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CONSUL M'COOK OBSTINATE

And Refuses Clearance Papers for the Steamer Sovereign.

Captain Storey Angrily Leaves Port—The Consul's Bill for Private Services.

And there's that American consul. Apparently he has been at it again, and the steamer Sovereign was compelled on Thursday night to leave Dawson without the necessary papers to enable them to land at an American port.

Since the passengers are the ones most discommoded, the public is decidedly interested in the action of the American consul. Captain Storey, of the Sovereign, is not on any too good terms with McCook, and McCook has evened up matters—or has attempted to do so—by refusing the necessary papers unless the said Captain Storey should "pungle up" a month's pay to each of two quitting sailors. Whether or not McCook was to share in that advance month's salary does not appear in the street gossip of the case, and McCook himself is, of course, silent on that matter.

Anyhow, the men were prepared to settle when the consul appeared upon the scene and advised them that under the laws, as he understood them, they were entitled to a month's advance pay as a result of being paid off in a foreign port. The captain protested that the men had signed from St. Michael to St. Michael, and by quitting on the round trip had forfeited their rights to the advance pay.

Protests were in vain. While negotiations were pending the consul presented a bill of \$50 for consular services. The bill was paid. Then a bill for \$50 for non-consular or private services was rendered by America's representative. Anything to get the clearance papers, so that bill was also paid. Still papers were not forthcoming, and the hour set for sailing came and passed. Passengers were impatient and the captain angry. As midnight approached on Thursday the situation grew more critical and there were those who expected it would shortly be made a personal matter before long, and that the contrary consul would find himself in physical difficulties. Prominent citizens interested themselves in the case and formed a deputation to the obstinate fellow to urge the validity of the evidence showing the emptiness of the claims against the ship.

Nothing but money would satisfy the colonel (wonder if he is entitled to that prefix), and no papers were forthcoming. Finally it was resolved to appeal to the U. S. authorities below the boundary line. To this end the necessary evidence was compiled and sworn to and the Sovereign departed from this port in the early morning of Friday. The Canadian customs officer, Mr. Davis, cleared the vessel as fast as he could do so, but of course that alone will not have sufficient force upon arriving a Circle, and it is being sincerely hoped by all concerned—excepting perhaps the consul—that the authorities below will exercise a discriminating sense of justice and turn our American representative down.

As for the consul himself, it is said that nothing but the imprisonment of Captain Storey for life will satisfy his thirst for vengeance. We would suggest another way, more adapted to his peculiarities.

What's the matter with another bill for private services, and let it be a good one this time. Fifty dollars is too paltry. The passenger list is as follows: Emil Pohl, I. Nordstrom, John Landback, John Maher, Martin Angel, Dave Welch, D. McDaren, M. Keller, Blanche Duchaney, J. Hansen, J. N. Tarkelson, Capt. D. W. Carter, J. W. Emrie, E. Smith, A. H. Day, T. M. Morgan, Jim Furlong, Larry McKenny, Jas. O'Sullivan, Pat Galvin, J. H. Maxwell, B. Wagner, John Greevey, H. R. Smith, C. Murray, Mr. and Mrs. James Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Austin, Miss Rachad Peoric, Carl Armstrong, T. J. Olson, Dr. B. S. Woods, Mr. Clinton, H. J. Anderson, H. Entoff, C. Lybook, W. H. Harrah, S. G. Ely, R. G. Frame, A. R. Wilhmsa, J. L. O'Brien, S. J. Sikner, H. Thomas, D. P. McDonald and P. J. B. Kelly.

Business Changes.

The Canadian Bank of Commerce has leased the storeroom adjoining the Novelty theatre building and will move their down town office there. Mr. Lewin, who now occupies the place, has not secured new quarters as yet.

The old Bodega building, on First avenue, has been leased by Messrs. Alenber and Garfinkle, who are having it refitted.

The Novelty theatre is being rebuilt for Messrs. Elster & Rosenthal, who will move in within a fortnight.

The Northern restaurant is being entirely rebuilt.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

The steamer Florence, which arrived from Whitehorse on Thursday, reported the Reindeer hung up at Steamboat slough.

The Seattle P.-I., of August 23 reports the death of Mrs. Larson, mother of Ernest Larson, some times known as Blank, of Dawson.

Commissioner Ogvie has rented for the winter one of Rev. Father Gendreau's houses at the north end of town. His secretary, Dr. Brown, will reside with him.

Prof. Stanley, of Seattle, will open a dancing academy at the Pioneer hall. The professor is a capable artist in his profession and has successfully conducted similar classes on the outside.

Prof. Tracy thought it was his treat this week, so he procured for distribution among his admirers 500 copies of his latest song, "The Old, Old Friends in the Old, Old Home." They were turned out by The Nugget job department.

The freight blockade up river continues to grow in dimensions and importance. At Whitehorse rapids, it is estimated, there is not less than 700 tons piled up, with 1000 tons more at Bennett, and the White Pass railroad bringing over more every day.

John Stevenson, the enterprising proprietor of the Hoffman hotel, is building a story and a half warehouse in the alley back of his place. When completed it will be a roomy structure, and stocked with enough supplies to run the grill-room through the winter.

A grand sacred concert for the benefit of Prof. Fred Creese will be given at the Opera house on Sunday evening, Sept. 10. An orchestra of 16 pieces, conducted by Prof. Gorbacht, of New York, will be one of the features, while several vocal soloists of merit will make their first public appearance in Dawson on that occasion. The concert should, and doubtless will, be largely attended.

One by one the relics of the good old days of the sour dough are passing away, and simon pure effete civilization promises to maintain on every hand before long. Mortar is now urged as a substitute for moss with which to chink log houses, and one establishment—the telephone office on Second avenue—has already been fixed up with it. An interesting feature of it is that the mortar seems to possess qualifications superior to moss, one of which—and an important one, too—is that mortar will not take fire.

Pocket memo books, counter blotters, time books, pens, pencils, ink, mullage, paper fasteners, letter paper and writing tablets for sale at Nugget office.

\$1.50, Turkey dinner at Cafe Royal Sunday, \$1.50.

HELD UP AND POKE TAKEN.

A Miner Is Relieved of \$600 in Hard Earned Gold.

Took Place on the Trail Nearly Opposite Acklin's Farm—The Man Was Going Home to His Family.

Presuming to be true a story told by Matthias Lind to the police on Wednesday night, that gentleman has been the victim of a highway robber and is out \$600 in gold dust. As the story was learned next morning, Lind worked on Eldorado, but receiving advices to the effect that his wife and son are ill, he threw up his job and started for town Wednesday to take a boat for Seattle. He had about his person a poke containing \$600 belonging to himself and another of a lesser amount belonging to a friend.

On lower Bonanza Lind was overtaken by another and the two walked on together. Arriving at the Klondike, Lind said he was going to take the lower ferry, but the other induced him to take the upper one and the road over the hills. When across the river, the man made an excuse to stay behind a moment and Lind went on alone to a point on the road a short distance this side of Acklin's farm, where he sat down under a tree to await the stranger.

Presently a man approached and Lind, thinking it was his traveling companion, was entirely unsuspecting. "Did anyone else come across the ferry with you?" the stranger asked. "No," replied Lind. "Then shell out!" demanded the other, sticking a revolver into Lind's face. Lind saw there was nothing to do but comply, and he meekly handed over his poke containing the \$600, but said nothing of the other.

"Now git," was the next order of the stranger after he had pocketed the poke, and he made Lind leave in the direction from which he had come. When he had reached Acklin's place he ran inside and told his story. Several men at once organized a party and accompanied Lind to town, where he told his story to the police. There is no clue to work upon, however, and it is hardly expected that the robber will be apprehended. It is said that Lind is the fourth man who has been held up under that same tree.

Another One.

A Mr. Eddy, who lives near the corner of Fifth avenue and Sixth street, claims to have been held up on Wednesday night while on his way home and robbed of \$70 by two men who suddenly confronted him with revolvers. If he had had a thousand dollars he would have given it up just as quickly.

Stole a Cabin.

D. E. Keller went to Reindeer last spring to be gone several months, and made the mistake of leaving his cabin out of doors. Upon his return Wednesday he found himself homeless, and by diligent inquiry he finally located the logs which once constituted his home, the vandals having brought them to town. A policeman was detailed to run the culprits down. The next time he goes away, Mr. Keller will put the cabin in his safe.

THE CAPTAIN HONORED.

Presented With an Elegant Gold Watch.

On Wednesday night Captain Waud, the phenomenally successful pilot and captain of the plucky little steamer Ora was treated to a surprise party that was really and truly a surprise. The gift of a gold watch is so generally anticipated by the recipient that it is refreshing once in a while to see the secret kept until the proper time to explode it. In this case the officers and crew of the Ora from cook to master, had become so impressed with the modesty and worth of Mr. Waud that they decided to substantially attest their appreciation and not wait until that gentleman was dead before saying it. An elaborate turkey dinner was arranged in the cabin to which the unsuspecting captain was particularly invited. The only guests outside of the crew were Messrs. Flocton, Sampson and Parsons, of the company, and Mr. A. V. George, who had been selected to make the presentation speech. After the elegantly appointed dinner a toast was drunk in imported beer. Then the chosen speaker rose to express the sentiments of the contributors to the watch fund. He pointed out the good feeling of those who had served one and two seasons under Capt. Waud, and complimented him on having in such a remarkable degree secured their esteem. The speaker pointed out the unassuming merit of the gentleman in whose honor the feast was inaugurated, and concluded by drawing out the engraved gold watch and presented it with the sincere compliments of the donors.

To the moment of the production of the elegant timepiece the worthy captain had been in blissful ignorance of the meaning of it all, but, though much disconcerted at the unexpectedness of this demonstration of the good feelings of his crew, replied in an apt and modest vein which delighted all present. He deprecated the ascribing to himself of so much of the success of the season's operations and pointed out that each member of his crew had contributed largely to this success.

The feast was all that could be desired from oyster soup to the confections at the conclusion. That it was prepared aboard the Ora speaks volumes for the culinary arrangements of the vessel.

The watch is of gold containing a full jeweled and adjusted Howard movement, and would make a valuable addition to the equipment of any pilot and captain. Engraved upon the inner cover are words: "Presented to Captain Waud by the officers and crew of the steamer Ora, 1899."

In the Harness Again.

Prof. A. F. George arrived back this week from an extended sojourn on the outside, where besides enjoying a visit with his family, he represented The Nugget in a business capacity. He resumes his old position with the office at once.

Telegrams.

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"GRAVE IRREGULARITIES."

London Newspaper Man's Opinion of the Klondike.

He Says the Trails and Roads Are Abominable - The Royalty Designated as a Heavy Burden.

Seattle, Aug. 24.—The steamer Rosalie, from Skagway, on her last trip left two important passengers at this port, Mr. R. Azias Turreme, sent by the French government to report on the Klondike, and L. Marks, correspondent of the Financial News of London.

Mr. Turreme said: "I can only make this statement, Klondike is the richest placer country ever discovered. Its development is difficult. There are 2000 French-Canadians there. They have done well. French capital will come into the country after the exposition. I will recommend wealthy Frenchmen to invest in hydraulicking schemes."

Mr. Marks said: "I have prepared an exhaustive report on Klondike for my paper. I cannot disclose my information, therefore, except in a general way."

"I traveled through Kootenai and the Slocan country. The Slocan is marvelously rich. The vast wealth of Slocan was a great surprise to me. I cannot understand why British capital has not invested in those fabulous silver-lead propositions more than they have instead of letting Americans monopolize them. Klondike is among the richest placer diggings ever discovered."

"The royalty is a heavy burden on moderately rich claims. I understand the royalty collected was over \$1,500,000. I am convinced that not more than one-quarter of royalty due was collected, so obnoxious is it considered. The real clean-up must have been \$40,000,000 or more."

"There is no guarantee of permanency in Klondike placer claims. Now that the claims can be worked summer and winter, they will soon be cleaned up. The future of the country is in hydraulicking. In hydraulicking the government has almost a guarantee of permanency, but hardly yet are they warranted in building railroads. I may say in my opinion Indian river alone offers vast possibilities. On both banks, all from source to summit, there is gold, gold everywhere, for the taking. The ground is not rich enough for pan or sluice, but offers vast possibilities to capitalists."

"The Canadian government is open to much criticism from a Klondike claim owner's standpoint. They have been wicked in the government of the country. Trails and roads are abominable. I have been in all the big mining countries of the world and have seen nothing so bad."

"When Ogilvie came into power sufficient whisky permits were granted to raise a quarter million of dollars for trails and roads, but the Canadian government, seeming to think more of their political lives than of their duty, canceled these permits and handed them over to a few strong supporters, whose allegiance had to be paid for. As a consequence there is no money for roads and whiskey is 50 cents a glass, with every prospect of its going higher."

"There is no doubt that under the Walsh government, officialdom in the Klondike waxed rich. There were grave irregularities, but with all avenues of information at my disposal, I could not prove a single case of crookedness if I tried. At present there is a great deal of talk of crookedness and where there is so much smoke there is some flame, but it is chiefly smoke in this case, I think."

THE LITTLE WARS.

Mexicans Whip the Yaquis—Trouble in the Transvaal.

Potam, Mexico, via Nogales, Ariz., Aug. 24.—On Thursday General Torres gave the order to advance on Vicam

Three sharp engagements were fought before the troops succeeded in entering the stronghold. The Indians met the government forces first about half a mile from Vicam and fell back. They rallied again on the outskirts of the Pueblo and were driven in. The soldiers were advancing in the form of a half moon and when they reached Vicam it required a desperate struggle before the Indians were driven from their position. In the engagement two Mexicans were killed and 22 wounded, among the latter being two captains, Reynaldo Aportel and Aurelio, both of the Eleventh regiment. Forty Yaquis were killed and the number of wounded is known to have been heavy.

The Yaquis retreated in the jungle to the southward and were followed by General Torres, who overtook them again at a point about two miles below Potam. The Indians numbered about 700, while the general's command was about 1000 strong.

Cape Town, Aug. 24.—Although the cabled summary of the counter proposals of the Transvaal government to Great Britain's proposition is probably incomplete, it undoubtedly gives the general lines accurately.

The Mafeking Horse regiment is mobilizing rapidly. Several hundred recruits have arrived and have been equipped. Every train is bringing in fresh recruits.

Johannesburg, Aug. 24.—The field cornets are busy distributing Mausers and ammunition to the burghers. The exodus of miners continues.

Cape Haytien, Aug. 24.—Gen. Victoriano Torres, commander of San Jose de Las Matas, Santo Domingo, has declared for the revolution, and it is reported that Santiago has also pronounced in favor of the revolution.

The Modern Moses.

St. Paul, Minn., Aug. 24.—The Globe this morning, in its leader, advocates the nomination of Admiral Dewey by the next Democratic national convention. The Globe says:

"The hour has come and the man is here. Sailing over the sea from the Far East is the colossal living figure of American history, a man with a hand of iron, a heart of exquisite tenderness, a sense of honor which has led him through more than three score years along the path of eternal right; a man who knows little of politics, and has mingled less with politicians; a man who has decided the questions before him with the sword and the scales of justice with all necessary speed and with as much mercy as possible to the fallen foe."

"The Democratic party has but to make this man the magnet of the campaign on a platform of living principles, the central planks of which shall be death to the trusts and autonomy for the Philippines, Cuba and Porto Rico. Upon this platform can stand the most popular man of the western hemisphere, the idol of the greatest nation on earth, George Dewey, hero of Manila bay, and Admiral of the American navy."

Under Martial Law.

Amsterdam, Aug. 23.—Martial law has been proclaimed at Hilversum, 15 miles from here. Troops today are occupying the town. A mob yesterday evening, indignant at the suppression of a local fair, overpowered the police, paraded the streets, destroyed property and attacked the burgomaster's house.

Amsterdam, Aug. 24.—The disturbances at Hilversum, where martial law was proclaimed yesterday, continued last night. The mob stoned the troops, who are occupying the town, and cavalry charged on the rioters with drawn swords. Finally the infantry fired on the mob, killing one person and wounding two others. Quiet was restored at midnight.

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ALASKA NEEDS ATTENTION.

The American District Neglected by the Legislators.

Better School Facilities, an Improved Judiciary and a Local Form of Government Are Needed.

Seattle, Aug. 24.—Congressman Jones has returned from his Alaskan trip and suggests a number of improvements in social conditions for the territory. The school system needs overhauling, as does the judiciary of the territory. From what the congressman heard and saw while north he thinks the present school plan a shameful one. The people of Alaska are bitter against the missionary style in which the public school system is conducted.

Some system is needed that will recognize local needs and conditions and supply the white youth of the territory with better advantages than they now enjoy.

Expense of litigation is heavy in Alaska, and in consequence a great hardship is caused the poorer classes who cannot, on that account, always take their claims into court.

There ought to be not less than three district judges, instead of one, for the territory, according to Mr. Jones' way of thinking, and vested with authority. Appeals should be permitted from the United States commissioners to the district court and thence to court en banc. A form of local government that will permit cities and towns to make local improvements is needed with the burden of such improvements falling on the municipality.

The system of taxation needs revising, so that taxes may be applied to internal improvements.

Like most every other person who has studied the boundary question from the American standpoint, Congressman Jones says there should be no talk of arbitration, because there is nothing to

arbitrate. He says if he was the American officer in charge at Skagway he would plant the flag on the line and see that it stayed there.

Congressman Jones offers as a suggestion to the government that arrangements be made between the two governments of Canada and the United States that goods of both countries consigned through to the Yukon be permitted to pass through Skagway free of duty. This would give the customs departments less trouble and do away with much of the irritation and friction now caused.

Laurier Called to England.

Halifax, N. S., Aug. 24.—In an interview at Charlottetown, Lewis H. Davies, minister of marine and fisheries in the Canadian government, and a member of the joint high commission, announced that he and Sir Wilfrid Laurier will leave Canada for England in a few weeks. It is believed that their mission will be to discuss the Alaskan boundary question and other matters at issue, before the commission with the British foreign office, to facilitate an amicable settlement of the whole matter. It is probable that Premier Laurier and his colleague are going at the request of Joseph Chamberlain, secretary of state for the colonies.

End of the World.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 24.—Reports from Southern Russia say that the current belief on the approaching end of the world is causing a panic among the uneducated classes.

At Kharkova workmen are leaving in large numbers, wishing to spend what they consider their last days at their village homes. The factory owners have asked the police to stop this immigration in order to prevent the ruin of business.

How Is This?

Mr. Beall has established a dog livery stable, where dogs can be rented at the reasonable sum of \$1 per day, for dog and harness. This is a venture that will be appreciated by those who will only need the use of a dog team occasionally during the winter.

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A ROMANCE OF THE STAGE.

Husband and Wife Brought Together After Separation.

They Play Camille and Armand Duval on the Same Stage—Are Not "On Speaking Terms."

The peculiar demands which the histrionic art imposes upon its disciples and the unquestioned obedience which generally follows, constitute a spectacle which forms one of the principal charms of the modern drama. These demands often play upon the most sacred sentiments and require sacrifices of personal feeling rarely otherwise imposed. These reflections are suggested by a romantic episode now being spun by two histrionic artists prominent on the Dawson stage—George L. Hillyer and Babette Pyne.

To go back a few years, it is learned that Miss Pyne is the daughter of Jack Sutherland, a famous cow king of San Joaquin valley and owner of the "scizzars" brand so well known among the Western stockmen. Babe and Dot were heirs to a large fortune when Jack passed in his checks, but his thousands have long since disappeared, the girls having remaining of the fortune only a beautiful home at Kingston, California. But this is digression.

George Hillyer met and loved Babe and four years ago they were married. After two years of married life they separated—it is no business of ours why and have since been following individual paths, though, by one of the inscrutable plans of fate, continuing in the same orbit. When Frank Simons began to organize his present company he had for his assistant Mr. Hillyer, and among the actresses engaged were Babe and Dot Pyne. Thus the two were again thrown into close association, making the long trip to the Klondike in each other's company, and were together when the company opened.

During all this time, however, the two held no communion with one another. Whether it was obstinacy or whether the grand passion which once enthralled them had lost its warmth is another thing which belongs to them alone. Suffice to say, they never spoke as they passed by, and George finally left Simons' employ to take the position of stage manager at the Grand.

Then came the interesting incident which laid the foundation for these reflections. Charlie Meadows needed a leading lady and needed her badly; he wanted to cast "Camille" and the success of the venture depended upon the qualities of the leading lady. His choice finally resolved upon Babe Pyne, and by offering a salary of most tempting proportions, he secured her services. "Camille" was finally presented to the public, and the spectacle was seen of George Hillyer playing Armand Duval, the lover, to the Camille of his former wife, though neither had spoken to the other off the stage for two years.

No one observing the skill of the two could possibly guess at the relations between them and of the consummate art with which they cover their real feelings; but much could be guessed at by one whose privilege it might be to see the actress, as some have, leave the stage in a condition of nervous prostration as a result of the strain, and possibly indulge, woman-like, in a sudden flow of tears. What is the real story these tears tell and how do they effect the man on whose account, it is said, they are shed?

The Bear and the Miners.

An episode in which were mingled the laughable and the serious, transpired a few days ago at the hill claim opposite 74 below lower discovery on Dominion, when William Prendergast, while engaged in cutting hay, unexpectedly struck the point of his scythe into the tender nose of a huge bald-face grizzly. Prendergast was extremely

sorry for having made the mistake and would probably have been willing to give \$5 rather than have it occur. But the bear didn't take a mild view of the matter at all; on the contrary, he appeared very angry—reared up to a height of seven or eight feet, roared and spluttered a moment and then locating the cause of his misery, made a terrific bolt for Mr. Prendergast. These details were not all noted by Mr. Prendergast before he formed a well defined determination to get out of the neighborhood as quickly as he could; to think was to act, as the novelist would say, and without waiting to apologize to the bear, he lit out for home with all the speed at his command. Fear served as a spur to his willing legs and he flew over the ground like an antelope. The bear also exhibited sprinting qualities of a high order and was rapidly gaining on his intended dinner when the latter, with a cleverness of thought worthy of a general, suddenly bounded on the top of a stack of hay upon which brum was unable to secure a hold.

As soon as he realized that he was safe, Mr. Prendergast metaphorically hugged himself over his good fortune and cracked a few witticisms at the expense of the chagrined animal that was walking restlessly around the haystack. As time began to grow, however, and an hour had been lost in the mists of the hoary past, the gentleman began to experience visions of a cold night out of door with nothing but an incensed bear for a companion, and he determined to call for assistance. It hurt his pride to do so and there was the fear that a kodaek fiend would pop up in answer to his calls, but it was the lesser of two evils and it went. In response to his appeals, Messrs. Sutherland and Smith, his partners, went to the rescue with guns and a great display of determination; but the evil face which brum showed them chased away all their ambitious thoughts and they quickly showed two pairs of heels to the enemy. The latter chased them into the cabin on the gulch claim and then returned to his victim on the haystack; but after keeping him up there an hour or so longer he concluded that his vengeance had been complete and quietly walked away.

In the future, Mr. Prendergast will cut hay only after he has had his mother-in-law and hired man beat the grass or during the season when bears are supposed to be hibernating; it is said that he has also conceived high notions of his prowess as a sprinter and is already figuring on participating in the contests on the queen's next birthday.

Typhoid on the Increase.

Dr. Alfred Thompson, successor of Rev. Dr. Grant as superintendent of the Good Samaritan hospital, arrived this week from Halifax, N. S., and at once assumed his new duties in a manner suggestive of both energy and aptitude. The doctor is a young man, a graduate of Dalhousie university, N. S., and is a most agreeable personage.

In response to a query by a Nugget reporter, Dr. Thompson said that typhoid fever has been on the increase for the two weeks just past. On Thursday the institution held 29 fever patients, which was a majority of all the patients in the hospital.

Two New Safes.

The Canadian Bank of Commerce are just in receipt of two handsome Taylor safes from Toronto. They are of chilled steel, burglar and fire proof and are operated with time-locks. Each of them weighs nearly four tons, and it required the combined efforts of six good horses operated by Lancaster & Calderhead to get one of them to the up-town bank.

Mrs. J. H. Thomas' cottage on Fourth street, near Third avenue, wherein she gives Turkish, electric and tub baths, together with massage is elegantly appointed and supplied with every modern convenience.

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Don't forget opening of Cafe Royal Wine Rooms, Monday night, Aug. 14.

HOT RACE FOR A RICH CLAIM.

Five Men Participate in the Exciting Contest.

The Event Winds Up in the Gold Commissioner's Office—Fulfillment of a Scriptural Quotation.

The details of a race for a rich Dominion claim, the parallel of which is not often heard of, came out before Gold Commissioner Senkler this week in a contest for possession of the hill-side claim opposite the lower half of No. 36 below lower, left limit, on Dominion. The title of the suit was Williamson vs. Rule, and Attorney Wilson appeared for the plaintiff, while Rule looked after his own interests and Attorney Pattullo represented another interested one named Mooney.

The facts brought out by the evidence were that the claim, because of non-representation, became subject to relocation on June 27 last, and five men who had been watching it, joined the contest for its possession. A man named Davis staked it at 12:01 o'clock, and was followed at 12:02 o'clock by Williamson.

At 12:05 o'clock a man named Mooney joined in and added his stakes to the others, and at 12:15 he was followed by one named Ainsley, while at 12:30 the final staking was done by Rule. A peculiar feature of the affair was the fact that none of the men except Davis and Williamson saw one another at the claim.

After the staking came the race to the recorder's office at Dawson, 45 miles away. Rule proved to be the champion sprinter, arriving in Dawson at 11 o'clock the same day he staked; the others followed at varying times, Davis not reaching town until July 3, which carried out the scriptural quotation that "the first shall be last and the last shall be first." Williamson also got in on the day of the staking.

Of course the claim couldn't be awarded to all, and yet each believed he was entitled to it, hence the recourse to the judgment of the gold commissioner. Judgment has been reserved.

Prize Waltzing.

A prize waltzing contest was given at the Grand on Tuesday night. There were six couples in the contest and the honors were carried off by Frank Hudson and Pearl Hall. The prizes were two beautiful gold badges. Prof. A. F. George, the Duke of Skookum and George Noble acted as judges.

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"REVERSION TO TYPE."

The true inwardness of the Canadian policy towards the Yukon has at last been made plainly apparent by the approach of the general elections. Each party and each of the party leaders is loudly bidding for the cheap distinction of being not only the most blatant of all the jingoes, but also the originator of the most oppressive Yukon legislation. The conservatives, through their chosen mouthpieces—the Tupperts—are now proposing a reversion to the old days of baronial brigandage. Sir Charles and Sir Charles Hibbard Tupper look with discontent upon the hundred millions or so of property which American enterprise and American capital has secured within the Yukon territory for Americans, and brazenly propose that all this shall be awarded back to Canada and Canadians by the simple process of confiscation. They suggest to parliament that in the future no more miner's licenses be issued to aliens upon the Yukon, without which piece of pretty red tape no more renewals of claims can be secured.

In ye olden tyme when ye Sir Knights and ye Barons weighed out the leavings in their pokes after a season of revelry, and found the bottom in distressingly clear view through the neck, it was ye custom of ye barons to call together their serfs and henchmen, arm them with long bows and javelins and march out all brilliant in armor against some weaker feudal prince. If ye Tupperts' ancestry reaches back so far, it is altogether possible that ye original Sir Charles was in ye habit of thus replenishing his depleted exchequer by a similar process of confiscation which they are now proposing to their present voting henchmen of Canada. It remains to be seen whether ye serfs of ye nineteenth century are as loyal and dishonest as ye bold peasantry of old, and whether they will rally uproariously around their feudal prince and shoot whatever, wherever and whoever he shall direct, with their always abiding trust that their Saxon God would surely surrender to their righteous arms all ye worldly possessions of their weaker and therefore less righteous neighbors. Strangely enough this Saxon God generally gave victory to the strongest side with an impartiality quite edifying to behold; and it is not at all impossible that ye original Baron Tupper thrived and waxed mighty upon the cattle, beer and corn of others whose greatest offense was that they were not in a position to resist ye aggressor.

But not to waste any time in a dissertation upon whether the Barons and their serfs were right or wrong in enjoying the fruits of rapine and robbery, it can here be put down as a safe proposition of equity that such acts today upon the

part of either of the Sir Charleses or their adherents would be deserving of the censure of an empire, and the incarceration for life of all the principals to such a high-handed outrage. The confiscation of a hundred millions of property from men who have legally and righteously come into its possession is brigandage, pure and simple, and the men who bring it about are brigands. No milder term will fit the situation, and the penalty usually meted out to brigands should be theirs.

But we cannot help thinking that the Tupperts are simply looking for votes—playing to the galleries, so to speak, or talking through their hats. We are not absolutely certain that a scheme of such wholesale robbery is feasible at this late day and age. We are not averse to betting those gentlemen a new Stetson hat against a shoddy twenty-five-cent "gawf" cap that though the flesh of the Tupperts may be perfectly willing by reason of hereditary traits in themselves, it is a case of "You can't do it, you know."

The feelings of the Liberal party towards the people of the Yukon Territory are well understood from a long series of inimical legislation from which we are slowly emerging through the red-hot agitation which has been persistently maintained, and not through the innate goodness of Tarte, Sifton et al. When Sir Charles Tupper was seen at Ottawa last winter by the representatives of The Nugget he assured them that he had taken every prayer of the oppressed Klondikers to heart and would work consistently and faithfully for them. He added also that the true interests of the Yukoners lay with the Conservative party of Canada. Having just outlined the policy of confiscation as the policy of that party, Sir Charles must not object if he goes down to posterity with a reputation like the "Vicar of Bray, Sir," a gentleman destined to be held up to ridicule as long as the English language is spoken and sung as a type of inconsistency and lack of principle.

THE BOARD OF TRADE.

The organization of a board of trade marks another step in the progress of Dawson toward attaining a position among the permanent and stable commercial centers of Canada. The organization certainly has a field for all the efforts its officers and members may care to put forth.

In addition to work of furthering the interests of the town from a business standpoint, there are a number of matters of vital importance to the community which may well come under the recognition of the board.

The fact is rapidly becoming apparent that Dawson must no longer be considered a town for a day. It is a town whose life for years to come is already guaranteed. Families by the score have come in during the past summer, homes are being fitted up and the town generally is taking on an air of permanence to which, up to the beginning of the present summer, it has been a total stranger.

These facts suggest the necessity for a great many improvements in and around the town, in securing which the board of trade, in the absence of any form of municipal government, will be able to exercise a very considerable influence.

The condition of the streets, drainage of the town, sidewalks, public schools,

are all matters to which the board of trade may well give a measure of its attention.

The meeting on Wednesday night was in all probability the most representative affair of the kind that has ever occurred in Dawson. The interest there displayed indicates that public spirit is being awakened in the town, and that a feeling is abroad among our foremost business men that all must unite to further the general welfare of Dawson. The Nugget is in hearty sympathy with the movement and will further the work of the board in every manner possible.

When it was finally realized in Ottawa what a gross blunder had been committed when the soldiers were brought into the Yukon Territory, orders were given for the withdrawal of the military from the country. It required a year for the facts in the case to penetrate through the mazes of red tape that bar the way to governmental action, but the longed-for result finally came. It would appear as though Sifton had had time to become convinced that he has committed other mistakes in his Yukon policy. If he were not so utterly deaf to all the claims of common sense and justice, a change in the Yukon would long ago have taken place.

From the very nature of things a large proportion of the royalty tax cannot and never will be collected. When a man is asked to hand over the entire profits of his business without any commensurate consideration, very naturally he will strain a point or two to evade the same, if by so doing he can get around it. The royalty has failed signally to accomplish what it was intended to do and is a standing inducement for claim-owners to make false returns in estimating the output of their property. An equitable system of taxation would return more revenue to the government and allow the prospector and miner a fair return for his effort in developing the country.

A year ago a very strong movement was on foot around town securing the right of the city of Dawson to become an incorporated municipality and to choose its own local authorities. The plan was perfected to such a degree that committees were appointed to draft an ordinance for the incorporation of the town. The ordinance was then referred to the Yukon council, under whose protecting wing it has ever since peacefully slumbered. If the matter is left with the council the ordinance probably will continue in the same condition of torpor until Gabriel's trumpet sounds for the awakening of all things.

The number of transfers now being recorded at the gold commissioner's office indicates a very healthy condition in the mining market.

A Klondiker in Seattle.

On the burning streets of 'Frisko, on Seattle's redhot paves,
Mid the solemn visaged multitude of shop and factory slaves,
In the rush and roar of cities, in hotel or on the street,
You will find a poor Yukoner in each stranger that you meet.

O, there's been a mighty exodus of Klondike's men of brawn
To this land of tribulation just to be by sharpers shorn;
And of every luxury on earth we each have had a fill,
For we're given a Christian welcome just so long 's we foot the bill.

And we've seen the big white elephant—all that Frisco could have shown—
And against Seattle's slot machines our good dust we have blown.
O, we've been in old Bohemia and we've even been to church,
But we've every man and woman missed the object of our search.

Like children just let out of school for pleasure
we were bound,
And perfect happiness, they said, was corralled
on the Sound.
So we loaded up our Gladstone, took along a good big sack,
And vowed until we'd had our share we never would go back

But all things taste like ashes in this land of cheerless gloom,
And we're saddened every one of us like mourners at a tomb,
For the sky 's all over clouded and the air 's all filled with steam,
And for us there's no enjoyment where the sunshine ne'er can gleam.

O, we'll hie us back to Dawson, where the air 's like H2 O,
So full of electricity, you're always on the go;
Where there ain't no night to hinder when you're "up against the worst,"
"Where there ain't no ten commandments and a man can raise a thirst."

Where air acts like nitrous oxide and a man knows ne's alive,
And the hum of busy "skeeters" sounds like bees within a hive,
And the dames are free and easy and the men are brave and true,
And are satisfied with whisky if they can't get "hootehnoo."

O, we're going back to Dawson just to hear the aurora roar,
While we trip the "light fantastic" with the dames across the floor,
Where the girls are captivating, with light feet and merry jest,
And the most inveterate "musher" has endurance put to test.

O, we're going back to Dawson, where it gets so snapping cold,
Where one's power of locomotion come back as in days of old,
Where at 62 or more below by our stoves we takee talk,
But once outside, good G—d above, how we can walkee walk.

And the planets shine in splendor in most brilliant array,
And the sky is white like distant snow with the Heaven's Milky Way,
And the moon in all her glory is so large and cold and white,
That caps are reverently raised in worship at the sight.

O, we must go back to Dawson, kind friends don't keep us here,
For nothing now looks good to us, not even five-cent beer,
The air 's so moisture laden we're stiffening with the mould,
And when it's 52 above we're shivering with the cold.

So we must go back to Dawson, where the mighty Yukon flows—
Excepting in the winter, when she dons her winter clothes,
Where the air is so inspiring both to action and to thought,
That Dawson's doomed to lasting fame as a winter-time resort.

Our waist measure it is shrinking and our breath comes in short pants,
For we've seen all our relations—all our sisters, cousins, aunts,
And we're pining, O, so lonesome, for the dry and frosty snow,
And all the pleasures that belong to 62 below.

So we're going back to Dawson, where there ain't no blooming mist,
Where day by day and month by month the hills are sunshine kissed,
Where there's yellow-legged protection when you're up against the worst,
"Where there ain't no ten commandments and a man can raise a thirst." A. F. G.

Dissolution of Partnership.

The partnership heretofore existing between W. E. Thomas and Ike Rosenthal has this day been dissolved; all bills due the old firm will be collected and outstanding obligations paid by Ike Rosenthal.

Dated at Dawson, Y. T., this 6th day of September, 1899.

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Ten Days at

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- MEN'S CLOTHING.**
- Men's All Wool Tweed Suits at \$15 00
 - Men's All Wool Serge Suits, double and single breasted, at \$15 and 16 50
 - Men's Heavy Cassimere Suits, all wool, at 18 00
 - Men's Fine Sample Suits at \$20 to 25 00
 - Men's Heavy Melton Overcoats at 15 00
 - Men's Fine Stylish Box Overcoats at 18 00
 - Men's Heavy Lined Ulsters at 20 00
 - Nice line of Assorted Pants at \$3 50, \$4 50, \$5, \$6 and up
 - Men's Duck Lined Suits at \$5 suit
- MEN'S FURNISHINGS.**
- Men's All Wool Undershirts and Drawers at \$3 50 per suit
 - Men's Medium Weight Underwear at \$4 00 suit
 - Men's Heavy Weight Scotch Wool Underwear at \$5 per suit, and also finer goods if wanted
 - Men's Single Undershirts, all wool, at \$2 each
 - Men's Heavy Blue Sweaters at \$4 00

- MEN'S SOCKS.**
- Men's All Wool Socks at 50c
 - Men's All Scotch Wool Hand Knit Socks 75c
 - Men's Fine Imported Socks, all colors, at \$1 pair
 - Men's Heavy German Socks at \$1 pair
 - Men's Heavy German Socks, best quality \$1 75 pair
 - Men's Heavy Top Shirts, all wool \$2 and \$2 50
 - Men's Fine Black Farmer's Satin Shirts at 2 00
 - Men's Fancy Percale Shirts at \$1 each
 - Men's White Shirts at \$1 50
 - Men's Neckwear, comprising all shapes and colors, at 50c., 75c. and \$1 each
 - Men's Suspenders at 50c., 75c. and \$1
 - Men's Turkey Red and Blue Bandana Handkerchiefs 2 for 25c.
 - Men's White Collars, all sizes 3 for \$1 00

- AND THEN AT THE PRICES**
- BOOTS AND SHOES.**
- Men's Good Strong Shoes at \$2 50
 - Men's Congress Dongola Shoes at \$4 50 pair
 - Men's Fine Black Lace Shoes at \$5 00 and \$6 00
 - Men's Fine Tans and Black Lace Shoes, cordovan and calf, at \$6 50 and \$7 50, worth \$10 00
 - Men's Arctic Buckle Overshoes (1 buckle) at \$5 00 pair
 - Men's Arctic Buckle High Cut (3 buckles) at \$4 50 pair
 - Men's Lumbermen's High Cut Overshoes at \$4 50 pair
 - Men's Moosehide Moccasins at \$2 50, and higher cut at \$3 50 pair.
 - Men's Best Felt Shoes, Congress or Lace, at \$4 00 pair

- MEN'S HATS.**
- Men's Hats, in various shapes, at \$1 50 and \$2 each
 - Men's and Boys' Golf Caps at 50c.
 - Well worth double.

- MEN'S MITTS.**
- Good All Wool Mitts at 75c. pair
 - Men's Heavy Leather Faced Mitts at \$1 50, \$1 75 and \$2 00 pair

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THE ARCTIC BROTHERHOOD.

It Will Be Planted in the Golden Soil of the Klondike.

Found Its Birth in Skagway and Is Growing With Great Rapidity—Emblem Already Common Here.

"What's the button?" is a question fired at so many Klondikers returning from an outside trip that we propose in this article to explain to our readers the meaning of it all. The emblem or button worn upon the left lapel of the coat of so many of our home-coming wanderers, and which is becoming so common a sight upon our steamboat docks and in hotel corridors just now, is in the form of a rusty gold pan about the size of a nickel, bearing in raised gold letters the mysterious letters "A. B." surrounded with a display of small nuggets.

"Alaska Bums," suggests some facetious individual as he notices that only Alaskans wear the insignia.

"Arctic Bean eaters," suggests someone else, with a vivid recollection of trail and early day experiences with the festive camp kettle.

But the puzzling initials necessarily represent neither "Bums" nor "Bean eaters." Fact is, a purely Alaskan secret society has been launched within the last six months, and on nearly a thousand breasts the conspicuous badge of the "Arctic Brotherhood."

From the obligations and ritual of the order it appears to have for its objects simply the enjoyment of the social features of life with interesting lessons in mutual help and good feelings in the trials and tribulations of life in the Arctic regions.

Oddly enough the founders hadn't the slightest idea of how well they builded when towards the end of last February

a body of returning Klondikers on board the City of Seattle adopted a burlesque initiation in the cabin of that vessel as a means of killing time between Seattle and Skagway. A rough draft of a ritual was drawn up allowing much scope for the individual imaginations of the guides and other participants in the ceremonies. The universal good feeling and fellowship of the Klondikers made a howling success of the thing from the start and today, with improved rituals and impressive ceremonies, Camp Skagway, No. 1, of the Arctic Brotherhood, not only numbers its members at over 500, practicing the rites of the order in the handsomest building in Skagway—their own property—but camps have also been established in Bennett and Atlin with a live and wide-awake membership sufficient to show the order to have unmistakably "caught on," as was seldom seen before in the case of any secret society.

Since only genuine Alaskans and Yukoners are eligible, the button upon the breast of any man means much more than is ordinarily the case with a badge button.

The whole of the ritual is calculated to test the fitness of the candidate as a trail blazer in the path to the development of Alaska's wonderful resources, and the solemn oath of brotherhood is an obligation for all time that his latch string shall always be out to the needy brother; that he will start no false stampedes; that he will boom no mine above its value to a brother; that he will, in short, be a true source of information to his brother Arctics in this northern wilderness at all times and in all places.

Mr. A. F. George was elevated from the grade of a "cheechaco" at Skagway upon his return trip a few weeks ago, and upon his shoulders was cast the mantle of the grand deputy organizer of the brotherhood for the Yukon Territory, all similar powers to others having been declared annulled.

The work of organization will proceed

at once, and in less than six months there will be flourishing camps at Dawson, Grand Forks, Selkirk, Fortymile and Circle City.

HEAVY CRIMINAL CALENDAR.

Territorial Court Has Plenty of Work on Its Hands.

The territorial court will resume its sittings on the 16th of this month, and his lordship, Judge Dugas, will find himself confronted with the largest calendar since the court was instituted. The criminal calendar alone holds 20 cases, varying in degrees of importance from theft to murder. These are as follows:

- Queen vs. Aurora Mack; perjury.
- Queen vs. George Daniels; theft from the person. Pleading guilty.
- Queen vs. J. C. McPherson.
- Queen vs. John Kouff; theft.
- Queen vs. James Gordon.
- Queen vs. J. H. Currie; false pretenses.
- Queen vs. Fred Warren; attempted self-murder.
- Queen vs. A. S. Crane; obtaining money under false pretenses.
- Queen vs. John Harper; theft of eight ounces of gold dust.
- Queen vs. LaBelle Vincent; theft of \$140.
- Queen vs. Ed. Guder; attempting to bribe an officer.
- Queen vs. Alfred Boulay.
- Queen vs. Mark Yates; theft from the person.
- Queen vs. Alex. Anderson; theft of \$4000 in gold dust.
- Queen vs. James C. Beaslee; embezzlement.
- Queen vs. Arthur Goddard; murder.
- Queen vs. A. J. Kronert; false pretenses.
- Queen vs. Wm. Bennett; murder.
- Queen vs. Thomas Thornton; robbery.
- Queen vs. James C. Beaslee; theft.
- Queen vs. Louis Hafner; theft.
- Queen vs. A. Barbuto; perjury.
- Queen vs. Thomas M. Graham; theft of \$3000 worth of merchandise.

Queen vs. W. J. Allen; assault.
Queen vs. W. J. Allen; robbery.
Queen vs. R. C. Winkley; theft of 30 ounces of gold dust.

Queen vs. A. Corrigan; retaining stolen property.

On the opening day the defendants will be arraigned for election as to the manner in which they will be tried.

Captain Bliss, the clerk of the court, will hereafter be found in an office on the ground floor of the court house, which will be a public convenience of importance.

The Klondike Exhibit.

Col. Frank R. Miles, who left on June 30 for the outside to make arrangements for the Klondike exhibit at the Paris exhibition, returned on Thursday and reports that the most gratifying success attended his mission. The commissioners have set aside all the space necessary, will receipt for all articles to be exhibited and carry them to and from Paris free of cost to the exhibition. The colonel will, therefore, begin at once to get the exhibit together, and he urges our citizens to co-operate with him in the matter of time, as he must get out with the articles before the freeze-up. As heretofore described, the exhibit will consist principally of gold in its several forms, but grain, flowers, furs, woods, stone, etc., will be included. The colonel also wants to make a specialty of a statue of some prominent Klondiker done in gold. The colonel has so far done his work well, and it is now the people's part to lend a hand. Mr. A. C. Colter, a Chicago newspaper man, came in with the colonel.

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HOBSON'S INSECT IMITATOR.

The Kissing Bug Is the Newest Sensation on the Outside.

He Attacks the Lips of Unsuspecting People and Leaves an Unpleasant Reminder of His Call.

Victoria, Aug. 24.—Have you been bitten by the kissing bug? If not, can you claim as a personal friend or acquaintance someone who has? Otherwise you are not in the fashion, for the kissing bug is lord of the situation from Manhattan beach to the San Francisco Cliff house—the poor, out-of-date mosquito sadly retiring to the top shelf of New Jersey to meditate on the sting of ingratitude and sharpen up his other sting for a revival of business in his line.

A year ago no one except the scientists had ever heard of a kissing bug. No one had been bitten, or if they had, the poor scapegrace spider had had to bear the blame.

Now every state from Maine to Oregon is full of waiting victims, who fairly yearn to be introduced to this Hobson of the insect world—their getting their names and pictures in the papers.

It would take an army of kissing bugs to accommodate all applicants for distinction—and so the majority may just as well accept the inevitable and go to the mountains or the seaside for the torrid term, there to practice with the old style kissing bug in the white flannels or a shirt waist.

Of course, "kissing bug" is not the correct designation for this newest pest of the gauzy-winged kingdom. Whenever you see a young lady with glasses, start and raise her hand quickly to her cherry lips, with a remark that she has experienced an acute and painful sensation through the puncturing of the facial cuticle by the melanolestes picipes—you can rest assured that the oculatory crank of the half-winged world has been at work.

Also that she is a Boston girl and has his title down as pat as though he was in Burke or DeBrette.

Prof. William H. Ashmead says that the melanolestes belongs to the species designated Hemiptera, a Greek derivative meaning half-winged. It will be noticed on examination that the wings of the insects are half-membraneous and half coriaceous.

In appearance the kissing bug is not by any means an Adonis of the air. A greatly enlarged photograph shows him to possess four hairy legs set at the corners, so that when he walks abroad scenting his prey, he somewhat resembles an animated stepladder, with a balcony.

That is the head; and to further particularize, the head consists of a stinger pointing straight out and always ready for business, a pair of immense mustachios such as the Levy boys and Capt. Dan McLean used to glory in possessing, and eyes that stick out like a pair of opera glasses.

The latter are the melanolestes' strong suit. They enable him to lead an active life both by day and by night, and accordingly has his office hours usually between sunset and sunrise. The lips of sleeping beauty are, not unnaturally, his strongest temptation, and hence his popular name.

Here in Victoria, the kissing bug has made his appearance, according to reports, during the last week or ten days. One of his victims is a teamster named McKenzie, who, while out picknicking last Sunday indulged in the luxury of a noontide nap.

His first impression was that he had been bitten by a black spider, but as the swelling continued, a hardness appeared in the lip, and McKenzie experienced excruciating pain.

Organization Completed.

Dawson's board of trade is at last an accomplished fact. On Wednesday

night about 100 men representative of the commercial and professional interests of the city assembled at the Criterion to listen to the report of the committee which had been appointed for the purpose of drafting a constitution and by-laws for the government of the organization.

The report submitted was a voluminous document covering every detail of the various lines of activity in which the board will interest itself. The object of the board is said to be the promotion of a spirit of co-operation among the business men of the town, and the advancement of its business and commercial interests.

Col. Richenbach presided as temporary chairman. After the reading of the committee's report some little discussion was indulged in, after which the report was adopted as a whole. These preliminaries having been disposed of, it was announced that the election of officers for the ensuing year was in order.

The only name proposed for president was that of Mr. Thos. McMullen, of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, who was unanimously declared the choice of the meeting for the executive once. Mr. McMullen was escorted to the chair and in response to a demand for a speech thanked the assembly for the confidence it had displayed in him and promising his best efforts and energy in protecting and furthering the interests of the organization and the city.

The other officers elected were first vice-president, Mr. Frank Ames, of the Ames Mercantile Co.; second vice-president, Dr. Yeamans, of the Empire Line, and F. W. Clayton, secretary.

The election of a board of trustees or counsellors was deferred until a subsequent meeting in order that their selection may be made to accord with the Dominion statutes governing boards of trade.

The Last Chance Murder.

Constable Lynn, who went to Last Chance to investigate the reported murder, returned to town on Wednesday and fully confirmed the meagre particulars already published. The discovery of the remains, he said, was made by two men named Talbot and Lepiere on a hill off of 27 above. They were going from their cabin to their shaft when their dog attracted their attention to the spot where the charred bones lay. They were not in a cabin, as first reported, but had been placed under a pile of brush, and the latter set on fire. This circumstance and the fact that the skull had been crushed is conclusive evidence that the man was murdered. The constable thinks the crime was committed in March or April. There was absolutely nothing about the body that would identify it, no one is missing from the gulch, and it looks as if the crime will remain shrouded in mystery.

POLICE COURT NEWS.

The case against Adolph Spitzel was in court again on Wednesday, and as no evidence was adduced in support of the charge, "Spitzel, old boy," was triumphantly discharged.

Four men were found engaged in a quiet game of "draw" in a side room at the Madden last Sunday, and it took \$11 plunks from each to satisfy the outraged feelings of the dove of peace.

William Williams was arrested on complaint of William Jones, charged with stealing two cords of wood from a claim on Bonanza. But it proved to be a mistake and William No. 1 was discharged.

John Cagino, a festive gentleman from the realm of the Mikado, was short of funds and his extremities caused his wits to get into active operation. A happy thought came his way finally and he struck his friend K. Matsuto for \$200 with which, he said, to go into the restaurant business at the forks. After a lapse of some days, Matsuto took it into his head to investigate and he found that instead of opening a restaurant at the forks, Cagino had come to town and put his money on the high card, which is street parlance for blowing one's money in riotous living. Matsuto wouldn't stand for it, and Cagino was arraigned before Col. Steele on Thursday, charged with obtaining money under false pretenses.

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UNCLE SAM SHORT OF FUNDS.

His War Operations Necessitate Another Bond Issue.

New York, Aug. 24.—A special to the Tribune from Washington, D. C., says:

Secretary Gage is engaged in the task of ascertaining whence the funds are to come to pay the largely increased army recently determined upon by the president and secretary Root. This increase makes demands upon the treasury that may well cause some concern among its officials. The receipts of the government did not meet the extraordinary expenditures when the army was smaller and the problem of how to meet the cost of 30,000 additional troops gives the treasury department some uneasiness.

With plans matured, therefore, that involves the expenditures well up into nine figures, Secretary Gage, on whom is placed the responsibility of providing funds, has begun to take his bearings and preparing to meet these new demands. The administration is unwilling to make another bond issue, but if it cannot be avoided, this will be done.

It can be said on the authority of treasury officials who have been giving the matter careful study for several weeks, that the Fifty-sixth congress will not lessen the war taxes imposed by the act of June 13, 1898. In some quarters the clamor for a reduction of these taxes has already begun, but the enormous expenditures to be incurred in the next two years not only forbids curtailment of these special taxes but requires an enlargement of the general scheme and a stoppage of the holes through which those supposed to have been taxed have escaped.

From ordinary internal revenue taxation last year the receipts were, in round numbers, \$173,000,000. The war revenues included in round numbers, \$100,000,000. With the customs duties and miscellaneous receipts added, a big deficit followed at the end of the fiscal year. It is admitted that customs duties ought not to be further increased. The only course, therefore, from which additional revenue can be derived, is from war taxes or bonds, or both.

Death of a Young Miner.

Peter Kelly, a young man employed by P. J. Lauritzen on a bench opposite No. 1 below on Bonanza, died on Monday from the effects of typhoid fever, after an illness of two weeks. Deceased was 37 years of age, and leaves a wife, two children and a brother in San Francisco. Burial took place on Tuesday morning from St. Mary's church, Rev. Gendreau officiating.

Want Fire Insurance.

Dawson's business men want fire insurance for their property and they are going to have it. The preliminary steps were taken on Tuesday night at a meeting held at the office of Collector of Customs Davis. D. Doig called the assemblage to order and explained its purpose, after which he introduced W. D. Bruce, who, from the standpoint of an insurance man, gave a detailed description of the situation and its needs. He complimented the fire department on the work it had done and the Yukon council on the manner in which the fire ordinance had been carried out. He made a favorable comparison of Dawson's fire department with those on the outside, and referred to the body of well drilled men in the police and fire forces as constituting an auxiliary of the utmost value to the fire department. He believed that Dawson business men should have insurance and believed also that they could get it. In order to get it, the citizens would be under the necessity of sending a delegate to Montreal, where the head officers of the companies are, and setting forth the situation here. The speaker gave a great deal of general information on insurance matters in answer to questions.

The meeting finally elected Messrs. Doig, Palmer, Tom Chisholm and S. M. Graft to constitute a committee to arrange for the expenses of a delegate and the compilation of facts which he will have to present to the companies.

The meeting was then adjourned to 8 o'clock Friday night.

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PASSING OF THE THROG.

Hundreds Are Hurrying to Their Winter Homes.

Steamboats Doing a Fine Business Owing to the Nearness of the Approaching Freeze-Up.

The jaunty little steamer Ora arrived Tuesday with a large passenger list and 70 tons of freight. She reported catching up with and passing the steamer Canadian, and the latter boat an hour late arriving. Among the passengers on the Ora were: A. F. George and Mr. Fitzpatrick of the Nugget; Louis Allenberg and F. Garfenale, two young merchants of Dawson; A. G. McCandless, a Dawson merchant; Constables W. Hume and A. Wheeler, who have been assigned to duty at Dawson; Mr. and Mrs. Louis Cloture, of the Northwest hotel, Hunker, and Mrs. L. J. Cloture, wife of their son. Mr. E. Sampson, the new agent for the B. L. & K. N. Co., and the following: Mrs. M. Bentley, Miss N. M. Jones, J. Blick and wife, Mrs. Fish and family, Robert Kerrigan, D. A. Schindler and family, Miss Daly, L. Brock and wife, Mrs. C. J. Cunningham, Mrs. E. B. Lung.

The Bonanza King took out a large and important list of passengers on Tuesday, and a crowd of people bade them Godspeed from the wharf. Among them were: F. R. Day, P. Jewell, L. Dane, A. W. Sawyer, D. L. Sawyer, D. T. Sawyer, C. Herz, A. D. Chappell, H. G. Smith, L. P. Kerne, W. A. Carson, L. A. McKenzie, Mrs. L. Fritz, W. A. Ayers, Mrs. W. E. Ayers, W. N. Cowley, C. M. Lynde, J. Connors, W. Cunningham and wife, C. S. Ward, O. J. Ahrens, P. N. Hamilton, H. E. Abell, G. H. Abell, W. Roeden, A. Parks, W. Deane, C. Jameson, John Connors, H. A. Ash, Davo Desqua, V. E. Thorn, Lottie Oatly, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Staley, Rev. D. D. Grant, Mrs. Edgerton.

The following persons arrived from the outside on Monday: A. L. Kieviz, J. Horan, E. Shanklin, A. Denar, M. Larsen, M. Canghey, C. A. Rawson, R. Heilditch, Mrs. Gilbert, H. H. Benson, Mrs. J. Hobbs, Mrs. Roethke, H. G. Murray and wife, Mrs. Burt and children, A. McKetchnie and wife, R. Chisholm, R. Jensen, Miss Stanchfield, A. Anderson and wife, Mrs. Meldner, A. Lawson, L. Miller, R. McLenman, S. F. Brown, J. M. Budelman, Mrs. Parker, Mrs. Kern, A. J. Botnen, A. S. Lein, G. Larson, A. McCauley and wife, Mrs. Perkins, A. D. Osborn, Captain Thacker, J. R. Fitzgerald, M. F. Stevens and wife, James Pender.

The Canadian had a very small number of passengers from the outside. They were as follows: Mrs. Shaver and son, Mrs. Rodin, W. C. Schultz and wife, E. J. Sliter, Mrs. H. E. Noyes, Mrs. H. E. Ashelby, A. D. Coulter, Mrs. F. S. Briggs, John D. Taylor, jr. On her way out again on Wednesday, the passengers for the outside were:

Albert Michall, George O. Berard, F. R. Fish, Mrs. Stewart, Dr. A. Robertson, James Webster, C. F. Currie, M. Duclos, M. Plonder, M. Martin, Henry Garner, Rev. A. J. Grant, George R. Dumais, P. C. T. Dumais, W. Wensky, J. D. Fries, W. Owens, A. F. Engelhart, J. Lévein.

The following persons were passengers from below on the steamer Leah: J. Marion, Capt. Al. Mayo, R. S. Heath, W. McPhee, A. Anderson U. C. Cronon, L. Waller, George McClure, Frank Hall, J. Lamoreaux, J. H. Baker, Wm. Louselle, L. M. Olson, John Carty, W. G. Schaffer, W. McIntosh, E. Hutchings, E. W. Goodspeed, J. Dunlap.

The Leah left for St. Michaels Wednesday for her last trip this season. Among her passengers were Capt. Al. Mayo, a prominent business man of Minook, Mr. Buckner "Buck" and Alice Gillens, the last two bound for Cape Nome.

Rev. G. R. Maxwell, the member of parliament who has been visiting the Klondike, Hugh McLean, who is interested in the proposed electric railway here, and Dr. A. Robertson, who was their companion on the trip in, left for Ottawa on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Anton F. Stander, of No. 4, Eldorado, left for the outside on Tuesday. Accompanying them was \$140,000 in gold dust from the late clean-up, and two men—employees of Anton—to guard it.

News of the River.

A change in the firm of Nels Peterson & Co., owners and operators of the Flyer line boats, took place on Tuesday, Mr. Peterson buying out the interest of D. H. Pingree. The latter left for the outside with the Bonanza King and will, it is said, be associated with the Klondike Exposition Co. Mr. Peterson is very well satisfied with the season's business, which has improved from the start, and has plans in hand for even larger operations next spring.

It is learned that several prominent river captains, most of them employees of the A. C. Co., are preparing to go outside to spend the winter, among them being Captain Otis McGinley of the Leah, Captain Morrell Looney, of the Sarah, and others. The A. C. Co. imported 19 experienced steambot men from the Mississippi river a year and a half ago, and the move proved a wise and satisfactory one.

The Emma Nott, which is engaged in bringing cattle from Fort Selkirk for the Cattle Syndicate, No. 2, arrived down with a full load, including several horses, on Tuesday. The cattle were driven over the Dalton trail.

Steamboat men report that Circle City is very dead and almost deserted. "Why," said one of them, "there are more people down to the river at night when a boat reaches Minook than there is at Circle City in the day time."

Tribute to Heroism.

The project of the people of Oregon to erect a monument to the heroism and patriotism of the volunteer soldiers of that state who served in the Philippines has extended to the Klondike, and it is expected that, ere long, a substantial contribution to the fund will be speeding on its way out. The project here is in the hands of G. W. Stearns and Willis W. Ross, and the latter, who purposes spending a portion of the winter outside, will be the bearer of the Klondiker's offering. It is designed that the contribution shall be made largely by people from Oregon though, it may be fairly presumed, the gentlemen in charge will not decline an offering from anybody who appreciates the services of the brave Oregon boys; indeed, the call is addressed to citizens of the United States at large. It is learned from outside information that the Oregon troops lost 15 killed and many as the result of sickness. Mr. Ross was once a member of the Oregon National Guard, and is very proud of the achievements of his old comrades in arms. He expects to leave next week for the outside.

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Scroggie Buys Crown Claims—The Latest Stampede—Old River Bars Still Being Worked.

If a big strike of gold is not some day made in the Stewart river country, it will be a surprise to many men who have prospected its streams and who will be unable to account for the presence of the gold which they have found in numerous places there. Slowly but surely bedrock is being reached on its tributaries, and in nearly every case gold in some quantity is found. Surely, they agree there must be a mother lode somewhere, and they are bound to find it if perseverance and industry will accomplish it. Two late arrivals from there are A. Dalton and his son, Frank P. Dalton, and their conversation, besides describing other conditions there, is along these lines.

Messrs. Dalton are almost direct from Brown's gulch on May C. May creek, which flows into the Stewart about 30 miles from its mouth. They report that the whole gulch has been located and that as high as \$1.05 to the pan has been raised.

Lake creek, located about 75 miles above the mouth of Stewart on its left limit, has lately been stampeded, not less than 100 boats going up. Three discoverers, it is reported, found \$4 to the pan on bedrock and at once recorded, after which they went to Fort Selkirk and put their friends on.

There is considerable rocking being done on the bars in the main river, the same as the old pathfinders of ten years ago did. From 75 to 100 men are thus engaged, and they claim to be making from \$2.50 to \$5 a day.

The late news from Scroggie creek, Messrs. Dalton say, is that the syndicate which the discoverer formed has purchased all the crown claims on the creek, paying therefor \$15 each, and many of the claims held by individuals, their purpose being to institute hydraulic operations on a large scale next spring.

Black Hills creek is practically deserted and no operations worth mentioning are going on there.

May C. May creek has also turned out between 75 and 100 tons of fine red-top hay this season, most of which will be brought to Dawson.

Mining Notes in General.

Stephen Brown, a man who has been conspicuous during the summer as a street advertiser for one of the steambot companies, hired a lot of men to stake on the Klondike this week, paying them, it is said, \$20 a head and providing them transportation to the outside if they desired. It is said that Brown is representing a syndicate who purpose putting in a hydraulic plant.

A stampede took place this week to Bird creek, a tributary of Ophir, in the Indian river district.

The old time belief that no gold existed on Bonanza creek above Victoria

gulch has long since been dispelled; but even the most sanguine prospector was not expecting to see the upper end of the creek, above McCormack's forks, develop as it promises to do. A well defined paystreak has been located and next year will bring that locality into prominence.

The Injured Aeronaut.

John Leonard, the daring aeronaut whose thrilling parachute leap last Monday came near precipitating the termination of his adventurous career, has been confined to a room at the Hoffman house since the accident. Though no bones were broken, as determined by a careful examination, Mr. Leonard was severely injured about the hip and body, besides receiving painful cuts and contusions about the arms. But this is coming off very lightly, when the nature of the fall is considered. On Thursday he tried to walk a little, but was advised by the doctor that recovery would only come with rest. He was however, feeling much better. As a result of the accident, Mr. Leonard will be obliged to forego the proposed ascension at the forks, as he is desirous of getting outside before the river freezes up. He will, however, leave his airship and parachute here and return in the spring to complete the program he had mapped out. That's the spirit of '76, and John may be assured that the people of the Klondike will be glad to see him again.

Another Census Being Taken.

Another census of the people in town and on the gulches is being taken, Constables Frank Smith and Barnes performing the service in town. They will ascertain the name, age, nationality and occupation of each person, ascertain the number of school children, etc. The census will also be of service in securing a jury for the September term of the Territorial court.

Dawson Prices.

Prices of table commodities ruling at Dawson mercantile establishments Friday were as follows:

- Flour—\$5 to \$6 per sack.
- Beans—10c. to 12c. per lb.
- Sugar—18c. per lb.
- Bacon—25c. to 30c. per lb.
- Butter—50c. to \$1 per lb.
- Rice—20c. to 25c. per lb.
- Rolled oats—20c. to 25c. per lb.
- Cornmeal—20c. per lb.
- Potatoes—Cheechakos, 25c. per lb.; sourdoughs, 35c. to 75c. per lb.
- Milk—40c. to 50c. per can.
- Cream—35c. to 40c. per can.
- Canned goods—Vegetables, 40c. to 50c. per can; meats, 50c. to 75c. per can.
- Ham—35c. to 40c. per lb.
- Dried fruits—25c. per lb.
- Onions—Cheechakos, 20c. per lb.
- Cabbage—Three lbs. for \$1.
- Summer squash—50c. per lb.
- Cucumbers—Three for \$1.
- Tomatoes—Cheechakos, 75c. to \$1 lb.
- Sweet potatoes—Three lbs. for \$1.
- Poultry—Live chickens, \$3.00 each; old hens, \$5 each.
- Beefsteaks—60c. to \$1 per lb.
- Mutton—55c. to 75c. per lb.
- Pork—65c. to 75c. per lb.
- Veal—75c. to \$1 per lb.

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