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FRISCO VS. SEATTLE

Vigorous Fight Made Over Dry Docks

California Metropolis is Afraid of its Hustling Northern Rival.

Special to the Daily Nugget.
 Washington, May 26.—San Francisco and Seattle are vigorously fighting for their respective naval yards. The war has been extended to the senate. Senator Hale of Maine, chairman of the senate committee on naval affairs, and Senator Perkins of California, the ranking Republican member of the same committee, have locked horns on the proposition. Hale favors the Puget Sound yard and shows a disinclination to favor large expenditures on the Mare Island dock. California senators and representatives say if the channel now leading to Mare Island is too shallow it could be dredged out by the time a battleship built at Mare Island yard would be ready to come away.

No Tobacco

Special to the Daily Nugget.
 Chicago, May 26.—Officials of the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad have begun a campaign against the use of tobacco in any form by employees of the passenger department while on duty.

Railroad Absorption

Special to the Daily Nugget.
 San Francisco, May 26.—Word comes to San Francisco that the Harriman syndicate is about to absorb the Astoria-Columbia river rail-

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DETAILS OF FERNIE DISASTER

Excited Miners Hold Indignation Meeting to Consider Inhuman Remarks Made By a Fernie Constable—The Offending Officer Was Driven From the Town By 500 Men—Little City Is Given Over to Mourning—Train Loads of Dead Brought From the Mine to the Town—Plans for Relieving Grief-Stricken People.

(Immediately after the receipt of the news of the Fernie disaster the Nugget's Vancouver correspondent was dispatched to the scene of the accident. The following details of the affair were received by wire this afternoon.)
 Fernie, B. C., May 26.—While everywhere throughout the grief crushed little town banners of mourning were sadly drooping from pole and flag staff yesterday and every few yards walking in any direction brought into evidence pathetic bows of grape that told of a father, husband or son gone to sudden and terrible death, there was enacted at 11 o'clock last night a minor drama in the overwhelming tragedy wherein only a single match of intemperate suggestion was required to cause the stern vengeance of the body of Fernie working men to burst into flame. It was a situation without parallel in British Columbia's annals and taking into account the tense overwrought feelings of the stricken community, the wonder is now that infinitely more serious consequences were not involved. William Stevens is, or has been, provincial constable, engaged in duty in the town. He does not seem normal minded in view of a remark he is accused of passing yesterday when some one had in his hearing deplored the tragedy. "Think of those poor fellows there," some one observed. A hundred and fifty of them—all their lives gone out in but the time required to tell it. "Yes, think of it," Stevens is quoted as having echoed, with sneer. "It's a pity it wasn't two hundred and fifty."
 How in the world he could have made so inhuman a comment is hard to understand. The fact that this police officer, who had not been popular with miners in the past, had done so spread quickly, and the youth to whom he had addressed the insult was within a half hour escorted to Union hall, where to a full attendance of the union he stated the facts of the incident. Stevens was taken prisoner by miners and arraigned for insulting the community.
 Chief Barnes, interposing in his behalf, was informed that he had but two alternatives to make choice between. Either he, as representing the law authority of Fernie, might forthwith "run Stevens out of town, or the party would take the task upon itself." The chief's response was a request for the badge and weapons of his subordinate with addendum: "I guess you'd better go Hilley." The articles were passed over and thereupon Stevens was placed at the apex of a flying wedge in which 500 men had placed themselves, and with their help and revilement sounding strangely discordant and malapropos along avenues of death, Stevens was hustled through the streets of Fernie, driven as a wolf to the corporation limits and started on the railway track into the darkness beyond which lay Michel, and was told to keep going and not if he valued his life to return to Fernie to find smaller mercy in those who prescribed and executed exile upon him.
 Aside from this dramatic termination, Sunday passed quietly. Silent crowds drifted backward and forth along the streets and formed ever moving groups in front of the company's offices, where bulletins were displayed. A crane-draped funeral train pulled back and forth between the village and the mines. Through efforts directed by Gen. Supt. Stockett and Inspector Drinnin, the slope was early cleared of all gas. The bodies of all who had worked therein or in tributary chambers, had been removed, after which the slope was sealed in order to increase the air circulation.

road, this line to be used as a direct outlet to tide water instead of compelling wheat ships to proceed up the shallow tortuous channel to Portland, the present Oregon terminus of the system.

No Statement

Special to the Daily Nugget.
 London, May 26.—In the British house of commons this afternoon Balfour declined to make any forecast as to when the government will be able to make announcement regarding peace. There is no doubt whatever in ministerial circles, however, that a definite proclamation of peace is only a question of hours.

Banker Suicides

Special to the Daily Nugget.
 Charlottetown, May 26.—R. S. Little, teller of the Royal Bank of Canada, Charlottetown, suicided this morning.

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ALASKA JUDICIARY IMPORTANT DEAL MADE

Big Territory Will Soon be Divided **Big Money to be Spent at Atlin**

Three Judges and Three Recorders Will be Appointed in Near Future. **One Company Will Operate to the extent of \$100,000 Eastern Money.**

Special to the Daily Nugget.
 Washington, D.C., May 26.—Senator Simon, of the committee on judiciary, has reported favorably on a bill redividing Alaska into three judicial and recording districts. Senator Beveridge has introduced a bill to give the territory of Alaska a delegate to congress.

REMOVAL NOTICE
 The Dawson Dental Parlors will move to the Portland Block on June 1st, 2nd Ave. and King St.

don about the plausibility of the American "con" man and the gullibility of his victims. A particularly tough yarn has just gone the rounds of the London papers about a gathering of Kansas farmers who contributed \$100 apiece to a venerable person who had a process for extracting gold from goldfish.

According to his yarn the venerable person with the glib tongue and the gold extracting process met the farmers at the aquarium. He confided to them that through a peculiar chemical process in the goldfish's digestion discovered by him several grains of pure gold are made and dissolved in its body daily.

The gold, of course, came out of the seawater like that of the Boston gentleman who made a fortune out of credulous folks a year or so ago. After inspecting the gold fish the scientist took his farmer friends to a laboratory.

There after juggling with chemicals he produced from a small fish a glittering nugget. After that the farmers contributed readily and the scientist disappeared with the proceeds of his collection.

Of course the credulity, even of Kansas farmers, ends somewhere and there hasn't been any such swindle. But the London papers swallowed the yarn. One of them found in it a very good reason why Englishmen should not be persuaded to be Americanized into adopting Yankee business methods in any degree.—New York Sun.

Sword Dance.
 A sword dance and highland fine competition will be among the children's events at the barracks grounds this evening.

JAPS WANT MONEY

Big Undertakings to be Financed in U. S.

Minister of Finance Has Crossed the Water to Negotiate for Necessary Loan.

Special to the Daily Nugget.
 Vancouver, May 26.—Count Matsukata, ex-prime minister of Japan, with the present Japanese minister of finance, is now in the United States for the purpose of negotiating a loan of one hundred million dollars with which to build ships and railways and carry on mining operations in Japan. This statement is made upon the authority of Theophile Gollier, an attaché of the Belgian legation at Tokio, who has arrived in America from Japan.

PROPERTY BONDED

New York Capitalist After Alaska Copper

The Sum of Six Hundred Thousand Dollars Involved in the Deal.

Special to the Daily Nugget.
 New York, May 26.—After negotiations extending over several months, a rich copper mining property on Latouche Island, in Prince William Sound, Alaska, has been bonded to New York capitalists for six hundred thousand dollars. The bonded property lies on both sides of the famous Bonanza group. It is stated to be the intention of the capitalists, provided the property is purchased, to erect a large copper smelter. The present owners are J. D. Munnich, Geo. M. Estery and Fred S. Keyes. Munnich is also owner of the Virgin Bay mining property on which more than \$300,000 has been spent in development. Estery and Keyes are largely interested in claims near Valdez and control the operations of the Prince William Sound Development Company.

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AMUSEMENTS THIS WEEK.

Auditorium—"The Wages of Sin." Orpheum—Burlesque and Vaudeville.

LORD PAUNCEFOTE.

The death of Sir Julian Pauncfote, British ambassador at Washington, has removed one of England's ablest and most trusted diplomats.

The platform reaffirms the national platform of 1900; deplors the death of President McKinley and of J. R. Tanner; indorses the administration of President Roosevelt and Gov. Yates, and heartily indorses the candidacy of Congressman Hopkins for the Illinois senatorship.

The North American continent is so marvelously rich and productive that it has been able to create many multi-millionaires without effecting wide-spread poverty.

A bill has been introduced in the United States congress granting to the territory of Alaska the right of electing a delegate to a seat in that body.

The celebration of Victoria Day was a complete success. Barring a few annoying delays between events nothing occurred to mar the pleasure of the occasion.

went off smoothly and without friction.

The disaster at Fernie, B.C., will call forth ready assistance from every community on the coast. The loss of life is extraordinarily large and undoubtedly many families will be left entirely dependent upon public charity.

California statesmen are waging a hard fight against the Puget Sound navy yard. San Francisco has come to a realization of the fact that Seattle is an antagonist which may well be feared.

Victoria Day Notice.

All accounts against the committee must be presented before noon on Thursday, 29th May. HENRY S. TOBIN, Secretary.

"The Mikado."

The box plans for the four performances of Gilbert & Sullivan's popular opera "The Mikado," to be given in the Auditorium theater commencing on Wednesday next, are filling up very rapidly.

Carried the Day.

Springfield, Ill., May 8.—The result of the Republican state convention, held here today, was a decisive victory for the state administration, and what is known as the Yates-Hopkins-Lorimer-Northcott combination.

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Must Go to Scotland

Seattle, May 9.—The extradition papers for David Thomson, alias Tullis, arrived from Washington yesterday, and are now in the hands of the United States marshal.

Deputy Marshal Crosby, of Tacoma will start east with the prisoner tonight, and deliver him to the British authorities in New York.

FOR SALE—Firstclass restaurant doing good business; good location and building. Very cheap; owner going out. Apply Nugget office.

Wanted. Coat, vest and pants makers.—GEO. BREWIT, the tailor, Second ave. c26

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VICTORIA DAY CELEBRATION

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The fifth annual celebration of Victoria Day to be held in Dawson will long be remembered as being the most successful in every respect of any that has yet taken place.

The box plans for the four performances of Gilbert & Sullivan's popular opera "The Mikado," to be given in the Auditorium theater commencing on Wednesday next, are filling up very rapidly.

Following the review of the parade and the firing of the feu de joie, "God Save the King" was sung standing by the immense crowd, after which Colonel McGregor, chairman of the day, delivered a brief opening address.

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ground and making their connections with a precision and in a record time that caused the eyes of them whom they expected to race to bulge out in wonder.

Couplers—Jack Crawford, Fred B. Parker, Al Clark and F. N. Atwood. Nozzleman—Jack Bellerby. Runners—W. H. B. Lyons, Dr. Strong, W. A. Conover, W. W. Smith, Click Kooth, Ed. Smith, John A. Peterson and Alfred Harper.

Quarter mile horse race—Black Alder, Collyer up, first; Nellie Bly, Smart up, second.

Quarter mile bicycle race—W. O. Peterson first; Walter Patterson second.

Running broad jump—"Sandy" Frew, first, 19 feet 8 inches; W. A. Conover, second, 16 feet 4 inches.

Putting 14 pound shot—G. H. McLeod, first, 41 feet 1 inch; K. Sinclair, second, 40 feet 3/4 inch.

Putting 21 pound shot—G. H. McLeod, first, 35 feet 5 inches; K. Sinclair, second, 31 feet 7 inches.

Throwing 56 pound weight—G. H. McLeod, first, 29 feet 3 inches; "Sandy" Frew, second, 22 feet 8 1/2 inches.

Hurdle race, 10 hurdles—"Sandy" Frew, first; W. A. Conover, second.

Indian race, bucks—Esau, first; Robert, second; Simon, third.

Indian race, squaws—Sarah, first; Alice, second; Mary, third.

Highland dance, men—R. G. Henderson.

Pipers' competition—John Taylor. Highland dance—children—Boys: Reggie Williams, first; Claire Wilson, second.

Girls: Constance Macdonald, first; Eva Williams, second; Cassie Carter, third.

Running high jump—A. McMillan, first, 5 feet 1 inch; "Sandy" Frew, second, 5 feet.

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'Twas Duel to the Death

A line fence, a feud and a desperate death in a remote section of California—the climax of a dispute that has startled the west. The typical of the frontier; Purdys, a cluster of buildings set down on the sageland of Lassen county, the miniature track of the Nevada-California-Oregon Railway twists by its place, and Purdys' greatest distinction is the fact that it possesses a lock.

Back of this distinction, Purdys and the Chat, and dots of ranches scattered here and there, have a history. This is the old rendezvous of the thieves and train robbers, desperadoes who raided, looted and murdered when Virginia City beckoned thousands westward in the days of gold.

The duelist, one a man past middle age, with a reputation for depravity, with prison bars and a long list of crimes dating from his youth to the day of his death; one a stripling, not eighteen years old, a native son of the Golden West, dauntless, active, a perfect horseman, a crack shot with the rifle; of a lovely disposition and devoted to his handsome mother.

A. A. Smith, commonly known as "Brundage" Smith, is the name of the unassuming one; Edwin Reese Evans is the name of him who is grieved by a broken-hearted mother, by stricken sisters, brothers, by all who knew him; for none knew Reese Evans but to love him.

Mrs. Evans, mother of Reese, is a widow, a tall, gray-haired woman with deep, clear blue eyes. Not a day of leisure is she, but a specimen of pioneer stock, inured to the hardships and difficulties that fall to the lot of an early settler's wife. She is the postmistress at Purdys, and the pittance earned from this position adds to the slender income derived from her range cattle and the barren acres left by Dave Evans. But the Evans homestead, however bleak its lands may be, is home to Mrs. Evans and her children; for twenty-odd years she has lived there, "Antelope Ranch," as it is called, means to this brave woman all that your home or mine means to you or me. Therefore, "Brundage" Smith squatted on an adjacent section and began to encroach upon Antelope Ranch; he coveted a parcel of land here a strip there; made way with a steer whenever opportunity offered him the chance, and openly defied the widow and intimidated children—when a man of Smith's character acted in this wise, what would you have done in Mrs. Evans' shoes?

Not a timid woman is she, for of the old stock own pioneers are not made. "Brundage" Smith received a bill from Mrs. Evans when his depredations had gone beyond the pale of endurance. In a few explicit sentences she told Smith that her rights must be observed; that even an untested woman can find a method to protect herself against a lawless man.

Smith scoffed at her, and informed her that he would run the whole kit and caboodle.

This happened three years ago. Mrs. Evans was then but fourteen; she was his mother's son, and in learning how Smith had insulted her, took up the cause. The feud between them grew steadily and bitterly. Brundage Smith, often aided and abetted by cronies implicated with him in cattle thievery and numerous other crimes, was one faction in this California feud; Mrs. Evans, championed by Reese, her son, the other faction.

Ever a month passed without an incident of some description. Finally the contention centered upon the line of Antelope ranch and land claimed by Smith. There is question, but what Mrs. Evans cared for was the disputed acres. Smith swore that the Nevada-California-Oregon Railway Company had him papers to the land, also the title to it. There was dogged determination upon Smith's part, righteous indignation and unflinching courage on that of Mrs. Evans.

"I shall never have that land," she said over and over again, "until I die for it!"

Who knew the lad realized that he meant what he said.

However, the long-continued strife between Smith and the widow attacked less and less attention. The party would appeal to the courts, but once, last summer, shots were exchanged between Smith and Reese, the Sheriff of Lassen county intervened and cautioned them, say, forbade, further show of hostilities. An officer's threat to the little to Smith; he had disrespected the law too long; he relied upon the past evasion of just punishment persisted in his depredations.

ing for a cause that he deemed just and righteous. Such a man was Reese Evans.

The other, of whom never a kindly word on this earth were as fifty blotted, word was spoken, whose fifty years stained chapters of a vicious life, never a friend in all this world to lie unconfined in a grave by his cabin. Buried by indifferent hands, with moan his death, not even a minister to offer up a prayer of mercy for his soul. Such a man was Brundage Smith.

—John H. Hamlin, in San Francisco Examiner.

Did Not Recognize Him.

In commenting on the limited acquaintance the average man has with the members of his own family, the Cincinnati Enquirer tells an amusing story of a policeman of that city. Officer Martin McNally of the seventh police district is a most efficient patrolman, and his memory for faces is remarkable. Indeed, his brother officers claim that he rarely, if ever, forgets a face, no matter if he has not seen it for years.

The other day Officer McNally happened to meet a little boy in skirts near Peabees Corner, crying bitterly. The big police officer loomed up over the infant, who gazed up and, in a tearful voice, said:

"I'm lost!"

"Where do you live, little man?" asked McNally, kindly, for he has children of his own.

"Boohoo!" wailed the child, gripping a whip he held in his hand tightly. "I don't know. Boohoo!"

"Come with me," said McNally.

"What can the father of ye be thinking of to let a little wan of your size stray away?"

And up the street went McNally, resolved to find the parents of the little one, and to administer a fitting rebuke when he found them.

After he had proceeded half a square McNally met Officer O'Hearn coming down the street with all sails set.

"Where are you going?" asked O'Hearn.

"I'm trying to find this little wan's parents," answered McNally.

"Come off!" said O'Hearn. "Don't ye know your own children?"

McNally stopped, astounded, and took his first good look at the little one. Then, without a word, he picked up little Master McNally and marched off down the street to his home near by.

It is not known whether or not Officer McNally administered the threatened rebuke to the parents.

Tidy.

To be "tidy," Webster says, is to be "arranged in good order; neat; kept in proper and becoming neatness." A writer in Harper's Bazar comments on the way in which, in days gone by girls were taught the good old-fashioned way of tidiness. She believes, moreover, that the girl of the present, although very charming, is sometimes less careful than she ought to be.

The other day, she says, I was making a morning call at a friend's house, and there met another caller, a woman who made a most agreeable impression upon me. She was not elaborately dressed, but her black tailor-made gown fitted her well and there was not a spot or speck of dust on it. I knew that it had been brushed carefully before she left her room. Her linen collar and cuffs were snowy white, and did not twist or shift from their proper places. Her gloves did not wrinkle, but buttoned smoothly over the wrists; her shoes were like the rest of her attire, dainty; and her bonnet rested firmly and straight on soft brown hair that, although wavy and fluffy, was neatly dressed, and so securely pinned that I fancy a high wind would not have caused it to come down. In speaking of this woman afterward to a man who knows her, I said:

"There is something about her appearance that charms me. What is the secret?"

"I will tell you," he said. "She is a well-groomed woman. There are never any rough or loose ends about her."

"You mean that she is tidy," I said to him.

"You call it tidy. I say well-groomed. We both mean the same thing."

However one may express it, in sporting terms or with the old-fashioned word, is not the condition well worth striving for?

The Biscacha.

The biscacha of South America is a little animal that resembles closely the prairie-dogs of our country. It lives in burrows on the pampas, and its habits have been formed by the conditions of its life. The following account of the creature is from "Across the Pampas":

Biscachas have a very singular habit of collecting all the old bones and miscellaneous articles they can find

in their nightly rambles, and depositing them around the entrance to their burrows. Probably they do this in the desire to raise their entrance above the level of the ground alongside as a protection against inundations during heavy rains.

I recollect on one occasion mentioning this peculiarity of the biscacha for collecting curiosities to a friend, a captain in the British navy, with whom I was shooting in the south of the province of Buenos Ayres, by way of consoling him for the loss of a powder-bag which he had dropped just before nightfall, and suggesting that he would find it next morning at the mouth of one of the burrows nearest to the place where it was lost. At the time he was very incredulous, but the next morning he went in search of his missing property, and found it, as I had anticipated, at the mouth of a biscacha hole, the owner of which had brought it home as part of the night's spoil.

I have also known them to exhibit this propensity in a manner calculated to lead to some inconvenience, by drawing and carrying away a large number of the stakes driven into the ground to mark the center line of a railway about to be constructed, and more than once I have been disturbed in my sleep by their noisy endeavors to draw our tent-pegs.

Miss Riggs' Choice.

"Cranford" spinsters, the most perfect examples, in fiction at least, of elderly maidenhood, avoided danger by meeting it plump, after the formula of Sir Boyle Roche. Said they: "A man is so in the way in a house!"

Miss Phoebe Riggs, an Amazon of the present day, of whom the New York Tribune tells, was a little less effective in defense, possibly because she did not get in the first blow.

For more than eighty years Miss Riggs has lived in the little New England town in which she was born. A recent comer to that village, meeting Miss Riggs for the first time, said apologetically after a while:

"You must excuse me, but I am not sure whether you are Miss or Mrs. Riggs; I didn't quite understand when we were introduced."

The bent little spinster drew herself up as straight as possible.

"Miss Riggs, from choice!" she replied, in a freezing voice.

Lonely Lives.

In Siberia there are many good-conduct convicts who spend their lives in little huts along the line of the new railway, always a vast apart, whose duty it is to signal with green flags that the road is clear. At night they signal with a green lamp.

"Many an hour toward midnight," says a writer in the North China Herald, "I have stood on the gangway between the carriages and ticked off the green lights as we spun along. Away down the black avenue would appear a tiny green speck. As the carriage grumbled over the metals it would get bigger. Just distinguishable in the darkness was the figure of a man holding the lamp high up."

"He and his light would be lost the moment we passed. But when all the train had gone by he turned and showed the light the other way. One instinctively turned and looked ahead again. And yonder in the distance was another tiny green speck."

Just in itself there is not much in such a simple signal. It is when you think there are thousands of these men, and that a signal started today in Moscow runs for eleven days, until it is broken on the banks of Lake Baikal, beyond Irkutsk, that the twinkling green lights take on a peculiar interest.

On the faces of all these men is an abiding sadness born of the loneliness of the lives they lead, with never the shadow of hope for the future. If one drops out, another takes his place, for that long, green line is never broken.

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| 3:15 | Winn | 10:00 |
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Are Scientific Deduction's

Prof. Woodward in the Popular Science Monthly has lately given an account of his researches on the progressive cooling of the earth, and its relation to the length of the day. Does the length of the day vary? Was it formerly shorter than now? Will it, in the future, be lengthened? The answer depends upon the mass of the earth, which varies, since meteoric dust perpetually falls upon the surface and thus increases the quantity of matter; and on its volume, which becomes smaller as the mass is progressively cooled. Laplace concluded from the data at his disposal that there had been no sensible change in the length of the day for 3,000 years.

Woodward has repeated his calculation with new data and concludes that the duration of the day has not changed as much as half a second during the first 10,000,000 years after the beginning of solidification of the earth's material. When the cooling of the earth finally reaches its term the change will be marked. Prof. Woodward's result is that the ratio of the change of the day to its initial length is two-thirds of the product of the loss of temperature multiplied by its cubical contraction. For example, if the primitive temperature of the earth was 3,000 degrees C., and if its cubical contraction was that of iron, the day will be finally reduced about 6 per cent., that is to say by about an hour and a half. The lapse of time necessary to bring this about is enormous.

Three hundred thousand millions of years are required, according to Woodward, for 95 per cent. of the total contraction to take place. The length of the day will not be sensibly affected on the other hand, after the expiration of 1,000,000 of millions of years. The fall of meteoric dust tends to increase the mass of the earth and thus to change the length of the day, but the effect due to this cause is not above one-two-hundred-thousandth of the effect of secular cooling. Twenty millions of small meteors weighing on the average one gramme each fall on the earth daily, but in 1,000,000 of millions of years the length of day will not be increased a quarter of a second on this account. Taking everything together the day will shorten, not lengthen, but the process will go on with extreme slowness.

THE MINOR PLANETS.
The director of the Berlin Astronomical Year Book—which corresponds to the Nautical Almanac—has signalized the centenary of the discovery of Ceres, the first known asteroid, by printing exhaustive statistics of the group of minor planets. Some of his conclusions follow.

The ascending nodes of the asteroid orbits show a distinct tendency to congregate in the neighborhood of the ascending node of the orbit of Jupiter. Prof. Newcomb had predicted from theory that this would be the case. Three hundred and fifteen asteroids move in orbits whose inclination is less than 10 degrees; 133 have inclinations between 10 and 20 degrees; 29 have inclinations between 20 and 30 degrees, and one (Pallas) is over 30 degrees. A discussion of the eccentricities shows that there is a slight tendency for large eccentricity and large inclination to go together. There is a very distinct tendency for the longitudes of perihelion to congregate near the longitude of the perihelion of Jupiter. When the asteroids are classed according to their distance from the sun they fall into three main groups with relatively empty gaps between. There are 108 planets at about the mean distance of Mars; there are 337 planets in the principal group; there are 18 planets at about the mean distance of Jupiter.

A further discussion shows that it is very improbable that any considerable number of asteroids as bright as the 10th magnitude still remain undiscovered; but it is likely that there are many of the fainter magnitudes yet to be discovered. Assuming that the average asteroid reflects 24 per cent. of the incident solar light (Mercury reflects 19, Mars 29 per cent.) it is possible to deduce an empirical formula giving the diameter of any asteroid in kilometers when its brightness is known. If the assumption is true (and it is probably not very erroneous) then 202 planets have radii under 40 kilometers, 201 have radii between 40 and 80 kilometers, 41 between 80 and 120 kilometers and 12 have radii of over 120 kilometers. Ceres, by the formula, has a radius of 386 kilometers, Vesta of 417 kilometers, Pallas of 292 kilometers and Eros of only 16 kilometers. It is very probable that all the asteroids taken together have a mass

not above 1-17 that of the moon or 1-1350 that of the earth.

THE FAHRENHEIT THERMOMETER.

Sir Samuel Wilks prints in Knowledge a note on the history of the thermometer of Fahrenheit. He ascribes its origin to the invention of a thermometer which Sir Isaac Newton described in 1701. Newton's instrument was a tube filled with linseed oil, the starting point being the temperature of the human body, which is called 12. The duodecimal was then, of course, in general use. He divided the space between this and the freezing point of water into twelve parts and stated that the boiling point would be about 30 degrees Fahrenheit, not finding the scale minute enough, first divided each one of Newton's degrees into two parts and made it measure 24 instead of 12. Finding that he could not obtain a lower temperature than freezing by mixing ice and salt he chose this for his starting point and counted 24 degrees up to body heat, calling the freezing point 8 and the boiling point of water 53. Later on he divided each degree into four parts. The numbering of Fahrenheit's scale is thus accounted for.

NATURAL GAS INDUSTRY AT PITTSBURGH.

A recent French report recites the following statistics regarding the natural gas industry in the Pittsburgh region. The beginning of the exploitation was in 1882. In 1884 the Philadelphia Gas Company, which now controls the industry, was founded. At present the capital invested is about \$44,000,000, the area of land exploited is about 42,000 acres, there are 1,200 gas wells of which only some 300 are in use. They produce more than 3,112,000 cubic metres of gas which are distributed through more than 2,400 miles of pipes, employing some 2,500 workmen in their use and care. Some 500 manufacturing and 40,000 private houses pay annually about \$2,750,000 for the gas supplied to them.

SOUND SIGNALS AT SEA.

According to the Yacht following conclusions respecting sound signals at sea have been reached by British experts:

(1) In calm weather low notes are heard further than high; but the reverse is true when the sea is rough and when the wind is opposite in direction to the direction from which the sound arrives. It sometimes happens that the sound of the signal is much weakened, or even extinguished in a certain region while other areas more distant even, hear the signal. This phenomenon has been especially noted during calm weather.

(2) To hear a signal during fogs it is advisable to stop all noises on the listening vessel. It is better to stop the ship's engines.

(3) Under no conditions is a sound signal always certain. It is, therefore, to be considered only as an auxiliary warning.

MOSS ON THE NORTH SIDE OF TREES.

Every schoolboy who respects himself knows that all the story books of Pathfinders and Indian scouts agree in saying that the moss grows on the north side of trees and that Indians thread their way through the trackless forests by remembering this rule. Every observant man of mature age knows by experience that this rule is chiefly exceptions. It has remained for Mr. Henry Kraemer of Philadelphia to give statistics on the point. Of the trees he examined the moss was on the west side in 10 per cent., on the northwest side in 10 per cent., on the north side in 10 per cent., on the northeast side in 20 per cent., on the east side in 35 per cent., and on the southeast side in 15 per cent.

ART OF PRIMITIVE PEOPLE.

Mr. W. H. Holmes finds that the decorative designs of primitive peoples can be divided into five well-marked classes: (1) Impressions from the surfaces of rigid forms, such as baskets; (2) Impressions from fabrics of pliable stuffs, such as cloths and nets; (3) Impressions from woven textures used over the hand or over some modelling instrument; (4) Impressions of cords wrapped about modelling paddles or rocking tools; (5) Impressions of bits of cords or other textile units, singly or in groups, applied for ornament only and so arranged as to give textile-like patterns. In addition we have a large class of impressions and markings in which textile effects are mechanically imitated.

SPECIFIC FOR MALARIAL FEVERS.

Gautier has recently published the results of his trials of a specific treatment for malarial fevers by an

arsenical preparation, viz: As (C H 3) O 3 Na 2. It is more effective than quinine and has various advantages over the latter which need not be here described. The experiments seem to show that a very practical and important discovery has been made.

One Cow Skin

An instance of military thrift and of red-tape system which is not peculiar to Germany comes from the Prussian war office. In 1866 the guards were breakfasting hurriedly. They had, on the previous day, fought the battle of Soor, and had accomplished, altogether, a nine days' march. This was not the era of canned meats, and to each regiment had been allotted a certain number of cattle, which had been killed, skinned and cooked; but while the men were still eating, scouts came in with the news that the Austrians were near at hand.

The men got into marching order, and in a few minutes were in rapid advance toward the enemy. The Grenadier Guards, conspicuous always for their despatch, hurried to such purpose that they failed to secure the skin of a cow which had been made over to them for rations. When the official who was responsible for the value of the hide came to ask for it, it had to be reported missing. Inquiries were set on foot, evidence was collected, and a voluminous correspondence lasting fourteen or fifteen months failed to account for the skin.

There had been a cow. She had been made over to the guards. She had a hide. The hide was government property, representing a sum fixed by official tariff. The government must be credited with that sum. The hide was not forthcoming. Who should be responsible for its cash value? It was at last decided that the colonel of the regiment should be held accountable, and a year and a half after the conclusion of the Seven Years' War he was requested by the war office to remit the sum of three thalers, the price of one cow skin lost by the Grenadier Guards. When the sum was paid, the subject was at last officially dropped.

The Appreciative Cook

There was a New York writer who, being something of an epicure, found keen enjoyment in the light and toothsome pastry provided for the patrons of a certain French restaurant.

One day he tossed off a sonnet to the concocter of this pastry, and bade the waiter carry it to the cook with his compliments. The next day he was served a pie of unusual size, ornamented with pastry roses, and was told that it was an offering from the cook, who had been moved almost to the point of tears by his verse.

As the poet cut this alluring pie he was amazed to see reposing inside it the slip of blue paper which bore his lines. The waiter, watching anxiously, saw a shade pass over his face and at once stepped forward.

"I don't care to eat my own words!" said the poet, sharply. But his pun was lost on the waiter.

"Ze cook said, monsieur," he ventured, humbly, "ze cook said, 'monsieur makes his so beautiful verse on my pastry, I make my so beautiful pastry on his verse.' Ees it not so, monsieur?"

"Monsieur!" looked once more at the pie, and his dignity melted. "It is so," he said, briefly, and proceeded to test the flavor of his lines.

Argument From Precedent.

Lincoln was once arguing a case against an opponent who tried to convince the jury that precedent is superior to law, and that custom makes things legal in all cases. Lincoln's reply, given in Miss Ida Tarbell's life of the great war president, was one of his many effective analogies in the form of a story.

Lincoln told the jury that he would argue the case in the same way as his opponent, and began:

"Old Squire Bagby, from Menard, came into my office one day and said:

"'Lincoln, I want your advice as a lawyer. Has a man what's been elected justice of the peace a right to issue a marriage license?'"

"I told him not; whereupon the old squire threw himself back in his chair very indignantly and said:

"'Lincoln, I thought you was a lawyer. Now, Bob Thomas and me had a bet on this thing, and you agreed to let me decide; but if this is your opinion I don't want it, for I've known a thunderer's sight better. I've been a squire eight years, and have done it all the time.'"

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ENJOYABLE EXCURSION

Given by Str. Prospector Yesterday

Phenomenal Run Made From Indian River to Dawson in the Evening.

One of the most enjoyable excursions ever run out of Dawson was that given on the palatial steamer Prospector yesterday by her popular manager William Meed. In former years Mr. Meed had no one to assist him in the matter of entertaining guests aboard his steamer, but when he visited his old home in England last winter he took a partner in the person of a handsome, accomplished and remarkably pleasant little lady, and together Mr. and Mrs. Meed are most successful in the role of entertaining.

It was a few minutes after 12 o'clock when the proud little steamer began to stem the current, Indian river being the objective point. The day was perfect and the trip up a delightful one. A stop of an hour was made at Indian river where the kodak fiends, of which there were several in the party, got in their deadly work on the steamer and the excursionists, the latter being "took-er" singly, in groups, clusters and bunches. Lunch was eaten about one o'clock on the way up and while the steamer was lying at Indian river an excellent dinner was served. Manager Meed has secured the services of one of the best male cooks on the Yukon and those who travel by the Prospector this season may expect to be served with only the finest.

About the time the start for home was made a pool was gotten up as to the time the steamer would reach Dawson, each person making one guess and paying 50 cents into the pool. As the distance from Indian river to Dawson is 28 miles there were very few who thought the run down could possibly be made in less than two hours and some in their guesses allowed two and a half hours. The least time allowed was in the guess of F. J. Hemen, who reckoned she ought to make it in one hour and forty-seven minutes. His being the minimum guess, took the pot. Evidently the guessers did not know the Prospector as she came down like the wind, being tied up at the Dawson dock in one hour and 32 minutes after leaving Indian river.

Among the excursionists were Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Roediger, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Hemen, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. White, Mrs. Englebrecht, Mrs. Farr, Miss Latimer, Mr. Tennant, Mr. Worder, Mr. George, Mr. McIntyre, Mr. Herbert, Mr. Stauf, Mr. Grant, Mr. Maynard, Mr. Goa, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Marks, Mr. Hathaway and others including a number of children.

Cutting Himself off

The Rev. Edward Cannon, a chaplain to King George IV., was a doggedly independent man. On one occasion he refused to compliment his royal master on his singing, and for a time fell into disfavor. His manner was high-handed and not always too courteous, but his actions were always on the side of right and justice. The biography of his friend Barham, the author of the "Ingoldsby Legends," contains, among other anecdotes of Cannon, the story of how he disinherited himself.

A silly old lady summoned him to her house, and pretended to be declining in health. She told him she had made her will, by which the whole of a considerable fortune was to be left to him.

"I don't believe it," said Cannon, after a pause, in which he eyed her doubtfully. The lady assured him that the document was lying in a desk in the room.

"I won't believe it," persisted Cannon, "unless I see it."

Smiling at his incredulity, she placed the will in his hands. Cannon read it.

"Well," he said deliberately, "if I had not seen it in your own hands, I could not have believed you were such an unnatural brute."

Thrusting the paper between the bars of the grate, he continued in a severe, low voice, "Have you no more nearly connected with you than I? No one to whom your money should go, who has a right to be provided for first and best? Pooh! You don't know how to make a will. I'll send you a lawyer, and he shall make your will. You shall leave me

a legacy; there's no harm in that. But I'm not going to take it all to please you. Good day, ma'am."

Cosmopolitan New York

The new Cathedral of St. John in New York will, in addition to its main hall, have seven "Chapels of Tongues" where German, Spanish, French, Swedish, Italian, Armenian and Chinese services will be held each Sunday. Nevertheless by the time the great cathedral is finished it is not unlikely that the crypt and transepts and anterooms will be required for other nationalities. A clergyman called upon Bishop Potter the other day to ask that some provision be made for religious services for some Mesopotamian immigrants.

"Really," replied the bishop, "cannot a handful of Mesopotamians be provided for in connection with your Armenian congregation?"

The young clergymen of the cathedral smiled. "I do not know you call a handful, sir. There are some eight hundred families of Mesopotamians within ten minutes' walk of where we are sitting this moment and as for their attendance upon Armenian services, the language have about as little in common with Greek and Choctaw."

The "Parthians and Medes and Elamites" are, perhaps, yet to come but the most of the other nationalities mentioned as present in Jerusalem on the first Pentecost after the crucifixion are already represented in New York, and the problem now the same as it was then.

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A Full House Court

'Skylight Kid' Realms—Un Viol

As is always the case on the holiday the crowd this morning poured too freely Saturday. In fact, three who got too Friday night and mediation at the cases were drunk and when was preferred. Jap missed them on that Saturday was Peter O'Dell drunk but he broke Jap lodging house almond-eyed prop both hands and s tell the truth \$1 and costs and window.

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PLAIN DRUNKS NUMEROUS

A Full House at Police Court Today

"Skylight Kid" Again in Ethereal Realms—Unknown Law Violated.

As is always the case after a public holiday the police court was crowded this morning with men who poured too freely of intoxicants on Saturday. In fact there were two or three who got too much aboard on Friday night and spent Saturday in meditation at the barracks. Many of the cases were plain, very plain, drunks and where no other charge was preferred Judge Macaulay dismissed them on account of the fact that Saturday was a holiday.

Peter O'Dell had not only been drunk but he broke a \$9 window at a Jap lodging house, as told by the almond-eyed proprietor, who held up both hands and swore by Buddha to tell the truth. Peter was assessed \$1 and costs and the damages to the window.

Ernest Zouda, known to the people of Dawson, if not to fame, as the "Skylight Kid," was in court for fighting on the roof of the Bank saloon building on Saturday, where he essayed to work a graft by charging spectators. The ethereal gentleman was also drunk. As he is an old offender and a frequenter of the lonesome box, he was fined \$5 and costs or 10 days at hard labor. Not having "the dough," the "Skylight Kid" will get acquainted with the surface of the earth.

A man named Reiger would imitate Cincinnati, who left his pennyroyal steers stand in the furrow for twelve years. Reiger left a horse stand on First avenue from shortly after the noon hour until between 8 and 9 o'clock at night, when a policeman took it to a livery stable to be cared for. Reiger had met some friends and taken a nip or two with the result that he had forgotten his horse. He paid \$2 and costs, also the feed bill at the stable.

The recently enacted city bylaws never having been published, a man learns of their existence in police court when he is hauled up for violating them. H. H. Forsythe was up this morning for hauling a load of gravel from within the city limits without a permit, having obtained the gravel at the same point where he and other teamsters have been wont to get it for the past three years. Mr. Forsythe admitted taking the gravel but had no means of knowing he had violated the law. The case was dismissed.

Patrick Joyce was charged with vagrancy and begging for alms. It was proven that Joyce had told that he was a "short change artist," as an inducement for people to give him money. He is a late arrival in Dawson and his honor very wisely concluded that Patrick should be placed where he would not be required to beg. He was given 30 days at hard labor.

Fred Buteau, or Cockérine, the latter being his real name, and John Cay, the former 10, the latter 13 years of age, pleaded guilty to numerous petty thefts, his honor reserving sentence until tomorrow. Fred Cockerine is an Indian boy from Holy Cross mission, who has for a long time been cared for by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Buteau, hence his being called by their name.

John Cay ran away from his home in Vancouver and came to Dawson. His father arrived recently but admitted in court this morning that the boy is wholly incorrigible and that he, the father, can do nothing with him.

Sailing Postponed.

The date of the sailing of the Rock Island for the Koyukuk has been postponed from tomorrow night until June 5th at 8 p.m., when she will go direct to the Koyukuk without transfer to Bergman and Bettles.

The Northern Commercial ticket and freight office is now open and reservations for any and all down river points may be made.

LOST.

Reward. An Irish setter dog answering to name "Jack." When last seen was wearing brown leather collar with address on and dog pound tag 586. Anyone detaining same after this notice will be prosecuted. Colley, corner 8th avenue and Princess street. p29

Changed His Mind

A young officer at San Francisco had been ordered to the Philippines. According to a western paper, he received the following telegram from the War Department at Washington: "You can go to New York, and sail on transport that goes by Suez."

The officer replied: "Would prefer to cross Pacific direct." Then the department telegraphed him again: "Transport will make good time; has sixty women school-teachers on board." The young lieutenant answered: "Save me a berth on transport."

GOVERNOR RETURNING

Will Leave Vancouver Tomorrow

Major Wood Leaves for Whitehorse to Meet His Wife and the Commissioner.

Commissioner Ross will leave Vancouver tomorrow for Dawson, at least that is what is presumed among official circles. Mrs. Major Wood, who has been spending the winter in the eastern provinces, is expected to be accompanied upon her return by the commissioner, and this morning Major Wood received a wire from his wife saying she was in Vancouver and would start north tomorrow. From that fact, while no direct communication has been received from Governor Ross, it is assumed that he, too, will be a passenger upon the same steamer. In consequence of receiving the telegram Major Wood leaves on the Sybil this evening for Whitehorse to meet his wife and children.

Capt. French Returning

Special to the Daily Nugget. Seattle, May 26.—Captain C. G. French, in command of a company stationed at Fort Gibbon on the Yukon at the mouth of the Tanana, is on his way north. He left Fort Gibbon last September to appear as a witness against Judge Noyes at San Francisco.

Empire Day

Special to the Daily Nugget. Vancouver, May 26.—Empire day was enthusiastically celebrated all over Canada.

The Rev. Henry Van Dyke tells this story of a negro who was fishing for tarpon in Florida. The fish which he hooked was a big one, and in spite of all the negro could do, the tarpon pulled him overboard. When he had been hauled into the boat again and the water shaken out of him, he remarked, chokingly, "What I want to know is, is dis nigger a-fishin' or was dat fish a niggerin'?"

Ice cream soda—at Gandolfo's. 17¢

ONCE MORE IN COURT

Charged With Crime of Libel

Police Magistrate C. D. Macaulay Now After Joseph A. Clarke.

On complaint of Police Magistrate C. D. Macaulay, Joseph Andrew Clarke was arraigned in the police court this morning, Magistrate Starnes presiding, on the charge of criminal libel, Crown Prosecutor Congdon appearing for the prosecution.

Clarke at once asked that the case be enlarged until Wednesday or Thursday until he could secure a copy of the complaint and for the reason that he has a case in the territorial court tomorrow. He also asked that he be given a hearing before some other magistrate than Mr. Starnes.

Mr. Macaulay strongly opposed a long postponement of the case, stating that he has been granted leave of absence to go to the outside and he wishes to get away on an early boat. Mr. Congdon objected to a change of venue and said he saw no reason why Clarke should not be heard by Magistrate Starnes. Clarke bowed he had very good reasons for his request and said he would produce them if he had to. His request for a long enlargement was denied and the preliminary hearing was set for two o'clock this afternoon. The magistrate said he would decide on the motion for a change of venue later.

Ice cream and cake served at Gandolfo's. 17¢

Will Appoint Deputy Collector.

U. S. Consul Saylor is in receipt of an important communication from U. S. customs collector W. J. Idleman. The letter is in connection with the new road leading from West Dawson to the international boundary line and tapping the Miller and Glacier creek country.

Collector Idleman signifies his intention to station a deputy collector at the point where the road crosses the boundary who will inspect all goods shipped by that route. He desires all merchants to provide their customers who are sending goods to the American route with certified invoices, and thus avoid all difficulty in securing their entry.

The following is the letter dealing with the matter: Custom House, Port of Fortymile, May 2nd, 1902.

Hon. H. D. Saylor, U. S. Consul, Dawson, Y. T.

Dear Sir,—We have been credibly informed that Dawson merchants and freighters anticipate sending out a considerable amount of goods and supplies over the "Dawson and Miller and Glacier trail," and thence across the boundary into Alaska.

Mr. Braggins expects to be up on Walker's fork during the summer to look after the imports there.

If Dawson merchants were informed that there would be a customs officer at that point and were instructed to prepare voices in compliance with U. S. customs regulations, it would greatly facilitate the business and save annoyance to both the importer and collector.

Any assistance you may be able to render in this direction will be greatly appreciated, both by Mr. Braggins and the writer.

Very respectfully, W. J. IDLEMAN, Deputy Collector.

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New Steamer Line

Special to the Daily Nugget. Portland, Ore., May 26.—The Portland board of trade is negotiating with local shipping men for a steamer to be placed on the run between this city and Alaska.

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REMOVAL NOTICE.

On or about May 1st the YUKON BAKERY will remove to their new quarters on Second avenue, opposite S. Y. T. building, where they will be pleased to meet their many friends and patrons.

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Strange Catastrophe

The surgeon of an English ship of war was noted for the monotony of his prescriptions. He apparently considered salt water taken externally or internally as a cure for all the ills that flesh is heir to, for he ordered his patients to take it, no matter what might be the malady presented to his notice.

One day he went sailing with a party of friends, and in the course of a squall the boat was upset and the surgeon came near being drowned.

"Well," said the captain of the ship when he was told of the narrow escape, "I'm glad you were saved, but it hardly seems possible in any event that you could have really drowned in your own medicine-chest, now does it, doctor?"

Quick Time Necessary

Malcolm Scarth, who received the appointment to attend the coronation of King Edward as the representative of the Dawson Rifles, leaves on the Sybil this evening and will make a herculean effort to reach Quebec in time to join the transport, which leaves June 7. George Pulham of the winter mail service, has placed his fastest horse at Mr. Scarth's disposal at lower Lebarge for use in reaching Whitehorse in the event of the lake not being navigable as yet. If good connections are made Mr. Scarth will reach Quebec in time but should be delayed in Skagway it will be a race with the odds against him.

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FOR KOYUKUK

On information received from the Lower River the Sailing Date of the Steamer "ROCK ISLAND," for Bergman and Bettles, has been postponed until THURSDAY, JUNE 5th, at 8 p. m. This Steamer will go DIRECT without transfer.

FOR ST. MICHAEL Steamer "Sarah"

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Other Sailings Announced Later. Our Ticket and Freight Office Now Open.

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DOWN RIVER AND RETURN

Sifton Carries Jolly Load to Fortymile

Lebargé Still Holds Fast—Baily Coming With Mail—Other River News.

A jolly crowd of about 120 souls with a band of music and canteens and drinkables galore took in the excursion to Fortymile yesterday on the steamer Clifford Sifton. The wharf was left at 11 o'clock, the run down being made in three hours. Five hours were spent in viewing the peaceful solitude of the ancient village of sourdough memories. Many visited the Indian village and mission, others searched the hills for wild flowers, some fished, while the remainder lounged about the boat lazily taking their ease. Dancing was indulged in whenever the fancy arose and everyone speaks in the highest terms of praise of the treatment accorded them and the rattling good time they had. The return trip was made in 1 1/2 hours, leaving Fortymile at 7 o'clock and arriving here at 8:30 this morning. Sifton leaves at 8 o'clock tomorrow evening on her first trip to Whitehorse. Though the lake has not yet broken up the Sifton expects to be able to get through by following closely to the shore.

The Sybil returned from up river Friday evening at 11:20 with a miscellaneous cargo of winter mail service stuff picked up at various points and 8 tons of spuds rescued from a wrecked scow near Selkirk. On account of ice and low water she was unable to proceed any farther than Hell Gate. She will leave with the mail this evening at 8 o'clock on her first trip to Whitehorse of the season.

No scows or small boats have arrived for several days and none are expected until after Lebargé is open. The La France leaves tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock on her maiden up-river trip.

The steamer Rock Island which was billed to leave for the Koyukuk tomorrow evening will defer her departure until the evening of June 5. She will proceed direct to Bergman and Bettles without change.

The prospector will leave tomorrow afternoon for Mayo creek on Stewart with a large list of passengers, a number of horses and a heavy cargo of miscellaneous freight.

Reports from Lake Lebargé as to an immediate breakup are not very encouraging. Yesterday a man walked over the ice from the middle of the lake to its head and upon his

arrival stated that the ice still appeared to be quite solid. The Bailey will be the next boat in from up river and will bring the mail. The date of her departure from lower Lebargé has not been fixed, but it will probably be within a day or two.

Feuds Dying Out.

Although feuds still prevail in certain regions, and some family hatreds augment with generations, yet the enmities of modern civilization tend on the whole to die out. An American dining recently in an English house was attracted by a dialogue between two young men on the early history of South Africa. It concerned the case of a governor of that province who had been recalled by the colonial secretary of the day. The discussion was conducted with great ability and knowledge on each side. At last one said to the other, "May I ask how you come to know so much of an obscure incident?" "Why," replied the other, "the governor was my grandfather!" "He was?" ejaculated his opponent. "The colonial secretary was mine!"

THE CLARKE LIBEL CASE

The preliminary hearing in the Clarke libel case was begun this afternoon, Capt. Starnes presiding. Clarke's objection to the magistrate acting being overruled.

Judge C. D. Macaulay, the complaining witness, was on the stand for nearly an hour.

Clarke endeavored to prove that his criticisms of the judge were justified and warranted, all of which is denied by the prosecution. Chief McKinnon succeeded Judge Macaulay on the stand as the Nugget goes to press, and is giving evidence as to inferences to be drawn from various articles of which Judge Macaulay complains.

Cheap Publishing.

One of the greatest publishing businesses in the world is run by a missionary society of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions, and managed at a cost that is almost infinitesimal compared with the work done.

Last year the Presbyterian Board issued from its presses in China, Persia, Syria, Mexico, Siam and Taos more than 96,000,000 pages of matter at a cost to the Board of only \$6,000, that is, only seven-one-hundred-thousandths of a cent a page. From its Beirut press the Board has issued 765,000,000 pages of religious matter, principally in Arabic.

Try the "Old Crow" at Sideboard.

Possible Successors

Special to the Daily Nugget. Toronto, May 26.—Rev. G. M. Milligan, Toronto, and Rev. John A. Macdonald, editor of the Westminster, are among those mentioned to succeed Principal Grant.

Job Printing at Nugget office.

CHILDREN INVITED

To Compete for Prizes at the Barracks

Ice Cream for All the Children and Money for the Successful Ones.

The boys and girls of Dawson will be given an opportunity of contesting for more prizes this evening. The finance committee has still a small fund on hand and it will be used for the purpose mentioned.

At 7 o'clock this evening all the boys and girls who desire to participate are requested to assemble at the school house. From there they will march behind two pipers to the barracks. A monster freezer of ice cream will be in readiness for their reception and will be sampled by the youngsters at the conclusion of the sports. The list of events and prizes offered is as follows:

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| Boys' bicycle race, under 12 years..... | \$3 | \$2 | \$1 |
| Girls' bicycle race, under 12 years..... | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| Boys' bicycle race, open..... | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| Girls' bicycle race, open..... | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| Boys' foot race, under 8—\$1 for first 5 over the line..... | | | |
| Boys' race, under 8—\$1 for first 5 over the line..... | | | |
| Girls' race, under 12..... | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| Boys' race, under 12..... | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| Girls' race, open..... | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| Boys' race, open..... | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| Boys' three-legged race, open..... | 5 | 3 | 2 |
| Running long jump, open..... | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| Putting the shot..... | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| High jump, open..... | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| Boys' boot and shoe race, open..... | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| Girls' boot and shoe race, open..... | 3 | 2 | 1 |

Bert Roberts, acting president sports committee.

Rider Davis, acting secretary sports committee.

Col. MacGregor, general chairman.

J. H. Falconer, secretary.

Act of Bestiality

Zenon Bertrand was brought in from Dominion yesterday, bound over for trial before the territorial court to answer to the charge of having committed an unmentionable crime against nature. He will be arraigned before Mr. Justice Dugas tomorrow. In the army the crime with which the prisoner is charged is punishable upon conviction before a court martial with death. The offense was alleged to have been committed on the night of May 14 at 33 below lower.

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LOCAL BREVITIES.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Campbell McLagan have moved into their new residence recently completed on Seventh avenue between Queen and Princess streets.

Mrs. W. C. Leak, of 3 below, Bonanza, and Mrs. E. Merman, of Chechaco hill, visited friends in the city Saturday.

The placing of a signalman on the ferry tower during the races Saturday afternoon to give warning when the race had started was a very wise precaution on the part of the track committee.

This being the last week in the

month there is no territorial court in session. An exception is made in the Clark contempt matter which comes up tomorrow forenoon at 10:30 before Mr. Justice Dugas.

Mr. F. X. Genest, a popular attaché of the government survey corps, leaves on the Sybil this evening for his old home in the province of Quebec. His departure is due to a telegram apprising him of his father's serious illness.

The judges at the Victoria day sports are undecided as to which made the greater his, "Sandy" Frew's parade in racing togs and Siwash blankets, or Casey's interview with the Moosehide maidens after the squaws' race.

A few days ago the first cyclist succeeded in getting through to the city on his wheel from Dominion. There is still a great deal of snow on the ridge, the road in places being walled in on each side with 10 feet of the beautiful where it has been shovelled out by the road men. Work in clearing out the roadway is still necessary almost every day, particularly if there has been any high wind.

Strikers Leave

Special to the Daily Nugget. Pittsburgh, May 26.—Since the inauguration of the coal strike a continuous exodus from the anthracite regions has been in progress. It is estimated that two thousand miners have left the Shenandoah valley. Engineers, pumpmen, firemen will meet Wednesday. The general sentiment favors enforcement of the eight hour day at present wages. Two independent operators have already granted it.

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