

WHITE PASS CONFIDENT

Knocking Out Lower River Business

White Pass freight tariff is low to render such competition available. The only fear is that the trading companies operating ocean steamers from San Francisco, Seattle and Vancouver may north large quantities of supplies and dispose of them to Dawson interior merchants at such low prices that retailers would not import small individual shipments over White Pass. It is thought, however, that the possibility of such a lighter of merchandise is remote.

Crowder's Report

New Orleans, April 16.—On admission to the Daily Nugget.

The Ladue

Quartz Mill

IS NOW IN OPERATION.

We have made a large number of tests and are ready to make others.

We have the best plant money will buy and guarantee all our work in this mill and also in the

Assay Office

EMPIRE HOTEL

JAS. F. MACDONALD, Prop. and Mgr. Every thing New, Elegantly Furnished Well Heated. BAR Attached.

Rochester Bar

Billy Baird, Prop. Cor. 2nd Ave and King St.

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Open Day and Night. THOS. AUREN, PROPRIETOR.



Steam ...Hose

Seamless Hydraulic Hose

From 2 to 6 inch. This hose will stand a heavy pressure. We also have a large stock of conveying hose 10 and 12 inches at very low prices. Call and be convinced.

McLennan, McFeely & Co., Ltd.

sions of the British officers in charge Col. Crowder will report the British camp as Port Chalmette a violation of the neutrality laws, being a continuous supply depot for the British army.

Fierce Duel

Special to the Daily Nugget. London, April 16.—A savage duel with eighteen butcher knives which will probably be followed by two deaths took place last night in the kitchen of the Union League club. Emil Colten, a butcher, and Joel Kuntz, chief cook, cut each other till they were covered with wounds. The cause was Colten's discharge from the club. He claimed Kuntz was responsible for his dismissal.

Storm in Texas

Special to the Daily Nugget. Galveston, April 16.—Texas was visited by a fearful hail storm and great damage was done to berries, cotton and corn. At Alvin the loss to strawberries is \$50,000 with as much more at Webster, Dickinson and League City. Fayette county suffered greatly from hail. It is claimed hailstones over an inch in diameter fell in that locality.

Mine Accidents

Special to the Daily Nugget. Greenwood, April 16.—Geo. Johnson was killed by an explosion in the Mother Lode mine.

Capt. W. A. Howe, manager of the Waterloo mine at camp McKinney was killed by the fall of a bucket on his head.

Trouble Brewing

Special to the Daily Nugget. Washington, April 16.—Colombian insurgents have captured an American launch, killing one man. The matter has not been generally reported.

For Beet Sugar

Special to the Daily Nugget. Denver, April 16.—A syndicate has acquired 15,000 acres of land near here for beet growing and will erect sugar factories at Colorado Springs.

Strike Ended

Special to the Daily Nugget. Halifax, April 16.—The big strike of the Nova Scotia longshoremen has been amicably ended.

HOLBORN CAFE

R. L. HALL, PROPRIETOR. Business Lunch 11:30 a. m. to 3:30 p. m. Dinner 4:30 to 9:00 p. m. OPEN ALL NIGHT.

FIRST AVENUE. Next J. P. McLennan's

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"The Demoniac of the North"

Eagle Cafe

FIRST AVENUE. Thomas J. Bruce, Proprietor

Shoff's Pile Ointment!

It's a wonder. Every box guaranteed.

PIONEER DRUG STORE

CONCESSION IS CANCELLED

Milne Tract on Hunker, Embracing Some of the Richest Ground on the Creek, to be Thrown Open May 1, but the Bulk Will Fall to Treadgold.

A notice was posted in the gold commissioner's office this morning which will bring joy to more than one miner in the Yukon, the cancellation of the infamous Milne concession on Hunker creek. The notice is as follows, is under date of today and bears the signature of T. Dufferin Pattullo, acting assistant gold commissioner: "In the matter of hydraulic lease No. 13 in favor of George Lawson Milne, M. D., of Victoria, B. C., of a tract of land described as being on the left limit of Hunker creek to the rear of and adjoining the Anderson concession on said creek, having a frontage of about two and one-half miles in a direct distance and a depth of about one mile as shown on the plan of survey thereof dated June 2, 1900, signed by Thomas Kains, D.L.S., and on record in the timber and mines branch in the department of the interior.

"Whereas the conditions of the above lease have not been complied with by the lessee, and proper notice in that behalf having been given to the lessee, notice is hereby given that on and after 15 days from this date, namely on May 1, 1902, the area referred to in lease No. 13 will be open to placer mining entry."

So ends, it is to be hoped, one of the rottenest, most infamous and most iniquitous wrongs ever perpetrated upon a mining community. A little old history concerning this Milne concession is not out of place at this time, historical facts that are known to but few and which are of interest to the general public. The Anderson concession extends from near the mouth of the Hunker valley up stream two and one-half miles, or nearly to the mouth of Last Chance, covering the creek claims alone and extending from base to base. That which was given to Milne joined the Anderson tract on the left limit, extending from the base of the hill back one mile, taking in the hillsides and benches, Dago hill, Savoy hill, Henry gulch, and in fact some of the richest ground on Hunker. Among a few of the most infamous things connected with the Milne tract, is that some time previous to it being granted to him Messrs. Healey, Rutledge and Slavin applied for the identical same ground and were refused it for the reason that it was suitable for placer mining and as such could not be granted for hydraulic purposes. Then, too, Milne never had any slightest shadow of a title to the tract and held it only through the connivance of the department at Ottawa.

When Milne made application for a hydraulic concession the ground he applied for was situated on Hunker joining the Anderson concession on the lower end, extending to the end of the valley and thence down the Klondike as far as the mouth of Bear creek and he obtained a certificate from the commissioner for this tract with the exception of certain claims contained therein unsuitable for placer mining. The first intimation received in the local office that any substitution of tracts was in contemplation was in the nature of instructions received from the deputy minister of the interior by Mr. Ogilvie ordering a survey to be made of the ground adjoining the Anderson concession on the left limit from the mouth of Last Chance down and extending back in the hill one mile and that Milne be given that instead of the tract he had applied for and for which a certificate had been issued. Although no certificate for this ground was ever issued by the gold commissioner, yet the department at Ottawa accepted the certificate given for the other tract as covering the ground which the concessionaire for nearly two years has unlawfully held. Under the terms of the Milne lease his holding was subject to all placer claims located prior to the posting of the closing notice required by the regulations. The lease was executed in the fall of 1900, but it was not received in Dawson until December 31, the date upon which the closing notice was posted.

According to the regulations in force at that time every claim that reverted to the crown became vested in the minister of the interior who was empowered to dispose of them in any manner that he saw fit. Under those conditions the minister of the interior ordered an auction sale of certain mining claims which sale was held in November, 1900. Among the many disposed of were over 200 that fell within what was later designated as the Milne concession. The government accepted the purchasers' money both for the sale and the recording fee and issued grants to the various claims bought, giving them an absolute title in so far as title to placer claims can be given. Later when Milne was given possession of the tract he demanded of the gold commissioner that all the grants issued subsequent to his lease be cancelled which included those claims the government had sold at auction. His outrageous demands were at first heeded, but his persistence was finally rewarded by influencing the gold commissioner to cause to be written letters to each man who had purchased a claim at the auction informing them that the ground they held by virtue of their purchase was claimed by the Milne concession. What was the result? Many who did not care to engage in a lawsuit with a wealthy concessionaire gave up immediately, failed to do their assessment work and their claims for which they had paid out their good money fell first to Milne and now into the capacious maw of the Treadgold octopus. Others who were possessed of more spirit and backed by the advice of counsel did their representation work, applied for, insisted upon and finally obtained a certificate of work though a renewal certificate was refused. Money was deposited to pay for renewals and so the matter has rested until today. Those who have held on will undoubtedly get their claims and those who were bluffed out of their holdings have certainly a good action against the government for either damages or compensation.

From inquiry at the gold commissioner's office, the position the Treadgold concession occupies in the matter, the Milne concession being within the former is this: All the reverted claims, those which have been staked once before, go to Treadgold, while the virgin ground alone is left to the miner to be located. And this brings up an unique position in the Treadgold matter. In the original order in council the provision is made by which Treadgold may purchase any vacant virgin ground at the rate of \$10 an acre, exclusive of the minerals, then by a subsequent clause it is provided that where the minerals are asked for they may be included in the purchase of the surface rights. So it would seem if Treadgold chooses to exercise all the rights given him not even an inch of ground will be left to the miner, another case of robbing Peter to pay Paul.

Beautiful Scenery. The five complete sets of scenes painted for the Orpheum theater by R. Davenport are attracting unusual attention among the theater-goers by reason of their surpassing beauty. In a center door chamber set and in a garden scene the colorings and tone are dazzling, the canvas presenting a richness of design that shows rare talent on the part of the artist. Mr. Davenport was for years a student at L'Ecole de Beaux Arts in Paris, where he mastered the art which in later years made him one of the foremost scenic artists in New York.

Arrived Last Night. Mr. J. Wesley Young, a former well known railroad transportation man of Seattle, but of late years a resident of Alaska and the Yukon, arrived yesterday evening from Rampart where he has been engaged in mercantile pursuits this winter. Mr. Young speaks in the most flattering terms of the strike made on Glenn

gulch last fall. Several claims on the gulch are being worked this winter and are turning out very satisfactory some of the dumps taken out being of very large proportions.

Quiet Day in Court.

Today was a quiet one in the territorial court, there being nothing doing in Mr. Justice Dugas' department and a case of only minor importance before Justice Craig. The cases on this week's list yet to be heard by the former are Falconer vs. W. P. & Y. Ry., Falconer vs. Whalen; McKay vs. Warchter and Martin vs. Victor. Before Mr. Justice Craig are the cases Gustavson vs. Orcutt; Brown vs. Jeha; Taylor vs. McDougall; Edwards vs. Backe and Day vs. Day.

Remains for the Cleanup.

Billy Mullen, the beneficiary of last Sunday evening's benefit, will not leave at once for the outside as was reported. He is interested to the extent of several hundred dollars in the cleanup of a dump at the mouth of Colorado pup, Hunker, upon which he took a lay last fall. Mr. Mullen also has interests on lower Sulphur which he expects to prove highly remunerative in the near future.

He expects to leave for the outside the middle of June and will return in the fall.

Dance Friday Evening.

At the regular meeting of the Arctic Brotherhood last night it was decided to have one more grand farewell dance before the close of the Terpsichorean season. The date fixed is Friday evening, April 18, day after tomorrow, and when it is said it will be given under the auspices of the A. B.'s no greater recommendation of an elegant time and a huge success need be given. As usual, Freimuth's orchestra will furnish the music. Cards of admission may be secured from the committee.

Fighting Continues

Special to the Daily Nugget. London, April 15.—Severe fighting is reported in the Western Transvaal where Gen. Ian Hamilton replaced Methuen and is making a vigorous effort to clear the district. Boers attacked Kekewich fiercely on Friday but after a hard engagement at close quarters were repulsed, leaving many dead on the field, including the famous Commandant Potgieter. Another sharp engagement resulted in Coelenbrander endeavoring to lead the Boers from Byers Laager at Pelkop, Col. Murray being seriously wounded and Lieut. Lincoln killed. The Boers lost 200 killed and wounded in the week, with many guns, etc. The British loss was about 100.

Chinese Rebels

Special to the Daily Nugget. Peking, April 15.—Couriers from Na Ning, Quang Si province, announce that the imperial troops are powerless against the rebels, whose numbers are growing daily. All trade is at a standstill and missionaries have been ordered to leave districts held by the rebels. General Ma and Marshal Su are unable to advance until reinforced. The viceroy telegraphed to Peking and General Yuan Shi Kai and Governor Chi Li were ordered to dispatch foreign drilled troops and artillery overland to the scene of the troubles.

Job for Courtleyou

Special to the Daily Nugget. Washington, April 16.—George B. Courtleyou, the president's secretary, will become secretary of the department of commerce as soon as the bill creating that department of the government becomes a law.

Jumped Over-Board

Special to the Daily Nugget. Vancouver, April 16.—The steamer Charmer collided with a Nanaimo pilot ship Saturday and Andrew Thompson, a passenger, became frightened, jumped overboard and was drowned.

Lower River Mail.

Eli Verreas arrived last night with eight sacks of lower river mail, including a quantity from Nome and St. Michael. The bags left Tanana March 22.

THIRD JUDGE FOR YUKON

Is Promised by Laurier in Near Future

Thus Doing Away With Taking of Cases to Victoria Court of Appeals.

Special to the Daily Nugget. Ottawa, April 16.—A bill is promised at the present session by Laurier giving an additional judge to the Yukon and thereby creating a home appeal court without the mining judge sitting. At present all mining appeals from the Yukon go to Victoria. The present plan of appointment not only dispenses with this but will enable mining cases to be decided by a court thoroughly conversant with all incidental conditions.

Conscience Money

Special to the Daily Nugget. Rome, April 16.—The Italian authorities continue to collect "conscience money" for the Vatican in their efforts to apprehend the parties who stole eight million francs from the Pontiff. The latest property recovered amounts to eighty thousand dollars.

L. & N. Ry. Stock

Special to the Daily Nugget. New York, April 16.—Harris Gates & Co. representing millionaire Gates' interests in New York, announce that they have bought a large amount of stock in the Louisville & Nashville Railway, not for speculation but as an investment.

Genelle on Bail

Special to the Daily Nugget. Vancouver, April 15.—Joseph Genelle, wanted in Dawson in connection with the burning of the steamers Glenora and Mona, has been released on bail, the objection of the crown being overruled.

WANTED—\$10,000 Worth of Raw Furs THE LADUE CO.

Is in Jail

Special to the Daily Nugget. Cape Town, April 15.—Princess Radziwell was committed to jail today as her bondsman withdrew. The trial commences Monday on the charge of forging the name of Cecil Rhodes to notes.

The A. B.'s will give a grand ball on Friday evening. Tickets may be secured of members. c18

Festivities Postponed

Special to the Daily Nugget. The Hague, April 16.—Owing to the serious illness of Queen Wilhelmina, the festivities arranged for the birthday of the prince consort, April 19, have been abandoned.

Heavy Loan

Special to the Daily Nugget. London, April 16.—A new loan of £32,000,000 will be raised by the issue of 3 1/2 per cent. consols.

Hay, oats and provisions of all kinds at Barrett & Hull's, Rock bottom prices.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

Regina Hotel.—Miss E. Lindquist, Hunker; Mrs. A. Beaumont, 26 Eldorado; L. Spitzel, London; A. Spitzel, London; Mr. C. A. Celene and wife, 31 Eldorado; Mr. W. C. Leak and wife, 3 below Bonanza, Mr. Chas. Lamb and wife, 8 Eldorado; W. P. Murphy and wife, 26 Eldorado. Empire.—H. H. Crean, Vancouver.

Case Postponed.

The case of F. S. Dunham against the retailers of old and cheap quality of groceries has been postponed, Dunham deciding not to push the suit as all his customers uphold him in the stand he has taken, namely, not to handle any but fresh goods. THE FAMILY GROCERY, corner Second avenue and Albert street.

The Klondike Nugget

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LETTERS. And Small Packages can be sent to the Creeks by our carriers on the following days: Every Tuesday and Friday to Eldorado, Bonanza, Hunker, Dominion, Gold Run.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16, 1902.

\$50 Reward.

We will pay a reward of \$50 for information that will lead to the arrest and conviction of any one stealing copies of the Daily or Semi-Weekly Nugget from business houses or private residences, where same have been left by our carriers.

KLONDIKE NUGGET.



AMUSEMENTS THIS WEEK.

Auditorium—"The Land of the Midnight Sun." Orpheum—Burlesque and Vaudeville.

A THIRD JUDGE.

The promise made by the premier that an additional judge for the Yukon will be appointed during the present session of parliament is a most important announcement.

No reflection, therefore, upon the gold commissioner is involved in the statement that the present appeal court is not wholly satisfactory to litigants.

As a matter of fact the arrangement which now exists was intended only as a temporary expedient to cover the interim until a third judge should be appointed.

A clever swindle has been unearthed recently in Seattle. The swindler was caught with a complete outfit for counterfeiting the stamps and labels used on Royal Baking Powder cans.

The amount of dirt taken out by present means of working is so far in excess of what could be done by old methods, that a comparison is almost impossible.

of dirt and gravel are now awaiting the washup. If there are any good reasons why Dawson should not enjoy a summer of universal activity and prosperity, they have not yet appeared.

The will of the late Cecil Rhodes provides that none of the heirs shall come into possession of the property left them until they have engaged in business for a period of not less than ten years.

All the evidence at hand seems now to point to the fact that the lower country will develop in a most satisfactory manner.

The amount of money required each year for the purpose of administering the affairs of this district totals an extraordinarily large sum.

Another daring holdup has occurred in Dawson. Evidently the fact that Mr. Brophy is serving a life sentence in jail has no terrors for others of the same class.

It is surprising how many people one meets of late, who favored an appointive commission as opposed to an elective council.

At last we have enjoyed a really and truly spring day.

The Islander Scheme

Victoria, April 4.—Preparations are in progress on the Sound for the floating of the steamer Islander from the bottom of the channel of Douglas island.

Seattle and San Francisco capitalists will provide all the money required for the undertaking, and Curtis Hope, of Seattle, the promoter of the enterprise, is quite confident of success in the venture.

Of Interest to Shippers.

The Northern Commercial Co. is now prepared to make contracts for shipments from coast ports to Dawson and will be pleased to quote rates on large consignments to bona fide importers.

For full particulars, rates, etc., see the Northern Commercial Co., shipping department.

Bakery for Sale. Half interest in the best paying bakery in the city. Inquire for particulars at this office.

Nobby line spring suits just opened. Ames Mercantile Co.

The Nugget's stock of job printing materials is the best that ever came to Dawson.

New Millinery. We Have All the Latest Sailor Hats, Felt Hats, Children's Hats and Caps. J. P. McLENNAN. 233 FRONT STREET

CANADIAN BRIEFLETS

What is Going on in the East

Young Man on Trial at London, Ont., for Murder of His Father.

London, Ont., March 31.—Gerald Sifton, who has been in jail here since July, 1900, on the charge of having murdered his father, the late Joseph Sifton, comes to trial for a second time the first of next week.

DEATHS IN ONTARIO.

Toronto, March 31.—The number of deaths in the province for February as reported to the provincial board of health were 2,241, as compared with 2,180 in February, 1901.

AWARDED \$2,500.

A jury in the civil assizes awarded Mrs. Mary Betseger, of this city, \$2,500 damages in her suit against the Toronto Railway Company.

DEMAND FIVE CENTS.

Union carpenters and joiners have decided to refuse the masters' offer of increase of two and a half cents per hour.

BOTH DIED SUDDENLY.

Moncton, N.B., March 31.—Mrs. Harry Gallagher, wife of an intercolonial railway employe, was taken suddenly ill yesterday, and died within a few hours.

SUBSIDIES.

Montreal, March 31.—The council of the Montreal Board of Trade has drafted a petition for presentation to the government asking that it subsidize railways which will care for the increasing business north of Lake Superior and throughout Manitoba and the Northwest Territories.

THE ST. LAWRENCE.

The ice has all gone out of the St. Lawrence river and the Richelieu & Ontario Navigation Company are expected to open navigation on Thursday or Friday.

BACK FROM EUROPE.

R. Marpole, general superintendent of the C.P.R. Pacific division, reached Montreal today after an absence of three months in England.

EX-SENATOR DEAD.

Ex-Senator A. W. Ogilvie died this morning at his residence, 166 Dorchester street, after an illness of two weeks.

STEAMER ASHORE.

St. John, N.B., March 31.—The Elder Dempster steamship Lake Superior, which went ashore yesterday, is still aground.

of the passengers, with their effects, were landed in barges.

TRIAL OF WALTER GORDON.

Winnipeg, April 1.—The trial of Walter Gordon for murder was begun at the Brandon assizes this afternoon.

SWEPT AWAY.

Two spans of the new municipal bridge at Portage La Prairie were carried out by the ice tonight, cutting off communication with the southern country.

MURDER TRIAL.

Montreal, April 1.—The trial of Thorvald Hansen for the murder of little Eric Marrotte at Westmount on Saturday, October 26th last, opened this morning in the court of King's bench.

RATE ON PAPER.

The Montreal Board of Trade has decided to endeavor to induce the Dominion government to reduce the postal rate on newspapers, etc., from Canada to Great Britain, to one cent per four ounces.

PETITION DISMISSED.

Guelph, Ont., April 1.—The North Wellington election petition came up this afternoon before Judges McMahon and Lount.

SANK.

St. John, N.B., April 1.—Steamer Lake Superior, previously reported ashore in St. John harbor, sprang a leak yesterday, and when she was hauled off the rocks today, sank.

A PROTEST.

Hamilton, Ont., April 1.—A deputation from the Trades and Labor Council waited on the local M. P.'s last night and presented a memorial from the Trades and Labor Council against assisted immigration.

LICENSES ARE FIXED

By-Law Comes up for Second Reading

George A. Calvert, Assistant Tax Collector, is Appointed License Inspector.

The license bylaw came up Monday night at the council meeting and after a number of amendments, including the insertion of the various amounts as licenses agreed upon, the bill was given its second reading.

Boxing contests, each contest, \$100. Legerdemain or jugglery other than above. Passed.

Theaters, concert halls, dance halls excepting the Auditorium theater and amateur performances, \$100. This section was not passed, but was temporarily laid over.

Drays, one horse, \$25; two horses, \$50; transfer of license, \$5.

Cab, carriage or other like vehicle. Passed.

Driver's fee, not transferable. Passed.

Omnibus. Passed.

Livery, feed and sale stables, \$100.

transfer of licenses, \$10. Bootblack stand, \$100. Newstand, confectionery and tobacco stand on the street, \$250.

Section 30 of the bill requiring scavengers to give a bond in the event of \$500 was stricken out.

At the completion of the reading of the bill the rules were suspended and George A. Calvert, assistant assessor and tax collector, was appointed temporary license inspector with power to enforce the provisions contained in the bylaw.

The Nugget's facilities for turning out first-class job work cannot be excelled this side of San Francisco.

RENT OF 'PHONES Beginning April 1, 1902. DAWSON. Class A—Independent service, per month \$30.00. Class B—2 parties on same line, per month 15.00. Class C—3 or more parties on same line, month 10.00. CREEK TELEPHONES. Bonanza Creek and Grand Forks, per month 2.00. Eldorado Creek, per month 2.00. Quartz Creek, per month 2.00. Sulphur Creek, per month 2.00. Hunker Creek, per month 2.00. Dominion Creek, per month 2.00. Gold Run Creek, per month 2.00. Yukon Telephone Syndicate, Ltd.

ANGLO-AMERICAN COMMERCIAL COMPANY. Standard Cigars and Tobacco, Wholesale and Retail At Right Prices. Bank Building, King Street.

The Auditorium. Week Commencing Monday April 14. Land of the Midnight Sun. See the Great Sulphur Mine Explosion. NO SMOKING. Monday, Thursday or Friday.

Orpheum Theatre. Watch for the Street Parade. Grand Opening Monday Night, April 14. The Grand Military Spectacular Production. SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR. Grand Old, New Stars and Many of the Old-Time Favorites. Popular Prices. General Entrance Through Reception.

WINTER TIME TABLE—STAGE LINE. THE ORR & TUKEY CO., Ltd. Going into effect Nov. 11, 1901—Week Days Only. FOR GOLD RUN AND CARIBOU via Carmack's and Dome. 7 a. m. 1 p. m. and 5 p. m. FOR GRAND FORKS. 7 a. m. 1 p. m. and 5 p. m. FOR 33 BELOW LOWER LOMHON CHASE'S Roadhouse, via Hunker Creek, 5 p. m. FOR QUARTZ, MONTANA AND EUREKA CREEKS—9 a. m. every other day, six days included. Sunday Service—Leave Dawson and Grand Forks at 9 a. m. and 2 p. m. ALL STAGES LEAVE OFFICE N. C. CO. BUILDING. Watches set by departure and arrival of our stages.

Alaska Steamship Co. Operating the Steamers. "Dolphin"—"Farallon"—"Dirigo" For All Points in Southeastern Alaska. Connecting with the White Pass & Yukon Railway for Dawson and interior Yukon points. General Offices... 201 Pioneer Building Seattle, Wash.

The Northwestern Line. Is the Short Line to Chicago And All Eastern Points. All through trains from the North Pacific Coast connect with this line in the Union Depot at St. Paul. Travelers from the North are invited to communicate with F. W. Parker, Gen'l Agent, Seattle, Wa.

Memorial Dawson, Y. T., April 15th. Enclose document prepared to be telegraphed in the wires are up. Yours truly, R. W. SHA. LETTER FOR PUBLICATION. Honorable Clifford S. Minister of the Interior Ottawa. I have been requested by the leading and representative operators of the Yukon to give the creeks in the gold concession, and that of accompanying statements and objections to the concession whose names are not political business men. I have endeavored to expose a real grievance, pending calamity, and general opinion that the concession would do the evils with which it will hang like a millstone around the neck of the land. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of many of your letters of time having been spent from being a member of the Yukon. I might have been asked to represent the opinion of the independent mine operators. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the above memorandum to the Minister, I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the obedient servant R. W. S.

Interesting Dog Stories

In his entertaining volume, "All About Dogs," which he calls "a book for doggy people," Charles Henry Lane tells a story of a gentleman stopping at a hotel in Boston who privately hid his pocket handkerchief behind the sofa cushion in the coffee room and left the hotel accompanied by his dog. After walking for some distance he suddenly stopped and said to his dog: "I have left my handkerchief at the hotel; go back and fetch it for me," giving no particular directions about it. The dog immediately returned at full speed, and entered the room his master had just left. He went directly to the sofa, but the handkerchief was gone. He jumped upon tables and counters, but it was nowhere to be seen.

It turned out that a friend of his master had discovered it, and, supposing it had been left by mistake, had taken care of it for the owner. But Tiger was not to be fooled. He flew about the room apparently much excited, in quest of the "lost or stolen." Soon, however, he was on the track. He scented it to the gentleman's coat pocket. What was to be done? The dog had no means of asking for it by word of mouth, and was not accustomed to picking pockets, and, besides, the gentleman was ignorant of his business with him.

But Tiger's sagacity did not suffer him to remain long in suspense. He seized the skirt containing the prize, and, furiously tearing it from the coat, hastily made off with it, much to the surprise of the owner. Tiger then overtook his master and restored the lost property.

M. B. Scott, a veterinary surgeon of Faribault, Minn., has a novelty in the shape of a wonderful pacing dog. So far as is known, this is the only instance on record of a pacing dog, though a trotting dog is not unheard of, and Harry Ketchum, a Canadian, once owned a trotter whom he called "Doc." This dog, which was a pointer, he exhibited at race tracks and fairs all over the country. He was said to have made \$10,000 out of the animal.

Dr. Scott's dog will run against either a horse or a bicycle, and seems to enjoy it, though he evidently regards it as a very serious matter. Gypsy, as the doctor calls him, can make very good time, and Dr. Scott has speeded him from a standing start to make a quarter of a mile in 45 seconds, and the first eighth in 20 seconds.

When he was teaching him to pace, Dr. Scott put small string hobbles on him in order to prevent him from breaking. Gypsy paced a little before the doctor bought him, though so little as to be of no consequence; but his new master thought he saw possibilities of the dog doing better and began a course of careful and systematic training, until he obtained the present result. The dog is a pure-blooded St. Bernard, and weighs 140 pounds, is three feet high, measures six feet from the tip of his bushy tail to the end of his handsome nose, and is about 4 years old. He races alone, without a driver, and, beside being a very fine animal, is a real curiosity.

A grizzly St. Bernard proved a good witness in the superior civil court two or three years ago. The dog was kidnapped from a Revere farmer, and subsequently sold to a Brookline livery stable keeper for \$50. The Revere farmer advertised but to no purpose. Business one day took him to Brookline. He was accompanied by his six-year-old daughter. They were driving slowly through the main street. Suddenly the child uttered a cry:

"Look, pa! Oh, look! look! Carlo! Carlo!"

There on the green, with tail extended and eye dilated, his great body trembling with the excitement caused by that voice he loved, stood kidnaped "Carlo."

"Oh, come, Carlo!" cried the child eagerly. There was a merry bark and the dog was by the side of the wagon in a twinkling, wagging his bushy tail and prancing in doggy glee. The farmer, of course, took possession of the dog.

The Brooklineite laid his grievance before the court. It took two days to hear the case. The complainant put in evidence to show that he purchased the dog of the man who reared him. On the other hand, the defendant described every mark and scar on the dog.

"I think I'll postpone the trial in order to have the dog in court as a witness," said the judge.

A deputy sheriff brought the canine to court the following day.

"Carlo!" called the livery stable keeper. The dog only sniffed and moved uneasily.

"Oh, Carlo, Carlo!" cried the farmer's child. The huge St. Bernard's tail went round. In another second he was bounding down the corridor to his mistress.

The case was then submitted to the jury, and after five minutes' deliberating the jury returned with a verdict for the farmer.

Mr. B. T. Harper, of Southbridge, Mass., gives the following interesting experience:

"The fact that dogs have a way of communicating news to one another was demonstrated to me in a very singular and amusing fashion about four years ago. It was in South Georgia, where as yet little provision is made for the comfort of domestic animals, where during cold, wind-swept nights, shelterless cows and mules wander about restlessly, where chickens and turkeys roosting on leafless trees fill the sharp air with their plaintive voices, where dogs and other domestic animals must seek their own night quarters as best they can. One of these bitter, cold nights, such as a cold wave often brings, I heard at our front door the unmistakable sounds of scratching and whining, and found upon opening two of my little neighborhood friends, a pug and little terrier, asking admission to all appearances. In the face of the cruel cold it was granted them, and they were welcome to share the comfortable quarters of my own two dogs.

In the morning they took their departure. But how great was my astonishment to see them return the following cold evening and accompanied by a large Irish setter, who likewise begged admission to the warm quarters he seemed to have knowledge of. "If there were any doubts as to whether these hospitable night lodgings were discussed among the shelterless dogs of the neighborhood, these doubts were removed on the third night, when my three tramps returned, their number increased by another pug and an old pointer. The mute but eloquent language of their wagging tails, the humble appeal in their sincere eyes were certainly amusing.

"With my own two pets and these five tramps I had now seven dogs stretched out comfortably before my dining-room grate. But with their irreproachable behavior and their many ingratiating ways, they had insured for themselves a welcome at our house as long as the cold spell lasted, which was nearly a week. As soon as the cold subsided they returned no more. Is not this good evidence of the power of communication among our speechless friends?"

Dogs that are trained to catch fish are among the extraordinary features of everyday life on the barren shores of that distant portion of Labrador that belongs to Newfoundland. The valuable cod fisheries along the 1,100 miles of Labrador's coast yield about one-fifth of Newfoundland's total catch of cod and furnish employment annually to thousands of hardy fishermen. They fish with lines that are 150 to 200 fathoms long, two men to a boat, and each man uses two hand lines. The usual bait is capelin. When fish are at all plentiful it takes these two men but a very short time to fill a boat with cod.

A number of them have trained their dogs to assist in catching fish. The rapidity with which the fishermen haul up their long lines when they feel a fish robs the latter almost entirely of life by the time it reaches the surface of the sea. It comes to the top as completely exhausted as a salmon that has been played by an angler until he can "trail" it with his hand and so avoid the necessity of gaffing it. It is one thing, however, to bring a heavy cod to the surface of the water and another to get him into the boat. Gaffs and landing nets are unknown to these toilers of the sea. If he can lift the fish into the boat by the line all is well. But this is often where they fail. If the fish is large and but lightly hooked, as is very often the case, the hook breaks away from its mouth when the attempt is made to haul the cod from the water. The fish, still quite inanimate in manner and appearance, floats away from the boat on the surface of the water. This is only for a moment, however. The fisher's trained dog, often without even awaiting a signal from its master, leaps over the gunwale of the boat, plunges into the sea, swims after the fluttering fish and seizes it in his mouth. Returning consciousness, hastened by the new sensation of being taken entirely from the water and gripped between the jaws of its captor, and joined to the instinct of self-preservation, often produces lively struggles on the part of the fish, which add considerably to the

difficulty of the dog in swimming back with its burden to the boat. It rarely happens, however, that the dog releases its hold upon its struggling captive until safe within the boat, into which it is assisted by its master.—Ex.

The Australian Speaker.

The Hon. F. W. Holder, Speaker of the Australian Commonwealth House of Representatives, has been a Wesleyan local preacher in Adelaide for many years, says the London Chronicle. He has, of course, to spend most of his time now in Melbourne, the Federal capital for the time being, and he has just made his first appearance in the pulpit of a Melbourne Wesleyan church. He had a really formidable task if he attempted to realize the promises held forth in the rather injudicious placards by which his advent was announced. It was proclaimed in large capitals that Mr. Speaker would conduct a "service for the people, bright, attractive, intellectual, spiritual, inspirational." Mr. Holder, ignoring this bombastic introduction, gave a plain, practical deliverance on the subject of "Evil" to a crowded congregation. Here is one of his typical observations: "Cowardice is often misnamed charity, when people know that certain things are wrong and fail to denounce them."—Ex.

Familiar Names.

"Who represents the defendant in this case?" queried Justice Hall of Chicago after he had announced that the case of the People against Aird had been reached on the docket, says the Chicago Record-Herald. "I do," replied Stephen A. Douglas, stepping before the bar.

"And the prosecution will be handled by?"

"Robert E. Lee."

"I'm more than glad to meet you, gentlemen," declared Justice Hall warmly. "Your names are quite familiar to me."

The spectators in the court looked amazed as they listened to the conversation at the bar. "I t'of them was both dead," remarked a small boy.

Lee, a distant relative of the Confederate general, is city prosecutor at the Harrison street police court, and Attorney Douglas, one of the "Little Giants," represented the defendant in a larceny case.

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WRECK BAY SAND MINES

To Be Exploited for Gold

Are Located Near Victoria—A Seattle Company at Head of the Scheme.

Victoria, April 4.—Van R. Pierson, John G. Pierce and C. M. Starbuck, all of Seattle, Wash., comprise a trio of mining men registered at the Victoria hotel. A deal which includes all the southern portion of Wreck Bay has been brought to a successful issue through Van R. Pierson, and Messrs. Pierce and Starbuck, two well known capitalists, are now in possession of a large part of the Wreck Bay placer mining claims of the west coast. There is also a great possibility that the whole of these claims will be operated during the coming season by these gentlemen, as another deal with the object of transferring the claims worked hitherto by the Wreck Bay Placer Mining Company also to Messrs. Pierce and Starbuck is under consideration and likely to be successfully brought about.

Mr. Pierson, who is acting for Messrs. Pierce and Starbuck, stated this morning in an interview that from present indications the latter deal would go through. In reference to the former transaction, Messrs. Jacobson and Tolmie were the former owners, and the deal was consummated on the 19th of last month. Mr. Pierson said that at present he was not in a position to make the sum involved known, but stated that the new owners intended this year working the beach with the most modern and approved machinery, and would, he expected, spend fully \$50,000 on the property.

Mr. Starbuck is busy this morning in purchasing horses and other equipment necessary for immediate operations, which will be sent up

this evening on the Queen City, in company with 10 or 15 men who have been hired to work on the claims. J. G. Pierce is representing his father, Mr. Pierce, of Seattle, in this business, and the latter gentlemen and Mr. Starbuck are supplying the capital necessary for the successful working of the scheme. Messrs. Pierce and Starbuck are experienced miners, and made a tour of inspection of the west coast in company with Mr. Pierson some months ago when the proposition which has just been successfully brought about was first considered. It is stated that Mr. Pierce and Mr. Starbuck made the money which they are investing in the west coast black sands at Nome, they being a couple of the few who struck it really rich at that place. Mr. Pierson says that as soon as possible gasoline engines, pumps and other machinery will be shipped to Wreck Bay, and operations commenced on a much more extensive scale than hitherto.

Mr. Pierson is also interested in the Helga Mining Company at Clayoquot, on which a gang of men are working night and day on a tunnel for the purpose of striking a ledge of ore which shows indications of being rich. He says that some very good ore has been reached. Already about \$15,000 has been spent on the property.

The Wreck Bay placer mines were

discovered by Messrs. Bann and Ton in May, 1906, and through enterprise of Victorian men developed and operated in spite of many discouragements encountered in the fact of much skepticism in regard to their richness. Present deal emphasizes the accuracy of their judgment.

His Valuation of It.

There was a case brought court the other day concerning a manuscript of a novel. In course of it a Scottish novelist had read the manuscript, was in the witness box. The judge asked him what value he would place on the book. "Well," the witness replied, "I do not know what the English custom is, but in Edinburgh we have to pay for the removal of a paper."—London Globe.

"Did you show Casey the tractor, the Wash's?" asked Mr. Rafferty. "I did," answered Mr. Doolan. "He wor deeply impressed." "What did he say?" "He said it wor the best story buildin' he ever saw."—London Star.

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NEWS FROM COLD

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Stewart McCrea, brother of the late Stewart McCrea, arrived from exposure, arrived in Dawson shortly before the start of the season from Coldfoot, Alaska. He had traveled to Fort Yukon, save for the dog "Mr. Finney" as being a half mongrel with his weight of 100 lbs. McCrea's life was just finished. Mr. Finney was killed on February 23 to whether or not the dog was promised to be. He had traveled to the country, he outdrew a week's start enough for him to be back again when the piece does not. A Nugget correspondent masher lauded away from the Northern cafe, stating some very interesting facts from him. A hungry man was given.

That do I think of general and Coldfoot. Say, that is the toughest proposition I have ever heard of. It is that would be a matter to make, but that it a fine too. I went through Coldfoot, white quarter of the most complete dead broke come. There is no way money to pay for a dollar in sight of old Dawson people give their right ever heard of the man to go there. It is an engaging thing for employment success would be. He went to the north hand, the operators with plenty to see them. The black are excited by any class of people who have any money today.

Not all the of the most of them. The frigidities of the winter months has extended the duration of their stay. Mackenzie, F. is a deputy clerk. It seems to be the rule. His official duties as those of a people who own the Gowans a position straightaway. He hired Thomas and F. his, completed each lot \$25. It is afterward he every lot which April 1 would be to the town. A cook who is engaged upon a lot. It is requested for the trial him. He has the lot as a rule. I tell you, it is out by the court. Gardner before 1. It is from the Co. section miles. It is necessary to the buttons on his coat and a. It is after 1. It is a promise. It is a dog. Billy is a dog. Early work for J. It is at \$8. A proposition without striking. It is a grab gave out. It is to try a. It is offered to be. It is offered to be. It is offered to be.

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NEWS FROM COLDFOOT

Koyukuk Looks Bad to Stewart McCrea

McCrea Broke and There is Said to Not be a Dollar in Sight.

Stewart McCrea, bronzed and tanned, arrived yesterday morning shortly before six o'clock from Coldfoot, from which he had traveled alone as far as Yukon, save for the presence of "Mr. Finnegan," which is about half mongrel and half cur with his weight in gold as he says. McCrea's life on the trip was just finished. Mr. McCrea left on February 22 to see for himself whether or not the Koyukuk was worth the promise it had been made up to be. Being one of the best travelers and best mushers in the country, he outdistanced many others subsequent to his departure. After a week's stay in Coldfoot, he was glad to get back again where the sight of a piece does not cause a palpitation. A Nugget man corralled the musher last night while putting away a side of beef in the Northern cafe and succeeded in getting some very interesting information from him while an imitative hungry man at a meal was given.

McCrea do I think of the Koyukuk as a bad thing in particular, say, that is the hardest graft the toughest proposition I have ever seen up against in my eleven years experience in the north. I will say there is no gold in the country that would be a pretty rash thing to make, but it is a safe bet if a fine tooth comb were used through Coldfoot scarcely a white quarter could be found. The most completely and absolutely broke community I ever saw. There is no work to be had, money to pay for anything and a dollar in sight and there are a lot of old Dawson people there who give their right arm if they ever heard of the Koyukuk. For me to go there with the intention of engaging in business or for employment the chances success would be about as great as want to the north pole. On the other hand, the opportunities for prospectors with plenty of grub and a chance to see them through in case they are excellent. That is the class of people and they who have any business in the north today.

McCrea all the old Dawson gang and most of them have cold feet. The rigidity of their pedal extremities has extended almost to a condition of their legs. Next to Mackenzie, F. X. Gowans, former deputy clerk in the court, seems to be the biggest man in camp. His official positions are numerous as those of Peoh Bah, a man who own the townsite, Gowans a power of attorney, and straightaway proceeded to the site according to his plan. He hired Billy Devine, Thomas and Frank Gardner to him, completed his survey and each lot \$25 for the job. Afterward he posted a notice every lot which failed to pungle April 1 would be declared for the townsite company. Geo. a cook who used to be here, and upon a lot and Gowans had arrested for trespass. The jury tried him acquitted him and gave him the lot as damages. Hot I tell you, where justice is out by the chunk.

Gardner shook the camp before I left. He saw a man from the Colville river connection miles across the divide contrary to the Arctic, who had buttons on her jacket. He got a dog and a little grub and off after the new Eldorado, promising to pilot him to find. Billy Thomas is broke and work for Jack Flowers sink-shaft at \$8 a day and board, a proposition. They sank 75 without striking bedrock when grub gave out. Flowers went to try and raise the wind though he owned a hotel there he offered to put up as security couldn't get a sack of flour. He back to Billy that he was

sorry but they would have to call the deal off. So was Billy sorry. His feet are so cold now he has used up all the cariboo socks in the country trying to keep them warm. The last I saw of Billy Gorham he was pulling in house logs with a team of five dogs. Dogs, by the way, are a drug on the market; you can't give them away. Vergne Casley is running a roadhouse in Coldfoot. The day I was there I saw five men at the bar at one time, said to have been the biggest crowd in the place for a year. May Walker, Edith Montrose and Maud West are in Coldfoot busily engaged in holding down a town lot each.

"I walked out alone and was glad to get away, though had it not been for my one dog I undoubtedly would have perished on the divide. I ran into a blizzard that was a fright, lost the trail and in a last extremity tied my mitten string around the dog's neck and told him to mush. Fortunately he found the trail again and we got out all right, though I never would have done so had it not been for the dog's sagacity. When I left Coldfoot all I took with me was some fried bacon and a pan of biscuit I got from Billy Devine. Had no other grub, no blanket or no axe. Knowing there were many people coming in via the Chandelar I took my chances in meeting some on every night with whom I could camp. I missed calculations one day, however, and was all of one day and night with nothing to eat. Found an old camping place where some wood had been left over a few days before, and there I remained all night. Had to sit up and keep the fire going in order to keep warm.

"The first party I met after leaving Coldfoot was Frank Potts, Wally Brown and "Tex" McLroy, 20 miles out. They were all shot to pieces and their bank roll looked like 30 cents. Tom Rockwell and George Noble I met at the mouth of Flat creek, 110 miles from Coldfoot. They were in bad shape as their horses were about gone, having been three days making ten miles before I met them. Archibald I met on the Chandelar 30 miles from the Yukon. Fay I found at Circle laid up for repairs. His wheel had proven a frost on the lower river trail and he was feeling pretty blue. H. N. Coleman was passed on the Yukon near Charley river.

"Regarding the outlook for the Koyukuk, it don't look good to me from a mining standpoint. The camp seems to be more of a sniping proposition than anything else. You are liable to turn over a boulder and find a \$500 nugget and then again you may turn over forty million more and not find a color."

Mr. McCrea had as traveling companions from Eagle, P. D. Willis, agent of the N. A. T. & T. Co. at Eagle, J. Wesley Young, from Rampart, and Ben Downing, the veteran mail man. They made the trip from Eagle, 104 miles, in two days. Mr. McCrea brought out a quantity of mail from Coldfoot.

Staples, Canned Goods, Coal, Lumber and Feed Favored as Special Commodities.

Agent J. H. Rogers, of the White Pass road, while he has as yet not received the classification of this year's tariff, is making contracts with all who may desire to ship over his line this season. Just prior to Mr. Rogers' departure for the inside several weeks ago a new classification for this year was completed and he succeeded in securing a type-written copy, but it is not at liberty to use as he has since been advised that it has been subject to revision, in consequence of which a considerable modification has been made. In speaking of this year's classification, Mr. Rogers said:

"I am expecting the new tariff on every mail and until it arrives and a comparison is made with the copy I now have I can not tell just what alterations have been made. As you probably know, goods this year will all come under three classes, "A," "B," and "C," where last year there were four. Another innovation is the number of special commodity rates which will provide a greatly reduced rate on certain articles. For instance there is the special commodity rate on staples of \$65 a ton, the lowest rate that has so far been quoted. Just what will be included under that rate I of course cannot tell until the new classification is received, but from its title one might infer the class of goods it will cover, heavy freight that will stow well and is easily handled, such as sugar, flour, salt, soap, etc.

"Canned goods also take a special commodity rate of \$70 a ton and as the name implies includes fruits, vegetables and meat products packed in tins. A special commodity will be provided for coal, of which, of the blacksmith's variety, there is a great deal shipped into the country, but what the figures will be I do not know, they as yet not having been sent me. There will also be a special commodity on lumber which will permit of the importation of Puget Sound fir at a figure which builders will be enabled to pay, and feed will likewise be specially favored, though what the rates will be I have not yet been advised.

"Class A will cover such articles as hams and bacon in casks or barrels, evaporated fruit in boxes, blankets in bundles, small mining machinery that can be handled easily, hardware, nails, etc., the rate being \$75.

"Class B takes a rate of \$85 and will include the harder class of perishable goods such as potatoes, onions, etc.

"Class C is \$100 a ton and covers eggs, apples in boxes, cranberries, lemons, oranges, etc. You will understand, of course, that the classification that I am giving you is in a way problematical and must not be taken as absolutely authentic. The different articles I have enumerated are as they are classified upon my typewritten copy, and that as I have said has been modified and might include some of the very commodities I have mentioned. In addition to the three regular rates, classes B and C will have several subdivisions, such as B₁, B₂ and B₃, and the same with the C class. The highest rate quoted this year on any articles is C₁, which is \$250 a ton. Last year some things took a rate as high as \$480. After a most careful consideration of this year's tariff I find that the reduction will average about 35 per cent."

"How about passenger rates?" was queried.

"I have not received the new passenger tariff, either," was the reply, "but I do not look for any very great reduction in the first class fare. Last year the through fare from Puget Sound and British Columbia points was \$105 and this year I imagine it will be about \$100. That is upon a basis of \$30 to Skagway, \$20 to Whitehorse and \$50 here. It has been intimated to me that the railroad fare would have been reduced very materially, but the government in regulating the rates has allowed the charge of \$19.98 from Skagway to Whitehorse and it probably will remain at \$20. One thing, however, I am informed will be done

THE SECOND CONTINGENT

Cigar Store Women in Court Today

Eighteen Have Paid \$50 and Cost Since Yesterday—More to Follow.

The second contingent of cigar store women were before Judge Macaulay this morning, making a total of 18 for yesterday and today. All those up this morning followed, the example of those arraigned yesterday and pleaded guilty to the charge of being inmates of houses of ill-fame. A fine of \$50 and costs was imposed in each case. Those in court this morning were: Paulette Barge, Rein Semen and Alice Carmon of Third avenue; Gwilla Barge of Second avenue; Augustine Dubois, Margaret Grochier and Marie Lambert of Queen street.

There are supposed to be a dozen or fifteen alleged cigar stores yet to be investigated and their inmates will probably be asked to appear in court tomorrow. Thus far all the 18 women fined have paid the amounts and smilingly departed from the temple of justice.

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which will be of special interest to the working classes, and that is the establishment of a second class rate of somewhere near \$60. That will enable people of limited means to go outside or come in where now they may feel they can not afford it."

New Townsite.

Victoria, April 4.—J. W. Ladd, manager of the Sereta Iron Mining Company of the West Coast, arrived in the city yesterday by the noon train and registered at the Dominion.

This morning Mr. Ladd, in an interview, stated that the work on these properties was progressing favorably. Surveyors have been at work for some time past in laying out a townsite at the mouth of the Sereta, and also preparing a route for a proposed railway from the iron mines to the townsite. John Braden and Capt. Thomson are those interested in the former scheme, while the railway is to be built by the Pacific Steel Company for the transportation of their ore. The same company also intend erecting wharfs and other necessary equipment for the shipping of ore. Messrs. Braden and Thomson are receiving inquiries regarding the sale of lots.

At present Mr. Ladd says that things from a mining standpoint of the coast are rather quiet. The shutting down of Hayes mine has in a measure put a damper on mining in that locality, but in spite of this year there will be a larger amount of work done than ever before. He states that as yet there is not enough ore being mined to warrant the establishment of a smelter nor a furnace. In reference to the latter, he said, however, that Mr. Swaney's plans for the future include the building on the west coast of an iron furnace as soon as business was brisk enough to make it pay. The Pacific cable station is one of the most busy points on the coast at present. Out-houses have been erected and the work on the main buildings is about to commence.

Referring to the proposed railroad from the Sereta iron properties to the new townsite, Mr. Ladd stated that the company was now looking for parties to do the construction work, and as soon as arrangements could be made operations would commence.

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