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YOUTHFUL CRIMINAL

Convicted of Murder in the First Degree

Boy of 15 Years Killed His Companion—A Dime Novel Fiend.

Special to the Daily Nugget. St. John, N.B., Sept. 26.—The trial of Frank Higgins, the youthful desperado who was arrested some weeks ago on the charge of killing a companion, William Doherty, was completed yesterday. The jury found the boy criminal guilty of murder in the first degree. He has been an insatiate reader of yellow-back novels.

BULGARIAN REBELS

Surrounded by Force of Turks

They Finally Broke Through and Escaped—Reinforcements in Pursuit.

Special to the Daily Nugget. Salonica, Sept. 26.—Bulgarian revolutionists surrounded by Turkish troops in the Vilayet of Salonica, succeeded in breaking through a strong cordon after a hard fight. Heavy losses resulted on both sides. Reinforcements of Turkish troops are now pursuing the Bulgarians. The Turkish militia reserves have been called out to deal with revolutionary bands roaming about Macedonia.

Fast Cruiser

Special to the Daily Nugget. London, Sept. 26.—The new British cruiser Drake in a trial trip maintained a speed of 34.10 knots although guaranteed but 23. She is the fastest warship in the world with the exception of torpedo chasers.

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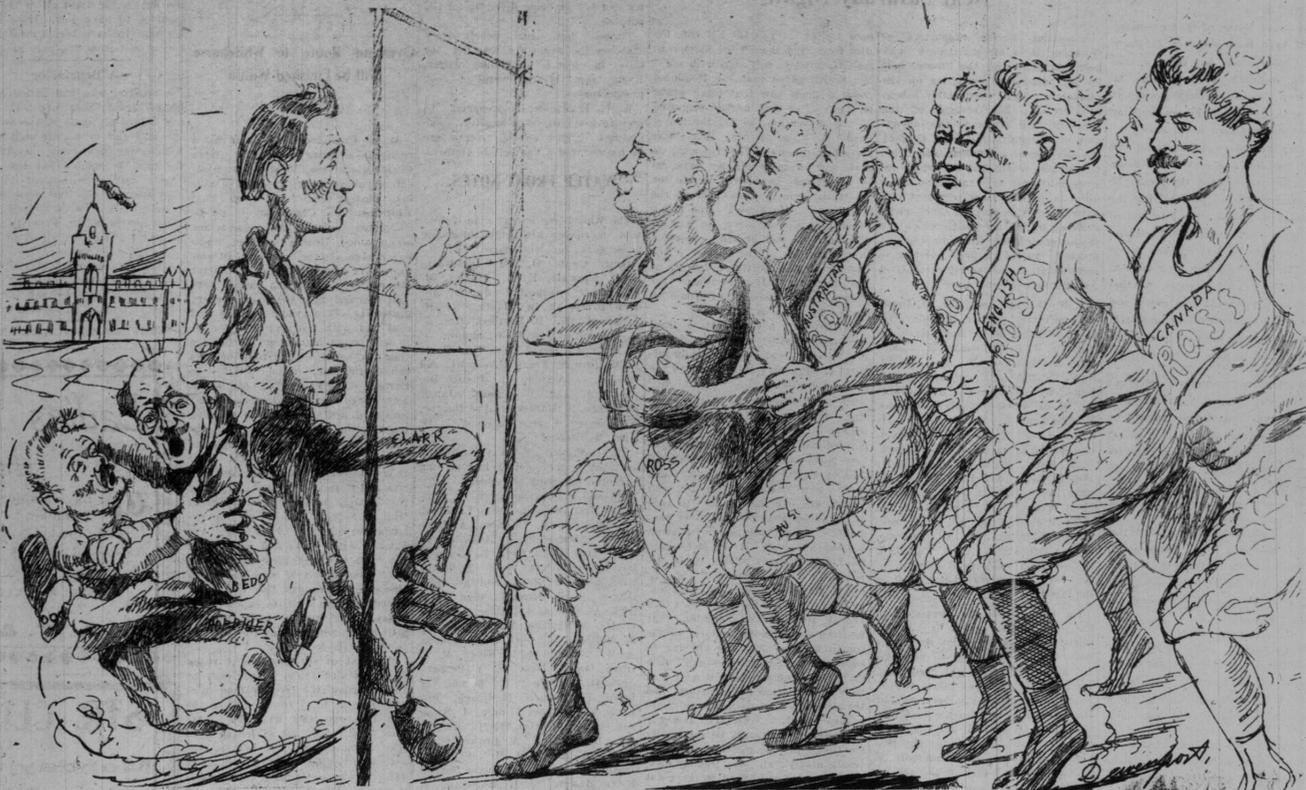
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Rescued Seamen.

Special to the Daily Nugget. Plymouth, Sept. 26.—The Hamburg-American liner "Pennsylvania" arrived at Plymouth today bringing the crew of the Norwegian bark Bothnia, bound from Bridgewater, N.S., for Swansea. The Bothnia had been abandoned, sinking at sea. The rescued crew had a very narrow escape.

Impressive Services

Special to the Daily Nugget. Brussels, Sept. 25.—Impressive memorial services for the queen were held at Brussels today. All street lamps were draped in crepe and lighted.

New Ambassador.

Special to the Daily Nugget. Washington, Sept. 25.—Charles Maguire Tower succeeds White as American ambassador to Germany.

EVERYBODY'S GOT IT.

At this season of the year when the nights are so cold and the days so warm, everybody is afflicted with coughs and colds which in themselves are nothing serious but if not promptly treated are liable to develop into pneumonia, consumption or some other equally dangerous disease. Hence prompt and proper treatment is necessary, for which see Cribbs, the Druggist, who has a full line of the best cough and cold preparations on the market. One trial will convince you.

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NARROW ESCAPE

Of Two Daring Swedish Aeronauts

Their Balloon Exploded But the Debris Formed a Parachute.

Special to the Daily Nugget. Stockholm, Sept. 26.—Captain Eric Unger of the Swedish engineer corps, and Ragnar Wilkander, a civil engineer, had a narrow escape from death yesterday. They had ascended in a balloon in an endeavor to beat Unger's long distance ballooning record of 540 miles in fourteen and one-half hours, made July 27. Owing to hasty preparations on making their yesterday's ascension the balloon exploded. The debris accidentally formed a parachute and a safe landing was made.

Work Resumed

Special to the Daily Nugget. Williamsstown, Sept. 25.—The big breaker at Williamsstown is operating without interference. Improvement is noted in the situation at Lebanon. James Wenzel was clubbed to death by strikers at Grassy Island colliery, Scranton, less than a mile from the military camp.

Hunting Trip

Special to the Daily Nugget. Winnipeg, Sept. 26.—Lord Minto and party left Winnipeg today en route west to shoot geese. Attorney General Fitzpatrick has returned to Winnipeg. He only got as far west as Banff when he was taken suddenly ill.

Fitz in Vancouver

Special to the Daily Nugget. Vancouver, Sept. 25.—Fitzsimmons is here today. He says there is no margin of superiority to gamble on between Young Corbett and McGovern.

Steamers Collide.

Special to the Daily Nugget. Liverpool, Sept. 25.—The Teutonic is in collision with the Dublin steamer Mayo at Liverpool this morning. The Mayo was badly damaged.

Fatally Burned

Special to the Daily Nugget. Vancouver, Sept. 25.—Mrs. Foote was burned to death here last night by a lamp explosion.

The largest and most complete line of wall paper at Voge's. Princess street, between 2nd and 3rd. c30

Wedding Bells

Yesterday evening at St. Mary's church the interesting ceremony was performed which joined in holy wedlock Mr. J. C. Nelson, of 18 above Bonanza, and Mrs. Cavanaugh. Mr. Joe Burke was the best man and Miss Dwyer the bridesmaid. The happy couple was the recipient of many handsome presents in the way of jewelry and cut glass articles. Following the ceremony a reception was held at the residence of Mr. Burke on Second avenue. Mr. and Mrs. Nelson left for the outside this morning on the Whitehorse and will spend the winter traveling through the states returning to Dawson in the spring with the opening of navigation.

Capiases Are Effective.

A capias was issued late yesterday afternoon for the arrest of Charles Lindfors who was a passenger for Eagle on the Zealandian. The arrest was made at Fortymile and was at the instance of T. G. Wilson, who alleges that Lindfors is in his debt to the extent of \$263.37. The delendant was formerly the proprietor of a roadhouse on Dominion at 32 below lower.

STORM AT CAPE NOME

Results in Loss of One Schooner

Captain and Mate Were Drowned. Much Damage Was Done.

Special to the Daily Nugget. Seattle, Sept. 26.—In a severe storm at Nome much damage was done to shipping. The schooner Good Hope was lost, Capt. Danieloff and Mate Slater being drowned. The storm occurred September 17, the exact anniversary of the gale of 1900.

Editor Dead.

Special to the Daily Nugget. London, Sept. 26.—John Lathey, editor of London Sketch and Penny, the well known illustrated paper, is dead.

Automobile Fur Coats, the latest on the market. Palace Car Fur Store, D. C. MacKenzie, Second Ave. near King St.

Prisoners Arraigned

Hugh C. Hamilton and Maurice Smith were arraigned this morning before Mr. Justice Macaulay. Hamilton was charged with having on or about September 20 stolen from the house of Joseph Record on 47 below Bonanza a sack of gold dust of the value of \$193. The charge against Smith was that he had stolen from the person of John Thomas at 244 below lower on Dominion money to the amount of \$195. Both pleaded not guilty and elected to be tried by a jury. Their cases were fixed for the first week in October and will follow that of Fournier and several others.

Sewer Improvements

Many people were struck by the commonsense suggestion of the Nugget that such permanent municipal improvements as sewers should not be paid for this year, but that the payment should extend over several years so that all who reap the benefit should bear their share of the expense, and it seems likely that this suggestion will be taken up by the council.

The expense, however, is not going to be as large as it was expected. In a few more days the work will have been completed for this season, and 1500 feet of good sewers will be covered in. This takes in all the principal streets in the business part of the town, and next spring it will not necessitate an army of men to dig out the gutters or the whole fire brigade to thaw out the boxes.

It is believed now that the whole cost will be little over \$5,000, and the work is well done. The sewers have been put down deep, with huge manholes at each crossing by means of which they can readily be cleaned out if they ever should choke up. Had this been done by contract work it would probably have amounted to \$8,000, as there is no one acquainted with the cost of such work, never having had any experience in it so far north, and it being reasonable to assume that no one will make a contract with the city with the prospect of making a financial loss on the job.

What has cost has been the heavy lumber, which could have been estimated, and what was beginning to cost, because it was growing scarce, was the immense quantity of sawdust used for packing purposes. Only a few months ago the mills were glad to find a swamp where they could dump their sawdust; now it is a saleable commodity. As gold dust is going out sawdust is coming in.

Judgment Rendered.

In the case of Barrett vs. Ames Mr. Justice Dugas has rendered judgment in favor of the plaintiff as per the statement of claim set out in his complaint.

Roosevelt Improves

Washington, Sept. 26.—Roosevelt's condition continues satisfactory.

WILL BE NO CONGESTION

Facilities for Bringing in Freight

Review of the Situation and the Steamer Facilities for Meeting it.

From present advices it does not seem likely that there will be any congestion of freight at Whitehorse for the season. The captain of the Victorian brings word that there was about 1000 tons at Whitehorse when he left there on Tuesday night, and that there was about 1200 tons more at Skagway. But since then the Anur has arrived at Skagway with 400 tons, the City of Seattle arrived there last night and the Humbolt is expected today. So that it may be estimated there are 2000 tons at Skagway less what has been brought to Whitehorse the past few days.

But since the Victorian left Whitehorse four steamers have started for Dawson—the Dawson and Selkirk, which are both due today, the Mary Graff and the Bonanza King. These are calculated to bring from 700 to 800 tons, the shipments being comparatively light at this stage of the water in the river.

The White Pass Company has fixed no date for the closing of operations this season. Last year it closed on Oct. 12th, and should it continue to about the same date this year there is little danger of any congestion or any freight being left behind. Says Manager Rogers this morning: "It is up to the clerk of the weather to say how long we shall run this season, but I have no doubt we shall get down all the freight this year."

The company has now available for moving freight nine regular steamers and the Closest and the Bailey, and can use the Tyrrell, Crimmins, Casca, Sitton, La France and Thistle of the outside companies. This makes seventeen steamers in all. Also, there are a number of scows at Whitehorse, and when the water gets too low for the large steamers the company can employ the Crimmins, Closest and Bailey towing freight on these scows. The Crimmins is very good at handling scows, and can bring 250 tons at a trip. With

"A FOOL THERE WAS"

Rejected Affection Ends in Suicide

Lost Money and Sweetheart Then Discovered He Had Been an Ass.

Special to the Daily Nugget. Duluth, Sept. 26.—Jas. A. Tibbetts, a prominent Elk, of Duluth, committed suicide last night. He recently became financially embarrassed and his rejected overtures of affection to a Duluth woman have been publicly discussed. Tibbetts left a note reading "I have just found out what an ass I am."

IMPORTANT APPOINTMENTS

Made in the American Service

A Number of Changes Following the Assignment of Tower to Russia.

Special to the Daily Nugget. Washington, Sept. 26.—The following appointments have been announced, taking effect when Minister White leaves Berlin: Charlemagne Tower to Russia; Bellamy Storer to Switzerland; Charles Fane Brian to Spain and David E. Thompson to Brazil, each accredited as envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary.

No Foundation

Special to the Daily Nugget. Vienna, Sept. 26.—The only foundation to the report of yesterday that a steamer had sunk on the Danube near Vienna, and 14 perished, is that a coal barge sank near Orsova with no loss of life.

Tornado in Sicily

Special to the Daily Nugget. Rome, Sept. 26.—A severe tornado has swept Catania, Sicily, flooding many houses, including the Villa Bellini. Much damage was also done at Medica, 30 miles from Syracuse, where several persons were killed.

William Dissatisfied

Special to the Daily Nugget. Berlin, Sept. 25.—Emperor William is dissatisfied with the performance of Meteor III, and has ordered a new yacht from Herreshoffs.

Negro Hanged

Special to the Daily Nugget. Michigan City, Ind., Sept. 26.—Louis Russell, negro murderer of Perry Stout, a white man, was hanged here this morning.

Etna Growing

Special to the Daily Nugget. Rome, Sept. 26.—Mount Etna shows further signs of activity. The Stromboli volcano off the northeast coast of Sicily is still active.

Coal Going Up

Special to the Daily Nugget. Boston, Sept. 26.—Soft coal is selling at \$8, and hard coal at \$15 per ton in Boston.

MEETING OF ROSS SUPPORTERS. All supporters of the candidature of Mr. Ross are requested to attend a meeting in the Pioneer hall on Saturday, the 27th inst., at 8:30 p.m. for organization. D. DONAGHY, Secretary.

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KLONDIKE NUGGET.



AMUSEMENTS.

Auditorium Theatre - "The Old Homestead."

Standard Theatre - Vaudeville.

THE PEOPLE'S CANDIDATE.

The friends and supporters of Mr. Ross have rallied to the support of their candidate in a manner that admits of no doubt as to their determination to see him elected on Dec. 2nd. It would be a mistake to imagine that Mr. Ross' strength is confined to the ranks of the straight Liberal party. On the contrary he is drawing steadily from all classes of voters in the territory, including many who have ranked, heretofore, as straight Conservatives.

Counted in the forces now centering around Mr. Ross there is a strong element of English, South African, Australian and New Zealand voters who will unite to down Clarkism and everything disreputable in politics signified by that term.

Mr. Ross, as was brought out at the meeting last night, is essentially a candidate of the whole people, and as such will command popular support. Time and again during his term of office he has exhibited his loyalty to the territory in an unmistakable manner. In his capacity as Yukon commissioner he has not hesitated, when occasion demanded, to rise above political influences and stand out strongly for the needs of the community.

The people, therefore, irrespective of party affiliations, recognize in Mr. Ross a man who is devoted to the promotion of their welfare and in whose hands the interests of the territory may be entrusted with perfect safety.

With Mr. Ross representing the territory in the house of commons, the needs of the district will be brought before that body in a manner that will command attention and bring results of a practical nature. The large appropriations secured for the Yukon at the last session were given upon the representations made by Mr. Ross and it is highly essential that the same policy be followed for the coming year.

The right of representation in parliament will not avail the territory anything if Joe Clarke is elected. Clarke promises to spend all his time in Ottawa abusing the members of the government and his vacations in gathering more material for abuse. That purpose was made the theme of his speech of acceptance before the convention which nominated him, and admittedly he hopes to accomplish nothing more.

The sober minded, intelligent voters of the territory cannot be misled into the folly of choosing such a man. They want a man who has done things of real value and who can be relied upon to secure from the federal government every possible advantage and concession.

Such a man is found in the person of Mr. Ross and thus it is that already he has come to be regarded as the people's candidate.

BIG MAJORITY NECESSARY.

The campaign in behalf of Mr. Ross will be conducted upon a thoroughly organized basis and with the purpose in view of making his majority just as large as possible. It is not only necessary that Clarke should be defeated but that defeat should be made

so absolutely overwhelming that Joseph will henceforth and forever realize that the people of the Yukon have no time for demagogues and cheap politicians.

Clarke has been shrewd enough heretofore not to risk defeat by standing for office himself, although Mr. Thompson's downfall at the city election last winter was nothing more nor less than a stinging blow to Clarkism.

The object lesson of that campaign should have been sufficient to have kept Clarke down, but being a man wholly incapable of reasoning, he has been foolish enough to tempt fate again and it is perhaps well for the people that such is the case.

Clarke will never do anything but make mischief and create dissension in the community and the sooner he is stamped out of political life the better it will be for the interests of everyone. It is desirable, therefore, that no steps be left untraced to insure Mr. Ross' election by a tremendous majority. Everyone, whether voter or not, should lend every possible aid to insure a defeat for Clarke from which even his cast-iron audacity will not be able to recover.

According to yesterday's telegraph advices Dr. Haanel is preparing a special report for the government on Yukon conditions in which the quartz outlook for the country is regarded very encouragingly. Dr. Haanel's observations will undoubtedly have much weight with eastern investors.

The old story of the pot calling the kettle black is well exemplified in the hostilities still exchanged between the Sun and News. The only question at stake is which is the pot and which the kettle.

As soon as the new overland trail is thoroughly established and covered with a hard-packed coating of snow, the winter trip to Whitehorse should be reduced to steampoint time.

The voters are not interested in the past as much as they are in the future. A man whose entire stock-in-trade is abuse cannot obtain any material advantages for the country.

Clarke's greatest success in the Klondike was in connection with the ten-dollar door. That sort of success, however, will not appeal to the average voter.

Dawson now has a curfew. Shades of Switwater Bill, whither are we drifting?

Guessing contents on the date when the river will close are now in order.

For the next six months grim-visaged winter will be "it."

Another Missing Man. North East, Pa., Sept. 9. Editor Klondike Nugget: Dear Sir, - A brother and friend would like to learn the whereabouts of Herman Salshow. When last heard from he was at No. 13 Eldorado, June, 1901. His home is in North East, Pa. He left for Alaska about 5 years ago. If you can furnish us any information of his whereabouts I would be greatly indebted to you.

Thanking you in advance, I remain, Yours in suspense, F. W. SALSHOW, North East, Erie Co., Pa.

English Rifleman Victorious. Ottawa, Sept. 13.-The English rifle team today carried off the Palma trophy with a total score of 1,459 on the Rockcliffe rifle range, beating the American team with a score of 1,447. The Canadian team was last with a score of 1,375.

The Yankees were somewhat handicapped as the Englishmen have been shooting on the range for the past four weeks, and the atmospheric conditions differ from those at Seagirt. No complaint was heard, however, and Gen. Spencer of the American team complimented the Englishmen on the arrangement of the match.

Was Chief Justice. Litchfield, Conn., Sept. 12.-Chas. B. Andrews, ex-Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Connecticut, died today of heart disease.

Old Homestead - at Auditorium.

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ROSS SUPPORTERS' MEETING

Held in Pioneer Hall Last Night - Plans for the Campaign Discussed and Outlined. Committees Will be Appointed on Next Saturday Night.

A meeting of the supporters of Governor Ross for parliament was held last night in the Pioneer hall for the purpose of organizing for the campaign. There were nearly a hundred present, but several of the speakers laid stress on the importance of starting in right and thought the election of a central committee to which would fall the whole responsibility of the campaign called for a larger and more representative gathering. This may be taken as an evidence of the care with which the supporters of Mr. Ross propose to proceed, as for a first meeting it seemed both large and representative. Among those present were:

T. W. O'Brien, presiding; D. Donaghy, secretary; Mayor Macaulay, H. O. MacKinnon, M. G. MacLeod, J. A. Christie, J. P. McLennan, M. J. McIver, A. M. Cavanagh, A. J. Gillis, P. E. Ritchie, A. F. Edwards, A. E. Finch, W. Lessing, W. A. Richardson, R. M. de Gex, E. H. O. Vaudin, F. Finnan, A. N. Martin, C. H. Lamb, G. F. Henley, A. LeBoeuf, Dan D. Buchanan, J. W. Thomlinson, M. L. Foley, Angus Matheson, A. K. McLean, M. Alcock, D. H. Dix, P. G. Nash, W. T. Barrett, P. A. Kennedy, E. B. Cogswell, A. Donnelly, J. W. McNeill, F. J. Sammons, F. S. Leck, T. A. Stewart, D. A. Matheson, George Brimstone, Capt. Campbell, Geo. Vernon, George R. Smith, O. H. Clark and several delegates from the creeks.

The key note of the sentiment of the meeting was struck by J. A. Christie, who pointed out that there were many who desired to vote for Mr. Ross who have not heard members of the Liberal party. They were Conservatives who believed that Mr. Ross was by far the best man that could be selected, and they were ready to vote for him as the people's candidate, as he undoubtedly is. It was not the policy of the government at Ottawa in which the people of the Yukon was interested, but the administration of affairs in this territory, and they were interested in having it carried on by one who was well acquainted with the conditions and the needs of the miners.

Mr. Christie was several times heartily applauded, and Mr. Smith, the miner who placed Mr. Ross in nomination at the convention, heartily endorsed the views expressed. There were many Conservatives on the creeks who were supporting Jim Ross on his merits because they know him to be a Yukon man who will protect Yukon interests. One of them, a leading operator, he mentioned, and said that when he asked that gentleman to sign the petition requesting Mr. Ross to run he at

ent crown prosecutor. Months ago it was generally understood that Mr. Congdon would be the Liberal candidate for parliament at the fall election, but for some reason a switch was made in favor of Mr. Ross. Then it was that Mr. Congdon became an aspirant for the gubernatorial chair with every reason to hope for success had not Mr. Smart appeared on the horizon. Should the latter be made the next commissioner of the territory he could not do better than follow in the footsteps of his predecessor - the best, truest and most valued friend the Yukon ever possessed. The premier is now on his way home from Europe and is expected at Ottawa within the next ten days. One of his first acts will doubtless be the naming of Mr. Ross' successor.

GOV. ROSS' SUCCESSOR

Will Probably be James A. Smart

The Present Deputy Minister of the Interior Aspires to be the Next Commissioner.

Since the news of the resignation of James Hamilton Ross as commissioner of the territory has been received, a question that has been uppermost in the minds of the residents of the Yukon has been - who will be his successor? There are a great many, not alone among the local politicians but also in the ranks of the hangerson at Ottawa, who would be intensely gratified at receiving the \$12,000 plum, but which will prove the possessor of the strongest pull is largely a matter of conjecture. It has been openly stated by those who are in a position to know what is going on in the inside that Deputy Minister of the Interior James A. Smart is an aspirant for the position, some affirming that the matter has been as good as settled and that the return of Sir Wilfrid Laurier is only awaited to confirm the appointment already agreed upon. On his recent trip to Dawson Mr. Smart expressed himself as very well pleased with the country and it is known that he would not be at all averse to making the proposed change. The honor attached to the position of commissioner of the Yukon might be quite as great as that of being deputy minister of the interior, but the salary and emoluments of the office would be four or five times as large, which is an inducement that few would overlook.

Of the local politicians there is but one gentleman who has been prominently spoken of for the position and that is Mr. F. T. Congdon, the pres-

ident crown prosecutor. Months ago it was generally understood that Mr. Congdon would be the Liberal candidate for parliament at the fall election, but for some reason a switch was made in favor of Mr. Ross. Then it was that Mr. Congdon became an aspirant for the gubernatorial chair with every reason to hope for success had not Mr. Smart appeared on the horizon. Should the latter be made the next commissioner of the territory he could not do better than follow in the footsteps of his predecessor - the best, truest and most valued friend the Yukon ever possessed. The premier is now on his way home from Europe and is expected at Ottawa within the next ten days. One of his first acts will doubtless be the naming of Mr. Ross' successor.

Cyclone in Italy. Rome, Sept. 13.-A furious cyclone swept through the town of Castelmar near the Adriatic, causing much destruction, hurting people in the air, unroofing houses and doing other damage. So violent was the tempest that four trains were brought to a standstill being unable to make headway against it.

Castelmar is in the province of Teramo, Italy, near the Adriatic, and has a population of 5,000. It should not be confounded with the better known town of the same name on the Bay of Naples, or the other town in Sicily.

Two Companies Coming. Seattle, Sept. 13.-Major Bingham this morning received a telegram from San Francisco announcing that two companies of the Eighth Infantry would leave the city on Monday for Skagway, passing through Seattle. Major Bingham will attend to the trans-shipment of the troops here, probably sending them from their train directly to the Dolphin, which sails for Skagway next Wednesday.

"That old hen just seems to be bursting with pride," remarked the farmer's dog.

"Pride? Nothing of the sort. It's eggs," replied the Leghorn rooster. "She thinks she's a financier, and she's trying to stop laying until there's a rise in price."

Job printing at Nugget office.

A New Hospital.

Hamilton, Sept. 13.-Dr. Frazer, the physician, has fitted rooms for a temporary hospital. It is presided over by a Miss Pool from Chicago, who has made it very comfortable.

Another clothing store is to be added to the business portion of Hamilton.

The large building on Maple avenue, owned by Shafer & Youngblood, our local bankers, has been recently leased by a party from Sedro Woolley and is now being fitted up for the purpose.

Timber men from nearly every state in the union are scouring the hills in search of timber claims. Every train brings several of such prospectors.

W. E. Hightower is preparing to remove his mill to a locality some distance higher up the river where he has secured a fine belt of timber.

WATER FRONT NOTES.

The Whitehorse left at nine o'clock this morning with the following passengers for Whitehorse: F. G. Argell, Capt. H. M. Dickmann, Lieut. Stewart, E. B. Hanley, M. F. Hanley, Inspector Jarvis, Andrew Bruce, W. W. Moore, R. R. Stoddard, Mrs. D. Bartlett, Mrs. J. R. Gandolfo, Miss G. Gandolfo, J. P. Anderson, David Foot, Wm. Foot, J. M. Rowan, Frank Diver, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Nelson, Mr. Justice Dugas, Mrs. and Miss Dugas, James Lawrence, S. Morgensen, Pat Bourke, F. Sivestind, Eugene Paterson, L. H. Kier, W. McNeil.

The LaFrance got away for Whitehorse at eight o'clock last evening with the following passengers: Alex. McDonald, C. Christolm, C. A. Chisholm, Mrs. Chisholm, Miss Elizabeth Chisholm, J. G. Morgan, A. Carlson, A. Nordstrom, R. Robinson, J. W. M. Mill, Mrs. Shade, L. H. Conklin, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Anderson, E. A. Anderson, Rosant Dalton, Mary Dalton, B. W. Beatty, Miss Galtbeek, A. McDonald, James Morrison, E. H. McFarlane, Mary Miller, D. E. McLeod, A. Dorr, J. Parkinson, A. W. Slater, J. K. Flynn, M. E. Olsen, Harry Duffy, E. A. Bennett, John O. Wahlgren, Ed Benschel, H. Kroll, T. Hunt, J. D. Reagh, Mrs. K. Orr, James Heddie, J. Swanson, G. B. Carter, E. L. Latere, Mrs. Donshall, E. A. Brown, G. G. Brown, E. Berglund, Mrs. Fry, Wm. Holby, J. M. Kane, Annie Sarrall, S. O. Mussen, J. R. Whitelaw, H. Robinson, Mrs. Rankin, Master Rankin, A. Hutchison, Ed. Vienuen, Mrs. Faulk, Daniel Warren, Mrs. Matheson, A. Matheson, F. A. Johnson, W. Cornelius, O. W. Bean, W. H. Donake, Chas. Shade, P. Frank, G. L. Hill, Miss A. Anderson, Mrs. F. R. Nott, Miss R. Nott, Hanson Amitt, Mrs. Smith, Mr. A. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Kolb, E. A. Wilmer, P. Budd, George Walker, G. Wilmer, Mrs. Greenbaugh, Alfred Doll, C. Storrs, T. H. McLean, H. Smith, J. W. Miller, R. N. Harris, C. Turner, L. H. Wright, Alex. James, A. Falk, H. Freser, Chas. Miers, A. Michand, Emelle Pelletier, T. T. Howe, R. Harbenson, J. Cotlear, F. Davis, L. Bishop, H. Wegren, Albert Wilson, W. B. Nicholson, H. C. Kaye, John Harde, C. Svenson, Burnett Mullarky, Edward Simpson, F. W. Brinkman, Mrs. E. Little, P. Fortie, A. Swanson, P. W. Sloan, J. Kante. For way ports - John Headstrom, B. Swanson, J. McDonald, A. Lindstrom, R. Henderson, W. H. Florence, G. Peters, J. Winters.

The Selkirk is expected at five o'clock this afternoon and the Dawson at eight o'clock this evening.

The Victorian brought 180 tons of freight yesterday, principally merchandise.

The LaFrance last evening had 126 passengers, nearly all of whom had cut rate tickets purchased some time ago. Mr. Calderhead says this pretty much clears up the cut rate tickets in which so many speculated.

Among the passengers of the Victorian were Mrs. J. H. Scott, wife of the cashier of the White Pass, and the baby, and a bride for M. E. Bennett, formerly with the White Pass but now with the N. C. Company.

The Lighting has been re-fitted and leaves this afternoon for Cliff creek, with a large barge, to bring coal for the N. A. T. & T. Company.

James L. Wortham, managing owner of the Clifford Sifton, left on the Zealandian yesterday for a trip to Eagle.

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The last of the government roads to be finished this season will be that across the river leading from the Hubrick ferry to the top of the hill and connecting with the Sixty-mile trail. In point of length it is less than a half mile but its construction is slow work on account of the roadway being for a considerable distance blasted out of the solid rock. The bluff is of peculiar formation and according to J. H. Sutton, who has charge of the work, is difficult to handle, the giant powder not operating as successfully in it as it does in a granite or porphyry formation. When completed the road will be of such easy grade that a team fully loaded can make the hill with but little extra effort.

A review of the road work performed during the past two years by the government reveals an astonishing mileage. Every creek of consequence in this part of the territory has been made accessible to teams and with the exception of the warden of the trail to the Sixty-mile district there would seem to be little more to be done next season beyond keeping those in use in good repair. As other creeks in the Stewart river section come into prominence by reason of pay becoming definitely located, as in the case of Duncan creek, roads connecting with the steamer landings will be built as soon as the traffic is sufficient to warrant it. Gradually but surely the territory will become a veritable network of roads thus greatly reducing the cost of working the mines and making possible the operation of law grade properties which are now idle and of but little or no value.

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Three or four days ago seven cotton pickers, four men and three women, went to work in the patch where the poison had been applied. Late in the evening they became sick and during the night all of them are reported to have died. Their deaths are said to have been caused by inhaling dust from the poison.

A Benefactor. A squirrel who had buried a number of hickory nuts forgot the place, and before he found it the nuts had sprouted and were quite unfit to eat. Summoning the other squirrels to the spot he pointed out the young shoots and said with great solemnity: "Behold, I have done a little something for the future. From this grove posterity will gather abundant food."

At this they declared him a great benefactor and loaded him with honors, which he bore modestly till he was shot for a stew and the young hickory trees made into hop-poles.

Old Homestead - at Auditorium.

Special power of attorney forms for sale at the Nugget office.

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ROMANTIC FEATURE

Connected With Famous Tracy Case

Woman Who Found Merrill's Body Eloped With the Latter's Brother.

Special to the Daily Nugget. Portland, Ore., Sept. 24.—Mrs. W. D. Wagoner, who found the body of convict Merrill, has introduced a romantic feature into the Tracy episode by eloping with Ben Merrill, brother of the dead outlaw.

SENSATIONAL MURDER

Occurs in a New York Bar Room

Prominent Banker Shot While Drinking With Loose Women.

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Ancient Warfare

According to a Bengal native paper war is less civilized in these days than of old. It unearths a set of rules purporting to be drawn up by opposing generals in ancient India before war was declared.

Scout Leaves for Stewart

The steamer Scout which was formerly the May West and was purchased by the police to be used as a dispatch boat, took on a load of wood this morning at the Merchants dock preparatory to making a trip up the Stewart as far as Gordon, the better known as Duncan landing. The old crew has been retained to handle the craft and it is the belief that the old May West has at last seen the end of her troubles.

Schoner Run Down

Quebec, Sept. 5.—Last night the steamer Westphalia, on her way to Montreal, collided with the schooner Marie Anne, near Quebec. The schooner was out in two, and her captain, X. Boisvert, and Pilot Vandreuil were drowned. A sailor named Geo. Boisvert was saved by a boat from the steamer.

Counterfeiters Escape

Special to the Daily Nugget. Vancouver, Sept. 24.—Ed. Hanson, the notorious Spokane counterfeiter, has again escaped from McNeill's Island Penitentiary and is reported headed this way.

What Might Have Been

Phillip King this morning headed guilty in the police court to having been drunk and disorderly on Second avenue last night. He was sleeping on a wood pile when Constable Timmins saw him and showed a powerful inclination not to be disturbed. Timmins called another policeman and they got him to the barracks. He was too drunk to make much show of resistance. "You see what trouble you might have got yourself into," said Magistrate Wroughton, "if you had resisted the officer that would have been a serious affair." Fined \$2 and costs.

Trint by Jury

Mr. Justice Macaulay is engaged today in hearing the case of Box vs. Calderhead, the cause of the action dating back to just before the close of navigation last fall. The trial is before a jury consisting of Wm. Bradley, J. A. Christie, M. G. McLeod, G. W. Mitchell, J. S. Barron and George J. Gregory and the action is over a hay and oat deal. Plaintiff alleges that he sold to the defendant at Whitehorse last fall a quantity of hay and oats at a certain figure delivered there, whereas it is held by defendant that the goods were not delivered at Dawson at the price named. The difference in dispute is the amount of the freight between Dawson and Whitehorse which as the consignment amounted to 100 tons is no small sum. A verdict will doubtless be reached this afternoon.

LIBRARY LOCATION

Sites Spoken of for the Carnegie Gift

Are Much Too Far From the Central Part of the City to be Acceptable.

The securing of later the maintenance of the Carnegie free library is at last beginning to assume tangible shape. Double the appropriation asked for by Mr. Carnegie as an assurance that his gift will be properly cared for has been voted, \$2500 each by the city council and the Yukon council, and now all that remains to be done is to select the site and begin the work of construction as soon as the funds are available. As to the location several have been spoken of but to them all is the very serious objection that they are not sufficiently central. It would be but little short of a crime to locate the library near the Administration building when there are available sites so much more central and nearer town.

Work of the Irish

New York, Sept. 6.—A conference of Boer sympathizers, representing German and Irish societies in Greater New York, Philadelphia, Boston, Providence and other cities, has been held here for the purpose of coordinating the relief of the foreign soldiers of the Boer army who are now prisoners of war in the hands of the British.

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Trial of La Belle

The preliminary trial of La Belle for the murder of Boutillier and Beaudoin was fixed for tomorrow afternoon, it having been adjourned to this date at the request of the prisoner, who said that he expected Mr. Leonard, his brother-in-law, a member of parliament, and a prominent barrister on Montreal, to come here to defend him, nor is he known to have reached Skagway, so the trial may be again adjourned for this reason.

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By Republicans of New York

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DAMAGES AWARDED

To Lady for Breach of Promise

The Jury Gave Her \$5000 When \$2000 Only Had Been Asked.

Special to the Daily Nugget. Toronto, Sept. 24.—A Toronto court has awarded Miss Victoria Middleton of Sarnia \$5,000 damages against Dr. F. B. Wilkinson for breach of promise. The lady sued for only \$2,000.

UNFAITHFUL WOMAN

Shoots Husband and Then Herself

Special to the Daily Nugget. New York, Sept. 24.—Chas. O'Neil, a New York janitor, discovered the infidelity of his young wife and threatened to kill her. His nerve failed him because as he declared he "could not help but love her still." She was bold, however, and killed both husband and herself.

Negroes Released

Special to the Daily Nugget. Birmingham, Ala., Sept. 24.—B. H. Ballou and Will Hicks, two negroes charged with causing the recent fatal panic in the Shiloh church of Birmingham by fighting, have been released from custody on the representation of numerous ministers that prosecution would cause disruption in the church.

Boys Arrested

Special to the Daily Nugget. Kansas City, Sept. 24.—Four negro boys are under arrest in Kansas City charged with arson. They fired fourteen buildings because they enjoyed seeing the firemen turn out.

\$100,000 Fire

Special to the Daily Nugget. Hamilton, Sept. 24.—Hamilton has had a \$100,000 fire. The chief sufferers are Snowdrift Baking Powder Co., loss \$30,000; and George Watts & Sons, \$70,000.

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To Relieve Sufferers

Special to the Daily Nugget. Olympia, Sept. 24.—Governor McBride has issued an appeal for relief for the forest fire sufferers.

South African Garrison

London, Sept. 5.—The War Office expects that the work of bringing home troops from South Africa will be completed by the end of October. Already 80,000 have returned. Of the 50,000 troops to form the permanent garrison of South Africa, a large proportion will be mounted men. Fourteen batteries of artillery will remain. Arrangements are being made which point to Bloemfontein becoming the military capital of South Africa on account of its central position. A new military prison is to be erected there. On account of the cost of living in South Africa, an addition of 25 per cent. has been made to all military allowances. Three hundred portable huts for officers' quarters are to be shipped shortly at a total cost of about \$250,000.

ROMANTIC FEATURE

Connected With Famous Tracy Case

Woman Who Found Merrill's Body Eloped With the Latter's Brother.

Special to the Daily Nugget. Portland, Ore., Sept. 24.—Mrs. W. D. Wagoner, who found the body of convict Merrill, has introduced a romantic feature into the Tracy episode by eloping with Ben Merrill, brother of the dead outlaw.

SENSATIONAL MURDER

Occurs in a New York Bar Room

Prominent Banker Shot While Drinking With Loose Women.

Special to the Daily Nugget. New York, Sept. 24.—The murder case of Banker Nicholas Fish, grandson of Col. Nicholas Fish, the hero of Harlem Heights, Saratoga, and Yorktown, and son of Hamilton Fish secretary of state under Grant, and brother of President Stuyvesant Fish of the Illinois Central, promises to become New York's latest cause celebre. Fish was drinking in a saloon with two gay women and was killed by the male companion of one of them.

Ancient Warfare

According to a Bengal native paper war is less civilized in these days than of old. It unearths a set of rules purporting to be drawn up by opposing generals in ancient India before war was declared.

Scout Leaves for Stewart

The steamer Scout which was formerly the May West and was purchased by the police to be used as a dispatch boat, took on a load of wood this morning at the Merchants dock preparatory to making a trip up the Stewart as far as Gordon, the better known as Duncan landing. The old crew has been retained to handle the craft and it is the belief that the old May West has at last seen the end of her troubles.

Counterfeiters Escape

Special to the Daily Nugget. Vancouver, Sept. 24.—Ed. Hanson, the notorious Spokane counterfeiter, has again escaped from McNeill's Island Penitentiary and is reported headed this way.

What Might Have Been

Phillip King this morning headed guilty in the police court to having been drunk and disorderly on Second avenue last night. He was sleeping on a wood pile when Constable Timmins saw him and showed a powerful inclination not to be disturbed. Timmins called another policeman and they got him to the barracks. He was too drunk to make much show of resistance. "You see what trouble you might have got yourself into," said Magistrate Wroughton, "if you had resisted the officer that would have been a serious affair." Fined \$2 and costs.

Trint by Jury

Mr. Justice Macaulay is engaged today in hearing the case of Box vs. Calderhead, the cause of the action dating back to just before the close of navigation last fall. The trial is before a jury consisting of Wm. Bradley, J. A. Christie, M. G. McLeod, G. W. Mitchell, J. S. Barron and George J. Gregory and the action is over a hay and oat deal. Plaintiff alleges that he sold to the defendant at Whitehorse last fall a quantity of hay and oats at a certain figure delivered there, whereas it is held by defendant that the goods were not delivered at Dawson at the price named. The difference in dispute is the amount of the freight between Dawson and Whitehorse which as the consignment amounted to 100 tons is no small sum. A verdict will doubtless be reached this afternoon.

Frightful Accidents

Belleveille, Sept. 5.—A young man named Sandford, nineteen years of age, narrowly escaped death in a mine near Madoc village. A portion of the mine machinery fell on him. One of his legs was badly crushed, amputation being necessary, and the other was broken in two places. His recovery is doubtful.

The Klondike Nugget

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THE CURTAIN DRAWN ASIDE.

The childish exchanges of hostilities now taking place between the Sun and the News constitute the most ridiculous scene yet enacted in the farce-comedy in which those papers have been engaged for the past year.

It is a fact known to everyone directly or indirectly interested that the control of the Sun has passed to the management of the News. An employee of the latter paper has been placed in charge of the Sun, and its every utterance and action is dictated from the News office.

Such being the case the secret stunts now being made by the Sun at the candidacy of Governor Ross, although still maintaining an outward semblance of loyalty, are occasions for surprise to no one.

The latest incident of this nature was contained in the article which appeared in yesterday's Sun, casting ridicule upon Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the purpose being to stir up feeling among the French-Canadian supporters of the government.

In last night's News attention was called to the Sun's treachery and as much capital as possible was made from the incident for the benefit of Joe Clarke. The Sun this morning exposes the whole thing by laying the responsibility for the appearance of the article in the Sun upon the shoulders of the editor of the News, who it now appears is working double shift and editing both papers.

In order that there may be no doubt as to the accuracy of this statement we quote herewith from this morning's Sun. Referring to the anti-French article of yesterday the Sun delivers itself today as follows:

"This matter, with the objectionable headline, was selected by the News, and the same man on that paper who dishonestly wrote the editorial criticism of the article in question knows very well that he is the author of that very headline. If the said writer has one grain of honesty or honor he will now retract the statements published in last evening's News, and publish an apology to the French-Canadian residents of the Yukon."

The annals of journalism might be searched from the time that Gutenberg first began printing from movable types until the present day and a parallel for the situation in the News office could not be found.

If the Sun's own statement of the facts can be accepted, Editor Beddoe of the News inserted in yesterday's Sun a gross attack upon Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the Canadian premier, and then followed it up with a fierce onslaught upon the Sun, which appeared in last night's News, for publishing the objectionable article.

As a matter of fact the thing begs description. The Sun's exposure of the duplicity to which the public is being subjected by the combination in the News office furnishes an example of moral depravity almost incredible. Think of one man editing two papers upon diametrically opposed lines—one for the government and the other opposed to it. And yet such is the fact in connection with the Sun and News—well understood by the public for months, and finally admitted in this morning's issue of the first named paper.

The curtain has now been drawn aside and the details of the whole shameful farce laid bare. The Sun and News have both forfeited every claim of public confidence and respect to which they may ever have laid claim.

SELF INTERESTS INVOLVED. A campaign of education is steadily in progress on the creeks which each and every day is bearing fruit in favor of the candidacy of Mr. Foss. In the roadhouses, cabins and other places of assemblage discussion of the situation is continually in progress and the more light that is thrown upon the situation the greater are Mr. Ross's gains.

The element of self-interest is largely represented in the question and it will be for the miners to determine which of the two candidates asking for their votes will give them the best service. There are matters of vital importance to the welfare of the mining industry of the Yukon which will be taken up and settled at

the coming session of parliament. With these questions the platform upon which Mr. Ross stands deals in detail and leaves no doubt as to the position he will occupy in connection therewith. If there is any man in the territory who can secure from the government the various concessions asked that man is Mr. Ross.

Joe Clarke would not be able to interest the members of parliament, for the simple reason that an exposition of his record would be every-thing necessary to prove his unreliability and absolute lack of sincerity. At the end of his term he would be able to point at nothing accomplished other than the fact that as long as he was able to secure a hearing he had slandered and abused everyone who had opposed him.

The Nugget feels confident that it voices public sentiment in saying that the voters of the Yukon territory will not send a man to parliament for any such purpose. They have great public improvements to be undertaken, new roads to be opened and other important interests to conserve and they have no intention of appointing an agent of Clarke's calibre to look after their affairs. Clarke would make no better record in handling public business entrusted to his keeping than he did in managing certain private interests, concerning which he recently made explanation in court.

On the other hand Mr. Ross has proven true and loyal to every trust reposed in him, has demonstrated his ability to deal with large public issues, and in short is fitted in every particular for the high trust which the electors of the Yukon will repose in him by their ballots.

LOOK TO THE FUTURE. Clarke's few followers represent the pessimistic portion of the community who continually look backward to the dead past and for whom the bright side of life has no attractions. In the support of Mr. Ross is represented the great mass of sturdy, self-reliant men who are in the Yukon for the purpose of advancing their own and the community welfare and whose faith and confidence in this growing district is unbounded. They have their eyes to the front and the great question before them is not of the past but of the future. They have in view many important matters demanding attention and legislative action from the government and they are interested in determining which man of those asking their support will ensure them the best returns therefor. They find no satisfaction in Clarke's assurances that he will impeach this official or that he will drive that one from office, for they immediately ask themselves what benefits are to accrue. Not only are they aware that no good would arise to themselves, even if Clarke should be able to carry his threats into execution, but they are also too thoroughly acquainted with Joseph's blinding methods to reward his oft-repeated boasts with anything other than a smile of incredulity.

The electors will send a man to Ottawa who will secure results for them and not one who will become a mere object for ridicule and contempt. In contesting against the Honorable James Hamilton Ross, Clarke will go down to defeat so crushing that he never again will become a political possibility.

A NEGATIVE CAMPAIGN. The campaign as conducted by the News on behalf of Clarke is wholly of a negative character. It has nothing to advance in favor of Clarke and in consequence confines itself almost entirely to an effort at belittling the qualifications of Mr. Ross.

The News has not brought forward nor will it be able to bring forward during the campaign one single argument in Clarke's favor which will appeal to the great mass of intelligent, self-respecting voters of this territory. It is just as hard to endorse a man with qualities which he does not possess as it is to draw blood from an orange and as far as Clarke is concerned he has absolutely none of the requirements demanded of the man who is to represent the Yukon in the house of commons.

There is not a business concern in Dawson who would give Clarke employment in any capacity for the simple reason that his record both public and private is that of a disloyal and unfaithful servant. The people cannot and will not be hoaxed into entrusting a man of such character with high and important responsibilities. A man who has betrayed minor confidences is not safe to be entrusted with large affairs.

It is small cause for wonder that the News avoids mention of Clarke's

name. The very best that paper is able to do for its candidate is to damn him continually with the faintest possible praise.

Before embarking on any extensive system of local public improvements the city council should devise means of spreading the cost involved over a term of years. There is no reason why sewers and other permanent improvements should be financed from the current revenues. The people who are in Dawson five or ten years hence will derive a benefit therefrom and are entitled to participate in the expense of construction. If more improvements similar to those now in progress are contemplated a small bond flotation should be arranged, and a sinking fund provided to care for it.

The fact that the New York convention of Republicans has endorsed Roosevelt for the Presidency in 1904 may be accepted as conclusive evidence that unless death or some other inadvertent circumstance interferes, Roosevelt will carry the Republican national standard in the next campaign. It is a remarkable fact that Roosevelt was forced into the vice presidency by Senator Platt for the express purpose of giving him eternal political burial. The unforeseen death of McKinley gave Roosevelt an opportunity which he has improved to such splendid advantage that by superstitious people he has already come to be regarded as a man of destiny.

Every day, almost, brings tidings of frightful disasters resulting from driving automobile machines at too high a rate of speed. Strong agitation has already been inaugurated in England against the high speed automobile and in all probability it will shortly spread to the States. The public highways frequented by automobile enthusiasts are no longer safe for pedestrians—a fact in itself sufficient to justify strong anti-auto legislation.

Dr. Thompson's defeat last winter was due largely to the fact that Clarke supported him. The people of Dawson placed the stamp of their disapproval upon Joseph at that election and will give emphasis thereto in the coming election. The only difference will rest in the fact that in the present instance the good work will have the assistance of voters all over the territory.

Late advices from Whitehorse and Skagway are to the effect that freight is arriving from coast points more rapidly than is possible to handle it. While there is as yet no serious danger of a blockade it appears quite evident that the shipping facilities of the upriver boats will be taxed to land all the freight offered safely in this city.

The trail of the serpent is so plainly visible in the Sun-News situation that no further effort at concealment is made. The mock show of hostilities still maintained between the two is evidently intended for the amusement of the public, which purpose it certainly serves to a degree.

Joe Clarke has been unceremoniously kicked out of every position he has ever held—which fact is probably what the News has in mind when it states that Clarke has enjoyed a liberal education.

The morning edition of the News goes after the evening edition in regular Beddoe style and the evening edition reciprocates in the same fashion. Perfect shame to make a man work that way.

There is a species of blasphemy in mentioning the name of Joe Clarke in connection with that of the Hon. James Hamilton Ross.

Emperor Meelik has decided to grant no further concessions to Europeans.

The Chinese Emperor is having built for him a new palace at Pao-tung-fu to contain 600 rooms.

Dr. Terregiani, the Catholic bishop of Armidale, Australia, is the largest prelate in Christendom. He weighs nearly 300 pounds.

Prof. Olsen, of the University of Wisconsin, is at present in Copenhagen. He has been conducting researches in the languages spoken in Scandinavia.

Mr. Reitz, State Secretary of the late South African Republic, intends to go to Paris shortly to communicate with the French government with regard to the establishment of Boper families in Madagascar.

Prince Victor Napoleon has just been presented at Paris by the Corsican Committee with a silver gilt imperial crown on the occasion of the centenary of Napoleon Bonaparte's appointment as First Consul.

STRIKES REMEDY

How the New Zealand Law Works

What Would Have Been the Mode of Procedure in Anthracite Coal Strike.

Compulsory arbitration for labor disputes exists in New Zealand, and has for eight years. If the New Zealand law had been passed in this state, what would have taken place in the anthracite coal strike? asks the Philadelphia Press.

Before striking and without striking—for it is a provision of the law that work shall go on at the old wages and hours until the new are passed upon—the men at work, through their representatives, would have asked for an advance. If the advance was denied the case would have gone before the Board of Conciliation for the anthracite district, made up of three men chosen by the association of operators and three by the miners' union. This body would have heard all that was to be said on both sides, would have called for books and papers and examined witnesses, but its decision would be only a recommendation. The Conciliation Board has no authority, under the New Zealand law, to enforce its conclusions. It stands exactly where the arbitration boards under the Los Angeles act stand in this state.

If the decision of the Board of Conciliation in the anthracite case were rejected by either party the case would go up to a central court of arbitration. This would consist, if the New Zealand law were followed, of one "assessor," a man selected by the operators, another assessor chosen by the miners and a judge of the Supreme Court. In New Zealand such a judge is appointed, and holds for life.

This judge, who is president of the court, would, through the local officers of the District Conciliation Board, issue a summons to the representatives of the men and all the operators concerned and appoint a place in the coal regions to hear them. Both would appear, subject, if absent, to the usual penalties for disregard of a legal process. When the parties appeared no counsel would be permitted. Each side, representatives of the men and of the operators, each organized, would state its case.

The judge has power to call witnesses, to demand books, pay rolls, records of sales and any letter or paper casting light on the issue. He can call in—and the state pays for—accountants and other experts to report to him. The entire business is laid bare, and it has to be proved in a New Zealand case before this final court that the business can bear the increase and that the wages already paid are too low, taking the state of the labor market in New Zealand and in competing territory.

While these proceedings are carried on by a judge learned in the law and in the rules of evidence, the procedure is rather that of a friendly arbitrator getting his facts at both hands from both parties in each other's presence. The decision would be made by the judge and the assessors sitting without appeal. A majority of the court decides. When the decision was made it would be open to any operator to close his mine or to open it and to any miner to work or to go elsewhere, but if an operator opened "his mine he must pay the wages he had agreed to pay, and if a miner worked he could take neither less nor more of wages or of hours without being subject, both operator and miner, to fine and imprisonment.

Heavy Decrease. Washington, Sept. 13.—The treasury department announced today that for the eight months ending August 31 the exports of breadstuffs from the United States amounted to \$108,604,554. For the same period of 1901 the total was \$192,069,604.

The total exports of provisions were \$109,841,035, against \$124,977,173 for the same period of the year before.

Cattle and hogs were sent abroad to the value of \$15,458,934, while in 1901 the total was \$24,718,408.

The exports of cotton for the eight months consisted of 3,086,456 bales, valued at \$1,573,333,175, against 3,315,898 bales, valued at \$1,895,577,174 for the eight months ending August 31, 1901.

The exports of minerals and oils was valued at \$43,958,471 against \$45,988,177.

Corn, wheat and all other articles of breadstuffs showed a heavy falling off. The corn is due to the short crop; for instance, shipments had been sent abroad for the eight months ending August 31, 1901, to the value of \$8,050,354, while for the eight months of this year the total is only \$4,410,319.

No less than 13 per cent. of the factory employes in New South Wales are said to be engaged in the timber industry.

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In Progress Before the Police Magistrate This Morning—Number of Witnesses Examined—Prisoner Bought Gun and Outfit at Whitehorse and Afterwards Departed in a Small Boat With the Murdered Men—Case Continued This Afternoon.

Never since the famous trial of O'Brien has the police court been as densely crowded as it was this morning at the preliminary hearing of LaBelle, on the charge of murdering Bouthillette and Beaudoin. Before ten o'clock the whole court was crowded, but the hearing did not begin until eleven, and in the meantime men kept on pushing their way in until it was impossible, it seemed, for another to find footing. There were twenty-one witnesses for the prosecution present, possibly a number for the defence, and among the large audience were a large number of Frenchmen. Midway in the taking of testimony Crown Prosecutor Congdon had the thoughtfulness to remember the witnesses and remarked that he did not think they ought to be condemned to stand throughout the hearing, so the benches ranged against the rear wall which were filled with people standing and looking over the heads of those in front, were brought within the railing for the witnesses.

Detective Welsh came in, with two policemen, carrying a large trunk. This was afterwards identified as the property of the murdered Bouthillette. Then came the rifle which was purchased at Whitehorse by LaBelle, and the mere frame of a valise which is believed to be that of Bouthillette. After this the prisoner was led in by Sergeant Smith and Constable Burns, the latter of whom appeared in uniform for the first time since this enquiry was opened he having been engaged on detective work. Mrs. Nelson, of Selkirk, from whose roadhouse LaBelle purchased provisions, was given a seat within the railing.

Mr. Auguste Noel, who appeared for the prisoner, opened the proceeding with an application for a further adjournment until next week. It had been remanded until today, he said, upon a telegram that relatives of the accused were coming from Montreal, and they desired that nothing should be done in the matter until their arrival, but he had received no news of their coming.

Crown Prosecutor Congdon said he was always averse to opposing an adjournment in cases of so serious a character, but on the last occasion this case was remanded it was understood that the case was to go on today. The crown has many witnesses present and he thought it ought to go on, particularly as it was only a preliminary hearing to decide if there was sufficient evidence upon which to hold the accused.

Magistrate Wroughton pointed out the expense of keeping the witnesses, many of them from a distance, here, and said the case must go on according to the understanding previously arrived at.

LaBelle then stood up and was formally charged and Mr. Congdon called as the first witness Alexander Snider. He said that he came from Nova Scotia, and on June 5th left Montreal for Dawson. He made the acquaintance on the train of a man he knew then as Leon, but now as Leon Bouthillette. The latter was a Frenchman, speaking no English, and as the witness spoke no French the conversations between them were mostly conducted by motions.

The day they reached Vancouver Leon met two men named Constantin and Beaudoin, and was often with them during their two days stay there. These men also spoke French. These two men travelled on the same steamer with them, the Amur, to Skagway, and the same train to Whitehorse. He recognized the portraits of them shown to him. He did not become very much acquainted with them because he did not speak French. Constantin spoke English well but he did not know whether Beaudoin understood English or not. Beaudoin spoke very little.

Leon had a basket in which he carried provisions, quite a large basket, 12 inches in diameter and nine deep. He had also a grip about 14 or 16 inches long.

The frame of a valise was produced by Mr. Congdon and witness said it was about that size and the handle was the same.

Witness, continuing his testimony, said that Leon bought a pair of blankets in Vancouver. The blankets produced were just the same in color. Leon wore a heavy ulster of dark color of what is called freeze. He had a light coat and vest, black tie and dark trousers, and a soft black hat. He carried an open-faced silver watch with a leather guard. Witness was not sure he could identify it. (The watch could not be produced at once as it has been made one of the exhibits in the Fournier case, but it was sent for and witness said that was the kind of watch Leon carried.)

Witness then told how Constantin and Beaudoin were dressed with as much minuteness as the crown prosecutor could suggest. The journey from Vancouver to Whitehorse was again gone over. The two men traveling with Leon from Vancouver had watches. Another watch was produced, but witness failed to identify it.

At Whitehorse he saw the three men making preparations to come down the river. He saw with them the man Fournier, the same man he had seen an hour ago being taken to the territorial court. He did not recall seeing LaBelle in Whitehorse. Between eight and nine in the evening of June 17th, he saw them about the depot setting out in a boat. They were in the boat at the time and had started from the shore. There were four in the boat—Leon, Constantin and Beaudoin and the man Fournier. There might have been five in the boat but he could only recall four. He was about 100 feet away and shouted good-bye to them.

Two hours after that the steamer Crimmins on which witness traveled passed that of Leon and he hailed them. On both occasions he noticed a trunk on their boat which he recognized as belonging to Leon. Witness arrived in Dawson on June 19th. He had never spoken to Fournier while at Whitehorse. He had recognized him in the guard room here among five other persons, without the slightest hesitation.

The witness was then cross-examined by Mr. Noel, beginning specially with the statement that there were but three men with Leon when he saw them at Whitehorse in the boat. Leon was rowing, he said; Constantin was facing Leon, Beaudoin in the front and Fournier at the rear. He did not see a fifth man. When he saw the boat from the steamer he only saw Fournier and the three men he had traveled with from Vancouver.

Harry Edward Cleveland, the next witness, said he had built a few boats at Whitehorse, and one of them he had sold to the prisoner LaBelle. He was shown two photographs of boats and recognized one as a picture of the one he sold. A month or two after he had made the sale he had been shown the boat here and recognized it. He had two boats on the shore near Whitney & Pedlar's store and LaBelle and Fournier came to look at them. Fournier offered \$20 for one which was refused. They came back and offered \$23.50. That was refused and Fournier said "You are no Jew." Afterward Fournier came back and said "Will you give me a dollar." Witness said yes and Fournier paid him a \$20 bill and \$4 in silver. That was on June 13th. No other men were with them. The boat was not then numbered. He gave a receipt for the money to LaBelle. He asked for it.

By Mr. Noel: Fournier did all the talking about the boat and paid the money, but LaBelle took the receipt made out in his name.

Paul Arnold Rook, the man who accompanied Detective Welsh in his long hunt for LaBelle, was the next witness. He first saw LaBelle about June 10th. He saw him on the street at Whitehorse with Fournier. They came into his store to enquire about boats for sale, there being a placard in the window to that effect. They said they wanted a boat to go down the river and said they were going prospecting. They did not buy a boat but they bought a rifle. This was sold to LaBelle. He identified the 45.90 calibre Winchester rifle produced.

At the time of the purchase of the gun witness asked \$10 for it and LaBelle offered \$8. He was in two or three times trying to get it cheaper. Fournier was with him but did not always come in with him. On the morning of the 16th he offered to buy his provisions at the store if the \$8 was accepted. In the afternoon he came for the rifle. He said he expected some people on the train. After the train came in he brought four other men to the store and bought a small outfit of groceries. The conversation among them was carried on in French and witness did not understand it. The whole outfit came to \$16 and it was paid by LaBelle. It was within an hour after the train came in before LaBelle brought the three strangers to the store. Fournier was with them at the time. He had identified the bag in which he put the potatoes bought by them, also a tin cup, both at the barracks. He knew of the boat LaBelle and Fournier had purchased and he recognized the one at the barracks as the same boat.

He last saw LaBelle near the Whitehorse postoffice, and next saw him in a logging camp at Wadsworth, Nevada. He there gave the name of L. Stone. Witness was supposed to be a time-keeper at the time. When arrested he first denied his name but afterwards admitted it.

By Mr. Noel: Witness did not know the name of the man from whom he bought the rifle. He had had it for about two weeks before LaBelle bought it. There was nothing special by which he could swear it was the identical gun.

It was half past twelve when this

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witness concluded, and Mr. Congdon asked if it were worth while taking another witness before the adjournment for luncheon. Magistrate Wroughton thought not and adjourned the hearing until two o'clock.

Afternoon Session. When the court re-convened in the afternoon there was nearly as large a crowd as in the morning, and every word of the testimony was listened to with breathless interest.

Crown Prosecutor Congdon first called Constable Thomas Curry of Whitehorse, who testified that on the 16th of June he was on duty along the waterfront at Whitehorse and that he kept the record of the boats leaving Whitehorse and the people leaving in them. It was also his duty to see that the boats were numbered.

He was shown the record sheet for that day (June 16th) on which the entries being for a boat numbered 3744. This he said was his entry. The record also contained the names of the people leaving in the boat. He said that only four people had been in the office and one of them had given him the names of the whole party which one he did not know. There were four in the party, that he was sure, and there might have been five. There was no one else in the office at the time except himself and the party.

Asked if he remembered any of the party he said that he remembered Bouthillette by his photograph as one he had seen. He was shown the pictures of the others and recognized Constantin as one of the party. He had painted the number 3744 on both sides of the boat.

He saw the party after they left the office on the dock and saw them in the boat. He has seen the boat in some store in Dawson and recognized it by the numbers which he put on.

Upon cross-examination by the attorney for the defense he was asked if the party whose name appeared in the record first wouldn't be the one who gave the rest of the names. He replied that he couldn't tell.

Q.—You saw four people on dock? A.—Yes. Q.—You saw them when they all left? A.—Yes. Q.—There were four? A.—There were not less than four but I would not swear to more. Q.—What is your best recollection, four or five? A.—I won't swear how many left in the boat. Q.—Try to place them in the boat. One in front? A.—Yes. Q.—One rowing? A.—Certainly there would be one rowing. Q.—One facing rower? A.—Yes. Q.—One in stern? A.—Can't remember. Q.—Your impression is that there were four? A.—There was not less than four.

Mrs. Carrie Nelson, who keeps a hotel and store at Selkirk, said she had known La Belle for the last two years. She had kept a roadhouse on Eldorado and had known him there. She had seen him at Selkirk but could not remember the date. It was a Sunday in June. She would endeavor to fix the date if called again.

On that occasion La Belle came in with three or four others. The others went out and he was the last to remain. He said he was going down the river in a boat. Did not see any of the others after they had left the store. La Belle remained in the store probably half an hour.

Witness was shown the photographs of Bouthillette, Constantin and Beaudoin. She recognized the two former as men with La Belle but was not sure as to Beaudoin.

On the following Sunday she was in Dawson and met La Belle on Second avenue, and had some conversation with him. They went to an ice cream saloon on Third avenue, and he afterward walked down with her to her hotel. She went down to the wharf when La Belle was brought back here and then identified him.

Cross-examined by Mr. Noel: Bouthillette was not dressed in the same way as in the portrait, and he was unshaven, but she was sure he was one of the men with La Belle. She was asked if Bouthillette and Constantin might not have been there some other day with some other party, but she was positive she saw them with La Belle. There might have been four with La Belle but she only recalled there being three. La Belle told her that he had been out having a good time.

Charles Bernard Mack said he was at Skagway on June 14th and that day went to Whitehorse. He met the accused on the bank of the river there the same evening with two others. La Belle asked him if he was going down the river and he answered that he was going by steamer. La Belle said he could go in a small boat for \$5, and showed the boat and the receipt for it. He recognized

the boat at the barracks as the same boat. He saw La Belle for two or three days and several times drank with him. He had met Fournier with La Belle at Whitehorse three or four times. La Belle had said there were plenty of chances to get the rest of the passengers, and there was, but when Saturday, Sunday and Monday went by witness began to get anxious. When the train came in on Monday evening there was a good crowd and witness called out to La Belle, who answered that he had got a crowd, and he introduced him to some of them. He recognized the portrait of Constantin as one of them and Bouthillette as being with him.

That same evening La Belle told him that all was arranged and that morning he saw La Belle at eight o'clock the next morning. He said it would make a nice crowd of six. Witness was at the place an hour before eight the next morning but the boat and the party was gone. He came in another boat and passed the party some miles above the Hootalingna. They were in camp. He recognized Bouthillette, La Belle and Fournier, as they stood near the camp fire. He was not sure as to the young man Beaudoin.

He met La Belle several times after arriving in Dawson. The first time was on King street, and Fournier was there with him. He told La Belle what he thought of him for leaving him behind. He met La Belle two or three times on the way to the Forks. One time La Belle had a buggy. He identified the boat at the barracks as the one La Belle had shown to him at Whitehorse.

Cross examined by Mr. Noel the witness said he passed the camp above Hootalingna at a distance of 150 yards and distinctly recognized the features of Bouthillette and La Belle.

Has Twelve Masts. San Francisco, Sept. 13.—A huge, strange looking craft steamed in through the Golden Gate early this morning and anchored off Meigs' wharf. For a time the boatmen along the front were puzzled to classify the freakish piece of marine architecture. Finally the vessel was made out to be the turret steamship Lime Branch, from Newcastle, Australia.

The Lime Branch and vessels of her type have in the past been strangers in these waters. The main feature of attraction on the Lime Branch appears in her double set of masts. She is equipped with twelve masts. The masts are arranged five on a side, with one stick fore and one aft. The masts on both sides are fitted with derricks booms, used in handling cargo. The masts are so situated that all the hatches can be worked at one time. The hull is on the whaleback plan.

The Lime Branch is a new steamer, having been launched at Sunderland last year. She measures 3,468 tons net and is 396 feet in length, 25 feet in depth and has a beam of 54 feet. Before coming to this port the vessel went to Chile, thence to South Africa and to Australia. She brought a cargo of coal from Australia and will carry in her holds a heavy cargo of wheat. Included in the cargo of the Lime Branch is a cougar and a kangaroo.

Captain Mailing is in charge.

Siberian Railroad. "Daily trains from Vladivostok, Dalny, Port Arthur or Newchwang for St. Petersburg, all rail route except 27 miles across Lake Baikal," reads the newest time-table of the Siberian Railroad. "Trains from Pekin and Tientsin make close daily connections with trains for St. Petersburg at Newchwang. Time, two days from Pekin to Newchwang."

It would have read like a story book only a few years ago. Nobody a generation ago would have believed that before the twentieth century was two years old three fast trains a week would be running between far-off Irkutsk and St. Petersburg. And not merely ordinary trains, but trains de luxe with dining cars, baths, barber shops and library. That they are well patronized is shown by a notice in the time-table warning travellers to engage compartments or seats on the train a day in advance. First-class fare from Irkutsk to St. Petersburg is \$62.57. The sleeper costs \$11.60 for the journey. By travelling second-class one can make the trip, sleeper included, for \$54.18. It is made in fairly regular time. Travellers from London have arrived in Newchwang within twenty days. A Russian characteristic is to be noted in the fact that with all the luxury of through trains travellers are advised that they must furnish their own soap, blankets and pillows.

Col. Blue—Is the Majah a dead shot? Col. Kaintuck—Yes, sub. I just put five bullets into him. — New York Sun.

ISOM IN DANGER

Rides Terrific Storm in Behring Sea

Her Two Barges Drifting and the Klondiker and Her Barge Aground.

The story of the great storm in Behring sea which threatened the loss of the great steamer Will H. Isom and the two barges she had in tow, with all its details, is well told in a report by the N. A. T. & T. Company's agent at St. Michael to Mr. Isom. Mr. Miller says in this report:

The steamer Isom left St. Michael on the evening of August 18th, with the barges Haron and New York in tow. The evening was still and seemed ideal for making the trip from St. Michael to the Yukon.

The next evening the Klondiker left with the barge Superior, completing the Isom's tow for the trip, having cleaned up all freight for the trip up river. Captain Brown went with the Klondiker to see the tow made up at the mouth of the river.

The Isom returned to St. Michael August 20th. Captain Clark reported to me having anchored his barge beyond Stebbins pass and having barely succeeded in making St. Michael harbor in safety. He said the barge Haron had lost her anchors and was drifting to sea, and that when last seen the barge New York appeared to be riding anchor.

The tug Meteor, belonging to the N. C. Company, was towing the Gustin to the Yukon when she encountered the storm of Romanoff and was forced to return to St. Michael, arriving at about the same time as the Isom. The Meteor had spoken the Haron in Stebbins pass, in answer to distress signals, and after arriving here immediately returned to pick up the drifting barge. This they succeeded in doing, first taking of the Haron's crew at their request when she was thus abandoned. She took the barge in tow to the lee of Egg island, where she weathered the gale and finally came in port with the Haron at six o'clock on the morning of the 21st.

Neither the steamer Isom nor the Meteor had seen anything of the Klondiker and her barge, and I was exceedingly anxious for their safety. They were, however, reported to be aground of St. Michael canal and I therefore requisitioned the Meteor for the trip. Captain Hibberd explained that he had already arranged to send the Meteor, but gave Captain Clark and myself permission to accompany her. We found the barge New York anchored below Stebbins, about six miles off shore, riding a considerable sea, leaking some and dragging anchor.

The weather at this time was very bad; all indications were of storm and the barometer was falling fast. Captain Clark agreed with me that the best judgment was to take the barge back to St. Michael harbor, which was accordingly done.

The Klondiker returned on the 23rd, about noon, having finally succeeded in placing her barge at anchor inside the Yukon.

The value of the cargoes and property belonging to the N. A. T. & T. Company which was endangered in this storm is approximated at \$350,000, from which one may gain some idea of the anxiety of the agents of the company during this terrible period. What made the situation particularly expediting was that the company had kept a tug of its own in St. Michael harbor until shortly before the storm, when it had been sent back to San Francisco for the reason that there seemed to be no call for it.

WATER FRONT NOTES.

Ben Venuti was strutting about the water front this morning with a proud, contented air lighting up his handsome face. The Tyrrell got in last night from Whitehorse, after a trip under Venuti's management on which he had carried a company of entertainers who had given the passengers a performance every evening as good as they could meet with in the ordinary concert hall. He showed with pride a grateful testimonial signed by all the passengers including the three Dominican sisters telling of the good time for them he had so thoughtfully provided. The Tyrrell sails again tomorrow afternoon, and Ben is to have the same company to entertain the passengers. Miss Jewell has taken the place of Miss Vivian on these trips, the latter having a Dawson contract to fill. In addition to her passengers on the return trip who had the advantage of her music, the Tyrrell brought 112 head of cattle for Burns, and some freight, all for the White Pass. The Thistle also brought 40 tons of freight for the White Pass. Mr. Venuti says that when they left Whitehorse on the evening of the 20th there were 1000 tons of freight awaiting shipment, and 800 head of cattle and lots of sheep and hogs. The Whitehorse was high and dry near Selkirk when they

FOUR ARE SWORN IN

Enumerators Leave for Distant Divisions

Bob Henderson Takes in the Upper Part of the Pelly and W. Fobes the Lower.

Sheriff Ellbeck this morning swore in four enumerators who were appointed by Mr. Justice Dugas, three of whom will leave at once for the scene of their labors. For thirty days after October 15 they will sit at the headquarters of the polling division for which they have been appointed and receive the entries of the voters who reside therein and who will comprise the voters' list at the coming election. The most remote divisions and those which will be the most difficult to reach are No. 13 and No. 13 both on the Pelly river. Robert Henderson, the old soldier who mined on Quartz and Gold Bottom before Carmack ever saw Bonanza, will have charge of No. 12 which takes in the head of the Pelly from Ross river up to Wm. Forbes will occupy the same position on the lower end of the river. Both men left for their divisions this morning in a canoe, that being the only method by which they can reach there, the Calderhead boats having made their last trip up the Pelly. Henderson expects to reach his post in about fifteen days if he has no bad luck.

Joseph E. Beliveau, who has been appointed the enumerator for division No. 17, Duncan creek, left yesterday for the Prospector. His division takes in only the watershed of Duncan creek. The last of the four to whom the oath was administered was Desire H. Morin, who will have charge of No. 28 "A" which is on Dominion creek and extends from the upper line of 145 below to the upper line of lower discovery.

As there is a total of 60 polling divisions the work of the appointing of the enumerators and deputy returning officers has only begun. All will probably be named within the next ten days.

Commerce Law. Chicago, Sept. 6. - The Evening Post says: Action has been taken by the interstate commerce commission which is likely to prove as sensational as it is unexpected. The United States grand jury at Minneapolis is said, has returned indictments against H. F. Whitcomb and J. B. Johnson, president and traffic manager respectively of the Wisconsin Central Railroad; also against W. M. Burt and W. H. Bennett, president and general freight agent respectively of the Ann Arbor Company, charging them with violation of the interstate commerce law.

When the commission secured injunctions from the federal courts some months ago restraining a large number of roads from infringing in any way upon the provisions of the interstate law or the Sherman anti-trust laws, it was generally supposed it would confine itself to that method of preventing rate cutting.

The investigation by the federal grand jury, which resulted in the return of these indictments, began this week, when a large number of the officials of the road were subpoenaed to appear and give evidence. The investigation involved rates on four lines for points east and for sea-board shipment, and was the result of charges that the Wisconsin Central and Ann Arbor roads had used secret and cut rates, which had resulted in their carrying the greater proportion of the flour from Minneapolis and St. Paul.

The feeling prevails in milling and transportation circles that the action of the grand jury in indicting Messrs. Whitcomb and Burt is but the forerunner of an aggressive crusade by the commission.

Eager to Sell Coal. London, Sept. 5. - The anthracite coal shipments to the United States are the result of orders which have been coming in for the past fortnight. There are probably 20,000 to 30,000 tons contracted for, to be shipped immediately to New York, which demands 5,000 tons daily. Dealers regard the New York market as ephemeral. They prefer to serve their regular customers, and cannot possibly supply 3,000 tons daily.

Charleston, W. Va., Sept. 5. - It is rumored here that the Kanawha and New River strike will be declared off at once, and that the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway has ordered all equipment rushed back into the coalfields.

Another Monster Steamer. London, Sept. 5. - The White Star Line has ordered another steamer to be built by Harland & Wolff of Belfast, which is to be twenty feet longer and a few feet wider than the same company's steamer Cedric, now the largest liner in the world.

The White Star Line steamer Cedric, of 21,000 tons, the largest liner afloat, was launched at Harland & Wolff's yards, Belfast, on August 21 last. She is 700 feet long, has 75 feet beam, and a depth of 49 1/3 feet. Her carrying capacity is 18,400 tons, and she has accommodation for 3,000 passengers. Although the Cedric is inferior in length by about seven feet to the Kaiser Wilhelm II. (launched on August 13), yet her greater beam of three feet makes her the larger ship.

Assistant Recorder. The business in the mining recorder's office at Clear Creek has grown so extensively during the past few months that it has been necessary to appoint an assistant for "Weldy" Young at Clear Creek. A. G. Fiset has been named for the position and will leave at once to take up his new duties.

Old Homestead - at Auditorium.

Real Estate Sale

Have Smallpox

SIR WILFRID IN FRANCE

London, Sept. 5. - According to the Athens correspondent of The Chronicle a most extraordinary disease, extremely infectious, and resembling smallpox in its progress, has broken out among the statues in the Egyptian room of the National Museum there. A few days ago the distinguished politician and archaeologist, Mr. Stephanos Skouloides, noticed some strange green marks on one of the bronze statues of the famous Egyptian collection presented to the museum in 1881 by Mr. Demetrios, of Alexandria. He at once communicated his discovery to the curator, who called in experts to examine the statue in question. They pronounced the marks to be due to an infectious complaint, to which bronze is liable, and which gradually spreads from the surface of the object affected to the inside, till the whole crumbles away into dust. The other "bronze statues" in the same room were then inspected, with the result that they were all found to be more or less tainted with the disease, while five of them had taken it in a most aggravated form. These five are the statues of Anka, the goddess of war; of Maout, wife of Jupiter Ammon; of Isis; and two statues of Osiris, one of them of the greatest value. Worse than that, the infection has spread to the Mycenae room, which contains the remains of the late Dr. Schliemann's excavations in 1876. There, a dagger, which was found in the fourth and finest of the six tombs, has fallen on a richly carved malady. Altogether, about fifty statues have been affected, and the loss will be enormous unless the plague can be stayed. A leading Athenian chemist pronounces the cause of the malady to be the presence of salt in the bronze, and his remedy is to extract it by means of baths. Mr. Monophatos, the minister under whose department the museum comes, is taking steps to save the bronzes.

A Parson Saved a Life. New York, Sept. 6. - Newspapers of this city are commenting on a curious affair which has just taken place in the Buenos Ayres correspondent of The Herald. A murderer named Juan Rodriguez was sentenced to death by the tribunal at Mendoza.

When the president learned of the pardon he denied having sent such a dispatch. Upon investigation it was developed that the message was sent by Dr. Julio Roca, the president's son and private secretary, who signed his father's name to the message. He said he did so in accordance with the request of the Chilean minister, Senor Concha Subercaseaux.

Dr. Roca explains that it was too late at night to awaken the president without his father's knowledge, because he was sure the president would not refuse the intercession.

Saved His Life. Nome mail advices tell how Mike Kobetch, a well-known miner of that section, owes his life to a raft. For four days he had been without food, being lost in the trackless wastes that divide the Neukluk river from the Koyuk.

He lay down to die on July 1, but when he had rested for a short time he resolved to make one more trial. He got a few logs together, and forming them into a raft, he lay down on the crude contrivance and floated down the river. Thirty-six hours later he was rescued by a native, who cared for him tenderly and nursed him back to health and strength.

Kobetch last winter and spring was prospecting on the Koyuk, and in June he started for Candle creek. He lost his way, and the small amount of provisions that he carried were soon consumed. For four days he wandered about looking for some human habitation. Then he struck the Neukluk river, and after incredible toil built a raft. He floated down the river, and was rescued, as told above. Kobetch, who owned a claim on Dry Creek last year, which he sold, states that another day would have sealed his fate.

Real Estate Sale

Poling Sub-Divisions of Yukon Territory

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BEAR CREEK. - (42) - All that portion of the Yukon Territory tributary to the Klondiker River on its left limit from and excluding Hunker Creek to and including Bear Creek.

UPPER BONANZA. - (43) - All that portion of the Yukon Territory tributary to Bonanza Creek above its junction with Eldorado Creek, excepting that portion within the limits of the unincorporated Town of Bonanza.

ELDERADO. - (44) - All that portion of the Yukon Territory lying within the watershed of Eldorado Creek.

BONANZA TOWN. - (45) - All that portion of the Yukon Territory included within the limits of the unincorporated Town of Bonanza.

BONANZA "A". - (46) - All that portion of the Yukon Territory tributary to Bonanza Creek from its junction with Eldorado Creek to the lower line of 30 below discovery on said creek.

BONANZA "B". - (47) - All that portion of the Yukon Territory tributary to Bonanza Creek from the lower line of No. 30 below discovery to the lower line of 80 below discovery on said creek.

BONANZA "C". - (48) - All that portion of the Yukon Territory tributary to Bonanza Creek below the lower line of 80 below discovery on said creek, and all that portion of the Yukon Territory tributary to the Klondiker River on its left limit from and excluding Bear Creek to the mouth of Bonanza Creek excepting that portion within the limits of the Townsite of Klondiker.

GLACIER. - (51) - All that portion of the Yukon Territory tributary to the Sixty Mile River above a point on said river distant one mile westerly from the mouth of Nine Mile Creek.

LOWER DOMINION. - (27) - All that portion of the Yukon Territory tributary to Dominion Creek from and including Sulphur Creek to the upper line of 145 below lower discovery on said creek, excepting that portion tributary to Gold Run Creek.

DOMINION "A". - (28) - All that portion of the Yukon Territory tributary to Dominion Creek from the upper line of 145 below lower discovery to the upper line of discovery on said creek.

DOMINION "B". - (29) - All that portion of the Yukon Territory tributary to Dominion Creek from the upper line of 28 below upper discovery on said creek.

DOMINION "C". - (30) - All that portion of the Yukon Territory tributary to Dominion Creek above the lower line of No. 28 above discovery on said creek.

LOWER GOLD RUN. - (31) - All that portion of the Yukon Territory tributary to Gold Run Creek below the upper line of No. 20 on said creek.

UPPER GOLD RUN. - (32) - All that portion of the Yukon Territory tributary to Gold Run Creek above the upper line of No. 20 on said creek.

UPPER SULPHUR. - (35) - All that portion of the Yukon Territory tributary to Sulphur Creek above the upper line of 15 above discovery on said creek.

UPPER HUNKER. - (37) - All that portion of the Yukon Territory tributary to Hunker Creek above the lower line of No. 24 below discovery on said creek.

GOLD BOTTOM. - (38) - All that portion of the Yukon Territory tributary to Hunker Creek below the lower line of No. 34 below discovery on said creek; and the lower line of No. 34 below discovery on said creek.

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Stroller's Column.

Another thing the government ought to do is to have a sign placed on the Hunker road, at the approach from either direction to No. 2 above. This sign should read:

"DON'T MENTION CANVASSACK DUCKS When Passing This Claim."

For a stranger might otherwise pass this way and quite unconsciously trespass upon the rights of a miser named Alec Milne and get into trouble. Alec has fled a water right on all conversation in the territory upon this subject, and has expended a great deal of profanity in protecting it.

A few nights ago there was trouble among the workers on this claim upon this very point. It was all on account of a bloomin' Englishman named Heath. Alec has been making some modest statements from time to time about cutting ducks heads off with a rifle when they were on the wing at a distance of two hundred yards. Everyone who knows Alec knows what a marvellous good shot he is because he has told them so many a time and oft. But this foolish young British chap did not know Alec as well as everybody else does, so he set out to put Alec's marksmanship to the test.

Stealthily, and with malice aforethought, he took a lobster can, cut the lid in the shape of a duck's head, wound the rest of the can in canvas and with a piece of bent hair wire formed a tail also covered with the canvas. Then he smeared the whole with brown mud, with the exception of a little of the tail, and set it afloat in a little eddy of the river.

Then the boys stole up to the cabin where old Alec was industriously filing a saw and Gorham, coming just after them said in a mysterious whisper:

"Say, boys, there's a duck, a canvassack; has anybody got a shotgun?"

Nobody had a shot gun but a rifle was produced, and meantime Gorham went to see if the duck was still there. He crept stealthily back and said:

"By gum, it is headed up stream, and I believe it will play in that little eddy all night."

Alec was fling away and saying nothing, but was evidently excited. It was a question who should be trusted to fire at the bird, as it would not do to miss it. Of course Alec was the best shot in the country and the rifle was deferentially handed to him. He went out, the boys creeping carefully after him, saw the duck, and after a slow aim fired.

Kelly, the night engineer, immediately pulled him back, so that the duck could not see him. "She never moved," he whispered, "give her another."

Alec thought he would like to get a little nearer the sleepy bird, and he crawled on his hands and knees over a fifty foot dump, pushing the rifle before him. He fired again. The duck still gently floated on the eddy. But the report of the rifle was followed by a hearty burst of laughter which the boys were unable to hold in any longer.

"Gang awa' to the deil," swore Alec, "I wanna aimin' at that thing."

Alec also swears he will shoot anybody living, but the police need not take this to mean that he has murderous intentions, as he does not pledge himself to hit anybody or anything.

If it is true that when James Hamilton Ross was appointed commissioner of this territory the News could at that time find no one in the city who knew him or anything of him, it is by no means true today. Perhaps the News did not look very far, or did not desire very much to find anybody who would testify to the character of the new executive; or it may be that the candidacy of Mr. Ross, as does the public prominence of any man, has stimulated the memory of the general public. At any rate the Stroller drops across any number of men who knew "Jim" Ross in the Northwest Territory, and not a few who claim to have gone to school with him.

There was a little knot of them swapping reminiscences of "Jim" last night, and to the charge of the News that the candidate of the Liberal party is, like a prophet, entirely unknown even in his own country, one of them remarked with some enthusiasm:

that he was coming home to stay sometime. But says he: "Boys, you don't know the Yukon, nor what a great country there is up there. You cannot imagine it. Why they dig gold up there, while you fellows are digging and digging to grow a crop of corn, so that you can get a few pieces of gold for it in exchange. There's no country nearly as rich in the whole Dominion as the Yukon. But I'll come back to you some time."

The Stroller has been around the places where politicians are supposed to meet with the vague idea of discovering the name of some French speaking Canadian who was ambitious to run as a parliamentary candidate. He thought it just possible that Max Landreville, who was once sent as a delegate to Ottawa by the miners of the Klondike, might possibly have the parliamentary bee buzzing in his bonnet.

"Yes, you can put me down," was the reply of the boniface of the Empire. "But the worst is there? I should say so very head. There's myself, and John Burke, and Noel, and Binet. We are all after it."

"And when do you open your campaign?"

"That's a point upon which we have come to an amicable agreement. We all start on the same day. We put our banners up on Wednesday."

"No, not next Wednesday. Wednesday, the 3rd of December. Then we four shall celebrate—you know what."

"Max is a 'farceur' of the deepest dye."

Talking about Canadians and Americans, the other evening one of the party asked Professor Judd, who is trying to get the position of athletic trainer and physicalist to the new athletic association if he were a Canadian. "I should say I was," the professor exclaimed, "why I fought in the war in Canada."

"You may have got the idea that I'm an American because I have lived in the states a good many years. But I came to Canada with and was a member of the first battalion of Prince Consort's Own. I belonged to No. 5 company, Captain Whaley captain. We had no colors then, only a skull and marrowbones, but we had some noted members in the regiment with us. There was Major, now General, Wolsley, Lord Russell, Lord Cecil, Lord Clifton, and Lord Cavendish who was stabbed to death in Phoenix Park, Dublin, you remember."

"There were five hundred of us who came over on the Australian, and we were wrecked off the banks of Newfoundland and had a devil of a time of it, living on fish and sleeping in barns. We were at Montreal for five or six months, and then into barracks at Hamilton, Canada West. The Prince of Wales, now King Edward, came to see us there, the time he visited the states. That was during the American war, you remember, and we were called out many and many a night, both at Hamilton and Montreal, but we never saw anything of the enemy."

"Then you never distinguished yourself, professor?"

"Don't be too sure about that. There was an awful bad night in Hamilton at that time, led by a scoundrel named Gillespie. He had done all sorts of outrageous things, including everything from murder to pitch-and-toss, and there was no one with sufficient daring to attempt his capture. So Lord Russell picked Corporal Judd, that was me, and Private Jack Haynes, to go after him. We were both known to be A-1 on the picket line or anywhere else."

"We heard that Gillespie was in a pub not far from the barracks so I planned a night outside and went in. I had kid gloves on and was dressed like a top. I went up to the bar and putting on a Cockney accent called for a glass of ale with a 'positively, damme' and so on. Gillespie walked up, collared my change and drank up the ale. I said that was a bloomin' shame, don't you know, and that I would punish him. He laughed and began to chaff me. I knocked him down. I had Jack Hayes posted behind me to keep the others from interfering, and in a couple of minutes I had the desperado at my mercy. Then I called in the picket and took him to the guard house."

"I believe I have some government land coming to me for that exploit, and now that the Red river valley is opening up I think I shall go and locate a farm there when I get too old to give boxing lessons."

Soldier Becomes Rich
Vancouver, Wash., Sept. 13.—Private C. Marshall, of the Signal Corps, United States Army, stationed at Vancouver barracks, has just received notification from Alsace-Lorraine, Germany, that by the death of a relative property to the value of \$11,735 has been left him. Private Marshall was born in France and left that country for the United States in 1890, enlisting in the army in 1895, serving at West Point in the Signal Corps, and as a battalion engineer. He fought in the Cuban war and spent many months in Alaska in Uncle Sam's service. Colonel Goddall, in command of

the First and Second Battalions of the Seventh Infantry, numbering about 450 men and Captain Harry Hawthorne, commanding the Twenty-sixth Field Battery, of Vancouver barracks, took part in the military parade yesterday at Portland, given by the Elks, which was viewed by thousands of people from all parts of the country.

An Anarchist
"You are keeping me poor—I have only this egg."
All rich men are rascals!" said Impetu Dregg.
Cousponicus Pigg said, "Your thanks, then, are due."
To me for not making a rascal of you."
But Impetu Dregg all the same flung his egg.
Which burst in the wig of Cousponicus Pigg.

MARKET REPORTS

Local Trade Improves Considerably

Winter Stocks Now Arriving in Large Quantities—Potatoes and Eggs Advanced.

The near approach of the close of navigation shows a decided stiffening in prices in the local markets and the bottom notch is considered to have been reached. From now on the tendency will be upward though no repetition is anticipated of the prices that were in vogue several years ago the results of corners on certain commodities. A conservative estimate of the stocks already on hand shows sufficient of the staples to last the bulk of the winter and there are still over a thousand tons of potatoes yet to arrive before the close of navigation. Eggs have advanced a dollar a case which now leaves a small margin where formerly there was more often a loss than a profit for the trader. Potatoes have also gone up a cent. Meats, canned goods and hay and oats are practically the same. Sales have been larger during the past week than for any similar period for some time which is taken as a good indication of better trade this fall than during the summer months. The following are the quotations for today:

STAPLES.
Flour, sugar, 100 2.75 \$ 8.00
Sugar, per 100 7.00 9.00
Beans, per 100 8.00 8.00
Beans, Lima 10.00 11.00
Rolled Oats, per 100 8.00 9.00

MEATS.
Beef, pound 13 20.50
Veal, pound 32 30.60
Pork, pound 20 30.50
Ham, pound 25 30
Bacon, pound 25 35
Mutton, pound 25 35.50

BUTTER, EGGS, CHEESE.
Agen's butter, 60-lb. \$27.50 \$ 1.00can
Elgin butter, 60-lb. 25.00 1.00can
Coldbrook 23.50 1.00can
S. & W., 48-lb. 30.00 1.50can
Eggs, fresh 12.50 .50

MILK AND CREAM.
Eagle, case 9.50 \$10.00
Highland, case 8.50 12.00
Carnation Cream 9.00 10.00
St. Charles 7.00 9.00

CANNED GOODS.
Roast beef, doz 4.50 3 for 1.00
Mutton 3.50 4.50 2 for 1.00
Ox tongue 12.00 15.00 1 for 1.25
Sausage meat 4.00 2 for 1.00

Meats, doz 9.00 11.00 1 for .50
Sliced bacon 3.00 4 for 1.00
Roast turkey 7.00 1 for .75
Corned beef 4.00 3 for 1.00
Sliced ham 4.50 2 for 1.00
Salmon, case, 10.00 3 for 1.00
Clams, case, 10.00 3 for 1.00
Tomatoes 5.50 3 for 1.00
Corn 4.25 3 for 1.00
String beans 4.50 2 for 1.00
Green peas 4.50 2 for 1.00
Cabbage 7.50 2 for 1.50
S. & W. fruits 14.00 2 for 1.50
Simsoe fruit 6.25 3 for 1.00

Choice California Mission Fruits, doz 8.50 10.00
Silver Seal 11.50 2 for 1.25
Succotash 7.00 3 for 1.00
Lubeck's potatoes per tin, 9.00
Beets 9.00 2 for 1.00
Asparagus 12.00 1 for .75
Asparagus tips 14.00 2 for 1.00
Celery, 4-5 stalks, doz 13.00 1 for .50

MISCELLANEOUS.
Potatoes 7 10
Onions 10 15
Cabbage 10 15
Turnips 10 15
Lemons, case 5.00 7.00
Oranges, case 9.00 11.00
Rolled oats 9 9
Oats 42 5
Hay 42 5
Soap 12.50
Tobacco, Star 1.00

CHICKENS, FISH AND GAME.
Poultry, pound 40 45
Broilers, pound 50 60
Greyling, fresh 30 35
Halibut 30 35
Whitefish 25 35
Pickered 40 50

A SMOKEHOUSE ROMANCE.....

The people of the town of Coopersville could remember the exact date of the quarrel between Deacons Hopkins and Spooner. They lived opposite each other on the outskirts of the town, and one was a Baptist and the other a Methodist. That fact had made no difference with them for years, except that each secretly believed the other was taking a round-about way to reach heaven, but there came a Sunday when they walked home after church service and something was said about Jonah and the whale.

There wasn't a doubt in the mind of either that Jonah was swallowed, but they differed as to particulars. Deacon Spooner said it was a plain case that Jonah was cast directly into the whale's mouth from on ship-board, and that without so much as getting his coatails wet, while Deacon Hopkins aggressively held that Jonah had been swimming about in the sea for some time before he found a haven of rest.

Two bad men, without any religion at all, would have tipped a copper to decide the question and then had a drink of hard cider to show that there was no ill-feeling, but the two good men, each with a church on his shoulders, couldn't afford to dismiss the point so easily. They argued and reasoned and protested and disputed, and by the time they reached Deacon Hopkins' gate they believed each other fools and bigots and parted in anger. That was the beginning of a quarrel that lasted for years and years. From that time on they nodded stiffly to each other when they met, as also did their wives, but there was no more neighboring or borrowing or lending.

When the trouble came to the two deacons one had a son of 16, and the other a daughter a year younger. Boy and girl had walked to and from school together and had a strong friendship, but the quarrel broke this up. They were not forbidden in so many words to speak to each other, but they soon understood how matters were and tacitly avoided each other, though no hard feelings prevailed.

At the end of two years Tom Hopkins was sent off to school, and a year later Kate Spooner departed for the home of an aunt in the east. When they returned to their parental homes Tom was ready to open a law office and Kate had become what the villagers called "a regular young lady." There had been no making up between the deacons. Never again had they walked to and from their respective churches in company. Deacon Spooner had always started from home four or five minutes first, and Deacon Hopkins had been careful not to overtake him. In returning, Deacon Hopkins had taken the lead, and Deacon Spooner had let him keep it.

Tom Hopkins came home with only a dim remembrance of the old misunderstanding, and the sight of Kate Spooner in church on the first Sunday of his arrival drove away the last fragments of that. It was so with Miss Kate. They greeted each other in the most friendly and informal way after the close of services, but they were soon to understand that there was a gulf between them. On the way home Deacon Hopkins said to his son:

"Thomas, Deacon Spooner insists that he is right about Jonah, while I, of course, refuse to yield one iota. You will therefore realize that there can be no social intercourse between my son and his daughter."

"I don't realize anything of the kind, dad," responded the son. "You and Deacon Spooner are the only two people in all the world who care a continental how Jonah was swallowed so long as the whale got him down, and I refuse to mix in. I'm going to call on Kate if he turns me slap out of doors."

"If you do you will not only put me in a painful position, but I shall have good reason for regarding you as a thankless child. Thomas, you must heed my wishes in this matter."

Tom didn't defy his father, but on the other hand he wouldn't bind himself by any promise. Forty rods behind them were Deacon Spooner and his daughter, and Deacon Spooner also had something to say.

"Daughter," he began, as she was thinking to herself how good-looking and manly Tom Hopkins had grown, "I saw you greet Deacon Hopkins' son Thomas after church, and I was not at all pleased. The deacon is still stiff-necked about Jonah and the whale."

"What? Is that old quarrel still alive?" she asked.

"Very much so, and it will never die unless the deacon acknowledges his error. You must be coldly polite to young Thomas and so more."

"But I was just hoping he would call on me tonight."

"If he does I shall have to show him the door. I cannot recede nor seem to recede from my position that Jonah was cast directly into the whale's mouth to be swallowed."

and she would have added further protests had not her father commanded her to silence.

But the attitude of the deacons did not keep the young people apart. They were bound to meet on the street or at the houses of mutual friends, and meet they did and fell in love. This fact was discovered in time, and the parental foot was put down in each case. Indeed, it came to such a pass that Tom Hopkins was threatened with being cut off with a shilling, and Kate was threatened with a diet of bread and water, and the good deacons felicitated themselves that love had been nipped in the bud. It wasn't, however. It was simply rendered more cautious.

One afternoon a note was put into the hands of Miss Kate saying that Tom would be in the lane behind her father's house at a certain hour in the evening. She meant to be on hand at the hour named, though she could see him only for a moment, but she was detained a quarter of an hour over time. The impatient and incautious Tom climbed the fence to see why she did not appear, and thinking he might be observed he sheltered himself in Deacon Spooner's smokehouse. He had been in hiding only a few minutes when the deacon walked down the path to see that all was right at the barn. On his return he would have encountered his daughter had she not dodged into that same smokehouse to avoid the meeting.

"Smokehouse door open, eh?" queried the deacon, as he came to a halt. "Well, I'm no man to put temptation in the way of others, and I'll shut it and lock it."

An hour later the good deacon was called out of the house to unlock the door and permit a foolish-looking couple their liberty. The deacon also looked foolish. He escorted the couple into the house and then crossed the road and aroused Deacon Hopkins and related the incident and added:

"Deacon Hopkins, about that whale and Jonah."

"Yes."

"I'm willing to say I may possibly be mistaken, if you'll say the same thing."

"I think I'll say so, Deacon Spooner."

"We'll say that the whale got Jonah, but not go into particulars."

"That's my idea."

"And about Tom and Kate?" queried Deacon Spooner.

"Y-e-s," replied Deacon Hopkins.

"Y-e-s, I see. Well, I'm willing."

"So'm I."

"And—"

"Except's nothing more that I know of except to shake hands and congratulate each other and wish the young folks every success. Good night, Deacon Hopkins—good night."

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not accord interviews or give portraits for publication; his daughters' movements are not chronicled in the press, and there are people who are not aware that he has a second son. His reluctance to extend the franchise to women is based, apart from political reasons, on his dislike to seeing them taking part in the rough-and-tumble of public life.

Peculiar Defense.
Philadelphia, Sept. 13.—Billy Maynard and Jimmy Simister were the principals in the wind up of the Quaker City Athletic Club tonight. The bout was decided in favor of Simister, whose peculiar defense was an unsolvable mystery to the New Yorker. The bout went the six rounds, but Maynard was outpointed.

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PROGRESS OF LA BELLE CASE

Evidence in Connection With the Murder of Bouthillette Concluded Yesterday Afternoon—Decision Held Pending Examination on Second Charge.

When the Nugget went to press yesterday afternoon the preliminary trial of La Belle for the murder of Bouthillette seemed likely to be continued until today, but the crown prosecutor closed late in the afternoon, and the magistrate committed him for trial and ordered that the charge against the same prisoner for the murder of Beaudoin be heard this morning. The testimony which concluded the Bouthillette case yesterday was as follows:

Joseph Dowdall, second-hand dealer, South Dawson, was called to identify the blankets; before identified as belonging to Bouthillette, as those offered for sale and bought by him from the accused on June 30th. The latter came in with two other men. One came in and asked if he bought blankets. Witness said he did. Then the men went down to the boat near the slough and the three came up with the blankets, for which witness paid \$8.

Cross-examined by Mr. Noel: All three seemed to be interested in the sale. He could not remember which received the money.

Corporal Piper, who again appeared in uniform after a long time in plain clothes, was next called to the witness stand. He said he had been with the Mounted Police for thirteen years and in Dawson since 1898. He received instructions on July 15th to proceed up the Yukon to six miles from Indian river, where he found the body which has since been identified as that of Bouthillette. What led to this identification was the key ring found in the clothes, which carried a brass tag engraved with the name of Leon Bouthillette.

As the corporal told the condition in which he found the body, how after he had washed off the mud the wounds began to bleed, it was noticed that the prisoner was paying intense interest to the recital. The rifle wounds in the head and the breast indicated to the corporal that there had been foul work done, and he lost no time in bringing the body to Dawson. When he reached here he was instructed to proceed to Selkirk where another body had been found. He went there and satisfied himself that that body had been in the water over three months, and therefore could have no connection with the present enquiry.

The corporal then told of his discovery of the camp where the murders had been committed and produced

about a hundred gruesome exhibits of the miscellaneous articles belonging to the deceased which he had there unearthed. One was the charred portion of a human skull, and there were buckles, buttons and other crumpled articles from the burned clothing of the men who had been found. He had charts showing the exact spot where each article had been found, and the whole showed a keenness of search and a piecing together of minute clues that was simply marvelous.

After Piper's long and carefully detailed evidence Alfred Horn, who had traveled on the same train with Bouthillette, gave evidence that he had seen four men leave Whitehorse in the boat with Bouthillette, while the other witnesses had only testified to seeing the three missing men and La Belle in the boat. R. L. Cowan of the Bank of Commerce identified the handwriting of La Belle and this closed the testimony, the crown prosecutor saying that he had other witnesses to call if the court should consider it necessary.

Magistrate Wroughton again formally charged La Belle, and then committed him for trial in the territorial court.

TODAY'S SESSION ON BEAUDOIN CHARGE.

When the case of La Belle on the charge of murdering Guy Beaudoin was called in the police court this morning there was again a large crowd but not so large as at the two sessions of the court yesterday, neither had they so long to wait for the beginning of the proceedings. The magistrate took his seat yesterday an hour late, this morning only half an hour.

The proceedings were very brief. La Belle was brought in by Corporal Piper and Sergeant Smith, and looked worn and nervous after the mental tension of yesterday. The crown prosecutor said that it seemed to him a waste of time to go over the evidence which was taken yesterday and the fresh evidence to substantiate the charge against the prisoner as regards the murder of Beaudoin, and he would prefer that the hearing be adjourned from time to time so that it might be brought up at any time necessary.

Mr. Noel, for the prisoner, offered no objection to this and Magistrate Wroughton accordingly enlarged the case to Oct. 4th.

per annum from August 1, 1898, with costs against the defendant." A stay of proceedings was granted for fifteen days after the date of the judgment.

Police Court

Charles Barnwell did not know whether he was drunk or not when he appeared in the police court this morning, and he asked the magistrate to adjourn the hearing that he might "find out about it." He was willing to pay all expenses, he said. The court did not see how he could adjourn the hearing without some reasonable plea being made and told the accused he had to plead either guilty or not guilty; Charles then pleaded guilty.

Constable Egan said the accused was abusing several people on First avenue and he gave him several chances to go home which the accused ignored and he consequently had to arrest him. He abused his captor all the way to the barracks, saying he was only a cheap guy and was arresting him for the money there was in it.

At the conclusion of the testimony Charles said: "I only want to ask him—but it's no good asking that. That's all" and he turned his back to the court with the air of a deeply persecuted martyr. Then he added: "I was forced to plead guilty, but I wish you would let it go over until tomorrow so I can find out something about it."

The court imposed a fine of \$5 and costs and loaned Charles an officer to go with him and "find out" where he could get it.

Smith vs. Scurry

A hot go will be witnessed tonight at the Standard theatre between Al. Smith and Al. Scurry, two light weight boxers, both with good reputations.

The contest is for a purse of \$500 and gate receipts, and is creating a great deal of interest among local sports.

Scurry has done some good work in the ring in British Columbia and Smith has figured in several local bouts. Both men are out to win and each promises to give a good account of himself.

Two or Three Jolts

Koehann Thordason was asked in the police court this morning if he was not drunk and disorderly last night and he answered "I guess I was drunk all right, as we had two or three jolts last night." He said he came from All Gold yesterday and was going back tomorrow. Magistrate Wroughton said he had better return today, as soon as he had coughed up his \$2 and costs.

Locomotive Coming

The Mary Graf, which is due here tomorrow, brings a locomotive for the Klondike Mines Railway, and two flat cars. The Bonanza King, which is just behind her, brings the tender and one flat car.

COSTLY ELECTION

Will be That of Member of Parliament

Sixty Polling Divisions With as Many Deputy Returning Officers.

The election of a member to parliament this winter will cost \$50,000 in fees, said an official today who is in a position to know whereof he speaks. First in the way of fees the returning officer, Sheriff Ellbeck, will receive \$500; the election clerk, "Jack" Ellbeck, will get a nice little plum of \$150; each of the deputy returning officers will be paid \$25 for their services; the polling clerks will receive \$15 each and the constables \$10 each. The enumerators draw \$10 a day and their expenses and their employment will last from 30 to 40 days according to the distance their division is from the city. Mileage to the amount of 25 cents a mile is allowed the person who carries out and returns with the ballot boxes to the different divisions which is generally the polling clerk of that division. Then, too, is the fee which Mr. Justice Dugas will receive as revising barrister and for having appointed the different enumerators, and it will be a fat one of considerable consequence. There will be 60 deputy returning officers, 60 polling clerks, 60 constables and 40 enumerators. It was originally intended to have an enumerator for each division but it recently was decided to have but 40 instead of 60, several of the enumerators caring for two divisions. Thus in Dawson there are eight polling divisions but there will be but four enumerators and Caribou Crossing and Tagish will be taken by the same person.

The enumerators have all been appointed though but four have so far appeared before Sheriff Ellbeck to be sworn in. The latter has the naming of all the deputy returning officers but it is a task yet to be completed. It is customary to allow the deputy returning officer to appoint his own polling clerk. By October 15, as is required by the writ, all the enumerators will have given their sittings and will continue in session for thirty days.

As to the number of votes that will be polled, the aggregate of all the divisions is largely a matter of conjecture. At the election of two members to the Yukon council held two years ago next month there were

a little less than 2000 votes cast, but it is believed that the number at the approaching election will greatly exceed that.

Stripes Well Earned

This morning two stripes were added to the right arm of Constables Pat Egan and James C. Stewart, both of the town station detachment, and henceforth it is Corporal Egan and Corporal Stewart. The former has been on the force for the past four years and the latter for two years and attached to "B" division for a year and a half. Both are well worth the promotion that has been given them and there are no more popular men on the force than they. Egan last winter distinguished himself by assisting in the capture of Brophy, the holdup man.

EXPANDING COMMERCE

Dawson's Volume of Trade Increasing

Has Large Dealings Not Only With the Creeks But Distant Districts.

The trade of Dawson with the outlying districts has increased in a marvellous degree this season, but the increase has been so gradual and regular that it has passed almost unnoticed except by the merchants and transportation agents that have been reaping the direct benefit from it. Last year the creeks to the east of the city were all the territory considered as ground to be worked for the expansion of the city trade, but early this season saw regular boats to the Stewart, the Pelly and the Hootalinqua, and also to Eagle and Fortymile.

The expansion in this latter direction has been altogether unexpected in the magnitude of its results. When near the close of July the White

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Pass put on the Zealandian on a regular run to these points she carried on her first trips a few passengers only and a few tons of freight. For weeks now she has been carrying from fifty to sixty passengers and as many tons of freight. Forty-mile is in this territory and her trade is naturally expected. In only needed regular transportation facilities to develop it. The surprise is in the growth of the trade with Eagle, in the domain of the United States.

This trade, too, is not confined to American goods, quite a large quantity of which have paid duty here, and a still larger quantity having been taken out of bond here and reshipped to American territory without paying duty. There have been many large shipments to Eagle of Canadian goods, the purchaser paying export duty at the Dawson customs house. The returns from customs receipts at this port will show a large increase this season from this particular cause.

This expansion of local trade has only obtained a fair start this season, and for its full development one will have to wait until next year. This will continue, however, during the winter, as there are to be regular stage lines over the ice to Fortymile and Eagle during the winter. When the spring opens the White Pass will continue its expansion in this direction as well as others. It will follow on the lines which have made Jim Hill's success as a transportation factor, that of opening up and encouraging "feeders" to its

present system in all and every direction.

So far the Zealandian has made about twenty round trips to Eagle and double that number to Fortymile. Next season the company will have two boats regularly on the run, which will give two boats a week to Eagle and four boats a week to Fortymile. This season there has been no inconsiderable amount of business done by the Zealandian in carrying prospectors and their supplies to places midway. The probable outcome of this will be more landing places and places of business, on the river as these places develop. This spring there was many a time when a man wanted to go to Eagle or Fortymile but could not calculate when he would be able to return and so gave up the trip. The way the adjacent lower river country will be opened up by regular boats several times a week, and the immense trade this expansion will bring to the hub of Yukon commerce, is an agreeable thing to think about and speculate upon.

The Prospector and the La France have this season given an impetus to the development of trade on the Stewart, the Pelly and the McMillan rivers. On the Stewart there are now half a dozen large general stores and several roadhouses that were not there last year. This development also is but a beginning, to be improved and expanded by better transportation facilities. Next season the White Pass will have a steamer plying from the mouth of Stewart to

the head of navigation, with a large wharf at Stewart for the transfer of passengers and freight from the regular Whitehorse steamers. The Pelly will also have a special steamer and a wharf. The steamer Bailey has been plying on the Hootalinqua all the past season, but has gone direct to and from Whitehorse. This will also have a special steamer only plying on this river and making the mouth her initial-point next season. The Clissett has done a fair business on the Tahkena, which empties into the Pitymile, and she will probably be kept on this run.

In all this expansion, as will be noticed, there is no reference to the effect of quartz discoveries, but it can easily be seen that when a man can go quartz prospecting in a steamer, getting off at any point along the rivers with a surety of finding a steamer to take him back to Dawson without a long wait, it is a great deal more encouraging and must lead to more quartz prospecting, and to the opening up of many more properties than would have been possible under the conditions prevailing but a few months ago.

WHAT A DAWSON MAN SAYS

For six years I could eat nothing but milk and toast, and at times my stomach would not retain and digest even that. Last winter I commenced buying groceries of Dunham and since then I have become strong and well. A Member of the Kid Committee. At Auditorium—Old Homestead. Job Printing at Nugget office.

A MODEL INSTITUTION

Found at the White House

A New Rooming Establishment Which is a Credit to the City.

One of the finest of the many new buildings erected in Dawson during the past summer is the White House, which is located on Third avenue south of the post office between King and Queen streets.

Mr. Frank McArthur, owner of the building, has fitted the second story of it into the most complete and modern hotel in the city. Mr. McArthur has spent several years in the Yukon and is thoroughly acquainted with the climatic conditions and understands the requirements necessary to meet those conditions, and in the erection of his building he spared no expense so that he has one of the warmest and most substantial buildings in Dawson.

The sixteen rooms into which the upper story is divided are all large, airy and light and have been newly carpeted and furnished throughout, and many conveniences have been added which have hitherto been foreign to Dawson.

One of the most striking features of the building and one which will appeal strongest to those looking for rooming for the winter is the new method by which the building will be heated. The McLennan & McFeely Co. has just installed one of the famous Magnet wood hot air heaters, the pipes of which are placed between the partitions so that the heat is radiated without the means being exposed.

This house is a credit to the city of Dawson and will surely meet with the approval it justly deserves.

Judge Dugas' Vacation

Mr. Justice Dugas, accompanied by Mrs. and Miss Dugas, left on the Victorian this morning, and will winter in lower California. Mr. Dugas will return over the ice early in February.

OLD CASE SETTLED

Judgment Rendered in Brown vs. Jeha

Action Pertains to the Title of Lot Occupied by Dawson City Hotel.

One of the last official acts to be performed by Mr. Justice Dugas, who in company with his family left for the outside this morning, was the handing down of the judgment in the case of Brown vs. Jeha which has been on the docket for almost the last two years. The action arose over the title to a portion of lot 16, block H. A. of the Harper & Ladue townsite upon which stands the Dawson City hotel on First avenue. An interest in the lot was sold and in some manner or other a misdescription was given in the deed. His lordship's decision is lengthy and goes minutely into every phase of the case. In conclusion he says:

"Finding that as vendor the plaintiff has had all through an equitable lien on the property in question for the amount still due him, if the action was in the same condition as when instituted I would order that a legal title be given to the defendant before he should be forced to pay the amount due, but since the institution of the action and with the consent of the parties an order has been issued by the judge permitting the sale of the property, and a grant having been obtained from the crown, a certificate of title was, under the same order, issued by the registrar so as to make the title of the purchaser from the defendant perfect, the purchase money having been deposited in court to abide the result of this action. This money I take it is followed by the lien which I declare to have existed upon the property, but, as I believe that the plaintiff is not entitled under the statutes concerning interest, to more than the legal rate of interest it will be ordered that out of the moneys in court the plaintiff will be paid the said sum of \$4,550 with interest at 6 per cent.

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