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STAUNCH BRITONS

Will Meet Tonight to Discuss Plans for Their Financial Salvation

AND OTHER MATTERS OF MOMENT

Which Foretell Pending Ruin to the Klondike.

TO STOP CAR OF JAUGERNAUT

List of Important Questions Which Will Be Up for Discussion.

From Saturday's Daily.

Everything is in readiness for the meeting of British subjects which is to be held in the Palace Grand tonight, from which time it is confidently believed and hoped will date the gleaming of the beacon light which will guide from the slough of despond and despair the governmental affairs of the Yukon territory.

Tonight's meeting will unquestionably be the largest gathering of representative, perfectly organized British patriots ever held north of Victoria. The citizens committee, to whom several months ago was entrusted the responsibility and power to act in the matter of instituting measures for the betterment of conditions and the alleviating of suffering, superinduced by governmental oppression, has well and faithfully labored in the discharge of the duty entrusted to it, and has not to the extent of jot or little betrayed an iota of the trust reposed in it by the people.

The meeting tonight has, in the wisdom of this committee, been called for the purpose of again giving to every

subject in the territory an opportunity of giving his views as to the progress made or not made, and of offering any advice, suggestions or methods by which the unattained may be brought about.

No British subject need hesitate to speak tonight, no matter how humble his station in life may be, as the meeting is of the people, by the people and for the people, and it is to get the untrammelled, honest expression of the people that the meeting is called.

Several questions considered to be of paramount importance will come before the meeting in the following order: Report of citizens' committee. Disposition of Sugrue resolution, consideration of which was deferred at the last meeting.

Consideration of a resolution respecting the royalty.

Consideration of a resolution respecting the local taxation ordinance.

Consideration of a resolution respecting the secret meetings of the Yukon council.

Consideration of a resolution respecting toll bridge and other exclusive franchises.

Other questions may also be brought up for consideration during the meeting. Many Britons are down from the creeks and will be in attendance. They feel that unless there is mitigation of the royalty injustice at once, financial ruin cannot be averted.

It is reported that the friends of the local representatives of the council will attend the meeting, and it is further stated that the various members of the Yukon council will also be present. The "organ" printed an on-the-troubled-water article yesterday and copies of it were handed around the streets without money and without price. The "organ" which is known to be "boot-black" to the local administration, closes its production with an appeal to "Men of the Yukon" to allow no demagogue to stuff them with delusions and mouth paintings of local hardships. The meeting tonight will probably act independent of all advice from the "organ," whose disguise of sheep's clothing is so worn as to be transparent.

For the Good Cause.

Mrs. Capt. Wood has undertaken a novel plan for aiding the sufferers in the Ottawa fire. She is securing contributions of steamboat tickets from the various companies which will be raffled off to the public and the proceeds given to the Ottawa fund. The plan is meeting with great success and the lady anticipates a goodly sum to be realized from the raffie.

Entertainment Postponed.

The entertainment which was to be given at the free reading room on Monday night has been postponed until Tuesday. Arrangements have been completed for a splendid program which will be rendered on the latter named date.

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CASE IS WINNER

He Stops Smith in Five Rounds at the Palace Grand Last Night.

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Smith Not in the Same Class With Case.

IT WAS A PICNIC FOR DICK.

His Opponent Shows Great Tenacity and Puts Up a Very Creditable Defense.

The Palace Grand was packed last night to witness the go between Case and Smith, and great enthusiasm was displayed at the early part of the contest by the onlookers for the clever work of Smith in ducking the fierce leads of his opponent. All through the go, however, Case showed his superiority, as Smith was almost continually on the defensive and when leading being too slow to catch Case, who easily got away apparently at will, or guarding clean without leaving an opening for Smith to get in his work. The go lasted five rounds and was practically a knockout, Smith being unable to defend himself owing to the severe punishment inflicted upon him by Case, who knocked him to the floor time and again. Smith showed great grit and a great deal of sympathy is expressed for him as he is a decent fellow, and has made a host of friends. He was entirely outmatched by Case, however, and in the opinion of many he could have been put out in two or three rounds, should Case have desired.

Dick is certainly a wonder in his class and it is a question whether there is a man in the territory who has any license to win a go he contests.

Jim Donaldson was chosen by the contestants as referee and Curly Munroe as official time keeper.

Prior to the opening of hostilities Mr. Barber, a recent arrival in Dawson, issued his second defy to the winner of the go which was accepted by both men, and after the contest by Case, who said he would be ready to meet him on the 22d of the present month. Barber is supposed to be clever, but the sports say he is a better boxer than a fighter.

Time was called at 11:30, with Smith leading. The following is the go by rounds:

Round 1—Smith feints with left, Case returning lead but short; again leading and guarding return prettily, Case smiling at Smith's efforts to reach him, then rushing in with left swing, but Smith ducked cleverly, both coming together in a rush almost throwing Case to the floor. Smith led with left, Case returning and landing with jab on the jaw, following with upper cut, landing low on chest; time was called here, both men taking their corners looking fresh and vigorous.

Round 2—Smith led for wind and landed light, Case driving in left on ribs, followed by upper cut, then left and right, all landing. Smith led left, but Case got easily away. Case again driving in on ribs, then an uppercut as Smith ducked for an expected swing, following with right and left. Here both men struck out left and got in a stiff punch, Case coming back with a stiff punch on jaw, Smith returning and landing left; both men again landed lefts at same time. Case started aggressively with a rush, landing left on jaw twice and drawing blood, Smith returning lead, which was easily guarded by Case.

Round 3—Both men came to the center fresh and willing, Case leading left, Smith returning same on Case's jaw. Case returns with terrific swing, but

Smith ducks cleverly, again swinging for his man he catches Smith with an upper-cut as Smith ducks, landing on his jaw; another left swing catches Smith, followed by an upper cut which is half blocked. Case leads again twice, Smith ducking and escaping punishment, Case coming in with a strong right on the head. Smith swings and misses, followed by another left which lands lightly.

Round 4—In this round Case evidently goes in to make trouble, whipping out his arms like a catapult and landing repeatedly, first with left on jaw, returning same again, then right on body and left on jaw, then an uppercut, missing two left swings. Smith drove left in on Case's wind; Case swings again and misses, slipping from the force of his blow and falling to the floor on his hands, quickly jumping up, with Smith leading and landing on Case's jaw.

Round 5—Case rushed at the call of time, but is blocked, Smith landing left. Case gets in a heavy upper-cut, then left and right, knocking Smith to the floor, the latter blow reaching as Smith is falling. Yells of foul from onlookers, the referee deciding no foul was made. At the count of eight Smith regained his feet, Case rushing and getting in left and right on body and face, bringing Smith again to the floor. At the count of nine Smith regained his feet, but in a helpless condition, and is brought to the floor again. Sergeant Wilson very properly interfered here, telling the referee to stop the contest which he did by leading Smith to his corner.

Neither man was injured, Smith regaining his strength in a few moments. Case then shook hands with Smith and came forward and declared he would accept the challenge of Barber.

Beginning to Show.

The results of the work being done by Sergeant Wilson's men on First avenue are now becoming quite apparent, and the good that will follow will be apparent for all time to come. By the time the work has been under way a few weeks the street will not be recognizable as the same thoroughfare it was a few days ago and before the work of improvement was inaugurated.

Officers Elected.

At a regular meeting of Dawson Camp, No. 4, Arctic Brotherhood, held last night the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: Arctic chief, Dr. L. O. Wilcox; vice-arctic chief, Sergeant A. McIntosh; arctic recorder, L. J. White; keeper of nuggets, Rudy Kalenborn; chaplain, Lew Craden; camp alchemist, S. G. Edwards; trustees, Messrs. Shindler, Hobbs, Cowan, McRae and Wild.

The arctic chief named the following appointive officers: Arctic trail guide, F. N. Atwood; arctic trail blazer, Sergeant E. Davis; arctic camp cook, R. Ormsby; keeper of inner tollgate, A. J. Mangold; keeper of outer tollgate, Geo. G. Cantwell; Whitehorse pilot, H. B. Lyons; finance committee, Messrs. Donald B. Olson, Leroy Tozier and R. B. Condon. Auditing committee, Lew Craden, J. L. Sale and J. S. Cowan. Visiting committee, the arctic chief, arctic recorder, Lew Craden, C. B. Zabriska and Sergeant A. McIntosh.

Probably Mean Nothing.

One day during the week just closing a chief clerk in one of the government offices was called before the police court in the capacity of a witness, when it was noticed that, in taking the oath, the chief clerk in one of the government offices held the copy of the Holy Bible in his left hand.

Christian Science.

Services at McDonald hall on Sunday at 11 a. m. All are cordially welcome.

HILL IS CLEARED

The Jury in the Murder Case Returned a Verdict of Not Guilty.

THE TRIAL TERMINATED LAST NIGHT

The Ultimate Result is Approved By Everybody.

THE PRISONER EXONERATED.

The Attorneys Who Conducted the Action Displayed Great Zeal and Marked Ability.

At 9 o'clock last evening the jury in the case of the Queen vs. Charles Hill returned a verdict of not guilty. Despite the lateness of the hour, a large number of persons had assembled in the court room for the purpose of witnessing the last scene of the most important criminal trial which has occurred during the current year, and the final announcement of the prisoner's innocence was received with approval by the audience.

Soon after the noon recess yesterday the testimony was concluded. Then Attorney McKay delivered an address in defense of the accused; the counsel for the prisoner carefully reviewed the evidence; he explained in an exceedingly plausible manner the theory of justifiable homicide, and his consummate arraignment of facts and application of legal principles greatly assisted the jury in its consideration of the issue.

Crown Prosecutor Wade presented the case for the crown. He made an exceedingly able and masterly argument, and at times, his plea was impassioned.

The judge's charge to the jury was eminently fair and impartial, and the instructions contained a comprehensive and precise statement of the law applicable to the particular facts which had been deduced from the testimony of the respective witnesses.

At 5:30 p. m., the jury retired, and it was expected that only a few minutes would elapse before the rendition of the final determination. About a half an hour later, the jurors returned to the court room; they requested some further legal instructions, which the justice granted, and then an adjournment was taken until 9 o'clock in the evening.

At the appointed hour the jurors were conducted to their seats in the court room and the announcement was made that they had arrived at a verdict. The prisoner, from his position in the dock, anxiously scanned the faces of the men who had determined his fate, as each individual juror responded to the call of his name, the accused glanced eagerly at the respective members of the panel for some sign or manifestation of their conclusion. Ultimately, Mr. Soell, the court clerk, addressed the following question to the foreman of the jury:

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SUNDAY, MAY 6, 1900.

TONIGHT'S MEETING.

Tonight the people of Dawson and representatives from the creeks will assemble in mass meeting to listen to a report from the citizens' committee and to transact such other business as may come before the meeting.

Of chief importance on the order of business are the questions of representation and royalty.

As regards the former, innumerable and, in our judgment, unnecessary delays have intervened since authority was given at Ottawa for the election of members on the local council.

The census returns have proven what everyone outside of certain members of the Yukon Council has known all along, viz., that there are several times over a sufficiently large number of British subjects in the territory to justify representation.

It appears, however, that the council has become thoroughly convinced at length, both as to the genuineness of the popular wish in the matter and as to the right which the people have, that their desires should be respected.

We understand that the facts relative to the results of the census have been telegraphed to Ottawa, and that in the fullness of time instructions will be received ordering an election to be called.

These facts, however, should in no degree hinder a strong expression of opinion at the meeting tonight. The people of Dawson have placed themselves on record upon various questions in the past, and have seen their wishes disregarded. No harm can result if they accentuate their previously spoken convictions upon the questions at issue tonight.

The more strongly the grievances of the territory are impressed upon the government, the quicker relief will be granted. Therefore, the fact that Ottawa has been wired by the local authorities with a report of the census, and a sort of negative recommendation in behalf of representation, should not preclude further action by the mass meeting tonight.

As regards the royalty question, which will also be dealt with at the meeting, there has always been a strong opinion maintained that the legal status of the tax might be successfully attacked.

The royalty has never been made a law by virtue of parliamentary enactment. In fact, it is no law at all, being merely an order or regulation in council, and without precedent in Canadian history.

The full facts will be laid before the mass meeting, and a line of action suggested whereby a test of the legality of the royalty measure may be made.

As for fears which have been expressed that the meeting may give rise to violent action, the

Nugget has merely to say that people who entertain such views are not acquainted with the character of the men who constitute the population of this territory. They are men who are accustomed to constitutional laws and constitutional means for righting wrongs. When these have been exhausted, there will be plenty of time to discuss resort to other measures.

The mass meetings thus far held have been productive of much good. They have manifested a respect for law, and at the same time have shown a firm determination to persist in a demand for recognition of just claims until the same is obtained. This is the spirit which commands respect, and ultimately will bring success.

TO GO OR NOT TO GO.

As the season advances, that omnipresent person who was "going to Nome" becomes more difficult to find. From the free expressions made during the winter, it was feared that the spring rush would not leave us able-bodied men enough to defend the town from invasion, but the number leaving is not distressingly large. It will be remembered that during the fall following the discovery of gold in Atlin, fully two-thirds of the population of Skagway expressed a determination to try their fortunes in the new district. How many really went, could be easily counted. The exodus to Nome is a parallel case, and while their leaving will no doubt better their financial condition in the main, their less peripatetic brethren who stay behind will have equally as good chances of wealth in the long run.—Skagway News.

A generous response to the call for aid to those made homeless by the Ottawa fire will furnish an object lesson which will be productive of beneficial results to the Yukon Territory, as well as affording all who assist, the consciousness of having aided a deserving cause. Time is an important consideration in such an emergency, and the sooner Dawson is prepared to forward a goodly sum to Ottawa, the better for all concerned.

Good, clean sport is admired and appreciated by all lovers of the manly art. Such was furnished to the large crowd which assembled at the Palace Grand last night. Both men did their best, and satisfied the patrons of the affair that the match was a legitimate one and perfectly on the square.

The stories of thousands of men rushing pell mell for Nome have convinced many men that they are pretty well off in the Klondike. A man who has steady employment here is taking an unwarranted risk when he throws his chances in with the multitudes who will flock to the Nome beach this summer.

A Correction.

Inadvertently the name of Mr. Young of the Yukon Sun was omitted in yesterday's Nugget from the list of the committee who will act in arranging for the benefit for the sufferers from the Ottawa fire.

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"Have you ever noticed," said an old order man to the Stroller one day lately, "that under the head of 'Good of the order,' a great many orders are talked to death? Now, I used to belong to several orders outside, and there was always some jay managed to get in that could not allow anything to pass, no matter of how big or how little importance, without getting up and boring those present with a long speech; no motion ever suited him and he would make an amendment. If \$25 were to be voted for any purpose, this fellow would amend the motion to read \$24.85; then he would spiel for half an hour or more and finally withdraw his amendment. I do not know whether any of the lodges in Dawson have any such barnacles on their hulls or not, as I don't belong to any Dawson lodges; but if they have, mark my words, the order that allows itself to be afflicted by any perpetual motion amender and chronic spieler will go to the dogs and all Genenna went stop it."

"The ice has gone out above and below Dawson, and it may be that just enough will remain here to make a bridge from the city over to the west side. It would not be the first time such a thing has happened. Chief Isaac's wife's grandmother says that in 1797 there was an ice bridge not over 100 feet wide extended across the river in front of where Dawson now stands until the latter part of August. She says that it was one day when she and a lot of other frolicsome young people were over there looking for four leaf clovers that she became engaged to her future husband, whom she has every reason to believe was Chief Isaac's wife's grandfather. The old lady does not believe, however, that the bridge will be of long duration this year; but she does not take any stock in what Silas said to a Nugget man a few days ago; she has never liked Silas since he stole a slab of salmon from her the summer he was 7 years old. She says Silas would rather lie on 60 days' time than tell the truth, for spot chechako."

At the glove contest last night the Stroller had the misfortune to have a seat immediately in the rear of an overgrown young man whose lingo indicates that he was raised in Hogan's alley. All through the "go" this young know-all was constantly emitting such expressions as: "Look at dat? de bloke caught de pug right square in de mug; see dat duck? Hully gee, but she's a warm one; see 'm book it on ter de guy's wind? Dere, I tink he's done fer; yep, dat settles it."

During the progress of the Hill murder trial, the spectators at infrequent intervals manifested their sympathy for the prisoner. All the facts which were submitted from the witness box, the law as it was defined and interpreted from the bench, favored the cause of the accused. The only person who appeared to entertain an opinion adverse to the theory of the defense was Crown Prosecutor Wade. He presented vigorously and earnestly the case for the state; he was aware of his isolated position, but the murmurs of the audience, the objections of opposing counsel, even occasional rebukes from Justice Dugas, did not influence the conduct of the prosecutor. After the trial, he expressed his approval of the verdict, and he heartily congratulated Attorney McKay upon the masterly manner in which the defense had been conducted.

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(From Friday's Daily.)
Although not their chief, the Indians of Moosehide look upon Silas as a sort of first mate; and as Chief Isaac is inclined to be somewhat frivolous, the tribesmen look to Silas to pilot their ship of state on the turbulent sea of life.

Silas is perhaps 40 years of age, but his appearance indicates that his winters have not alternated with summers; in fact, Silas looks as though his life had been all one long winter of discontent with but little seasoning in it.

To Silas has been allotted a large share of the philosophy which has ever characterized the red race. Being in every sense a child of nature, he is a profound student of nature and from his observations is able to draw deductions, the logic of which would do credit to men who have devoted their lives to delving in the archives of scientific research.

In view, therefore, of the scientific bent of Silas' mind, it is not surprising that he should entertain views of his own on the all important question: When will the ice move out down the river? The first mate was up to the city yesterday, having accompanied his wife who desired to purchase a spring bonnet and inquire at the news stands regarding the arrival of fashion magazines. When approached by a Nugget representative and questioned relative to the momentous question—that of the ice—he assumed a look that would not have done discredit to an ancient day seer, and said:

"What I do not know about the history and habits of the Yukon can not be learned this side of the grave. I know all that my forefathers knew, besides that which I have picked up in my own checkered life. My father lived for many years after the sere was on his pumpkin, and to him it was given to be wise in the lore of the country. But my father did not know half so much about the spring habits of the river as I do, for the reason that he was not required to study them. For many years of his life he had a never-failing harbinger, and just two days after the coming of the harbinger the ice in the river would go out."

Here Silas paused and looked intently at a hole in the toe of one of his shoes. "Go on," said the knight of Faber, No. 2.

"Give me a dollar," said Silas, a gleam of intelligence revealing itself in the smile which curled his upper lip and cracked a couple of cold sores, as he placed the silver in the interior realms of his pants.

"The messenger which always foretold to my father the exact date of the going out of the ice was a bull moose that never failed to walk down the bed of Moosehide creek and take a drink from the water running along the edge of the Yukon just two days before the ice would go out. That moose never missed a spring for 41 years. The spring after my father wrapped the drapery of his couch around him and laid down to pleasant dreams the moose never came, and the ice did not go out that year until the 35th day of July."

"I have," continued Silas as he rose, stamped the ground volently with his left foot, which had seized the opportunity to go asleep, "nothing but my own scientific deductions on which to base my prognostications. Do you follow me? Ah, good! I have made these deductions, and am now able to state definitely the day and date on which those optic-offending piles of garbage on the river in front of the city will start northward. Give me a dollar, Tanks! Today is Friday, the 4th; on next Friday, the 11th, at seventeen minutes past four, by the fire bell, in the afternoon the ice will start. I can also impart some startling information regarding the damage that will be done by a jam, but it will take more than a dollar to get it."

And Silas, who has a smattering knowledge of the French language, said "Olive oil," as he hastened away to join his wife who just then appeared coming down the street with a large hatbox under each arm.

An Advertising Dodge.

At a meeting of an upper west side political club a few nights ago, after the chairman had asked if there were any remarks on a question before the house, a long silence was broken by a man who arose and said that he would

like to say a few words. He was young, with a face not overattractive, and his clothes were seedy. He attacked the unimportant local subject with the ferocity of an orator upon whose words the fate of nations might have hung. He talked glowingly, continuously and uninterruptedly for many minutes, and in that time he managed to be on both sides of the question at once.

It was evident that he did not want to offend either the supporters or the opponents of the measure. He went back into history and quoted authorities upon abstruse topics, which he managed somehow to make fit the trivial issue. In the course of his remarks he repeated many times the phrase "Now, I, as a lawyer, believe so and so," or, varying it, said: "My friends come to me and say, 'Mr. Blank, what is your position on this question?' As a lawyer I answer that it appears to me so and so."

When the man sat down, no burst of applause greeted his efforts, but that did not seem to disturb him. Investigation led to the discovery that he was one of a class of men who belong to numerous small political organizations for the purpose of advertising their business at the meetings. The words, "I, Mr. Blank," and "I, as a lawyer," form the key to the method employed.

The hearers are left in no doubt as to the man's pursuit, and there is always a chance that at the meeting some one will be present who will need legal assistance and may be deceived into the belief that the orator is a man of standing in the legal profession. As long as the man's remarks are in order the chairman cannot suppress him. He is looked on, however, as one of the evils to be shunned, and when he gets up to speak those in the secret are weighed down with despair and helplessness. —New York Tribune.

An Ostrich Policeman.
On a Florida ostrich farm one of the birds acts as watchman. This ostrich, who has been dubbed Napoleon, patrols the camp, giving at intervals a cry which may be said to mean "All's well." If anything alarms him, he at once communicates it to his companions by a series of yells as he advances to the attack.

Napoleon stands nearly ten feet high and weighs upward of 400 pounds. He is a savage bird, of unusual intelligence. At night he is unusually ferocious, and often his keeper is obliged to stand off. To see the keeper force Napoleon back to his pen in the morning with a large fork is one of the sights of the ostrich farm. The enormous bird screeches with rage and strikes out with his feet, but all the while slowly giving way.

One night the farmhands were awakened by the roars of Napoleon and the agonizing shrieks of a human being. Rushing to the pens, they saw the ostrich chasing a negro. The negro made an effort to get over the fence, when the bird struck him a glancing blow on the thigh, which ripped it open and exposed the bone. For a time it was thought the poor peasant thief would bleed to death. The fame of this episode has naturally caused the peasants' quarters to be shunned by other depredators — Brooklyn Eagle.

On the Stage.

The many thousands in this country who have read Mr. Sheldon's story "In His Steps"—mainly, of course, and with a quaint significance in cheap editions, which, in defiance of the principal underlying the law of copyright, have not brought a single penny to the author, will be interested to know how "The Better Life," the play based upon the widely-read tale, appealed to an Adelphi audience tonight. The Sheldonian idea, of course, is no new one, for the late Mrs. Lynn Linton, a full quarter of a century ago showed with lurid light in "The True History of Joshua Davidson"—a title which always demands a second keen thought—how the idea of the Christ as portrayed in the New Testament would appeal to a materialistic modern world. But a far greater than Mrs. Lynn Linton had anticipated the cardinal idea upon which the book is based; and the episode of Jean Valjean and the good bishop's silver candlesticks in "Les Miserables," rendered immortal by Victor Hugo, can scarcely be effaced from the memory by even so effective a first act, reproducing, with slight variations, this very tale as that of "The Better Life." Yet, even when all allowance is made for these echoes of a greater past, the fact stands that the play—daring in its application of the principles of an extreme Christian socialism to the complex civilization of today—cannot but command serious attention. —Exchange.

Weather Report.

The maximum temperature for the 24 hours preceding 9 o'clock this morning was 61 degrees above zero. The minimum temperature during the same period of time was 30 degrees above.

AFTER SENATOR PERKINS.

Who Wants Alaska's Capital to Stay at Sitka.

Skagway Business Men Accuse Him of Being Prompted by Selfish Motives.

Understanding that Senator George E. Perkins, of California, has been working for the retention of the capital of Alaska at Sitka, the business men of Juneau and Skagway have taken no uncertain exception to his course, and have addressed to him protests declaring emphatically that they consider such action as he is understood to have taken to be inimical to the best interests of Southeastern Alaska.

In the Skagway protest it is stated that it is impossible to dissociate the public position of the senator from that of his private position of the Pacific Coast Steamship company, which has a service to Sitka.

The Skagway protest has been forwarded to the senator. The signatures at the bottom of the document represent thirty-five of the leading and most important business firms of Skagway. The protest, void of superscriptions and signatures, follows:

"We, the undersigned merchants of the city of Skagway, Alaska, are in favor of the removal of the capital of Alaska from Sitka to Juneau, Alaska. We expressed our desires in this matter through our delegates at a territorial convention held in Juneau, and later at a mass meeting of the citizens of Skagway held February 3, 1900, copies of the resolutions passed at which were duly forwarded to you. Also, the facts being personally known to you that the removal of the capital to Juneau would be a great convenience and the saving of much time and expense to the men of this city desirous of doing any legal business, we feel bound to express our surprise at the position you have taken in regard to the same in the United States senate, which amounts to an opposition of such removal and a disregard of the wishes of the people of Skagway.

"Further, it must also be within your personal knowledge that the people of Southeastern Alaska, with the exception of Sitka, is in favor of the removal of the capital to Juneau, and that your position in regard to the same is in direct opposition to the will of the people of this whole section.

"Under these circumstances it is scarcely possible to dissociate your public position as senator from your private position as head of the Pacific Coast Steamship company, and we must therefore regard the latter as representing interests which are inimical to those of this port and those of Southeastern Alaska and take action accordingly. For the consideration of such action we have herewith signed our names, this ninth day of April, 1900." —Alaskan.

Speed on the Ocean.

In the last sixty years the speed of ocean steamers has been increased from eight and a half to twenty-one and a half knots an hour. Ships have been more than trebled in length, about doubled in breadth, and increased tenfold in displacement. The number of passengers carried by a steamship has been increased from about one hundred to nearly two thousand. The engine power has been made forty times as great, while the rate of coal consumption per horse power per hour is now only about one-third what it was in 1840. The weight of the machinery per horse power has also been very greatly reduced. Were the engines of the Campania proportionately as heavy as those in use sixty years ago, they would weigh about 14,000 tons. In other words, machinery, boilers and coal would exceed the total weight of the ship as she floats today. There could not be a more striking illustration than this, says Popular Science Monthly, of the close relations between improvements in maritime engineering and high speed.

Clearing the River Bed.

The bed of the river fronting the upper part of the city on which all winter there has been a number of scows, small boats and little steamers, is now being cleared of all these preparatory to the expected early breaking up of the ice. The craft is all being hauled out to the bank except in cases of disabled scows which are being converted into fuel. The object is to remove all hindrance to the departing of the ice, and to save the craft from the destruction to which it would surely be doomed if allowed to remain where it lay during the winter.

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DEFEAT WILL RESULT.

Admiral Dewey bids fair to go down in the history of his country as another example of a career ruined by overweening ambition.

When Dewey returned from the Philippines, he was the cherished idol of an entire nation. He had won a splendid victory for that nation, and a grateful and admiring people vied with each other in doing him honor. His progress through the country was a succession of triumphs. Holidays were voted, magnificent receptions were arranged, and men high in all walks of life hastened to pay homage at the shrine of the man who was regarded over the entire country as a typical American hero.

Had Dewey been content with honors which were justly his, he need never have doubted his hold upon the hearts of his countrymen.

The American people are not ungrateful for services rendered them by their great men, but they have a discriminating appreciation of the eternal fitness of things, which may be offended only with disastrous results.

Dewey, the hero of Manila, resting upon his laurels, was a popular idol, entitled to and accorded universal worship.

But Dewey, endeavoring to use those laurels as a lever with which to elevate himself to the presidency, finds himself in a decidedly different and, in fact, exceedingly uncomfortable position.

The national sense of propriety has been shocked, and Dewey has, in consequence, fallen from the position of high esteem which he formerly occupied. There is no probable combination of circumstances which can land him in the presidency, and should he, in the face of the storm of disapproval which his recent action has evoked, insist upon becoming a candidate, ignominious defeat must almost absolutely result.

A CAPITAL "C."

Our valued contemporary, the News, in discussing the local situation, last night, expressed the opinion that "united Conservative action" only will bring about the reforms which the people of the territory have so long and vainly sought. In view of the fact that our contemporary has on several occasions agreed with the Nugget that political considerations should be kept out of the present reform movement, we are surprised that it should, at this critical juncture, so completely back-track upon its convictions.

We had been in hopes that the citizens' movement would be carried forward without the element of politics cropping out. As far as the citizens' committee is concerned, the Nugget is positively aware that this has been done. What object, therefore, the News hopes to attain by its implied suggestion to make the needs of this territory a political issue, is more than we are able to understand.

We want united action, true enough. But we do not want that action confined to Conservatives. It must include adherents of all parties and men of all nations, who are interested in the welfare and advancement of the Yukon Territory.

In order that no doubt should be left as to its meaning, our contemporary took particular pains, in the article referred to

above, to spell the word "Conservative" with a capital "C," thus eliminating the explanation that the term was intended merely to limit the word "action," and did not refer to the present opposition party.

No suggestion of politics should be entertained for a moment. A division of our citizens at this time upon political lines would be fatal to the success of a movement in which all are equally interested. United action we want, and must have, without limiting it to any party, creed or nationality.

IMPROVED TELEPHONE SYSTEM.

Dawson will, in a very short while, boast of a telephone system as extensive and complete as could possibly be desired. The telephone company has determined to place the system upon a thoroughly up-to-date basis, and has succeeded most admirably in so doing.

In spite of a great many discouragements, the promoters of the company have taken up the work of perfecting their service with a will, and are meeting with eminently deserved success.

The telephone, as a factor in the transactions of modern business life, occupies a position of continually increasing importance. It has become one of the necessary features in the equipment of store or office, neither of which, in places of any pretension on the outside, are complete without a phone. The same thing should be equally true of Dawson. A telephone is of advantage only when the service is in general use. With all business houses availing themselves of the facilities offered by the company, each phone becomes of increased value to the individual subscriber, and at the same time the company will be enabled to furnish them at a decreased rate.

The determination on the part of the management to give Dawson a telephone service on a par with that usually found in cities of much larger size, is an exhibition of public spirit which, to our way of thinking, is justly entitled to recognition and support.

IN AID OF OTTAWA.

The movement looking toward the subscription of a fund to be contributed to the relief of the sufferers from the Ottawa fire will meet with hearty support in Dawson. Our little city has felt the hand of the fire fiend sufficiently often for us to know that substantial sympathy will be appreciated in Ottawa by the hundreds who have been rendered homeless. The committee which has undertaken the good work may rest assured that the community stands behind them and will forward the movement in every possible manner.

The noise of hammer and saw is heard so frequently in the air these days that one is led to conclude that there are still some people in Dawson who believe the town has a future before it. The fact that thousands upon thousands of dollars have been invested in new buildings during the past sixty days rather lends color to the belief. Were Nome as fabulously rich as has been reported, it would have no permanent effect on Dawson. This town is built upon the solid foundations of immense natural resources, which guarantee it an indefinitely prolonged existence.

Special Power of Attorney forms for sale at the Nugget office.

Carbon paper for sale at the Nugget office.

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WILLIE'S FLAG

Now Waves Over the Islands of Upolu, Manolo, Apolima and Lavii.

BY THE ORDER OF HIS MAJESTY

Imperial Government and Australian Delegates Deadlock on

AUSTRALIAN CONSTITUTION.

Object to Being Called "Colonists" "Britisher" is Better—Movement a la Soapy Smith.

(From Thursday's Daily.)
Chicago, April 12.—A special to the Record from Apia, Samoa, dated March 17, says:

The Imperial German flag was raised and undisputed German rule over the islands of Upolu, Manolo, Apolima and Lavii began on March 1. The ceremony took place at Mulinu, in front of the governor's house. Fully 5000 native Samoans besides nearly all the foreign residents, were present.

At 9 o'clock a detachment of blue jackets landed from the German man-of-war Cormorant and formed in front of the German school. The procession then moved to Mulinu. Consul Gronow presented the flag to Governor Solf, who said:

"By order of his majesty the emperor, I now declare these islands to be German territory, and the German flag which I now receive from the hands of the imperial German acting consul, and which henceforth shall wave over the islands as a token of German sovereignty, I, assisted by the commander of H. M. S. Cormorant, now solemnly hoist."

The Australian Constitution.

London, April 12.—The Australian commonwealth delegates and the imperial government, as represented by the law officers of the crown are, after prolonged discussions, deadlocked over the clause of the Australian constitution: "No appeal shall be permitted in any matter involving interpretation of this constitution or of constitution of a state unless the public interests of some part of her majesty's dominions other than the commonwealth or a state are involved."

The government holds that the clause brings in a wholly new element into imperial affairs and that the vital pivot of a possible future federation would cease to exist with respect to Australia. The mission of the delegates is to get the constitution accepted as it stands, as anything changing it would have to be voted upon by the Australian people. The discussions came to a point where no further progress could be made. This was on Thursday. The delegates are now cabling to their governments for instructions.

Propositions for getting over the difficulty are under consideration. One is a supplementary arrangement provided that the British ministry, after further reflection, should decline to accept the clause.

M. Arnold White, the author in this weeks Academy, asks the assistance of "poets, men of imagination and masters of language," in devising a term to replace "colonists" as a description of Canadians, Australians and South Africans. Mr. White points out that "colonists" is not good enough and is resented. "Britisher," Mr. White thinks, might do.

Mr. F. W. Pomeroy, to whom the executive committee of the Gladstone memorial fund entrusted the designing of the Gladstone statue, has nearly finished his work. The statue will be placed in the central lobby of the house of parliament and will be unveiled by Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, the Liberal leader of the house of commons, May 19, the anniversary of the death of Mr. Gladstone.

A La Soapy Smith.

London, April 12.—London is apparently to be denuded for the next few months of certain more or less distin-

guished personages such as confidence men and jewel thieves, for this class of criminals are detaking themselves to Paris.

It is computed by a Scotland Yard official that 200 detectives are engaged at the Channel ports of England and France in watching this migration of thieves.

In a Small Way.

A pot of \$50 has been made up by ten men who are all connected with one concern in the city, and the man who wins takes everything. The nature of the proposition is a guess as to the day and hour in which the ice will begin to move from the river in front of Dawson where garbage heaps loom up like mounds in the Dakota "Bad Lands." Each man has sealed, signed and delivered his guess to a disinterested party who was selected as stakeholder, and when the eventful day and hour arrives a meeting of the interested men will be called, then ten envelopes opened and the nearest guesses of the hour will take the pot.

BRIEF MENTION.

H. R. Barber is visiting the city. L. Jaccard is making a brief visit in Dawson.

Charles Worden is spending a few days in town. Harry Smith, of Eldorado, is in Dawson on business.

William Angel is visiting acquaintances in the city. William A. Boss came to town from the creeks yesterday.

M. E. Swartz is a recent arrival in town from the creeks. Jerry Lynch has returned from a trip to his property on Bonanza.

C. O. Henninger is shaking hands with his city acquaintances. F. N. Johnson, of Hunker creek, is making a hurried visit to town.

S. J. Dewarth, formerly of Jack Wade district, is now a resident of Dawson. James O'Neill, who is interested in the roadhouse at No. 27 Gold Run, is enjoying a short vacation in the city.

Commissioner Ogilvie has detailed three men to work on the ridge road; their duties are to keep the government highway in repair.

At 8 o'clock this evening in the Aurora parlors a number of residents will meet to make the mutual preparations for the celebration of the anniversary of the Queen's birthday, May 24th.

Reports have been received at Dawson to the effect that from here to Five Fingers the Yukon river country is experiencing mild weather and a warm south wind, and that quite a fall of rain has occurred.

The Bride's Lesson.

"Never shall I forget," said a bride, "the first word of criticism I received from my husband. Everything was moving along beautifully. There hadn't been a single cloud over our honeymoon. Then one morning I found Hal standing before my dressing table looking down disgustedly at the comb lying there.

"What was the matter?" Here two cheeks blushed like scarlet geraniums.

"Well, I had left it full of combings, a habit I may frankly admit I had always been guilty of. This time it got me into a pickle. Hal held that comb out at arm's length, the untidy mat of hair clinging to it, and I will say he tried to make his voice nice and lamb-like, but I saw by the line of his lips and the flash of his eye that he was 'thoroughly put out.

"Elizabeth," he said, 'is this your comb?' just as if he didn't know it was the very comb he had given me my last birthday.

"I meekly answered 'Yes.'

"Then," said he, 'I would try to keep it like a lady's comb.' With that he turned on his heel and stalked out of the room, leaving me sniffling and feeling terribly abused.

"But it was a wholesome lesson. I never forgot it, and my comb rested in spick and span cleanliness on my dresser ever afterward. Not that comb. I packed it out of sight, handsome as it was, that very morning and couldn't bear to use it again. But I've never been caught napping with its substitute. Not a single hair is allowed to remain in it overtime."

This bride's husband had the courage to correct her for her fault.

How many men, though naturally neat themselves, have to endure the petty trials of a wife who is careless in just such toilet trifles.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

The Reindeer Fire.

A gentleman who arrived in Dawson in the last party of emigrants to get in over the ice says he was not at all surprised to hear of the burning of the steamer Reindeer at Five Fingers. He stopped on the steamer on his way down for several hours and while there he says the fire in the heating stove was so great as to cause the stove pipe to become red hot its entire length. He suggested the danger of the steamer catching on fire, but was answered: "Oh, there is no danger; we had hotter fires than that all winter."

YUKONER BURNED

One of the Best Steamers of the Yukon Fleet Damaged to the Extent of \$10,000

AT LATE HOUR YESTERDAY AFTERNOON

Fire Originated in the Starboard Forward Locker.

WAS READY TO SAIL ANY DAY

Carried No Insurance—Will Be at Once Repaired and Put on the Whitenorse Run.

At ten minutes past four o'clock yesterday afternoon dense volumes of smoke were seen by workmen employed on the steamer Yukoner to issue from her hatchways and other apertures. A hasty inspection revealed the fact that the fire within was too far along to be overcome by a bucket brigade, and less than a minute later the fire bell was ringing a general alarm. With but little delay the fire company responded, but several minutes elapsed before two streams began to play on the doomed steamer.



As the fire was in the vessel's hold, it was not possible, owing to the heavy black smoke which was being belched forth, to reach the base of the devouring element; and thirty minutes later nearly the entire house of the erstwhile floating palace, one of the most elegantly appointed steamers that ever breathed the waters of the Yukon, was a luckless, ruined remnant of its former beauty and worth. The entire interior was almost wholly destroyed, although so far as can be seen, no damage was sustained by her hull and but little by her machinery.

The state-rooms on the starboard side were all destroyed with their bedding and other contents, but several of the port side rooms are not materially injured, and with little repairing will be as good as new.

For the past three weeks a large force of men have been employed cutting the Yukoner free from ice and generally overhauling her for the approaching season; and it was by fire in the forward starboard locker, the exact origin of which has not been ascertained, that the woodwork was ignited.

The Yukoner is owned by the Trading and Exploring Company, of which Capt. J. B. Wood is manager. Material for her construction was taken from Victoria to St. Michael in 1897, where she was planned and built by Atex Watson. In the summer of '98 she was launched and brought up the river to Dawson. Besides one of the most comfortable and best appointed, she was also the fastest steamer that ever plied Yukon waters. She had state room accommodations for 76 first-class passengers, and her carrying capacity was 350 tons. It was intended by Manager Capt. Wood to operate her on the Dawson-Whitenorse run this season, and but for her misfortune everything would have been ready for hauling in her gang plank by the end of this week if navigation was open by that time.

As the Yukoner lay just previous to the fire her estimated value was \$50,000. Capt. Wood estimates the damage at \$12,000, but even that amount will not put her in as good condition as formerly, for the reason that her upper decks and, in fact, the entire house was con-

structed from Washington cedar, which fact probably accounts for the tenacity with which the fire combated all efforts to conquer it. There was no insurance, as marine insurance companies will not take risks on steamers which shoot Five Fingers and Rink rapids.

Although cast down, Capt. Wood is by no means crushed; as before the charred embers had ceased to sizzle he was arranging for rebuilding the house and repairing all the damage done; and while the palatial craft may be detained a few days from starting on her first trip of the season up the river, it will be only for a few days, as her manager says that in 18 or 20 days, possibly in less time, the Phoenix role will have been played and the Yukoner will be a candidate for consideration on the traveling public.

During the fire a number of bystanders rendered effective service in passing buckets and otherwise assisting in extinguishing the flames. Capt. Wood expressed himself to a Nugget representative as being most appreciative of this timely help and desires all who participated to accept his personal thanks.

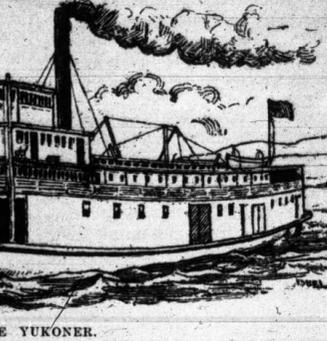
For Koyukuk Trail.

For the past few days there has been a lively demand for light horses by buyers in Dawson, the object being to ship them down the river to be used for packing over the trail leading from the Yukon to the Koyukuk. One man was today looking for a dozen head of pack animals for the purpose above mentioned. A number of horses will be shipped from Dawson to Nome on the early steamers.

A Metropolitan Store.

Harry Hershberg has removed from his old location near Second street to the new building erected by him next to Golden's Exchange.

The building he now occupies is 60 feet in depth and is fitted up in true metropolitan style, with fine display windows, modern fixtures and illuminated with electric lights. The firm's



name is Hershberg's Seattle Clothing House and from the variety of clothing displayed there one would imagine he was in one of the great cities of the East. Mr. Hershberg says he will sell clothing, hats, shoes and furnishing goods in the same proportionate price as is charged on the outside, with but cost of transportation added and no extra profit added. His place is now open to the public and is well worth a visit.

POLICE COURT NEWS.

In Captain Starnes' court this morning the first case called was that of F. H. Vining, complaining witness, against R. K. Latimer, whom the complainant alleged had misappropriated money to the amount of \$198. The defendant pleaded not guilty and the complainant opened his side by his own testimony. He had proceeded but a short distance into his story when the court, seeing that the case was of civil and not of criminal nature, peremptorily dismissed it at complainant's cost, at the same time severely reprimanding complainant for bringing a charge of theft when civil proceedings should have been instituted, provided there was even ground for the latter.

The next case was that of Mathew Earhardt vs. H. W. Burns for \$57.50 alleged to be due for labor performed in preparing electric light poles in the neighborhood of 48-roadhouse on Bonanza. Burns disputed a portion of the bill and said he could prove so and so; but as his witnesses were not nearer the courtroom than Bonanza, and as the defendant had known since Monday that the case would be heard today, the magistrate concluded that his court was not to be played with at the option of clients, and judgment was accordingly given for the amount claimed.

In the case of Ross, plaintiff, vs. Adair & White defendants, the magistrate rendered a decision in favor of the defendant. The action was instituted to recover wages which the plaintiff alleged to be due for services rendered to the defendants on a trip from Bennett to Dawson over the winter trail.

Those Newspaper Hints.

Foremann—We need a few lines to fill up a column.
Society Editor (wearily)—Well, say "The Prince of Wales has begun wearing old clothes, because they are more comfortable." Perhaps it will start a fashion that you and I can follow.—Collier's Weekly.

MURDER TRIAL

Still Occupies the Attention of Judge and Jury in the Territorial Court.

JEALOUSY CAUSED THE HOMICIDE

Is the Theory Advanced By the Prosecution.

THE INDIAN GIRL TESTIFIES

Her Evidence Is Translated By Two Interpreters—Proceedings Are Dilatory and Tedious.

The trial of the Queen vs. Chara Hill, accused of murder, continues in the territorial court. The crown is attempting to prove that, at the time of the commission of the homicide, the prisoner and the deceased were jealous of each other's attentions to an Indian girl named Julia.

Thomas Smith, a trapper and prospector who has lived in the Pelly river district since 1898, testified that the accused and Julia had lived together for quite a while, but that a short time before the killing occurred the prisoner and the woman had separated. The defendant had explained this particular matter by saying that the girl had stolen flour and had given it to Indians, and that for this offense he had required her to vacate his cabin. The witness stated that William Blair, the deceased, had given expression to threatening words in speaking of the prisoner, and that the latter had admitted a verbal altercation to have occurred between him and Blair, shortly before the homicide.

About a half an hour before the noon recess, Julia, the Indian girl, took the stand as a witness for the prosecution. She belongs to a native tribe, which speaks a language different from the one used by the Indians at Moosehide, and considerable difficulty is being experienced in the matter of interpreting her testimony. Tom Johnson, a resident of Moosehide, can understand the evidence of the witness, but he is not versed in English, consequently his words are translated by Bishop Bumpas, the well-known Yukon missionary. This indirect method of securing evidence is very dilatory and tedious; and the testimony of Julia will not be completely submitted till late this afternoon. She testified this morning that her age is 15 years; that she lived with the prisoner during all of the winter of 1898-99, and for a portion of the winter of 1899-1900; that she also lived with the deceased for a period of about two months. Julia was present when the alleged murder occurred, and her testimony is most important. She is a slender, rather soviety, undersized Indian girl; one of her eyes seem to be blinded, and her general appearance is anything but prepossessing.

Chess Players.

At Mrs. West's ice cream parlors last night a large group of chess players met for the purpose of organizing, and also incidentally to have a friendly contest with Mr. Haller, who is a knight from that chess stronghold, St. Louis. W. H. Adams, Lewis W. Fox and C. Handbury were appointed a committee of three to organize. Players of the game are respectfully solicited to send in their names to Mr. Jno. Hockin, secretary of the committee; address, city postoffice.

The winners in last night's games were as follows: Dr. C. H. Watson, Dr. G. E. Paddleford, S. J. Leskey and Fred P. Freeman. Mr. J. K. Miller drew.

Mr. Haller says he knows of no city in the United States which has as many strong chess players as Dawson.

There is Money in It.

The man in Dawson who can invest in the market for second-hand tin cans at prices commensurate with other things will be voted a public benefactor, and all his past misdeeds will be overlooked.

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ATTACHMENT LAW DEFINED.

Provisions of the Statute Must Be Strictly Construed.

Writ Which Was Issued in McKay Vs. Seattle-Yukon Trading Co. Has Been Dissolved.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

An important phase of the law respecting the extraordinary remedy of attachment has recently been rendered by Justice Dugas in the territorial court. The judgment definitely defines what sort of condition precedent is required before the mere issuance of the writ can be sustained.

In this territory, the custom has prevailed for creditors to take advantage of attachment regardless of the existence or non-existence of statutory grounds. Sometimes, the alleged necessity for an appeal to this legal remedy has been more imaginary than real, and in numerous instances great inconvenience has resulted to a debtor by reason of an improper issuance of the special writ.

The case of McKay Brothers, plaintiffs, vs. The Victoria-Yukon Trading Company, defendant, afforded Justice Dugas an opportunity to interpret the law applicable to attachment. In that particular suit, the plaintiffs allege for cause of action that on October 7th, 1899, at Bennett, B. C., they delivered to the defendant about 18 tons of goods, wares and merchandise; that the defendant agreed to transport the same to Dawson before the river closed in consideration of the sum of \$2250; that the defendant through carelessness and negligence did not reach Dawson within the time specified, and that the goods, wares and merchandise have not been redelivered to the plaintiff; that the market price or value of the consignment at wholesale rates in Dawson amounts to \$16,712.43; that, therefore, the defendant is indebted to the plaintiffs for the value of the goods and merchandise, less the amount of freight, namely in the sum of \$14,462.43.

After the complaint had been filed the plaintiffs procured an attachment. The writ was issued upon certain allegations to the effect that a debt was due and owing to the plaintiffs from the defendant; that the latter was disposing of its property with intent to defraud its creditors; and that Messrs. Carmody and Hoiland, the defendant's agents, had left the territory with intent to defraud the creditors of the defendant. Under and by virtue of the writ of attachment, the plaintiffs seized a large quantity of goods alleged to be the property of the defendant; but which were stored in the warehouse of the Seattle-Yukon Transportation Company, a separate and distinct corporation. In order to release the attachment levy, the sum of \$16,000 was deposited in court for the purpose of securing the plaintiffs against loss in the event of the writ being finally sustained.

Mr. Wade, attorney for the defendant, made a motion to set aside the attachment upon the ground that the same had been improperly issued, in that the amount alleged to be due to the plaintiffs was not a debt, but a claim for damages. The gentleman advanced other exceptions, but his principle objection was that the plaintiffs' claim was comprised of unliquidated damages which do not warrant the issuance of a writ of attachment. Messrs. Burritt and McKay represented the plaintiffs. In determining the motion, Justice Dugas gave utterance to the following legal principles, appropriate to the issue:

"One of the statutory provisions, upon which the plaintiffs must rely reads: 'After the commencement of any suit wherein the claim is for a debt of \$50 or upwards from the defendant to the plaintiff upon affidavits showing clearly and succinctly from what cause such debt arise, and the amount thereof, and that there is good reason to believe that the defendant has committed, or is about to commit some of the actions mentioned in paragraphs a, b, c and d, the judge may direct the clerk to issue a writ of attachment to seize the goods of the defendant.'

"No claim for damages is to be considered as a debt before prosecuted to judgment. The plaintiffs in this case assert that they do not claim damages for goods lost, but the value of goods at Dawson prices. The action, however, is merely a demand for damages, which are far from being liquidated. It has been pretended that the word debt should be taken in its widest sense. I believe that the principal is to the contrary, for it must be remembered that an attachment before judgment is a harsh proceeding which is of strict law, and the law intends that nobody be exposed to the duress of such proceedings

unless the claim is so certain that there can be no possible controversy about it. Being, therefore, of the opinion that the claim of the plaintiffs is not for the recovery of a debt, the writ of attachment will be set aside with costs, and the defendant will be permitted to withdraw the \$16,000 which has been paid into court."

The decision of Justice Dugas has reduced the plaintiff to the position of pursuing the ordinary legal remedy. Before possession can be taken of the defendant's property, the plaintiffs must secure a judgment in the usual manner and occasion the issuance of a writ of execution.

Living Whist Class.

Prof. H. T. Whitley has his living whist class now well in hand, and his exhibitions of its attainments, which will be given on the evenings of May 22d, 23d and 24th at the Palace Grand for the benefit of St. Mary's hospital, will be the crowning event of the season. The entire class has become imbued with deep interest in the coming series of entertainments, and each member of the human deck has mastered her or his respective part in the great act. The following, many of whom will be recognized as prominent society people, represent the various cards:

Hearts—A. Mrs. J. L. Sales; 2, Miss R. J. Morston; 3, Sgt. F. E. Davis; 4, Mrs. F. E. Wilson; 5, F. W. Clayton; 6, Mrs. C. M. O'Neill; 7, Miss Sadie Claxton; 8, F. F. Jackson; 9, W. Bassett; 10, J. A. Clark; J. S. G. Edwards; Q, Miss M. Norman; K, Capt. D. B. Olson.

Diamonds—A. Miss M. Comer; 2, Mrs. M. P. West; 3, Mrs. H. Agnew; 4, Miss G. T. Carr; 5, G. A. Gardner, jr.; 6, P. Vachon; 7, Miss M. Mosher; 8, Harry Butler; 9, Miss E. Ross; 10, A. Agnew; J. S. W. Taggart; Q, Mrs. E. R. Roberts; K, F. H. Griffith.

Clubs—A. Mrs. H. T. Whitley; 2, Miss B. Croft; 3, Mrs. Timmons; 4, Mrs. J. Rapp; 5, A. S. Kalenborn; 6, V. R. Treneman; 7, Miss Fannie Wilson; 8, Miss Lucy E. Pratt; 9, Ray Coombs; 10, J. C. Hessian; J. G. G. Cantwell; Q, Mrs. R. Boyker; K, H. P. Hansen.

Spades—A. Miss M. Hughes; 2, A. W. Briggs; 3, Miss Tessie Haycox; 4, Miss G. A. Gandolfo; 5, G. H. Byrne; 6, Mrs. T. Chisholm; 7, Mrs. A. H. Morrison; 8, J. Chisholm; 9, J. J. Atkinson; 10, Jake Kline; J. R. H. Pritchard; Q, Mrs. W. J. Stewart; K, Dr. G. F. Washburne.

As a second attraction there will be a May pole in which the following little misses and one master will participate: Fred Eggert, herald; Eta Wolfe; Beatrice Holmes, spring; Luella Bustin, Hazel Handy; Josephine Day, Lillian Day; Emily Shaw, queen; Secondina Rousseau, Nettie Rousseau; Cassie Carter, violet; Florence Schuster, forget-me-not; Elma O'Grady, Louisa Delfell, Alice Lyons, and Josephine Pickel, pansy.

Of the above the following will take part in an amusing and highly appropriate dialogue: Beatrice Holmes, Emily Shaw, Cassie Carter, Florence Schuster, Josephine Pickel, and Fred Eggert.

Obeying Orders.

A young man with a decidedly seedy appearance entered the superintendent's office and placing his hand familiarly upon the superintendent's shoulder accosted him thus:

"Boss, can you gimme a job?"
"What department?"
"Either brak or firin."
"Do you know the book of rules?"
"Some."

"Well, let me see how well you are posted. We will suppose you were firing a train that was running from Jersey City to Philadelphia; the engineer would get killed and you would take his place. You would find on his clip that the train had orders to take the sidetrack for another train somewhere in the woods where there was no telegraph office. Now, suppose that train did not arrive there for, say 12 hours, what would you do?"

"That would be the affair of the conductor, not mine."
"I will take your name, and if we have need of your services we will send for you. Good day."
The next applicant to enter seated himself back of the superintendent and waited for him to break the silence, which he did shortly.

"Well, sir, what can I do for you?"
"I would like to have a job, boss."
"In what department?"
"Train service."
"Are you familiar with the book of rules?"
"A little."

The superintendent then asked him the same question as the first.
The fellow scratched his head, then, looking the superintendent square in the eye, he replied, "Boss, if the orders looked good and were positive I would stay on that side track until hell froze over."
"Go down and report to Mr. —, the trainmaster, for duty." Philadelphia Inquirer.

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NAVIGATION IS OPEN ABOVE.

Scows Are Now Shooting Miles' Canyon and Whitehorse.

The Steamer Florence S. Navigates Thirtymile—River Is Open From Labarge to Selkirk.

By a telegram received at the Nugget office last night it is learned that a greater portion of the upper route is now open to navigation. Scows are already shooting Miles canyon and Whitehorse rapids, and all of Fiftymile river which connects Lakes Marsh and Lebarge is open.

The steamer Florence S. which wintered at Hootalinqua, has gone up Thirtymile and is now at Lower Lebarge. It is now possible for the little steamer to come this way as far as Selkirk before she would be interfered with by the ice. As the lakes are very low it is feared that they will be open sometime before it is possible for even light draught craft, or even scows to cross the bar in the little channel which connects Bennett and Tagish lakes, as even at high watermark there is less than five feet through the little channel.

If the snow which fell here this morning was general on the upper rivers and lakes, the warm sunshine which, owing to the advanced season, is bound to follow, will cause the recent deposit of the "beautiful" to be a powerful agent in the matter of clearing the river of ice, as the melting snow will add very materially to the volume of water which will very soon rush down the Yukon clearing everything from its channel.

Unless there should be a sudden tightening up of the weather, which would be general all over the upper waters, it is confidently expected that by Sunday there will be material hearings of the tomos of the Yukon, and that but little time will thereafter elapse before the mighty mass will yield to the irresistible pressure and start on its long journey to the sea.

It Was Easy.

I think the clubs ought to change their stories oftener. They run one now-a-days for a month at a time, and that is too long. The latest offense is the Sherlock Holmes story, and if I have had it told to me one time I have a dozen times in the last fortnight. As a matter of self-protection I will print it. Here it is:

"The greatest 'deduction' specialist among detectives died. In the lobby of the promised land he met a saint named Peter, with key-ring as big as a bicycle tire and many keys.

"I'd like to go inside."
"Quite natural," said Peter, "they all do. What are your name and qualifications?"

"Sherlock Holmes, and I'm the greatest detective in, or out of a dime novel; I'm the Esola of London."
"You don't look it. What do you know?"

"Everything."
"Well, I'll try you out, and if you make good you can stay, and if you don't you will have to hunt another happy hunting ground." And St. Peter toyed with a few Yale locks, twisted a combination, and the gates were just enough ajar to permit himself and Mr. Holmes to enter.

The alarm had been given, and several billions of the celestial inhabitants were on hand to inspect the candidate.
"Now I'll give you five minutes to ferret out a man named Adam," said Peter.

"Too much time," said Holmes; "there he is, leaning against that purple cloud."
"Sure enough; but hold on, not yet, my friend," said Peter, "there's a woman in the case, one Eve. Find her."

"Will all the ladies present stand up!" shouted Holmes. "Ah, there she is, the hundred and sixteenth from the right in the eighty-first row."
"Right you are, Mr. Holmes, and you are welcome; make yourself cozy. But on the level, now, how did you do it?"

"Why, that was easy," said the detective; "Adam and Eve had no navels."
It isn't such a wonderful story, but it's epidemic in clubdom.—San Francisco News Letter.

Table Manners.

To the many inhabitants of the Yukon district who eat from tables manufactured from beveled logs, sit on boxes or brok-n-legged stools and shovel beans into their receptacles with wooden spoons is the following dedicated:
At a dinner to which guests are bid-

den the gentlemen help to seat the ladies before taking their own places. If a clergyman is present, it is customary to request him to ask a blessing.

One should sit so as to bring the body about a foot from the table, and say a few words at the earliest opportunity to both neighbors, whether one has been presented or not. "The roof is an introduction."

The napkin should be folded to half its amplitude and laid upon the lap, and the ladies remove their gloves. It is extremely bad form to put these in a glass, as some do, or tuck them in at the wrist, leaving the arms covered, a form of laziness that is not according to the usages of good society.

The oysters come first and are eaten with the appropriate fork; otherwise one may find oneself obliged to ask for another, the oyster fork being useless for anything else.

If one does not take wine, it should be sufficient to say to the servant, "No wine, thank you," but one should be on the alert to prevent its being poured, if one's preferences is forgotten later on. Out of consideration to one's host one would not waste what is supposed to be choice and costly.

Soup must be taken from the side of the spoon, unattended by the slightest sound, and the plate may be tipped away from one, never toward one, if one is very anxious to secure the last spoonful.

No one uses a knife with fish unless silver ones, made for the purpose, are provided. A bit of bread is usually sufficient as an auxiliary to the fork.

Entrees are eaten with the fork alone. The roast imposes no special etiquette. If a vegetable is served as a separate course according to French fashion, each has its own punctilio.

Asparagus may be held in the fingers if the stalks are not too slender and plant or divided and eaten with a fork.

In England one who would eat peas with a spoon would be regarded as a barbarian. Artichokes may be also eaten with the fingers, plucking the leaves to be eaten at the base of each.

The game follows with the salad, which last, if composed of lettuce, should be dipped in a sauce and the tiny morsel eaten with a fork alone, which may fold the leaves to a convenient size.

Ice cream is eaten with a fork or spoon, as one prefers, never with both. Fruit must never be bitten, but cut in small pieces and eaten in either the hand or with a fork.

One dips only the ends of the fingers in the finger bowl, after which, at a signal from the hostess, the ladies rise, placing the napkins, still unfolded, at the side of their plates, as implying that they, of course, will not be used again, and withdraw from the room. The men rise and remain standing, while the one nearest the door holds it open for the ladies to pass through.

It is customary, upon leaving the table, to set one's chair closer to it or far enough away to enable others to pass without inconvenience.—Table Talk.

An Unconfirmed Report.

From a source which is in position to hear and know of the workings of the Dominion government at Ottawa as promptly as such can be conveyed from there to Dawson it is learned that Major A. B. Perry, who was here as commander of the N. W. M. 18 in the Yukon district, and who was summoned by wire early in April to repair with all haste to Ottawa, will be returned to the Yukon, not in the capacity of commander of the police—but as commissioner of the district, which position is now filled by Mr. Ogilvie.

Mrs. Perry, when seen at her home yesterday by a Nugget reporter, had heard nothing of the report, but declined to speak for publication further than say she does not believe there is any truth in the report. If the lady knows for what purpose her husband was called to Ottawa she declined to make it known.

Today's Council Meeting.

The Yukon council will convene in regular session this afternoon. The following is the order of business which will be given consideration:

An ordinance respecting public health.
An ordinance respecting the sidewalks of Dawson.
An ordinance to amend rule 385 of the judicature ordinance respecting attachment of debts.

An ordinance for the prevention of fires.
An ordinance respecting masters and servants.
An ordinance respecting newspapers.

A Happy Event.

The Eagles' lunch and punch at the new Fairchild bar Tuesday evening and night was an affair which reflected great credit on the proprietors, Messrs. W. E. Fairchild and Ben Furguson, and made hosts of friends for the new house, which, by the way, is one of the neatest in the city, and is starting out with a highly satisfactory patronage.

YOU CANNOT SWEAR NOW

When Talking Over Telephones in Dawson.

Telephone Exchange, Newly Built, With a Young Lady in Charge—Affecting Effete Civilization.

The Yukon Telephone Syndicate has opened its new central office next to the A. C. Co.'s building and has placed entirely new apparatus in the exchange. This will be central where all messages will pass through and where connection is made with the different lines.

The company has entered a season of activity and is at work rapidly repairing the old line and stretching new wires to accommodate the many new subscribers who have ordered phones. The Bell system is the one used by the company, it having received recently over the ice a consignment of apparatus and machines of that kind.

At the opening of navigation 100 more phones will arrive and these will be generally distributed to subscribers, giving Dawson an up to date metropolitan service. New lines will be run to Gold Run, Hu-ker, Sulphur and other points covering the entire district. Rates have been reduced almost one-half, the charges for phones being now but \$30 per month.

At the annual meeting of stockholders of the company held Tuesday the following officers were elected: N. A. Fuller, president; Alex. McDonald, vice-president; Joe T. Burke, treasurer; Donald B. Olson, secretary and general manager, the officers constituting a board of directors.

The company deserves great credit for the enterprise it has shown and without doubt will be well rewarded by the increased patronage of its wires.

Records of Case and Smith.

At the request of many readers of the Nugget the records of Case and Smith are given below. As can be seen Case has a record of which any pugilist may well be proud. Smith has but recently entered the ring for pugilistic honors, but is a promising man and what he lacks in experience is overcome, as far as the present match is concerned, in his powers of endurance and weight. Those who are on the inside claim that Smith will stay the ten rounds, if the go is not decided by the fifth with an even break after that of winning the match. There is no doubt but that both men will do their best, and should either weaken before entering the ring it will be a bitter disappointment to the sporting fraternity:

Record of Dick Case—Lue Gray, 2 rds; Geo. Higgs, 4 rds; Jack McCarty, 5 rds; Mate Freeman, 4 rds; Billy Willmouth, 1 rd; Jack Bain, 1 rd; John Edwards, 1 rd; Jack Crowley, 4 rds; Mate Freeman, 5 rds; Jim Hall, 6 rds; Dick Johnson, 3 rds; Henry Williams, 10 rds; Red Phillips, 3 rds; Chas. Hall, 2 rds; Kid Gallagher, 4 rds; Bob Thompson, 44 rds; Jack Gorham, 4 rds; J. H. Jackson, 5 rds; Hasp Casey, 8 rds; Tobin, 2 rds; Billy Scott, 4 rds; Dan Egan, 12 rds; draw; Henry Slater, Jack Hill, 4 rds; Lawa Agnew, 10 rds; Billy Elmer, 2 rds; Frank Bastiey, 6 rds; Tommy Cavanaugh, 3 rds; Bobby Dobbs, 20 rds; lost; Bobby Dobbs, 9 rds; lost on foul; Pat Malloy, 5 rds.

Record of Phil Smith—Ford of Great Falls, Montana, 5 rds; Cooper, Dawson, 10 rds; Malloy, 10 rds; draw; Malloy, 5 rds.

Smith is by profession a bronco buster and has spent years in the saddle in Montana from there joining Buffalo Bill's Wild West show and exhibiting with that combination for three years. He has put on the gloves with scores of amateurs in the large cities of the East, but until recently has not entered the ring professionally.

Very Retail Trade.

The natives of South Africa have a curious method of selling their farm products. It is a common sight to see some of these negroes entering the Kimberley stores; one will have a single egg in his hand, another will have a quarter of a peck of mealee corn. The negro with the egg is as serious and as much concerned concerning the sale of his single egg as if the transaction amounted to thousands of dollars.

The peculiar trade is carried on somewhat after this fashion: "How much Bass give for this?" asks the negro as he holds out the egg in his hand to the storekeeper. Sometimes the proprietor offers him two cents for it; but if eggs are scarce the negro may get all the way from five to ten cents for his egg.

Very often the small amount that the native receives goes for a drink of "Cape Smoke," which is the worst kind of brandy a person can drink. To the storekeeper of Kimberley, however, this trade of a single egg and a quarter of a peck of mealee amounts to a great deal during the day, as hundreds of the native sell their products in the same fashion.

HILL'S FATE

Will Probably Be Determined in the Territorial Court This Evening.

THEORY OF JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDE

Advanced By the Prisoner and His Counsel.

CORROBORATED BY JULIA.

The Accused Presents a Reasonable Defense and Tells a Plausible Story.

(From Friday's Daily.)
The trial of the Queen vs. Charles Hill, accused of murder, still occupies the attention of Justice Dugas and a jury in the territorial court.

Yesterday afternoon the evidence of Julia, the Indian girl, was concluded. She testified that at the time of the homicide, and for quite a while previous thereto she was living with William Blair, the deceased; that during the morning of the day upon which the crime is alleged to have been committed she saw the deceased attempt to kill the prisoner, by shooting at him three times with a revolver; that thereupon the prisoner retreated to his cabin; that the deceased, armed with a rifle, waited all day for the prisoner to reappear; that about twilight in the evening the prisoner attempted to pass within 50 yards of the place where the deceased and witness were camping; that she saw the deceased aim his rifle at the accused, but that the latter seemed to realize the danger and succeeded in shooting Blair before the latter could discharge his weapon. The testimony of Julia, though a witness for the crown, favored the prisoner; and her evidence substantiates the defense of justifiable homicide, which has been interposed by the defendant.

This morning the prisoner, Charles Hill, took the witness stand in his own behalf. He is a man of medium height and weight; his age will not exceed 35 years; his hair and mustache are black, and the latter ornament is small, and twisted to a point at each end. His complexion is dark and he possesses regular features. The black suit of clothes in which he is attired is considerably worn, but scrupulously clean. Altogether, the man who is on trial for his life presents a favorable appearance, and he does not manifest the characteristics of a murderer. He submits his testimony in a collected manner, and his story is plausible and seems to be true. The prisoner related that he and the deceased had quarreled some days prior to the time of the killing; that the latter had entertained feelings of intense enmity, which eventually found expression in overt actions which threatened the life of the accused. The defendant then recounted the incidents which happened during the day of the tragedy. His evidence, in almost every detail, corresponds with that of the Indian girl, Julia. Crown Prosecutor Wade showed on cross-examination that the accused had maintained illicit relations with Julia, but on all points affecting the tragedy the prisoner could not be confused.

This afternoon the attorneys in the case will make their arguments; Justice Dugas will deliver his instructions to the jury; and a verdict is expected by 6 o'clock this evening.

Nigger Minstrels Again.

Last night at the Palace Grand the nigger minstrels scored another success. A crowded house greeted the performers and the program went through with remarkable smoothness. New jokes and funny stories were introduced and rendered with a snap and vigor which kept all on the qui vive. The orchestra of ten pieces was exceptionally fine and helped largely in the success of the undertaking.

The chorus was the best ever heard in Dawson, the voices being evenly divided in volume in the different registers, well trained and in perfect harmony.

Great credit is reflected upon C. F. Quigley for this part of the program, he having labored untiringly in directing the chorus and orchestrating the different parts.

Chas. Atwood's song in the first part was well executed and received with applause; so with Corporal Cobb. Big Tom Keah made a great hit in the Hot-tentot dance; Annie O'Brien outdid herself in buck and wing dancing and was repeatedly recalled. Little Ruth McCormick appeared in blackface and sang with a sweet, well-trained voice, two rag-time songs. The little one was perfectly at home on the stage and acted with refreshing naturalness.

The end men kept things humming with their merry quips. Sergeant Davis had charge of the Black Squad and the manner in which the ladies and gentlemen of the squad did their evolutions showed the guiding hand of a soldier. Fred Gardner the amateur champion cake walker of the United States, made a great hit, showing in every move his ability in that line. The scribe can only say of the ladies who participated in the cake walk that each outdid the other, and if the colored ladies of the sunny South looked as charming as those seen last night at the Palace Grand a general stampede would occur to Dixie.

The following is the complete program:

- Overture, "Splinters"..... Orchestra
- Opening Chorus—"You Told Me You Had Money in the Bank"..... Company
- Bass Solo—"The Diver"..... R. D. Sutherland
- Tenor Solo—"Happy Days in Dixie"..... O. Finnie
- Baritone Solo—"Storm Wind"..... Ed S. Shank
- Baritone Solo—"Honey Dat I Love So Well"..... F. W. Clayton
- Tenor Solo—"I've Been Faithful to You"..... A. C. Wright
- Solo—"Honey, You're My Lady Love"..... G. Edwards
- Baritone Solo—"The Soldier"..... Geo. Biber
- Tenor Solo—"He Fought for the Cause He Thought Was Right"..... A. B. Clark
- Solo—"The Soldier"..... Mr. A. B. Clark
- Baritone Solo—"You'll Never Know"..... Geo. Wilson
- Solo—"The Soldier"..... Corporal Cobb
- Spot..... Fred Atwood
- Bones..... Messrs Atwood and Wilson
- Tambos..... Messrs George and Edwards
- Interlocutor..... Mr. A. B. Clark
- Cornet Solo—"Shubert's Serenade"..... Wm. Norstrum

BLACK SQUAD PARADE.
Messdames West and Wright, Misses Comer, Carr, Moser, Hughes, Messrs. Annie O'Brien, Enborn, Biber, Vashon, Atwood, Finnie. Under direction of Sergeant Davis.
Skirt Dance—"The Happy Housewife" Tom Keah
Solo—"The Soldier"..... Mr. George and Mr. Tom Keah, The Wire Grass Niggers, Miss Grace Carr and Mr. Fred Atwood, "The Summer Coons" International Cake Walker, Mr. Fred Gardner.

Wanted a List.

Sergeant Wilson in the course of his duties as head of the town police, has some peculiar experiences. People come to him with all sorts of tales of woe which they expect to have relieved instantly. The sergeant has gotten used to all classes of had luck stories and they do not occasion him any surprise. But it is not often that the man with a graft tackles him. An instance of this nature happened, however, a few days ago.

He was a seedy looking individual whose general appearance indicated that he might have seen better days. He approached the sergeant and after giving a cabalistic sign which the former failed to understand, whispered in a somewhat subdued murmur, "Have you got a list?" "Thinking the man wanted to know if he was on the list of bums and shady characters kept at police headquarters," the sergeant replied, "I don't know whether you're on the list or not."

"That isn't what I mean," said the seedy one, again repeating the aforesaid signal, "I want to know if you've got a list. A list of claims; you know," and he winked very suggestively. It then for the first time dawned upon the sergeant that the man must be looking for a good thing from the gold commissioner's office and it only required a moment to convince the questioner that he had tackled the wrong man this time.

Items of Interest.

Eighty-four per cent of Idaho is public land.

Tangier is a city without vehicles. Donkeys are used for transportation.

The parliament building in Wellington, New Zealand, is the largest wooden structure in the world.

Among the Mohammedans of Calcutta the infant mortality reaches the enormous figure of 634 5 per 1000 births.

The supreme court of Connecticut has decided that a furnace is personal property and may be removed from a building by due process of law.

Improvements are being made in Bombay which will reduce the density of the population in certain districts from 833 persons to the acre to 600.

The Philadelphia Record says that a man was once elected to a responsible state office in Pennsylvania and served acceptably who could not write his name. He was intelligent and of sound business judgment.

TO AID HOMELESS

Steps Being Taken Whereby Dawson Will Be Enabled to Display Generosity

IN THE CAUSE OF SWEET CHARITY

Victims of Ottawa's Disastrous Fire Objects of Consideration.

GOV. OGILVIE TAKES LEAD.

And Names a Committee to Aid Him in the Good Work—Meeting Tonight.

When on Wednesday evening, and July 24 hours ahead of all competitors, the Daily Nugget gave to its many readers a full telegraphic account of the extent of Ottawa's late disastrous conflagration, many were the expressions of sorrow and regret heard on every side.

It had been hoped when the first news was received of the fire having destroyed the suburban towns of Hull and Chaudiere and followed the bridge across the river to the capital city where, at the time the wire was sent, the big Canadian Pacific union depot had succumbed to the elements, that even though the wind was then veering around to an unfavorable quarter, the fire would be overcome and the fearful anticipation would still be averted. But the wire to the Nugget Wednesday confirmed the worst fears. Five square miles of the capital city are in ruins; from \$17,000,000 to \$20,000,000 worth of property has gone up in smoke and down in ashes, and over 1000 families, numbering from 6000 to 8000 persons are left homeless and, save for the clothes they wear, destitute of life's comforts and the means of procuring them.

But humanity is responsive to the calls of suffering, and the message which brought news of the wholesale devastation brought news that from over Canada and the United States were pouring into the unfortunate city offers and promises of most substantial pecuniary aid.

Renowned for the liberal and bounteous manner in which she responds to calls for the alleviation of local suffering, Dawson will not be behind in her assistance to the suffering capital city. Commissioner Ogilvie has already inaugurated the good work by naming a committee to co-operate with him in devising ways and means whereby the people of Dawson in a systematic manner may all be given an opportunity for doing something towards dispelling the dark clouds which must hover over the homeless thousands of charred Ottawa.

The gentlemen whom the governor has selected to serve with him on the committee are: Messrs. Heron, of the A. C. Co.; DeLaney, of the N. A. T. & T. Co.; Lindsey, of the A. E. Co.; Wood, of the T. & E. Co.; Yemaus, of the E. T. Co.; Doig of the bank of B. N. A.; Wills, of the Canadian B. of C.; Steele, of the Daily News; Allen, of the Daily Nugget, and Zimmerman.

Each of the above named are requested to meet with the governor at the McDonald hotel tonight at 8:30 o'clock for organization and action.

A Remarkable Clock.

The only public clock for the benefit of poor people in Dawson is the one which adorns the top of a post which indicates the location of C. F. A. Sturt's jewelry store on Front street. To the ordinary observer there is nothing extraordinary about the clock, the smooth workmanship having disguised the identity of the crude material from which it was manufactured. The clock is a product of Mr. Sturt's ingenuity and was made from scraps. Some parts of the machinery were made from an egg-beater, while tin cans were made into hands and dial figures. The wooden case of this remarkable time-piece was manufactured from boards which formerly constituted a champagne box. The clock keeps correct time and has stopped only once in the past six months.

Mr. Sturt's came to Dawson from San

Francisco where he at one time devised a machine with eight arms and by operating it under a large glass covering in a space from which the air had been extracted it was all that is implied in the term "perpetual motion." The invention was one which elicited much interest in scientific circles.

The Contest Tonight.

The sports are looking eagerly forward to the go tonight, and much speculation is current as to who will be the victor. Both men are in fine condition and strip as clean as thoroughbreds. Case is down to 138 pounds and Smith will enter the ring at 150, giving him a considerable advantage in weight. He has remarkable staying powers and will never quit while there is a blow in him.

Case will probably cut an aggressive pace in the first five rounds, hoping to stop his man early in the contest, as he has a keen appreciation of Smith's vitality.

Neither man is saying much as to his idea of the outcome, but each are evidently imbued with a strong determination to win the go, as on this result the future careers of the men as far as Dawson is concerned will be decided. The seats are being sold rapidly and boxes are engaged by many of the friends of both contestants.

Will Not Be Recherche.

The Nugget is in receipt of a communication which declines to print, but which suggests, in view of the fact that the 'phones are now to be generally used in Dawson, that conversation over the wire be not closed by the time-honored words "Good-bye" or "S'long," but that when a conversation is completed, the person who introduces it by the "call ng up" act simply saying "Mash."

Dawson's Population.

The impression prevailed quite generally that the population of Dawson had decreased during the past winter. Such opinions were plausibly explained by the fact that hundreds of people journeyed to Nome over the ice, and the thought was not entertained that the arrivals from the outside would equal in number those persons who had left here.

However, the late census report shows that this city contains a greater population now than it did last fall; the increase is comprised principally of British subjects, for there are nearly twice as many Britishers as there were in September, 1899. There are a few more citizens of the United States resident in Dawson now than there were seven months ago, there has also been an increase in the number of children. The official returns disclose a material decrease in the female population of the city.

The following table is compiled for the purpose of comparing the census report of Col. Steele which was made last fall with the returns which were submitted by Inspector Primrose a few days ago:

	April, 1900.	Sept. 1899.	Inc.	Dec.
Men	4,516	3,658	857	
Women	646	786	140	
British	1,712	995	717	
United States	3,261	3,208	156	
Children	242	164	78	
Total inhabitants	5,404	4,443	959	

The above table applies only to the city of Dawson.

Queen's Birthday Celebration.

Last evening a number of gentlemen assembled in the Aurora parlors for the purpose of making initial preparations to celebrate the birthday anniversary of Queen Victoria. Doctor McDonald was elected chairman of the meeting, and attorney William E. Burritt was chosen to act as secretary. Upon the motion of Mr. C. M. Woodworth, a resolution was adopted which authorized the chairman to appoint a general committee to arrange for the celebration. The following gentlemen were appointed: Governor Ogilvie, Gold Commissioner Senkler, Comptroller J. T. Lithgow, Inspectors Primrose, Stearns, Scarth, Captain Thacker, Sergeant Major Tucker, Col. MacGregor, Capt. D. B. Olson, Drs. McDonald, Lany, McLellan, Messrs. Girouard, Ates McDonald, Hemming, Lindsay, Wood, Wilson, Kelly, Herbert, Martin, McDirmid, Ford, Clarke, Swizer, Ritchie, Proudhomme, Woodworth, Vaudin, Barrett, McKay, Wakefield, Westbrook, McLeod, Young, Chisholm, Byrue, Golden, Lyon, Binet, Lapier, Vernon and Burke. Another meeting will be held in the Criterion building at 8:30 o'clock next Monday evening, at which time and place all members of the general committee are urged to be present, as a number of sub-committees will be appointed.

Gold Commissioner's Court.

The case of John Risser, plaintiff, vs. H. Pinkert and L. R. Furda, defendants, is on trial today in Commissioner Senkler's court. The action involves the title to the creek claim described as the lower half of No. 19 on the right fork of Eureka creek.

BRITISH SUBJECTS

Of Whatsoever Calling or Profession, Are Urgently Requested to Attend

TOMORROW NIGHT'S MASS MEETING

When Many Questions Will Be Up for Consideration.

WITH SUGRUE'S RESOLUTION.

Meeting Will Be in Palace Grand—Admission Free—Family Boxes May Be Had.

The citizens' committee assembled a session at the Hotel McDonald last evening; all the members were present excepting Mr. Thomas McMullen, who is confined in the Good Samaritan hospital with a severe attack of illness.

Arrangements have been completed for the mass meeting of British subjects to be held in the Palace Grand theater next Saturday evening. The order of business is as follows:

Report of citizens' committee.

Disposition of Sugrue resolution, consideration of which was deferred at the last meeting.

Consideration of a resolution respecting the royalty.

Consideration of a resolution respecting the local taxation ordinance.

Consideration of a resolution respecting the secret meetings of the Yukon council.

Consideration of a resolution respecting toll bridge and other exclusive franchises.

In addition to the foregoing matters, there will probably be numerous other questions of vital interest submitted to the people. Admission to all parts of the theater will be free and those persons who wish to secure boxes for their families, or for private parties, are requested to give their applications to Secretary Clarke before 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon; for these special conveniences no extra charges will be made. Before and during the meeting voluntary contributions will be received at a table to be situated in the front part of the building; the committee will select a competent gentleman for this purpose, and the fund will be devoted to defraying legitimate and necessary expenses. Every British subject in the territory is urged to be present.

POLICE COURT NEWS.

In the police court yesterday afternoon the case of Doering vs. Menzies & Wilson, which began in the forenoon, was further heard, but not finished; being remanded by Magistrate Starnes until Monday.

This morning the first case was that of S. J. Dearth vs. Carroll and Delipole, layman on 34 Eldorado, which claim is the property of Alex. McDonald and Nels N., for \$120 due for labor performed the early part of last winter. The defendants admitted the amount claimed—also having signed an agreement to pay Dearth from the first gold washed out. They further admitted having already washed out about \$12,000, but declared that, there being \$38,000 against the claim, for labor, if they were forced to settle in full with one man, claimants to the number of 35 or 40 would jump onto them and the dumps put into the hands of a receiver. They asked, therefore, as protection to themselves that they be not made to pay Dearth's claim until they could pay a large pro rata to all their debtors. But as their agreement in black and white was in evidence, the court could not do other than make an order for the amount claimed, which was \$120. Three other laborers on the same claim were present with amounts aggregating in the neighborhood of \$3000 against the same operators, but the prescribed time limit removed their accounts from the jurisdiction of the lower court. It can be truthfully said for claim 34 Eldorado, that its delegation in court this morning was the most intelligent body of men that any claim in the district has ever yet furnished on a similar occasion.

The next case was that of Chas. Campbell vs. Bonfield Brothers for \$400 alleged to be due for labor performed by a machinist and engineer, first on hillside claim on Monte Cristo and later on Bear gulch. Attorney J. M. Douglall and Aikman appeared for the parties respectively and the hearing of the case occupied the remainder of the forenoon.

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WILL AID THE SUFFERING.

Dawson Will Contribute to the Relief of Ottawa.

Committees Are Appointed and a Vigorous Campaign Inaugurated to Raise Funds.

From Saturday's Daily. Pursuant to a call from Gov. Ogilvie as published in yesterday's Daily Nugget the following named gentlemen met last night in the McDonald hotel to discuss ways and means of contributing relief to the sufferers of the Ottawa fire: Gov. Ogilvie, J. B. Wood of the T. & E. Co., R. M. Lindsay of the A. E. Co., Manager Delaney and Thos. Mahoney of the N. A. T. & T. Co., H. T. Wills of the Bank of Commerce, Manager Heron of the A. C. Co., W. C. Young of the Yukon Sun, Geo. M. Allen of the Klondike Nugget and F. W. Zimmerman.

Gov. Ogilvie made a short address, stating the object for which the meeting had been called and expressed the hope that Dawson would respond generously to the call for help for the unfortunates who suffered so severely from the terrible conflagration which recently visited Ottawa and the neighboring town of Hull. He said that the Yukon council will in all probability make a liberal contribution.

Several other means of raising funds had been suggested to him, among them being a plan for a public entertainment, a grand masque-ball and a public subscription. The governor concluded his remarks by nominating Messrs. Heron and Young for the positions of permanent chairman and secretary respectively of the committee. This action being ratified by the meeting a discussion of the various plans ensued resulting in the appointment of the following committees:

Committee on entertainment—Messrs. Young, Steele and Allen.

Committee to circulate a public subscription—Messrs. Wilson, Senkler and Mahoney.

Committee to draft a form of subscription—Messrs. Gov. Ogilvie, Young and Allen.

Committee to arrange for a ball—Messrs. Wood, Major Heming and Mizner.

A number of those placed on the various committees were not present, but all had expressed their willingness to aid in whatever way they were requested.

After further informal discussion the committee adjourned to meet again Monday night, at which time all sub-committees are expected to report. The various committees are already hard at work and announcements of what they propose doing will be made very shortly.

The Trotting Record.

Poland is a new European market for the American trotter. The pacing mare Gladys M., 2:23 1/2, has been shipped to London.

Diablo, 2:08 1/2, led all Pacific coast ups in 1899, with six new performers. Up to Jan. 15 England had purchased 4000 horses in America for the African war.

Scott Hudson has driven ten horses to an average record of 2:09 1/2. Scott is 30 years old.

Walter O. Palmer the Nashville horseman says he has cleared up \$30,000 on nines inside of a year.

J. S. Campbell, of Butler Pa., has imported a pair of 3 year old Welsh ponies that he will fit for the show rings.

The stallion Antezella 2:16 1/2 by Anteo, 2:16 1/2—Gazelle by Guy Wilkes, 2:15 1/2, has been priced to the Russians at \$5000.

The bay colt, now a yearling, by Lynne Bel, 2:10 1/2, out of Flora, dam of Frank Agan, 2:03 1/2, is quoted a fast natural pacer.

In 1894, when Cobwebs, 2:12, made his record, he won six first, one second and one fourth money, total \$6600 and was behind the money twice.

J. H. Crosby of Lawrence, has purchased Todd Lumps, 2:30, from W. N. Stetson, of Falmouth. Todd Lumps stands 13.2, and it is claimed he is the fastest pacer in the world for his size.

Searchlight, 2:03 1/2, has won 26 races and lost 6, won 76 heats and lost 22, won 43 heats below 2:10 and 12 below 2:05 and captured \$21,802 in stakes and purses, all this in three seasons' racing.

A Never Failing Sign. If what Andie McKenzie says is true, and it probably is, the early arrival of spring is a foregone event. Andie says that as he was on his way this morning to the paint store where he is employed he saw a large flock of wild geese flying northward toward Nome. He says

he knows they were wild geese because he heard one of them say "honk," and he also knows they had traveled a long distance as one of them was carrying a branch of hazana leaves with which to make a nest on reaching their destination. If Andie really saw a flock of wild geese going to Nome it proves two things: First, that spring is here; and second, that the geese prefer the Yukon route to that of the outside; all of which is a boom for Dawson.

Unbounded Wealth.

The London capitalist was seated at his desk with a number of mechanical drawings and sheets of paper covered with figures before him.

"Planning another railway?" asked the visitor.

"No. Railroads seem rather small to me. I've been reading about the movements of the army in South Africa. What I'd like to have more than anything else is a ferryboat line across the Tugela river."—Washington Star.

PERSONALITIES.

Admiral Dewey's salary is \$37.50 a day, counting 365 days in a year.

Mr. Wu, the Chinese minister at Washington, has purchased an automobile, which he uses for official and social visits and for pleasure riding about the city.

L. H. Severance, the Standard Oil man, of Cleveland, has given \$50,000 to Oberlin college, to be used for the erection of new mechanical laboratory.

Walther Hauser, the new president of Switzerland, is one of the best classical scholars in his country and has written a learned commentary on the "Ethics" of Aristotle.

John W. Foster, the well known diplomatist, has accepted an invitation to deliver a course of three lectures at the University of Illinois on the early diplomatic history of the United States.

Gen. Miles has long been known as one of the most accomplished horsemen in the army. Since he has been stationed at Washington he has kept up his riding, and every morning, whatever the weather, he spends an hour or two on horseback.

Speaker Henderson made an apt reply to a remark that the speaker's duties were already shockingly ageing him. "Well," replied Mr. Henderson, "I am not as young as I was, but I am not by 20 years so old as I hope to be at the proper time."

Adelina Patti comes of a musical family. Her father, Salvator Patti, and his wife were both well known singers of their times. They had four daughters, all remarkable for their beautiful voices, and a son, Carlo, who became a proficient violinist.

Frank Gould, the youngest son of Jay Gould, has bought a splendid giant St. Bernard dog for \$10,500 of a Parisian dealer. He has not yet seen his purchase, however, having made it on the recommendation of the Countess Castellan, formerly Miss Anna Gould.

Ephraim Lalupli, the inventor, is the latest one to claim that he has rediscovered the lost art of hardening copper. He says he can make it as tough as steel, so that it will hold and carry an edge as keen as a razor. His brother is the man who made a cannon of whitehide.

Senator. Bates still uses a cane in walking, necessitated by the effects of three wounds received by him during the civil war. He was successively captain, colonel, brigadier general and major general in the Confederate army and surrendered with the Army of the Tennessee in 1865.

Ex-President Harrison's maiden speech in the senate was a eulogy like that of Senator Depew's. The subject was Gen. A. E. Burnside, then recently deceased. Mr. Harrison submitted the manuscript to Senator Sherman, telling him to strike out what should be omitted. "Not a word," said Sherman after reading it over.

Motor Cycles in War.

The English government is experimenting with motor cycles in modern warfare. One British firm has already shipped 15 motor cycles to the Transvaal. These machines will be used for scouting purposes. But unless they have been muffled they will make noise enough to announce their approach to the enemy a long distance. Most of the motor cycles used in this country last year for pacing purposes made a noise not unlike a continuous discharge of firecrackers. The machines sent to South Africa are said to be capable of going about 22 miles an hour over ordinary roads. John Moffatt, a young Cambridge graduate, is having an armored motor built, with which he will go to the front. The machine will be fitted with a rapid fire gun capable of firing 500 rounds a minute.

Want the Box Opened.

In 1838 Francis Douce, the antiquary, bequeathed a sealed box to the British museum on condition that it was not to be opened until Jan. 1, 1900. Some literary people in England are now clamoring for information as to its contents, but it is unlikely that their curiosity will be gratified for a long time, as a great many formalities have to be gone through first.

An exceptionally good mining deal, property opened up and working; water and wood available; several claims lying contiguous; can be worked summer and winter.—Norton D. Walling, Grand Forks.

THE LUNATIC'S IMITATION.

A Story of the Capture of a Paris Shoplifter.

Seemed to Be Experienced in the Game, But He Proved to Be a Lunatic.

A Paris correspondent tells an interesting story of how a shop thief was captured recently at the Bon Marche in circumstances that in all probability are unique. One of the private detectives in the pay of the establishment noticed a man who, with the most barefaced effrontery, was appropriating articles of every description. The individual indeed seemed to make little or no attempt to keep his operations secret. He simply walked from counter to counter and filled his pockets with whatever attracted his fancy.

In spite of the strangeness of the man's proceedings there was nothing to be done but to have him arrested, and he was given into custody. His indignation was extreme. He protested that it was most unjust that he should be interfered with in this way when other people who were behaving in exactly the same manner were left unmolested, and he pointed to a stout gentleman of most respectable appearance who he asserted had been laying his hands on all sorts of goods without resorting to the formality of paying for them.

The policeman to whom he had been given in charge had been accustomed to listening to unconvincing explanations and took his prisoner to the station. A few minutes later the stout gentleman, also in the care of a policeman, arrived at the same destination. The detective, whose curiosity had been aroused, had watched the personage and had found it to be true that he was perpetrating theft after theft with the utmost dexterity.

After a short investigation he was recognized to be an expert and notorious shoplifter, whereas the prisoner first arrested proved to be a lunatic but recently discharged from an asylum, whose mania took the form of imitating any person who might happen to strike him. The professional thief was described as the bad luck of getting into trouble through the vagaries of a mad man.

Whaling Season Opens.

A late issue of the San Francisco Chronicle says: "The coming week will mark the departure of nearly all, if not the last, of the whaling fleet for Arctic waters. Whaling, like ordinary fishing, has some of the features of a lottery, and the outcome of a long season's work in the frozen north is problematical to the captains and crew when they leave port. So far as known, however, the summer is promising. The steamers Belvidere, Bayliiss and Jeanette have already sailed for Herschel island, near the mouth of the Mackenzie river, the Jeanette having left only a day or two ago. The whalers to leave port within the next few days are the Karluk, Alexander and Beluga. The whalers already in the Arctic from this port are the Grampus, Norwhal and Balena.

"Last season the champion catch was made by the Jeanette, which returned to port with 17 whales to her credit. The only variety caught in the Arctic is the bowhead whale, of which only the bone is taken. They are abundant in the wide sweep of sea between Point Barrow and Herschel island. Capt. McGregor, of the Karluk and Capt. Cook of the Belvidere are the only whaling skippers who will be accompanied by their wives in the long voyage. Mrs. McGregor has already made several voyages to Herschel island and has enjoyed the experience of Arctic weather and isolation from civilization. Her handiwork is apparent in the cabin of the Karluk, where embroidered eiderdown pillows, attractively framed pictures, rugs and upholstered furniture have transformed an ordinary cabin into a handsome boudoir. The Karluk will sail for Alaska the latter part of the week, not stopping at Nome or any of the other lively camps en route.

A Sweeping Objection.

"Tommy Atkins is a regular humorist at times," the subaltern said with a grin. "Did you ever hear the story of the court martial in the—hussars? No? Well you must know that just as an ordinary trial, a prisoner may object to the presence of a jurymen whom he thinks has already some prejudice or grudge against him, so at a court martial he is always asked if he is satisfied with the officers selected to try him.

"Well, this particular Tommy, when the president asked him the regular questions, looked at the officers sitting solemnly before him and answered: 'Certainly; I object to the 'ole bloomin lot of yer.' 'I believe that they were so astonished at this startling reply that they had to put off the trial till they could make out what was the right thing to do under the circumstances.'—London Answers.

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Most Enjoyable Meeting in the History of the Club Held Last Night in Fraternity Hall.

From Saturday's Daily.
One of the most enthusiastic meetings held by the Masons of Dawson was the smoker which took place last evening in the Fraternity hall. About 60 of the members were present and a very enjoyable evening was spent. Songs, speeches, etc., were the order of the evening until 11 p. m., when refreshments were served. Mr. W. E. Burritt acted as chairman and Hospital Sergeant MacIntosh as secretary. The following program was rendered:

Opening remarks, the chairman; remarks on the good of the order, T. S. Cunningham; songs, "As I Lay Across my Father's Knee," "Martha Dear," J. Strong; speech, H. P. Hansen; songs, "Watermelon," "Sally With a Coal Black Eye," Mr. Bligh; remarks on the good of the order, Sheppard and J. Haddock; song, J. J. Wachemheimer; speech, J. Douglass; song, "That You Saw Me," J. Strong; remarks, Hospital Sergeant MacIntosh; recitation, "Scotchman at the Ballot," J. S. Cowan.

Speeches were made by Postmaster Hartman, D. A. Matheson and G. Layfield.

It was moved by J. Borland and seconded by J. J. Wachemheimer, that a committee be appointed to make arrangements for a dinner on St. John's day, 24th of June.

Committee—H. P. Hansen, chairman; A. MacIntosh, secretary; T. S. Cunningham, Dr. Thompson, Good Samaritan hospital, W. A. Burritt.

It was moved by T. S. Cunningham and seconded by J. Borland that a committee on organization be appointed to devise means of forming a relief association in connection with the Masons of Dawson.

Committee—T. S. Cunningham, chairman; A. MacIntosh, secretary; H. P. Hansen, Dr. Thompson, W. V. Tukey.

After some discussion, the day for the meetings of the associations was changed from Saturday evenings to Tuesday. The gathering broke up in the "we sma' hours," the national anthem being heartily sung. The members were all

Happy to meet;
Sorry to part;
And happy to meet again.

Many New Buildings.
From present indications there will be fully as much, perhaps more, building in Dawson this summer as last. In addition to many new buildings going up and contemplated, hundreds of old ones are being overhauled and repaired. On the large tract of veid east of Third avenue and north of Third street a number of new residence houses will be erected, several sites being already cleared.

Glass Bulb Bombs.
"Of all the outlandish weapons ever employed in a fight," said a business man of the south side, "I think I brought the most fantastic on record into play one night last week. My family is away on a visit at present, and I am keeping bachelor hall out at the house. On the night to which I refer I was aroused at about 3 a. m. by a noise somewhere in the region of the dining room, and, thinking I had shut up the dog there, I jumped up very foolishly and came down stairs in my night clothes without so much as a pocket-knife.

"When I opened the dining room door, I was startled to see a big, rough-looking man bending over the sideboard at the far end of the room, and after we had stood there en tableau for a moment the fellow made a rush at me. I leaped back into the hall and glared around for a weapon. On a table near by were a dozen incandescent light bulbs, which I had brought home to replace some that had burned out, and purely by instinct I grabbed one of them and threw it at the burglar. It hit the door casing close to his head and, to my amazement, exploded with a noise like a young lyddite shell.

"I suppose it was a still greater surprise to the other fellow, for he let out a yell and broke for the rear, followed by a rapid fire bombardment of 16 candle power incandescents, which I continued to chuck at him as long as he remained in range. They smashed against the furniture with a series of crashes that alarmed the whole neighborhood, and I have been gathering up fragments of broken glass ever since.

"The burglar must have thought I was chasing him with hand grenades. It was the first time I ever knew incandescents made such a row when they broke. An electrician tells me it is caused by the air rushing into the vacuum."—New Orleans Times Democrat.

A Long Visit.

Dr. G. MacDore, the physician in charge of the work in that department of Fort Selkirk, who came to Dawson March 25th as a witness in the Hill murder case which was only terminated yesterday, has had a much more prolonged visit than he at first anticipated, and the end is not yet, as he will not have an opportunity for returning to his post until he can make the trip by steamer. It is the doctor's first visit to Dawson, and he has made hosts of friends during his stay. Dr. MacDore is of the N. W. M. P.

Sheriff's Sale

Recently, at public auction issued in the case of Atkinson et al. vs. Hawks and Hodgins, Sheriff Eilbeck sold an undivided half interest in the property described as the lower half of the hillside claim, right limit, opposite No. 5 below A. Mack's discovery on Quartz creek. The purchaser was Edward F. Christie, and the consideration amounted to \$550.

River Still Rising.

The rain of yesterday and, last night has caused an increase of water to flow over the ice of the Yukon, and it is now safe to assert that before the end of the coming week the ice will have taken its departure; therefore, tomorrow will be the last Sunday on which the eye may rest on the garbage piles.

Eagles Tomorrow Night.

This has been a busy week with the committee having in charge the Eagles' social entertainment to be given at the Palace Grand tomorrow night, which occasion will probably witness one of the happiest gatherings ever seen in Dawson. Refreshments suitable to the hardy miner and the prattling infant will be copiously served; and the musical and dramatic features of the evening will be far beyond that usually witnessed on similar occasions. Every local and visiting member of the order is expected to be present with his wife and all her relations; he is also privileged to invite his particular friends whom he knows to possess the material requisite to the making of a good Eagle.

POLICE COURT NEWS.

In Capt. Starnes' court this morning the opening was immediately followed by the arraignment of two "knights of the green" who plead guilty to the usual charge and paid \$50 and costs each.

The fact that Solomon in all his glory had 300 wives probably caused him to know what he was talking about when he said: "A man's glory is his strength, while a woman's glory is her hair." That statement is as true today as it ever was, and the fact of its still appearing true may be the cause of the appearance in court this morning of Miss Emeline Rickson on the charge of having, on the 13th day of April, 1900, stolen two hair combs, the property of Mrs. Leuders, a Dawson hairdresser. When the case was called Sergeant Wilson remarked to the court that the parties had agreed to settle the case out of court; but his honor would not have it that way. He said that if a crime had been committed the matter must be investigated; that if the complainant had agreed to hush the matter up, she, too, was liable to action for compounding a felony. Miss Emeline stood up and, after listening to the reading of the charge, said in answer to the question that she was ready to proceed in the trial. Just then a man stepped forward and said the defendant was not ready to be tried. The court asked "who are you and what interest have you in the case," but the questions were not answered. The man only replying that the defendant would require the services of a lawyer. When asked for her views on the matter, Emeline said she was not ready. The case was accordingly continued until Tuesday at 10 o'clock. Two other men, in addition to the one previously mentioned, were present and went on Emeline's bond in the sum of \$250 each for her appearance; and the whole party, including the prosecuting witness who had set with the prisoner all the morning, filed out of court together.

The Blaker case, which had been continued from Wednesday, occupied the remainder of the forenoon.

The hearing of John Merchant on the charge of having on April 19th felt for Charles Coffey's works with a knife, was remanded yesterday afternoon for another week, it being certified to by his physician that Coffey is not yet in fit condition to appear in court.

Weather Report.

The maximum temperature for the 24 hours preceding 9 o'clock this morning was 46 degrees above zero.

The minimum temperature during the same period of time was 34 degrees above.

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BRIEF MENTION.

Homer Beane is visiting the city. C. W. Bowhay is a guest at the Yukon hotel.

T. A. James is registered at the Yukon hotel.

E. Shannon is visiting acquaintances in the city.

W. H. Armstrong is spending a few days in town.

W. M. Davies, of Bonanza, is a visitor to Dawson.

F. H. Pontius, of Bonanza, is stopping at the Regina.

No cases are being tried by Gold Commissioner Senkler today.

Julius Jaeger was entered at the Good Samaritan hospital yesterday afternoon.

Robert Telford, from Solomon Hill, is in town on business. He is registered at the Regina.

Commencing Monday, Prof. Whiley's living whist class will hold their rehearsals in the Pioneer hall.

James B. Nesbitt, a member of the reportorial staff of the Dawson News, is an inmate of the Good Samaritan hospital.

A. D. Williams, a member of the citizens' committee, is in the city for the purpose of attending the mass meeting to be held at the Palace Grand theater this evening.

The Aurora club room is being extensively repaired. This popular resort will be reopened some time during the fore part of next week under the management of Charles Dellone.

Vaudeville Stars Coming.

Frank Simons, who will arrive in this city with a cargo of vaudeville stars shortly after the opening of navigation, is playing his company in Skagway, and the Alaskan speaks of the first appearance as follows:

"The Simons Company made its initial appearance in Skagway before a good sized audience in Armory hall last night. The efforts of the company were entertaining from beginning to end, and several of the stars won a high place in the estimation of those present.

"Sappho" was produced for the first time in Alaska. It is a highly sensational comedy drama, but as produced by the Simons company is not of the Netherole order. It is given in two acts, in which appear 12 characters.

"Aside from the play were a number of specialties. Miss Ida Wyatt, in classical Italian selections, and her wonderful endurance dance upon her toes made a decided hit. Mabel Perl and John Cassidy, in their prize songs, were exceptionally good.

"The entertainment concluded with the star feature of the evening, the wonderful comedy acrobaticisms of Seymour, late with Primrose & West. His efforts were roundly applauded.

At the Minstrel Show.

The curtain had just gone down.

"Those people in front of us must be married," said the young woman to the chaperon. "She does not talk to him, but just sits and looks over the house and only speaks once in a great while." "Quite different from the pair back of us," said the chaperon. "That woman has discussed the play, the cast and the gowns over and before the footlights. She has touched upon literature, music and art. She has discussed golf. She has pointed out persons in the audience and bored the man by trying to direct his attention to the right person, and if she thinks she is entertaining him she is mistaken. No doubt he likes her and would be delighted to enjoy the music and be content with merely her presence, but, like most foolish girls, she longs for the reputation of being entertaining."

Blank Wills.

Among the many things which the British government provides for its soldiers are blank forms for a will. According to Harper's Weekly, "the war office supplies every soldier that goes to the front with three blank forms of wills—the first for the man who wishes to leave all his property to one person, the second for those who wish to bequeath legacies to several persons and the third for use of married soldiers desiring to leave property to their wives and children.

"The British soldier, like most other people, usually neglects to make his will until the very last moment and frequently waits until wounded or dying upon the field. It is said that formerly the men would scribble their will in a few words on some stray bit of paper or on the inside of a helmet, the lid of a cartridge box or perhaps on a stone lying near by."

The idea is a good one, and the Philadelphia Medical Journal suggests that "if hospitals and emergency physicians as well as soldiers were provided with such blanks they might prove of great convenience in many cases of emergency and severe illness, and legal complications might many times be avoided by their use."

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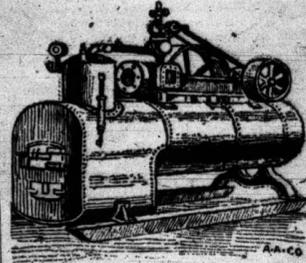
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