None will be long allowed to enjoy exceptional returns. Counter combinations will be formed and competition quarrels will follow." He believes Great Britain will in future form a state of American federation.

Litigation Stopped

Special to the Daily Nugget. Washington, May 8.—The change in the San Domingo government puts an end to the attempt at settlement of the claims of the Dominican Improvement Company of New York against the republic, as United States Consul Powell is leaving for Haiti. The Dominican congress has dissolved and a provisional government formed with General Vasquez titled as Supreme Chief of the Revolution.

PERFECTLY PREPARED

Log Fenders Arround the Robert Kerr

Steamers on the Water Front do Not Anticipate Any Trouble With the Ice.

Preparations for the break-up of the ice still continue along the water front and come as soon as it may there will be but little more that can be done in the way of affording protection to the steamers and other property from the awful grinding and irresistible force of the massive ice floes after once started as they are carried on to the sea. It was formerly considered suicidal for anything to be left within reach of the ice and the thought of a steamboat wintering anywhere but in a slough and escaping being crushed as an egg shell in the break-up was preposterous. The present is the second winter for the Robert Kerr in her present berth adjoining the Aurora dock and as she escaped any damage last year it is pretty safe to assume the same will hold true this season. Within the past few days the Kerr has been sheathed on the outer side by a fender of logs suspended from the deck by means of chains which will act as a protection from the ice and preclude the possibility of a hole being jammed in her side. The same course was pursued last spring and it was found to work admirably, though the logs were pretty well ground up by the time the river was clear. In addition to the heavy steel cable attached to the dock the Kerr has recently run out a couple of six-inch hawpers which, combined, it is

False Report

Special to the Daily Nugget. St. Petersburg, May 8.—No foundation exists for the report that Russian troops killed 75 insurgents at Washilovka.

CROWN AND BRIDGE WORK \$10 PER TOOTH Teeth Filled \$2 up These are Outside Association Prices Dawson Dental Parlor Bank Building, Opp. N. C. Co.

thought will prove sufficient to resist any strain they may have to bear. The Flora and Nora will depend largely for protection upon the Robert Kerr, they having taken shelter immediately behind the larger craft. The Gold Star was pulled out on the shore and blocked up last fall on the bank adjoining the N. C. wharf, where she is safe from all danger and probably in a position where she can be floated off at high water without the use of jacks. The boats and barges in the slough opposite Klondike City are safe as they are entirely beyond the reach of the current.

The hauling away of the tag ends of the winter's wood piles on the bar opposite the barracks still continues, and every stick will have been removed within a few days more. Several scows that were frozen in well out in the river last fall have been knocked to pieces, the lumber hauled in to the roadside and is now being offered for sale. Both the fire engine scows have been snubbed up as closely to the bank as possible and Hubrick's ferry boat is lying at the foot of Queen street ready to be launched the moment the river is clear.

Victory for U. S.

Special to the Daily Nugget. Washington, May 8.—The United States won a sweeping victory over the Republic of Salvador in the matter of arbitration of the claim of the Salvador Commercial Co., other citizens of the States are stockholders. Sir Henry Strong, and Don M. Dickinson, a majority of the arbitrators, gave Americans \$573,175. Don Jose Rosa Pacas, Salvadorian representative on the board of arbitration, strongly dissented.

Enough to Cover Debts

Special to the Daily Nugget. New York, May 8.—J. A. Bush, assignee of Henry Bros., who failed during the Webb-Meyer excitement, said the liabilities amount to \$2,163,314. He also says the firm has sufficient assets to cover all debts.

DISPENSING WITH SHOVELS

New Scheme Used in Washing Dumps

Water Brought Under Pressure From Boulder to Monte Cristo.

New experiments in mining operations suggested by experience of the conditions under which claims are worked in this district are continually being tried with more or less satisfactory results. A recent departure has been made on Monte Cristo Hill, where dumps are being sluiced by strictly hydraulic means. A Trahold is the originator of this scheme, which has been found to work very successfully. The method of working is as follows: A thirty-inch sluice box extends from the face of the dump down to the space reserved for the tailings. A single sluice head of water is conducted through a canvas flume into the sluice box. Another sluice head under a pressure of 100 feet, is brought from Boulder creek by the same means. With a smaller hose and nozzle, the water is thrown against the drift and as the dirt drops it is carried into the big sluice box. Two sluice heads are thus utilized which is all the water Mr. Trahold dares to use. Parties who have seen the working of the Trahold claim state that the method is very successful. One man with the nozzle accomplishes as much as ten men would be able to do in a given time.

PELLY RIVER RUNS CLEAR

Three Mile Ice Jam Below Selkirk

River is Entirely Open From LeBarge Down to Little Salmon.

Those who possess sporting proclivities are making all kinds of bets as to how soon the ice will go out, and the nearer the time approaches and the higher the river rises the more exciting it becomes. The bets are small, as a rule, only just enough to make it interesting and yet be a gamble and so far no one has laid any complaint against such an iniquitous infraction of the majesty of the law. One old rouser whose chief delight is in having a dealer cut down his bets has laid a wager of \$5 with a friend that the ice does not move before the 15th and he considers he has a lead pipe cick in the stakes. The report from up river indicates that the end is fast approaching and the general opinion is that before another week rolls by the ice will be on the move. The up river stations have wired as follows: Ogilvie—The river is breaking up in front of the office and the water is rising fast. Stewart—The water is fast rising and lifting the ice. Selkirk—River is rapidly coming up and the ice is breaking in places. Looks as though it might go out at any time. Selkirk—The Pelly ice ran out last night and raised the Yukon five feet. It is jammed now for three miles below here. Big Salmon—River is wide open from LeBarge as far down as Little Salmon. About 35 boats and 300 persons have passed down in the last two days.

Clean Your Premises

The police have not in any sense relaxed their vigil in the matter of inspecting premises, and those found to be in a filthy condition, their owners are notified to confront Judge Macanlay in the police court where, in cases of gross negligence, heavy fines are invariably imposed. The aim is to have the city in thorough sanitary condition by the time the warm weather arrives and the police and magistrate may be relied upon to do their share towards carrying out the intent of the law. People who are waiting for grass and weeds to grow and conceal the filth about their premises are apt to realize before long that the police are already grown.

Tennis Court Lengthened

The trustees of the Dawson Tennis Club this morning let a contract for the extension of their board court ten feet on each end and four feet on the side. As soon as the alterations are completed practice games will begin, though the new outfit of the club will not arrive until the opening of navigation. Some time during the

Tug of War Teams Getting Ready.

On request of captain all the members of the champion team of last 4th of July are requested to purchase their groceries of F. B. DUNHAM, as he sells nothing but the best and good food is conducive to health and strength.

summer the club will erect a pavilion adjoining the court where tea may be served by the ladies during the tournament prior to the close of the season. Several new players have arrived in the city during the winter and some excellent tennis is looked for this summer. Among the number is Mr. E. B. Bolger, who last year won the Ottawa championship and is considered one of the fastest and hardest players in Ontario. The club has 60 members and is in a most flourishing condition.

Gould and Clark Combine

Los Angeles, Cal., April 5.—The Herald says: Los Angeles will be the Pacific coast terminus of the Gould railway system. The Gould and Clark interests have combined at either side of the continent, Senator W. A. Clark having joined with George J. Gould in the building of a road from Pittsburg to the Atlantic seaboard, and Mr. Gould becoming interested in the San Pedro, Los Angeles & Salt Lake road. The associations will give the Gould system a continuous line of roads across the continent, beginning with the Salt Lake, then the Rio Grande Western and the Denver & Rio Grande to Denver, the Missouri Pacific to St. Louis, the Wabash to Pittsburg and the West Virginia Central with projected extensions to the Atlantic.

Charles W. Clark, the senator's son, who is now in Los Angeles, and J. Ross Clark, brother of the senator, who has the management of the Salt Lake railroad, would only partly affirm the reports of a combination of the Gould and Clark interests. "I haven't received any direct information concerning a combination with Mr. Gould," said J. Ross Clark. "It seems probable, and such action at Salt Lake would give Mr. Gould the long-sought outlet to the Pacific, but I can't enlighten you further."

Queen Better

The Hague, May 8.—Reports from Castle Lee indicate Wilhelm's condition reassuring.

Easily Pardoned

Impartiality is supposed to be one of the prime requisites of a good school-teacher, and indeed it is a quality which most of them possess. But even the schoolmistress is human, and as a story in the Christian Register shows, may measure out justice with a due regard for extenuating circumstances. A little Cambridge girl was discovered whispering in school, and the teacher asked, "What were you saying to the girl next to you when I caught you whispering?" The little culprit hung her head for a moment, and then replied: "I was only telling her how nice you looked in your new dress." "Well, that—you-I know—but we must the class in spelling will please stand up!"

Hear Dick Cowan sing "Carole"

A. B. Colossal Minstrel show, Friday night.

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KLONDIKE NUGGET.



AMUSEMENTS THIS WEEK.

Auditorium—"The Girl I Left Behind Me." Orpheum—Burlesque and Vaudeville.

A STUPENDOUS PROGRAM.

Dr. Edward Everett Hale has outlined a stupendous program for accomplishment during the present century. He proposes among other undertakings that a system of railroads be constructed on the two American continents extending the entire length of both, or more specifically—to run from Patagonia to Labrador.

At first thought a proposal of such gigantic proportions seems almost beyond the reach even of modern railroad kings. The cost of such an undertaking would run so rapidly into millions that J. Pierpont Morgan himself would hesitate before shouldering the responsibility of financing it.

Accepting, therefore, the progress of the past as a basis upon which to determine the advancement that will be made in the future, it seems not altogether unreasonable to anticipate that the ideas advanced by the eminent lecturer may eventually reach practical realization.

Undoubtedly the commercial centers of the continent are growing much more rapidly than the rural districts. The drift of population is in the direction of the former and away from the latter.

Toiling millions of men, women and children crowd the great cities working their lives out in a desperate struggle to secure enough to maintain a miserable existence.

territory for the surplus multitudes of the cities.

Hundreds of thousands of square miles of land capable of sustaining an enormous population would be opened up and made available for the purpose mentioned through some such plan as is advocated by Dr. Hale. The idea is worthy of the man who has brought it forward and worthy also of the age. That it can be or will be carried to a successful conclusion within the present century is a matter of doubt. But that it would serve in a marked degree to settle certain most vexatious, economic and social questions seems unquestionable.

A permanent settlement of the Alaskan boundary is greatly to be desired. As long as the matter remains in doubt, more or less friction is certain to occur. For the best interests of all concerned the question should be adjusted at the earliest possible date.

The sum of \$178,000 is included in the supplementary estimates, for the construction of roads in this territory. Judging from this fact it is safe to conclude that the overland trail will be constructed before the close of navigation.

Let everyone join heartily in making the celebration of the 24th a grand success. Dawson has never yet failed on such occasions, and it is to be hoped that the record of the past will be fully maintained in the present instance.

The Sampson-Schley controversy has been brought to a sudden termination by the former's death. Earthly honor is after all a very unsubstantial and shadowy thing.

The South American republics will soon be advertising—revolutions planned and executed while you wait.

New York, April 17.—Private advices from Port au Prince, by way of Kingston, Jamaica, are, says the Herald, indicative of a far more serious state of affairs in Hayti than is generally known to the outside world.

The recent uprising in the vicinity of Jacmet, which was quickly suppressed, is, according to the Herald's informant, but a forerunner of serious trouble for President Sam. The letter continues:

"The political situation here is most serious, and every indication points to a general uprising of the people of Hayti, if President Simon Sam persists in his announced intention of attempting to remain in power after May 15, an which date his term expires. Many citizens have been imprisoned throughout the republic. In Port au Prince the prisons were not sufficiently large and the government gunboats were used."

POLICE COURT.

Frank Arnold was in police court this morning to explain why certain property for which he was thought to be agent is allowed to be in a filthy condition, the property being between First and Second avenues and Sixth and Seventh streets.

In the same part of the city Joseph Alberts premises were in a filthy condition, for which he was fined \$5 and costs.

TILLMAN WARMS UP

And Gives Senate Several Hot Shots

Declares Negro Rule Will Never Dominate in the Southern States.

Washington, May 7.—The discussion of the Philippine bill in the senate took a sensational turn today. Mr. McComas, of Maryland, referring to the alleged cruelties of American soldiers in the Philippines and of some of the cruelties which occurred on either side during the civil war, insisted that neither side could be held responsible for those regrettable occurrences, as neither approved of them.

These remarks caused a sensational reply by Mr. Tillman, of South Carolina, who declared it was no longer possible to sneer away the responsibility for the infamies committed by the Americans in the Philippines. If it had been known in the South that the reins of government would be given to the negro, the civil war would have been prolonged indefinitely.

"When we get ready to put the nigger's face in the sand," he shouted, "we put his body there, too."

An Insane Swede.

Los Angeles, April 14.—After keeping two policemen at bay for almost an hour, during which time he emptied and reloaded his revolver three times, Fred Jonugait, an insane Swede, sent a bullet into his own brain, inflicting a wound which resulted fatally at the receiving hospital three hours later.

Last night Jonugait applied for lodging, and was assigned by the night clerk to room 16 on the south main corridor. The man had roomed at the house before and the clerk noticed nothing peculiar about his appearance or actions.

Morey, who was standing farther up the hall, called out to know what he meant, and Jonugait answered by firing two shots at him in rapid succession before he could get out of the hall.

When the police arrived the maniac kept them at bay, but his wild shooting did no damage. After he had fired the last shot the officers broke into his room and found him in a dying condition from a bullet wound in the mouth.

On His Way to Cuba

Washington, D.C., April 18.—President-elect Palma of the new Cuban republic passed through here this afternoon en route to Cuba. He will visit a number of Cuban cities and towns, going first to Jibara, thence to Holguin, and then to his native town, Bayamo. He will then proceed

to Manzanillo and Santiago and go to Havana about May 9.

His first official act as president of the new republic, he announced today will be the formation of a cabinet and the dispatch of a message to the Cuban Congress. He already has settled upon several persons to whom he will tender cabinet portfolios but he refused to make his selections public, explaining that he wanted to give the matter full consideration after he reaches Cuba and to announce the cabinet simultaneously.

One appointment, he admitted, was practically decided upon, viz, that of Gonzales de Quesada, who represented the Cubans here during the period preceding the Spanish-American war, to be Cuban minister to the United States. The first message of the head of the Cuban republic to the Congress will be submitted immediately after he assumes office.

Its main features will be recommendations along the following lines: First, all possible measures calculated to unite the various political factions of Cuba, so that all elements will work together in the interest of the new government; second, the development of the natural resources of the country with reciprocal tariff relations with the United States; third, the maintenance of the most friendly relations with the United States government.

Mr. Palma said that the United States dollar would be the standard in Cuba, but that the currency and other questions were matters that required mature deliberation and must not be immediately legislated upon. He said he was hopeful of obtaining a substantial reduction of tariff on sugar, tobacco and other Cuban products. The Cuban government would act entirely on a reciprocal basis in making reductions on United States products, and whatever action was taken at Washington along this line would be followed to the same extent by the Havana government. He said this subject presented the most difficult problem among those he foresaw. In response to a direct query he said that the Cuban government would not establish such reciprocal commercial relations with any other government than that of the United States. He said his efforts would be concentrated on fostering his country to its condition as before the ravages of war devastated it. He did not anticipate any serious difficulty or confusion consequent upon the changes of regime, as most of the offices now were administered by Cubans.

President and Hanna Clash.

Washington, March 29.—President Roosevelt and Senator Hanna have had their first serious clash since the death of McKinley. It is over the case of Major Rathbone, who was recently convicted of malfeasance in office in Cuba and sentenced to ten years' imprisonment and a heavy fine. Senator Hanna has asked President Roosevelt to pardon Rathbone, and the president has declined to do so.

Senator Hanna believes Rathbone to be innocent of any crime deserving the severe sentence inflicted upon him by the Cuban courts. He believes and frankly told the president that General Wood has pursued Rathbone with the intention of ruining him. He asks the president to investigate the case from first to last, and if he finds that Rathbone has been unjustly dealt with to grant him a pardon.

President Roosevelt cannot see his way clear to meet Hanna's request. He respects the senator's determination to stand by his friend, who, in his opinion, has been unjustly dealt with; but the president has his own duty to perform. While he was here a few days ago, General Wood assured the president that there was not the slightest doubt of Rathbone's guilt. He may not have been as guilty as Neely and Reeves, but he was still guilty, and it was not a case in which executive clemency could be exercised. For the present President Roosevelt is forced to stand by the record.

One of the possible results of this difference of opinion between the President and Senator Hanna is a senatorial investigation of Governor Wood's regime in Cuba. Many senators have complained of the arbitrary manner in which Governor Wood has carried out his work at Havana. One charge made against him is that he dismissed judges who would not bring in a judgment in accordance with his wishes.

Passenger Rate Fixed

San Diego, April 17.—The Transcontinental Passenger Association transacted considerable business at its session today. The rate to the Elks' grand lodge, to be held in Salt

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WHITE PASS AND YUKON ROUTE. Time Table of Rail Division. Table with columns for North Bound, South Bound, STATIONS, and times.

Buy Another Road. New York, April 17.—Reports of the purchase by the St. Louis, Memphis and Southeastern Railroad of the Crystal Railroad from the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company are confirmed, says the Times, by President Newman Erb, of the acquiring company.

One More Big Hotel. New York, April 17.—Another palatial hotel is planned for Fifth ave-

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# Wild Mountain-Side Ride

From Asheville, North Carolina, a short branch of railroad runs west to the Tennessee border, and where it crosses the range of the Big Smoky Mountains are to be found some of the steepest and sharpest grades and curves that American engineering can show.

A little beyond Valentine the line zigzags up a mountainside, taking nearly fifteen miles of track to cover perhaps one-fifth of the distance. It is a bad place for the hauling of heavy freight; for much of the way the road-bed is blasted out or built up on the sheer mountainside, so that it overhangs bare bluffs and wooded slopes where the pines seem to grow out of one another's tops; and the grade is such that no train is handled by less than two engines.

On the shoulder of the mountain it becomes easier, however; for a mile or two it is almost level where the track makes a wide circle around the mountain; then it grows steep again, and here stands a little sawmill, with a short siding for convenience in loading cars.

Very early on a July morning two years ago a freight train left an empty flat car on this siding, and at eight o'clock it was half-loaded with walnut planks for Asheville. The brakes were not set, it would appear, but the car was blocked by strips of scantling under the wheels. How these became displaced it is impossible to say; perhaps they were struck by the hoofs of the mules engaged in hauling the lumber; perhaps they were loosely placed, and the increasing weight of the car gradually pushed them out of position.

At any rate, the car suddenly slid off very softly, and began to roll down the siding toward the switch.

No one happened to notice the escape of the car till it had made some twenty or thirty yards, and then the men had no time to overtake and stop it before it should reach the end of the siding. The switch was supposed to be set for the main line, for the westbound passenger train was due to pass in fifteen minutes, and the men at the mill watched the slowly moving car in disgust, expecting to see it go off the track at the open rail ends.

It might fall upon its side, requiring a locomotive to haul it into place again; in any case, there would be hours of labor in jacking it upon the rails. But to every one's amazement and horror, it struck the switch with a rattle and clank, went through and moved out upon the main line, still slowly but with increasing speed.

There is no station or telegraph office at this point. The seldom-used switch is manipulated by the trainmen, and it had evidently been left open with criminal carelessness by the crew of the freight train that had passed four hours earlier. The passenger-train should already have left Valentine, the next station below, and there was no possibility of warning it.

On those steep grades the wild car would attain a speed of a hundred miles an hour before it had gone far; it would crash into the train like a bolt from a catapult, and collision and derailment on those mountain curves are the equivalent of a high bridge disaster in level country.

As has been said, the grade was extremely slight for a mile or two, and the car appeared to be moving so slowly that there seemed a possibility of overtaking it, boarding it and setting the brakes. With this idea, half a dozen men started frantically in pursuit. But the runaway had a long start, and its apparently slow motion was deceptive; it was really travelling even now much faster than a man could run. One after another the heavy-booted mountaineers fell out at the race, panting and breathless. A few still kept on running, but hopelessly, for the car had gained a lead of more than three hundred yards, which it was impossible to reduce. Then suddenly a shout sounded behind these struggling runners, and as they leaped off the track a hand-car shot past, with a single youthful figure pumping energetically on the handles.

A little beyond the sawmill the section gang had been at work, their hand-car standing on the siding. Cleve McGrath, the eighteen-year-old son of the "boss," had just gone to the car for more spikes, when he saw the start of the runaway. Like every one else, he watched for its derailment at the switch; as it held the line he watched the vain pursuit on foot.

Then he knocked away the blocks from the wheels of the hand-car and jumped aboard, throwing all his weight on the handles of the propelling gear. Faint as the slope was, it greatly facilitated propulsion. He rattled over the switch, and in a quarter of a minute had

overtaken the men, who gave him a cheer as he darted past. The flat car had passed out of sight around a curve, and was now nearly a quarter of a mile ahead.

It was his plan to overtake the wild car, board it, and stop it by putting down the brakes. Of course the disconnected air-brakes could not be used, but the hand-brakes were still available, and should be sufficient to bring it to a standstill.

But it was absolutely necessary to overtake the car before it should strike the steeper grade a little farther down the line; once on the rapid slope, its tremendous momentum would cause it to leave the light hand-car as if the latter were motionless. At present he was gaining fast, but he had almost reached the limit of his speed, while that of the heavier car was continually increasing.

Cleve bent with all his might over the handles. The hand-car seemed to be moving faster than ever hand-car moved before. The regular and elastic ring of the wheels on the rails rose to a shrill cry, continually blending with the resonant tingle that trailed behind the runaway-car. The crank handles oscillated so swiftly that the boy could not apply his full strength, and could do little more than follow them up and down with his arms.

As he swung round a curve he was compelled to hold hard to avoid being pitched down the mountainside, and the car itself seemed likely to leave the track at any moment. He could not keep the runaway in sight on account of the continual curves, but at every glimpse it appeared much nearer till, as he doubled a sharp loop, he saw it not forty yards ahead.

Victory was almost within reach, but in a few hundred yards the grade would begin to increase. It was now or never, and the boy pushed madly on the jumping handles. Inch by inch the hand-car drew up, till it bumped its leader. Then, watching his chance, Cleve clutched the brake-rod and swung himself aboard.

His foot slipped and he very nearly went off again, hanging desperately for some moments by his hands before he could recover his balance.

The lightened hand-car almost instantly fell behind as the runaway increased its speed and impetus and began to spin down the slope at a rapid rate. Cleve managed to regain his footing, clambered upon the lumber and applied himself to the brake wheel.

Round it went; the ratchet clacked. The shoes squealed, but there seemed no effect on the still increasing speed. He waited half a minute for the car to slacken, but there was no such effect. The boy's strength was insufficient to set the brakes hard enough, and realizing this, he managed to work loose one of the side stakes that held the lumber in place. This he twisted between the spokes of the brake wheel, and with this leverage he braced his foot against the bottom of the rod and pulled.

With a deafening shriek the steel shoes gripped the wheels, and a long trail of fiery sparks shot out from the tortured metal. The ratchet came up another notch, but there was no perceptible lessening of the now breathless speed. Again, Cleve strained his back on the wheel. The rasping cry of the grating steel racked his ears, but it was no use. On the abnormal grade, the hand brake could not hold against the momentum of the heavy car.

Along the mountainside they darted like a flash. The speed and pitching of the car had grown terrific. Trees went past in green streaks, and on the other side the cut embankment made a smooth ribbon of brown. Then, with a sickening swing, the car lashed round a curve, and shot out upon a stretch of straight track.

Cleve climbed upon the planks and lay flat for safety's sake, clutching the brake. All his effort had been of no avail, it seemed, he had only contrived to involve himself in the disaster that now appeared inevitable. He could neither stop the car nor leave it, for it would be almost certain death to jump.

The whole fabric groaned and the planks shifted as the car went round another curve. It was hard to take breath in the furious wind that drove against the rushing car. Cleve could hardly hear the screaming of the tightened brakes. As the planks slid, he had a momentary terror that one might slip over the front and derail the car. That fear passed but it left the idea that the car might even yet be stopped—if it were made to jump the track.

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### WITHIN A FORTNIGHT

#### Work Will Begin on the Creeks Railway

#### Right of Way Approved by Order in Council and Charter is Extended.

From a source the authority of which can not be questioned a representative of the Nugget has learned that actual construction work on the Creeks railway will be begun within the next fortnight and almost before the residents of Dawson are aware of it the dirt will be flying at an amazing rate in the making of the roadway ready to receive the rails which will arrive immediately upon the opening of navigation. Were it not that the frost is still in the ground work would be under way now, that being the principal reason for the delay in getting started. The first actual work will be done between Klondike City and the mouth of Bonanza which will be largely side hill rock work in rounding the bluff and which can to a very great extent be carried on regardless of the frost. At that point will be embraced practically all the heavy work that will occur on the first section, the road up the creek for the main part following the creek valley with but very few side hill cuts. The grading machinery of the contractors has been hauled to Lebarge over the ice and will arrive on one of the first boats after the breakup. Once here there will not be the slightest delay in pushing the grading and construction to the utmost and it is estimated that trains will be running to the Forks within six weeks after the work has begun in earnest. Immediately following the grading machinery will come the rails, rolling stock and other equipment. The ties will be gotten out here, contracts for all that will be required having already been let.

One feature of the road which has presented to its promoters a point somewhat perplexing has recently been satisfactorily settled by the governor general in council and that is the matter of damages claim owners will be entitled to as compensation for the road passing over their property. The charter gave the right of way over the Dominion lands, but could not do likewise with lands which had to some extent passed beyond the government's control, though the title to such placer ground is more in the nature of a lease, the life of which depending upon certain requirements being fulfilled, instead of in fee simple, and no surface rights passing to the locator beyond the privilege of occupation. The right of way as selected has been approved by an order in council and will follow as nearly as practicable the worked out portions of the various claims which it crosses. It will not be possible for

the owners of a claim that has been worked out and is valuable only as a dumping ground to hold up the company for an exorbitant figure in the way of damages, it being expressly provided that only damages actually sustained to the working of any claim will be such for which the road will be liable. Another important matter which has been arranged by means of an order in council is the extension of the company's charter to Stewart river. It is not considered likely the second section of the road will be built this summer, but next season it undoubtedly will be, and with the government road extending from the terminus to Whitehorse, Dawson, as compared with her isolation of former years, will almost be within speaking of the cities of the Pacific coast.

#### Mysterious Shooting.

Woodland, April 17.—Residents in the northwestern district of Woodland were startled a short time before midnight Friday by two shots fired in rapid succession, followed by the cry of a man for help. Many of them rushed out of their houses, but as the cry was not repeated they concluded that it was the prank of some mischievous boys, and made no further investigation.

This morning Levi Krinkle reported that the shooting occurred on his premises. He was out rather late Friday night, and did not return to his home until a few minutes before 11 o'clock. He entered the front gate and passed around to the rear of the house, with the intention of entering by the rear door. At the rear of the house there stands a large cottonwood tree. When within a few feet of this tree a man stepped out, and, without challenge or word of warning, fired one barrel of a shotgun at Krinkle. This was quickly followed by the discharge of the second barrel. Krinkle screamed for help, and his assailant turned quickly and ran away.

Believing that he was seriously wounded, Krinkle went to the residence of his brother, which was close at hand, and roused him. An examination disclosed the fact that his wounds are only superficial, and that the gun was loaded with powder only, which was confined with black leather wads. One of these wads was picked up this morning near the scene of the shooting.

It is very evident that the man behind the gun did not shoot to kill, because the gun was not loaded with either shot or bullets. The motive could hardly have been robbery, as there was no demand or even a challenge.

#### Dissolution of Partnership.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between William M. McKay and William E. Buritt under the firm name of Buritt & McKay, advocates, Dawson, was dissolved on the 1st day of October, 1901. W. M. McKay will pay all outstanding debts due by the firm. All debts due to the firm must be paid to him at the Monte Carlo building.

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### HIS MIND A BLANK

#### A Late Arrival From Seattle in Trouble

#### Through Neglect to Regulate His Gauge to Meet Exigencies of Hootch.

On the evening of the 6th of the present month when there were evidences that the ice would ere long go out, the spirit of John Shannessy waxed gay within him, or spirits that he had imbibed waxed gay. At any rate, John cultivated a bright, red, lurid jag and was found by an officer on the street near the McDonald Iron Works and taken to the barracks. Later in the evening a Good Samaritan happened that way and bailed John out. Had he bailed him out and left him in jail it would have been better for John, for when his name was called in police court yesterday morning only echo answered. A bench warrant was issued for John and he was found drunk in his cabin, having forgotten all about his engagement at police court.

However, he was there this morning and was as contrite as a man usually is when all he has left of a lark is a dark brown taste that cleaves to the roof of his mouth like a bench-legged bulldog to a ham bone.

He pleaded in extenuation of this, his first offence, a long and previously unsullied career and promised that never again would he allow himself to become in a similar condition.

Judge Macaulay, ever ready to aid a man in a noble resolve, allowed him to go on payment of a fine of \$5 and costs and as John left the lonesome box, like the raven he quoth "Nevermore shall this happen."

Shannessy came to Dawson two months ago from Seattle.

#### Baseball Game.

Now that summer is near and the long balmy evenings permit of outdoor exercises after the heat of day, athletics will no doubt be the chief means of passing a pleasant evening. In all probability baseball will be the main sport by which business man and student alike can pass an hour or two of an evening in recruiting their activeness which has been restrained by a long winter.

In view of the coming baseball season several clubs have been organizing and the honor of being the first organized and uniformed club must be awarded to the "Wagon," a team composed of Dawson's most energetic and enthusiastic youths, who, when attired in their natty uniforms of white and blue, will present a veteran-like appearance and if the way they handle the ball now is a criterion of their future playing many of the older teams will have to guard their laurels well.

Their first game, also the first of

the season, will be played with the N. C. Co.'s team on May 19th at the barracks grounds. Watch for it.

#### Smallpox Treatment.

In a letter written by Dr. Friedrich, the health officer of Cleveland, O., to the editor of the Arena, and given in its April issue, are included the following statements:

"It affords me great pleasure to state that the house to house disinfection freed Cleveland from smallpox. Since August 23, 1901, to this very hour, not a single case has originated in this city, but seven cases were imported. The disease raged here intermittently since 1898. We relied upon vaccination and quarantine as the most effective weapons to combat it, but in spite of all our efforts it doubled itself every year and was in a fair way of repeating the record of last year, as in 1900 we had 993 cases, and from January 1 to July 21, 1901, the number amounted to 1,223. During that time I observed that, after disinfection with formaldehyde of a house in which we found smallpox, never another case could be traced to that house. On the other hand, vaccination had given us many untoward symptoms. Frequently it did not take at all. One-fourth of all cases developed sepsis instead of vaccinia. Some arms swelled clear down to the wrist bone, with pieces of flesh as big as a silver dollar and twice as thick dropping right out, leaving an ugly suppurating wound which healed took in many cases over three months. Finally four cases of tetanus developed after vaccination, so that the people became alarmed, and rightly so.

"I laid these facts before Mayor Johnson and proposed to stop vaccination entirely, and instead of it disinfect thoroughly with formaldehyde. It took over three months to do the work, but the results were most gratifying. After July 23, but seven more cases developed, the last one August 23."

As I read this statement (which included a general description of the means taken for disinfecting and purifying the city), I thought of several friends who have been seriously injured by vaccination the past year, and I wondered how long this antiquated fetish of vaccination must be endured by a suffering people for the sole benefit of the medical profession. With the present treatment of sulphur, etc., smallpox has become one of the most harmless of distempers. Practically no deaths now take place solely from that disease, and no defacement or other ill effect often results after proper treatment. This reform must be taken up by the people themselves. It is not reasonable to expect our city health officers to do it or favor it, for they are depending upon fees from vaccination to help out their small salaries, and they control a large part of that practice. While the medical fraternity are as faithful to their sense of duty as any other class, their ultra conservatism and dislike to drop their hard-earned and costly experience and knowledge for new light and methods is a notorious fact, and it is both the right and duty of society to investigate and adopt all proven reforms in matters of health as well as in any other department of life.

#### Invited to Come.

Washington, D.C., April 16.—On March 26 the following letter was sent by President Roosevelt to the President of France, inviting the French government and people to unite with the government and people of the United States in an appropriate dedication of the monument of Marshal de Rochambeau, May 24:

"Theodore Roosevelt, President of the United States of America.

"To His Excellency, Emile Loubet, President of the French Republic.

"Great and good friend: I have the honor to inform you that the congress of the United States has adopted a joint resolution authorizing and requesting me to extend to the government and people of France a cordial invitation to unite with the government and people of the United States in a fit and appropriate dedication of the monument to Marshal de Rochambeau, to be unveiled in the city of Washington on the 24th day of May, 1902. It becomes, therefore, my agreeable duty to tender, in the name of the government and people of the United States this invitation to the government and people of France.

"I trust that your excellency will see in this action another proof of the lasting gratitude of the American government and people for the inestimable service rendered by France during the war of our revolution, and that the occasion will serve to join together still more firmly the ties which since that time have united the two countries.

"I avail myself of this opportunity to assure your excellency of my fervent desire for the prosperity and happiness of yourself and the government and people of France.

"Written at Washington this 27th day of March, 1902.

"Your good friend,

"THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

"By the President,

"JOHN HAY.

"Secretary of State."

Invitations likewise were sent by the Secretary of State to Count Rene de Rochambeau and M. Gaston de Sahune de La Fayette, as the representatives of their respective families.

Through Ambassador Porter, word came today that the French government will be represented by a general and an admiral with their aides, by a warship and by two officers from the foreign office.

Count Rochambeau and M. Gaston de Sahune de La Fayette, with their wives, are expected to arrive in New York May 18.

#### To Fit About New York.

New York, April 17.—A syndicate tentatively supported by officials of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit is preparing to offer Santos-Dumont an opportunity to deposit himself in American atmosphere. The syndicate will, it is said, raise a fund of \$75,000 for the purpose of enabling M. Santos to navigate a new dirigible balloon out to sea from Brighton Beach up the Narrows, around the Statue of Liberty, up the East River above the Brooklyn bridge and back again to Brighton Beach.

#### Struck by Hammer.

Terre Haute, Ind., April 17.—Prof. J. P. Kimmel, physical instructor at

the Indiana State Normal School, has been fatally injured by being struck on the head with the sixteen-pound hammer with which Captain Beecher of the track team was practicing. The hammer struck Prof. Kimmel behind the ear, causing a fracture of the skull and concussion of the brain. Prof. Kimmel was instructor of the Y.M.C.A. His home was in Pittsburg.

The state intercollegiate field day meet is to be held in this city next month under the auspices of the Normal Athletic Association, and Prof. Kimmel was making an especial effort to prepare a strong team to represent the school.

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Notwithstanding the fact that the company has notices posted in all its wigwams offering a reward for the apprehension of water thieves, no captures were previously made and Detective J. H. Falconer was asked to keep an eye peeled and he did, with the result that his first half day's vigil was rewarded by his apprehending two men in the act of carrying water from the wigwam at the corner of Princess street and Second avenue. The result of the detective's sleuth work was that Robt. Borg and Israel Walker, the latter colored, both honest appearing young men, were before Judge Macaulay this morning charged with the theft of water.

Attorney Walsh appeared for the water people, Bookkeeper Thomlinson of the company and Detective Falconer appearing as its witnesses.

Robt. Borg was first tried. He admitted the charge and the evidence of the prosecution and stated that he is a regular patron of a water wagon but that his house being locked yesterday the carrier was not able to leave the usual amount and that he had carried a supply later from the water house, the door of which was open and the tap unlocked. His mother, a very intelligent appearing lady, and Ed. Gerow, a water dealer, substantiated the young man's story.

The evidence in the Walker case was practically the same on both sides as in the Borg case.

His honor, while the prosecution had secured convictions, not wishing to imprison or impose fines on the young men, gave them a substantial talk in which he pointed out that it was as much of a crime to take water as they had done as to enter a bakery and take a loaf of bread.

As the prosecution did not wish any severe punishment meted, the defendants were discharged.

It is the intention of the water company to continue its vigil and the theft of water in the future may not have such easy termination as did this morning's cases.

**Swept Away by Flood.**

Vancouver, April 5.—The Sioux Indian village at Portage la Prairie has been destroyed by floods. The water came up through the village a week ago, and on Tuesday the natives moved their belongings to the high ground. Nearly all the houses were swept away yesterday and all their contents were lost. This is the most seriously felt damage so far, and it is hoped that the worst of the trouble from the floods is now over.

The people of the town of Souris are completely isolated from the outside world. The two bridges leading to the town were swept away and as a result of the big washout at Napinka the Canadian Pacific trains westbound were stalled there two days. The valley of the Souris river, which is two miles wide, is flooded many feet deep, and the water is still rising. Fifty residents of the flooded Portage la Prairie district are isolated in the Bethel schoolhouse, waiting for the water to recede. The town of Melita is also cut off by the floods.

**Receives Promotion.**

Mr. P. C. Stevenson, one of the most popular of the staff of the Bank of Commerce and during the past winter acting manager during the absence of Mr. Wills, several days ago received the notification of a promotion which by his long service with the bank he is considered to have been entitled to. Immediately upon the opening of navigation he will leave for the outside and after a month or two of vacation he will assume charge of the branch of the bank located at Seattle, recently held by Mr. D. A. Cameron, now manager of the Dawson bank, one of the most important branches in the United States. Mr. Stevenson has been with the bank in this city ever since its starting in '98, with the ex-

ception of a short vacation spent outside two years ago, has made many warm friends and all will wish him every success in his new place of residence.

**Territorial Court Quiet.**

Matters in the territorial court are extremely quiet today, there being nothing doing in Mr. Justice Dugas' department and only a small case of little consequence in that of Mr. Justice Craig. The latter was an action of George B. Parsons and Burne Pollock against James E. Wilson to recover the value of a horse which had been left in defendant's charge. Wilson did not appear in court and judgment was entered against him by default upon the plaintiffs proving their claim. Parsons and Pollock had already secured possession of the horse through a writ of replevin and the judgment of his lordship was that such possession be retained and the plaintiffs recover their costs of the action.

Myers vs. Hobbs came up, but upon motion of defendant was continued pre-emptorily until the 15th, defendant paying the costs of the day, and \$25 for the attendance of plaintiff's counsel.

**Captain Coghlan Pardoned.**

Washington, April 5.—The president today signed a pardon in the case of Capt. Joseph B. Coghlan, who lost 11 numbers in his grade some years ago as a result of an unusually sharp letter written by him to the detail officer of the navy department. As one of the captains at the battle of Manila bay, Captain Coghlan was advanced so as to make up a good deal of the ground lost. The president's action today makes up the rest of the ground and places him at the head of the list of captains, along with Captain Sands. At the retirement of Admiral Farquhar, both will become admirals. Captain Coghlan is carried as an additional number in grade and thus his advancement will not interfere with the promotions of the captains below him. President Roosevelt's action was influenced strongly by a letter from Rear Admiral Henry C. Taylor, the new chief of the bureau of navigation, who, among others, earnestly urged the restoration to Captain Coghlan of the lost numbers.

**Information Wanted.**

Dora A. Palmer, of Southwick, Mass., U.S.A., inquires, through the N. A. T. & T. Co., for her brother, Daniel T. Palmer.

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Empire.—Wm. Benson, Hunker; Belle Fuller, Gold Bottom, H. D. LaPorte, Hunker.

**An Heir Arrives.**

The home of Mr. Henry Brown, an old-timer in the country and also one of the most successful, on the left limit hillside of 31 below, Bonanza, King Solomon's hill, was gladdened at an early hour this morning by the arrival of a bouncing baby boy.

**Takes No Money.**

Washington, April 5.—General Crozier, nominated by the president for chief of ordnance, said today, in referring to the published statement that the unfavorable report of the senate military committee on his nomination was based on the charge that he was interested in certain ordnance patents: "I have no interest in the use by the United States of any invention. Those for which I have patents, the government is free to use and the members of the committee all know it, as I surrendered my legal rights without ever taking any profit for them from the United States, either directly or indirectly, and the evidence thereof has been presented to the committee."

**Officials Guilty.**

Guthrie, Okla., April 5.—The jury today in the Pawnee county court

turned a verdict of guilty against A. J. Bashears, George Fisher and William Hinton, county commissioners, charged with willful malignment of the affairs of their offices. All were removed.

**GENERAL INTEREST.**

The A. B. minstrels tomorrow night and Saturday night promises to be one of the biggest things in theatrical circles this season. There is an excellent demand for tickets and there is every indication that the house will be packed at both performances.

Assessor E. Ward Smith is busily engaged these days in compiling this year's assessment.

The last vestige of the police hockey rink has disappeared and in a few days the ground will be dry enough to begin cricket and baseball.

Mr. William White, K. C., returned yesterday evening from a business trip to the Forks. He was accompanied by Mr. J. H. Astley, local engineer of the Klondike Mines Railway Company.

Assistant Comptroller Hinton is confined to his room with a slight indisposition today.

See Prof. A. F. George, legerde-main and ventriloquism. A. B. Minstrels.

**Soliciting Subscription.**

Today the solicitors for funds for the Victoria day celebration are out on their work and are meeting with very gratifying results. Many of the subscriptions are small but it is very few indeed who have not given something.

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Notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to The Alaska Commercial Company that accounts remaining unpaid May 15th next will be placed in the hands of the company's solicitor for collection.

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