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The Nugget Circulates From Skagway to Nome.

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CHARGES DISMISSED

Crown Has no Evidence in Percentage Cases

Women Testify to Never Refusing to Drink When Invitation is Extended.

In the police court this morning, the Justice Macarlay presiding, the "percentage" charges against Nelson

of the Bonanza, and Krelling & Cook of the Del Monte, were all dismissed on the evidence of the crown

which was of a very mild nature, the witnesses in the most part being

of remarkably short mem- ory. The case against Joseph Crahen

was first called, the charge being extended to fix the date of the of- fence on April 4 instead of on

April 5 and for two weeks previous to that date" as originally charged, the specific charge being

that on April 4 the defendant Crahen did allow percentage on drinks to females in his place of business.

In the four cases upwards of half the legal lights of Dawson were employed and as the cases were more or less similar all the lawyers to a certain extent took a hand in all the cases and the result was that objec- tions were raised in a regular chorus

every time. Mack Alcock was the first witness in the Crahen case. He is a detec- tive in the service of the N. W. M. P. and said that on the night of

April 4th he was out looking for evidence against saloon men whom he suspected of paying percentage to women for drinks sold. He with a

young man named Haddock had entered Crahen's place shortly before twelve o'clock of the night in ques- tion when he had seen a waiter serv- ing drinks to girls in a box and had

seen four checks laid down on the bar and had heard the waiter call out to the bartender the names John Mitchell, Annie Merrill, Nellie Kirk and Nellie James. (If Darling Gray had not been taken away she would probably have been there, says Alcock who was not cross ques- tioned.)

"The Ernest Haddock," a fair-faced, well-mannered youth, was the next witness but his evidence was not particularly different from that of Alcock and he also was retired with- out being cross-examined.

Ben Rapp, a waiter at the Exchange was next called but he knew nothing of percentage arrangements. His work is to serve drinks in boxes.

Miss Kirk testified that she is a street hall singer, that she drinks with everyone who asks her and, in fact, never refuses a drink. The motion by Sergeant Smith, who by way of conducting the prosecution of the cases, as to how she was paid for her services under the Ex- change brought Attorney Hagel to his feet with an objection to the fact that by answering the question the witness would incriminate her- self. He cited authority to sustain his point and the court enlarged the hour for one week. In the meantime the point raised will be considered.

The Monte Carlo case was next called. Detective Alfred Thomas be- came the first witness. He said that on the first witness. He said that on the first witness. He said that on the first witness.

she was certain that she never de- clined an invitation to drink.

Fred Knapstein who looks after the pool tables, gasoline lamps and some- times serves drinks in the boxes of the Monte Carlo, had no knowledge of any percentage being paid to Nora Pond. Sometimes the kind- hearted Fred loaned her money. He had no specific recollection of what happened the night in question fur- ther than of Detective Thomas being refused admittance after the closing hour. Knapstein's evidence closed the case for the crown and as no case had been made out, the charge was at once dismissed.

The Bonanza and Del Monte cases were also heard and dismissed, there being no evidence of a convicting nature introduced.

Choice cooking butter—60 lbs. to case, \$18—Ahler & Forsha's.

RUSSIA'S ADVANTAGE

Will not Surrender Rights to Manchuria

Which Were Bought at Expense of Both Money and Blood.

Special to the Daily Nugget. Washington, April 27.—Senator Beveridge on Manchuria says: "Russia is not going to give up the dominion which her money and soldiers' blood transformed from a region of savagery to a region of law and order."

Russia has 175,000 men within striking distance of Japan. If Russia permanently retains Manchuria the czar is made master of the whole eastern situation and Japan thereby loses the advantage. It will be hard indeed for her to ever again over- come. The matter is of perfect indif- ference to the United States who con- trols Manchuria so long as her ports are open to our goods."

SLUICING BEGINS

Today marks the beginning of the sluicing season for the present year. All day yesterday the hills and gulches along the various creeks were contributing small rivulets to the main streams and by 3 o'clock in the afternoon a comfortable sluice head was running upon nearly every creek in the district.

Plans were therefore made by many claim owners and laymen to begin shovelling today and at 2 o'clock this afternoon a considerable aggregate number of men were so employed.

On Bonanza a number of men were reported shovelling in at 1 above and at other places along the lower creek as far down as 85 below.

On Dominion Geo. Smith began sluicing on 27 below upper discovery yesterday at 2 in the 20s and on 16 below upper general sluicing will begin tomorrow. On 7 above lower they are sluicing and those interested are very hopeful. On this and other claims great preparations are being made for summer work. On 6 above lower Arthur Lewin began sluicing yesterday.

On Sulphur Crowley & McBride are sluicing at 2 below, Lund & Co. on 1 below, and Joe Roberts on 17 above. They are also sluicing on 32 above and on 17 below. On lower Sulphur but little water is running although there is sufficient for a small sluice- head on 35.

A telephone message from 27 Gold Run says that several laymen above that point began sluicing this afternoon although as yet water is not plentiful. Chute & Wills will not begin active sluicing operations until next week.

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HORRIBLE ATROCITIES REPORTED

Gen Miles Makes Report as to What He Has Seen and Heard in Phillipine Islands—Accuses Officers and Men of American Army of Com- mitting Many Outrages.

Special to the Daily Nugget. Washington, April 27.—A hideous report is made by Gen. Miles on atrocities alleged to have been per- formed in the Philippines by United States army officers and men, in one case the black hole of Calcutta is said to have been equalled. Miles says in going from Calamba to Ba- tangas in November he noticed that the country had been devastated and the people were much depressed.

At Lipa a number of citizens, headed by the acting president, stated that they desired to complain of harsh treatment. They had been con- centrated in towns and suffered great indignities.

They said that fifteen people had been tortured by what is known as the water torture and a highly re- spected citizen, aged 65, named Vin- cente Luna, while suffering from the effects of the torture became uncon- scious. He was dragged from a house which had been set on fire, and was burned to death. They state that similar atrocities were com- mitted by a company of scouts in com- mand of Lieut. Hennessy and that

their people had been crowded into towns, six hundred being confined in one building.

Doctor Parry is ready to testify that some of the six hundred died of suffocation. Miles looked at the building which is one story in height and eighteen to twenty feet wide and possibly sixty feet long. He asked for a written statement to be forwarded to Manila but never received it.

Miles then refers to other cases on the island of Cebu. Capt. Samuels of the 11th infantry and Lieut. Fear- er of the 19th infantry committed similar atrocities.

Also it is reported at Laaga, a town of Luzon, that two natives had been whipped to death.

At Taeloban Lieut. Major Glenn or- dered Lieut. Caulfield, of the Philip- pine scouts, to take eight prisoners into the country and if they did not guide him to the camp of Insurgent forces he was not to bring them back. The eight either did not, or could not do as directed. One who had a son among the scouts was spared, but the others while tied together

were all murdered by being shot to death. Lieut. Caulfield, civilian scouts Ramos, Preston, Corn and McKee were participants.

At Calbayog, Samar, it was re- ported that several men were sub- jected to the water torture. General Miles saw three of them. One was the president of the town, Rozales, who showed long deep scars on his arm, caused by cords with which he had been bound cutting into the flesh. Major Glenn, Lieut. Conger and a party of assistant native scouts moved from place to place for the purpose of extorting statements by means of torture. They became so notorious that the party was called "Glenn's brigade."

"Whether it is possible for officers to be engaged in such acts, con- cludes General Miles, "without per- sonal knowledge on the part of the general upon whose staff they were serving, namely Brigadier General Hughes, I leave to others to con- sider. These facts came to my notice in a casual way and many others of a similar character were reported."

WILL ESTABLISH STAMP MILL

Owners of Violet Group of Quartz Claims Will Lose No Time in Placing Machinery Upon Their Property—Assays Recently Taken Have Shown Splendid Values—Shaft Sunk in Past Few Weeks Struck Ledge at Depth of 54 Feet

A greatly reawakened interest has lately taken place among local quartz miners and claim owners owing to the plans which are under way by the owners of the Violet group located on the ridge at the head of Ophir creek.

For some time past the company has had a crew of eight men working on their ground sinking a shaft and doing other prospecting work.

The shaft was begun at a distance of 60 feet from the ledge which was struck at a depth of 54 feet. Assays made from the rock taken at the depth mentioned show \$78 to the ton which has created a very jubilant feeling among the gentlemen who are interested in the property.

The ledge which is a solid forma- tion from the surface, runs down be- tween walls of porphyry and schist. The ore is free milling and from the values already shown will pay hand- somely from the start. The immedi- ate plans of the owners of the group, contemplate the installation of a ten stamp mill within the next few weeks. The shaft now being sunk was run at that expectation and by the time the machinery can be placed on the ground, everything will be in readiness for work.

It is stated that the company has had in view the idea of locating a mill on the property for some time and the assays made in the last week gave final determination to their in- tentions.

The same ledge which occurs on the Violet group has also been traced along the ridge for a distance of three miles or more, running in a generally southeasterly and northwesterly di- rection. A number of other claims have been staked along the ledge which frequently crops to the surface and the owners of all of them are feeling highly elated at the showing made on the Violet.

It is not unlikely that plans will be under way very shortly for the loca- tion of one or more other mills in the same locality.

Fresh Kodak Films, all sizes, at Goetzman's, 128 Second avenue.

Choice cooking butter—60 lbs. to case, \$18—Ahler & Forsha's.

STRIKE ON SULPHUR CREEK

Word was received in Dawson by telephone today announcing a strike among the laborers on Sulphur creek.

The first intimation of a pending difficulty came yesterday when a gang of 12 men employed on Harris & Comers' claim No. 30 below threw down their shovels and quit work. They are asking for \$5 per day and

board and state that they will not return to work until their demands are complied with.

The prevailing wage on Sulphur has been \$4 per day and board. There has been a tremendous volume of activity on Sulphur during the winter and several hundred men are employ- ed. It is stated that the demand for

increased wages is quite likely to be- come general over the entire creek.

The men who have gone out are confident that they will be able to bring the claim operators to terms. The latter have made no statement of their case as yet beyond saying that there are many far more applicants for work than jobs.

WM. DRUMMOND DEAD

Funeral Will be Held Thursday at 2 p. m.

William E. Drummond, of whose illness from consumption mention has frequently been made in the past few weeks, died at his home on King street near Fifth avenue at 11:15 o'clock this forenoon. The body was taken to the undertakers to be pre- pared for burial. It will be returned to the family home from which place the funeral will be held Thurs- day at 2 p. m. Mr. Drummond was a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles and of the International Printers' Pressmen. He leaves a wife and two children, who were with him during his harrowing sick- ness.

BOUNDARY QUESTION

What Correspondents Think of Matter

Said That Visible Monuments Will be Erected by United States Government.

Special to the Daily Nugget. Ottawa, April 27.—What will be the result of the boundary commis- sion in Alaska and preparations for cable laying Washington correspondents of Canadian newspapers portend trouble over the Alaska boundary. One says: "It has been predicted time and again that neither side will yield and as a result of the coming negotiations, the boundary commis- sion, being composed of an equal number on each side will become hopelessly deadlocked. In such an event, the government of the United States will proceed to place visible marks along the geographical line which divides Alaska from British possessions. Moreover it is stated that the United States government will take no cognizance of protests, however vigorous, which may be made by the British government. The president has said repeatedly that no single inch of American territory will be yielded. Of course he trusts implicitly that none of the three members of the present commis- sion, on the American side, will vote for the Canadian contention.

Longest Eruption. Kingstown, St. Vincent, April 3.—The last eruption of the volcano Soufriere was the longest and, consid- ered geologically, the most interest- ing. It lasted from March 21 until the morning of March 30. The volcano became again active on the night of March 30, when a startling phenomenon was witnessed, the crater appearing like an electric arc, be- ing reflected upon the mountains of clouds. The Soufriere continues to show signs of disturbance.

The agricultural officer represents that the "district to windward re- sembles the surroundings of a gas- works. The young vegetation is again obliterated by cinders from the volcano. A dozen different kinds of ejecta were thrown out during 1902 eruption.

Eastman Kodaks, \$10 each. Just over the ice at Goetzman's, 128 Second avenue.

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In New Location The Bonanza Market, George Mar- ppe proprietor, moves one block near- er the river today. The new quarters being in the room formerly occupied by the Bay City Market just opposite the N. C. Office building. The new quarters have been handsomely re- fitted and are much more commodious than those just vacated.

WANTED—An experienced hand- saw filer. No other need apply. Klondike Mill Co.

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DISCOVERY RECORDED

Rich Find is Made on Last Chance

Right Limit of the Creek at 8 Above Was the Scene of a Healthy Stampede.

Last Chance taken as a whole has always been considered one of the richest creeks in the territory, outside of Eldorado and some portions of Bonanza; the pay not only rising uniformly in the creek but also in the left limit hillsides and benches. All the pups, too, entering from the same limit carry pay, many of them being worked as far back from the main creek as a mile or two. The right limit of Last Chance, however, has been considered worthless, nothing having ever been found to reward the prospector who have been burrowing into the hill here and there for the past several years. Today a different tale is told and some Swedes who made the discovery on Saturday are the happiest men on the creek. The discovery was made by a man named Bergland on the hillside adjoining 8 above on the right limit. As soon as he was positive that his find was of some consequence he put his friends wise to the fact and today there were ten who appeared at the placer re- cording window and obtained record for their claims. It is all virgin ground, never before having been staked and there are others who will be in either this afternoon or tomor- row over twenty claims having been staked within the space of a couple of hours.

Bergland nor none of his compan- ions could be induced to say anything in regard to the strike that had been made, but from the look of satisfac- tion on their faces it is considered safe to assume that it is pretty good, otherwise it would not be in keeping with the previous record of Last Chance. Bergland has been quietly working on his prospect for several weeks and no one imagined but that he had located and recorded the claim. Whether the pay extends back into the benches as is the case on the other limit of the creek remains to be determined. It is a noteworthy fact that the strike just made is in almost the same locality on the right limit that the first strike made dur- ing the winter of '98 in the benches was on the left limit, the latter hav- ing been in the second tier bench ad- joining the upper half of 9 above. At that time the claim the farthest up the creek that was being worked was 5 above. This winter and also last winter claims as far up as 30 above and also those on the right fork and on Fifteen pup yielded handsomely. Last Chance has proven by far to be the richest pup licker can boast of.

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OPPOSED TO A DEAL

With Germany in Rail- way Coustruction

Ex-Minister Tarte Has Been Offer- ed a Seat in British Commons.

London, April 4.—The Spectator
and The National Review are alarm-
ed by the rumors that the German
Emperor is making a determined ef-
fort to induce the British govern-
ment to co-operate in the construc-
tion of the Bagdad railway.

OFFER TO MR. TARTE.
It is reported here that Hon. J. I.
Tarte, lately Minister of Public
Works of Canada, has been offered a
parliamentary seat in the British House
of Commons, and has the matter
under consideration.

MEMORS REGARDING IRELAND.
London clubs are now alive with
rumors of sensational developments
in the Irish policy of the cabinet in
the direction of home rule, and de-
tails are actually published, of the
scheme which the government is sup-
posed to have adopted for the estab-
lishment of a legislative council at
Dublin. These stories are evidently
speculative, and probably circulated
to influence Nationalist constituencies
favorably on the land bill.

NEW STEAMSHIP SERVICE.
Commencing on April 22 a new
monthly steamship service will be
operated by the Atlantic Transport
Line between Southampton and New
York.

ROOSEVELT'S SPEECH.
President Roosevelt's speech is re-
ported fully in the general press des-
patches, and commented upon favor-
ably as an authoritative exposition
of the policy of the United States
government. The passages dealing
with the interoceanic canal and the
development of United States naval
power are welcome as proofs that
America has gone out of favor, and
that action has taken the place of
passive suffering. The objection is
made by some writers that trouble
will arise whenever a European pow-
er finds itself powerless to obtain
redress in Spanish America by the
seizure of territory, and the "little
England" controversy is again
revived by the demand for a stronger
army when the Monroe doctrine has
been sanctioned by Britain and Ger-
many.

ART EXHIBITIONS.
The new English Art Club's spring
exhibition is chiefly remarkable for
the bold brush work of Chas. W.
Furse, the variety disclosed by W.
Hollenstein, the brilliant technique
of William Orpen on landscapes, and
the decorative panel by Wilson Steer.
Furse's large portrait of Mrs. Oliver
and her two children is an ambitious
bit of swag work, but it has vi-
vacity and artistic color—the scheme
of three figures in white, with lines
of black, being grouped ingeniously
about a large chair, upholstered in
green. There are a dozen interiors,
with young women standing, reading
or sewing, but Rothstein has set
a new style for imitation. His
"Shell's House" is a brilliant work,
with well painted figures of a man
and a girl at the foot of a rough
staircase. Wilson Steer's landscape,
"Golden Valley," is a sparkling
study in yellows and greens. The ex-
hibition is unusually varied and vig-
orous.

There is a large collection of
sketches by Alexander Williams
of the Modern Gallery, and a series
of suggestive little Italian land-
scapes painted by Maurice Hewlett's
traveling companion, J. Kerr Law-
son, at the Dowdeswell gallery.

THE NEW BOOKS.
Among the new books reviewed
are Bishop Westcott's Life,
by James Martineau; Mr.
Pear's "Destruction of the
Empire," and Luigi Riccio's
"Vota Nuova." Percy
Rowland has completed a new
book, entitled, "Federalized Aus-
tralia." There will be an English edi-
tion of Nemo Weddington's book, and
of F. Kirby, dealing with butter-
flies and moths. The publishers' list
of fiction reveals few new names.

MR. WYNDHAM'S SPEECH.
London, April 4.—Mr. Wyndham in
his speech at Manchester last night
did not hold out any hope that the
Government intend to round off Irish
legislation by introducing a hour's
bill, but he showed clearly
enough that it was their aim to en-
courage everything that might tend
to Ireland's material prosperity.
The country, he said, did not enjoy
the opportunities which were at the
disposal of other parts of the em-
pire. The last fifty or sixty years
of this age of steam and coal had
not been happy or profitable for Ire-
land, deprived as she was of mineral
wealth. Was it right, he asked,
that Englishmen, who were finding
opportunities in South Africa, should
which removed this steady shrink-
age in Ireland, embittered by litiga-
tion, which they had given her as a
remedy, a remedy which had proved
more than the disease? Apart

WOULD DEPOSE CHINESE EMPEROR

Savior of Star Route

Washington, April 11.—There were
two important developments today in
the investigation of the affairs of the
postoffice department. The first was
the filing of charges that advance in-
formation has been furnished to wag-
on manufacturers regarding rural
routes, and the other was the issue
of an order to Postmaster Van-
cote, of New York, directing him to
hold up all of the promotions and
extra clerk allowance cases recently
announced for the New York service
for the next fiscal year.

Fresh charges were filed by a west-
ern establishment engaged in the man-
ufacture of vehicles, alleging that
competing houses had received the
benefit of advance information regard-
ing rural free delivery routes and the
appointment of rural free delivery
carriers. The charges allege that the
complaining company, upon the an-
nouncement of appointment of rural
carriers, gave instructions to their
agents in the sections to negotiate
with them for the sale of wagons,
buggies or other vehicles for use in
performing the postal service, and
that in a number of cases cited the
agents made reply that the carriers
had previously procured their outfits,
it is alleged, several weeks before.
It is also asserted that in one instance
cited a representative of a certain
factory was accompanied on the route
by the regular carrier thereof, the
latter advising and urging the sale of
the articles offered by the commer-
cial representative. The complainant
says in the charges that the conditions
cited "savor of the star route meth-
ods of twenty or twenty-five years
ago."

When the attention of Acting Post-
master General Wynne was called to
these charges he refused to discuss
them, but admitted that they had
been filed, and would be turned over
to the inspectors for consideration.
An order issued today by Acting
Postmaster General Wynne directs the
postmaster at New York to with-
hold any action on promotions and
other allowances recently ordered,
and to return certain of these cases.
The full list of promotions to be
made in the New York office will not
be finally made up until the cases are
thoroughly investigated. Postmaster
Vancote will be held responsible for
any promotions that he indorses, and
any not indorsed by him in the usual
way will not be allowed to go
through. There were seventy-six pro-
motions and an allowance of 300 ad-
ditional clerks, at \$600 per annum.

In connection with the investigation
an apparently routine order of the
acting postmaster general issued to-
day, regarding the initialing of mail,
is significant. The order directs that
hereafter chiefs of divisions and bu-
reaux shall check by initials the mail
which has to be passed upon by the
first assistant postmaster general and
that none of these subordinates shall
have the right to delegate to a clerk
or any person the right to use such
initial in checking communications.
This action is intended to hold the
person affixing the initial to a res-
ponsibility for the parcel so checked,
instead of permitting an official to
let another affix his signature, with
the possible disclaimer on the ground
that it was signed by another.

Winnipeg Arrivals
Winnipeg, April 3.—The city is
crowded with English immigrants,
who have arrived during the past
three days. They are gradually drift-
ing to outside points, as the demand
for help is still good. About three
hundred new settlers arrived today.
Three hundred and twenty-five pas-
sengers and fifty-four cars of settlers'
effects passed through North Portal
yesterday, the majority being destine
d for 300 line points.

The immigration building here is
crowded to the limit of its capacity,
and the question of accommodation is
already an urgent one. In view of
the still greater influx to be expect-
ed by the middle of the month, the
department has provided tents, prop-
erly floored and otherwise fitted for
use as soon as it is impossible to re-
ceive all who come in the two immi-
gration buildings.

While it is true that the number of
immigrants daily arriving is unprece-
dentedly large, it is true also that
they are being handled with a de-
spatch hitherto unknown even in the
hustling immigration department.
Farmers are writing in scores daily
to the department asking for "strong
young Britishers, who desire to learn
the system of agriculture practiced in
the Canadian west. Owing to this
brisk demand the applications are
filled from the ranks of the daily ar-
riving immigrants with much speed.

"Mehitabel," said Archibald, "now
that we are engaged we should have
no secrets from each other, should
we, dear?"
"No," replied Mehitabel, after she
had assured herself that her mother
was not listening in the next room.
"Well, then," he said, "do please
tell me just how old you are."
"With pleasure," said Mehitabel.
"But first, Archibald, please tell me
just how much you get a week."
Archibald pondered. His mind ran
ahead over the future.
"Forgive me, Mehitabel," he re-
sponded; "it was none of my busi-
ness to ask."—TIT-BITS.

Power of Attorney Blanks for the
Tanana—Nugget Office.

WOULD DEPOSE CHINESE EMPEROR

Shanghai, April 3.—Advices receiv-
ed here from Foucheng province of
Hupei, say that a large detachment
of Hunanese troops arrived at Fouch-
eng by water, March 12, on their way
to Sianfu, province of Shensi. This
is regarded here as being a confirma-
tion of the rumors that Prince Tuan
and General Tungtsiang have sent
an ultimatum to the dowager-empress
insisting on the deposition of the em-
peror and the enthronement of Puch-
un, formerly heir apparent, and that
otherwise they will make the provin-
ces of Shensi and Kansu a separate
kingdom, with Sianfu as the capital.

In connection with the accompany-
ing Shanghai despatch, it is interest-
ing to note that Harper's Weekly of
this date contains an interview with
Count Cassini, the Russian ambas-
sador at Washington, in regard to
the situation. In part the count
said:

"The really formidable man is Gen-
eral Tungtsiang, who is acting in
harmony with Prince Tuan. I think
the real danger will arise at the
death of the empress dowager. She
is a great woman, a remarkable wom-
an, and one who has been often
misjudged and harshly criticized in
the west. It seems that the course of
the present dynasty is nearly run.
The life of a dynasty in China is
about two hundred years, and then
there always comes a change, an in-
vasion or a revolution. The Manchus
have already outstayed their time.
They have been rulers of China for
two hundred and fifty years. And
the empress dowager is an old woman,
especially in China, where great age
is very seldom reached. She cannot
live much longer now, and with her
death will begin a period of trouble
ending, I think, in the establishment
of a new dynasty."

The interviewer asked Count Cas-
sini whether he thought General
Tungtsiang would try to place
Prince Tuan's son upon the throne,
or, on the other hand, would merely
use him as a temporary puppet, and
afterwards come out boldly as found-
er of a new dynasty himself.
"It is very difficult for us to judge,"
he replied, "but Tungtsiang is a
very dangerous man. He is a Moham-
medan, and the Mohammedans in
China, who form a large section of
the population, especially in the
western provinces, are a great power
a much greater power than is gener-
ally understood. There is where the
real danger lies."

A New Line
Toronto, April 7.—The C. P. R.
has never been entirely satisfied
with its arrangements with the G.
T. R. for reaching Toronto from the
northwest over the northern division
of the G. T. R., and, in fact, a few

years ago, during the war of rates,
threatened to build a connecting line
of its own. An application just
made to parliament looks as if the
project was revived. Mr. L. T.
Barclay of Whitby and others are ap-
plying for authority to construct
and operate a railway or tramway
from a point at South Bay, on Lake
Nipissing, in a general southwesterly
and southerly direction, to some
point or points on the Georgian
Bay, thence to Lake Simcoe, and a
point on the C. P. R. in the coun-
ties of Dufferin, Peel or York; also
from the Georgian Bay to a point or
points on the C. P. R. between Myr-
le and Peterboro; also from South
Bay, via Callendar, to North Bay.
A glance at the map shows that the
plan is really to connect the C. P.
R. main line at North Bay with the
Ontario & Quebec division near Pet-
erboro, by which easy access would
be had to Toronto. It is reported
at Ottawa that the C. P. R. is be-
hind the application of Mr. Barclay.
He also gives notice that application
will be made at the present session
of parliament for an act to incorpo-
rate a lumber, power and navigation
company, for carrying on in Parry
Sound district, and also throughout
Canada and elsewhere, the business
of lumbering and manufacturing of
all timber and pulp products, oper-
ating and dealing in mines and min-
erals, and also generating electricity
for light and power purposes.

LOOKED UNINVITING
Another Tanana Musher Returns
Weary to Dawson.
A young man named Youmans who
left here in March for the Tanana
with little birds singing in his
heart and visions of yellow, glitter-
ing gold pinned on the prospective,
returned, Friday night, the visions
having faded away like morning dew
from an Early York cabbage or a
Mother Hubbard squash vine.
Mr. Youmans does not say there is
no gold at Tanana but he does say
the pay-streak has not yet been lo-
cated. He also says that Captain
Barnett would meet a warm recep-
tion if he was to arrive back in
Tanana one of these bright spring
days. On the way out Youmans met
a great many on the way to
"Dockey" Medill with Rudy's Amer-
ican Drug Company was within a
short distance of the town of Fair-
banks. Youmans left Tanana six
days after Alef Coats had stopped
a 38 calibre bullet. He was still
living with fair chances for recovery.

Wants to Know.
Dawson, Y. T., April 27.
Editor Nugget—
Dear Sir—I beg space in your
paper to submit two questions to
the men we elected to office:
1. Do you favor the lien law or
not?
2. If not, why don't you state
your objections?
Now, if I receive no answer
through the columns of this paper,
you leave me as well as others un-
der the impression that you have
judged yourselves falsely. Yours,
HARRY ALLEN.

A Pathetic Plea
Newark, N. J., April 6.—Annie M.
Hildebrande, the young trained nurse
of Orange, who was recently con-
victed of having shot and severely
wounded Bernard J. McCallam at
Orange, was today sentenced to six
months' imprisonment in the county
jail. When arraigned for sentence
she asked that she be sent to prison
for life, saying her life had been
ruined, and she might as well spend
what remained of it in jail. She
fainted after sentence had been pro-
nounced.

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Ladies Trimmed Hats. It would take this
entire paper to describe them. The As-
sortment is so varied. We would be pleas-
ed to have you Look at this Stock. They
range in Price from \$2.50 to \$35. . . .

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Loyal to Her Sex
New Orleans, April 11.—Mrs. Kate
Woolsey, of Covington, Ky., author
of "Republics vs Women," has writ-
ten a letter resigning membership in
the organization of the Daughters of
the American Revolution, of which
she was a charter member. She
says, in part:
"When I joined the Daughters of
the American Revolution I was un-
der the impression that the fathers
of the republic intended to include
my sex as units of power in the gov-
ernment. I have since learned the
error of such belief, and it is on
this account that I sever my rela-
tions with you."
"As I feel it would be a want of
self-respect in women to honor fam-
ers of the blood who had repudiated
and disinherited them, so I feel it is
inconsistent with the highest self-
esteem to belong to a society the
purpose of which is, chiefly to honor
the fathers of a government who
have repudiated and disinherited my
sex."

ALL ON WHEELS.
Stages Discard Runners for the
Season.
Stages running from the city to the
various creeks have all been mounted
on wheels and today for the first time
this season were seen minus their
runners which have been in such constant
use for the past six months. Those
running to Dominion, Sulphur and
Gold Run still transfer to sleds at
the foot of the divide, going back to
wheels again as soon as they reach
the bottom of the slope on the other
side. Unless the weather should turn
extremely warm such will continue
for at least a week or ten days yet.
Freight is still being moved at a
small extent on runners though wheels
have to be used until after the rivie
bridge has been passed. Freight
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