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MR. ROSS ARRIVES

Reaches Dawson Yesterday Evening in Private Conveyance From Whitehorse

AFTER A VERY PLEASANT JOURNEY.

Brought No New Government Orders From Ottawa

SAME ROYALTY EXEMPTIONS

Alleged Interview on Steamer a Canard—New Commissioner Makes Splendid Impression.

From Wednesday's Daily.
Hon. James Hamilton Ross, with the portfolio in his pocket for the commissionership of the Yukon territory, arrived in the city by private stage from Whitehorse at about 4:30 o'clock yesterday evening. He was accompanied by his private secretary, W. H. Harrison, of Glenora; Hugh McKinnon, who will be chief of the license bureau; P. T. Congdon, public administrator, legal adviser of the Yukon council and member ex officio of that body, and Mr. Nash, who is also to be a member of the government.

Mr. Ross accorded an interview to a number of press representatives at his room in the Hotel McDonald last night

after having dined as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. McDonald, F. C. Wade being a guest also. The new commissioner has the appearance of the typical western man of affairs, the congressman so frequently met in the corridors of the Ebbitt, Willard and Arlington hotels of Washington City. Clear cut and straightforward in his conversation, he combines the astuteness of the man of experience with the outspoken candor of the typical westerner. Mr. Ross has probably lived a little more than half a century, much of which since he attained the years of manhood, has been in the Northwest territories with the growth, development and advancement of which he has been closely identified. For a long time he was a member and speaker of the Regina legislature and for the past six years has been a member of the Regina government in the capacity of territorial treasurer and commissioner of public works.

Mr. Ross brought with him no new orders from Ottawa concerning the government of the Yukon not previously received, further than that he brought the cheerful and very important information that no change in the exemptions in the matter of royalty collection was contained in the reduction order which order only substituted the words "five per cent" for the previous words "ten per cent." Mr. Ross is not aware that further reduction of the royalty is contemplated at Ottawa. Regarding an assay office at Vancouver he does not think it will be established, but he does think a government assay office for the assay of and purchase of gold will be a future Dawson institution and that while the selling of dust to it would not be compulsory, an export tax would be otherwise imposed and the result would be that the bulk of gold mined in the district would find its way to the local assay office. "However," said Mr. Ross, "I have no suggestions to offer at present, nor will I have until I have been here sufficiently long to size up the situation."

Regarding the alleged telegram in a certain Dawson paper to the effect that on the boat from Juneau to Skagway he had informed a fellow passenger that he favored wide open gambling in Dawson Mr. Ross said, "I would not be apt to make any such remark, nor did I do so." Continuing he said: "The conditions here regarding the conduct of the city are, of course, different from outside cities, but I shall have nothing to say on local matters until I familiarize myself with the conditions."

Regarding local officials, assistants and clerks, Mr. Ross said he does not contemplate any changes. He has in Mr. Harrison his own private secretary, but Dr. J. N. E. Brown, clerk of the council and territorial secretary will be retained.

As to appropriations for the Yukon, Mr. Ross gave it as his opinion that the suggestions and requests made by Mr. Ogilvie in behalf of the district will be acted upon at this session of parliament and so soon as that order of business is reached, in which event upwards of \$100,000 will be available for district roads, while an equal amount will be available for buildings and other public improvements.

As to Yukon representation in parliament Mr. Ross thinks it but a short time when it will be granted by special act.

When asked if there is a likelihood of additional elective members of the Yukon council being provided for, Mr. Ross said he was not able to say, although the principle of popular election is a good one.

Mr. Ross stated that before leaving

Ottawa, which city he visited early in March, he was instructed to carefully investigate the matter of hydraulic mining concessions here and report fully thereon to headquarters. "And I hope," said he, "that my recommendations from here will carry with them some weight; otherwise I would not care to occupy the position I am to fill."

The granting of liquor permits for the Yukon will hereafter be in the hands of the commissioner.

As to taking his seat as commissioner, Mr. Ross will probably do so within a day or two. He said he realized that he is succeeding a good man and wished for himself that his official career in the Yukon may be as free from taint as has been that of Mr. Ogilvie. To him he paid a high tribute as a man and servant of the government. Mr. Ross' wife and children are now in Regina but will later come to Victoria where Mrs. Ross' parents reside

and after a few weeks visit there, will come to Dawson soon after the opening of navigation. Mr. Ross will probably remain at the Hotel McDonald for the present and possibly until the arrival of his family.

As a pleasant, approachable man who has the happy faculty of putting people at ease the first moment after meeting him, as a man of quick perception, clear insight, apparently broad-minded and ripe in experience with men and affairs, Mr. Ross can not do other than well and faithfully discharge the duties incumbent upon him as the highest official of the Yukon territory.

The new commissioner, Mr. J. H. Ross and his party including Mr. F. G. Congdon, public administrator and legal adviser; Mr. Hugh McKinnon, chief preventive officer of the license bureau and Mr. Nash, arrived in Dawson yesterday afternoon and are registered at the McDonald hotel.

FEAST OF LOVE, NIT

Local Strife and Petty Jealousies Found Place Yesterday

IN MEETING HELD IN B. OF T. ROOM

To Further Arrange for What Everybody Wants

RECEPTION TO J. H. ROSS.

Minutes of Previous Meeting Were Not Read—Committees Enlarged.

From Wednesday's Daily.
Behold, how good and pleasant
And how becoming well,
Together such as brethren are
In unity to dwell.

Some writer in the far-away, dim and distant past once wrote: "I had a dream that was not all a dream."

Yesterday evening there was a harmonious meeting which was not all harmony.

The object of the meeting was to hear reports of committees and otherwise further arrangements for extending to Hon. James Hamilton Ross, newly arrived commissioner of the Yukon territory, a fitting and suitable reception, and the only point on which the meeting was a unit was that the reception must be a success. But as to the manner of making it a success there were divers opinions, many men of many minds.

There are times when petty jealousies should be allowed to quietly slumber and when the rays reflected from broad-mindedness and liberality should penetrate the most selfish heart; but that time was not yesterday and, notwithstanding the fact that peace, harmony, unity of purpose, brotherly love and "All good boys together" was continuously counseled, the coating of whitewash was not sufficiently thick to conceal the rancor that glowed beneath and ever and anon burst forth like smoke from a burning slack pile.

At a meeting held on Saturday for the purpose of inaugurating the work of arranging a suitable reception the attendance was not so large as the matter in hand justified and this was taken by some to mean that snap action had been taken, news of the meeting had been imparted to but a select few and that it was not, therefore, representative; that all the people of Dawson are desirous of doing honor to the commissioner, but that a few had usurped the rights of the many. The foregoing points were raised by C. M. Woodworth who thought that the committees appointed at the Saturday meeting were not so pre-eminently representative of all classes as they should be; that a late election had shown Messrs. Wilson and Prudhomme to be the most popular men in the district and that neither was named on the committee of reception. Mr. Woodworth did not say so, but he hinted that there was a glaring possibility that the meeting on Saturday was not public, and as the secretary of Saturday's meeting did not show up with the minutes until yesterday's meeting was nearly over, and as

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WHAT WADE SAID

At the meeting held in the Board of Trade rooms yesterday Crown Prosecutor Wade was accused of attempting to place a slight upon the present Commissioner William Ogilvie, in the arrangements for the banquet to be tendered the new commissioner, Mr. Ross. Mr. Wade, with the use of language which would disgrace a bar-room loafer, denied the accusation.

The Nugget herewith presents for the information of the public the following statement:

On Sunday last Mr. Wade in response to a query as to the part Mr. Ogilvie would take in the coming banquet made the following reply in the presence of two representatives of this paper:

"G—d—old Bill. He will take no part. The Ottawa government has kicked him out without ever giving him formal notice. We will have nothing to do with him."

(Signed:) GEO. M. ALLEN.
E. J. WHITE.

GERMAIN FAILS

But Has Not Left the Country as Published.

B. F. Germain, proprietor of the restaurant on Second avenue, was reported this morning to have skipped out last night leaving behind an innumerable number of creditors. Such, however, is not a fact, at least as far as the former is concerned as he spent last night at Grand Forks, where, with some of his acquaintances he gave a dinner and otherwise enjoyed himself as becomes a man of an easy conscience and a plethoric purse.

Mr. Germain was told of the report circulated, he being interviewed by phone, and denied any intention on his part to leave the country adding that he would be down from the Forks this afternoon to face his slanderers and referred the Nugget man to his attorney for information relative to his business affairs.

Attorney Howden, who is acting for Germain, said:

"Germain is entirely out of the restaurant business owing to his venture not paying the past winter and has sold his interest to Mr. Doyle. I understand he has an offer to take charge of a theatrical venture or failing that he will probably go into the mining brokerage business. The present proprietor, I understand, does not assume the indebtedness of Germain, but I believe he will pay what he owes as soon as he can."

It is understood that family dissensions have been the cause of Germain leaving his place of business without notifying anybody of his departure and that papers are to be drawn up for a legal separation of Germain and his wife.

The Lighter.

Mistress—Bridget, I hope you don't light the fire with kerosene?
Cook—Not a bit, mum! Oi wets it down wid kerosene, an' lights wid a match.—Judge.

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

Kodaks bought and sold. Goetzman.

Fresh oysters. Selman & Myers.

Fresh eggs. Selman & Myers.

MATTERS ON THE CREEKS

Short Items of Happenings on Eldorado and Bonanza.

Dr. Cabbage, of Grand Forks, arrived in Dawson just in time Tuesday to take charge of a consignment of dental goods shipped from Whitehorse by the C. D. Co.

Mr. C. Berg, of 26 above Bonanza was shaking hands with his Dawson friends yesterday.

Mr. Jack Raymond, of Grand Forks, was in town on business Tuesday.

Mr. Gus Bay, of 3 Eldorado, came down on his wheel Wednesday.

Little Johnnie Collins, of American gulch, who was so severely bitten by a vicious dog two weeks ago, has almost entirely recovered.

Messrs. McGilvery and McKay who own large interests on lower Bonanza are putting in a flume 2500 feet in length, to carry ten sluice heads of water, to be used for sluicing up their big dumps this spring.

Mr. Frank Hudson, whose heroic conduct during the big fire of 1900 is still fresh in the minds of old sour doughs, was up the creeks Sunday looking after his mining interests.

A 40-horse power boiler and six-inch pump are being placed in position on Bonanza opposite Chechako Hill to sluice the dumps on Senator Lynch's claim this spring.

A pleasant dance was given at the Star roadhouse, 22 below Bonanza last Monday evening. Enough ladies were present to dance three sets, which gave those present an excellent opportunity to enjoy themselves.

Any kind of wine \$5 per bottle at the Regina Club hotel.

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AMES MERCANTILE COMPANY

GOLD DUST AS MEDIUM

Of Exchange Was Thoroughly Discussed Saturday Night.

AT MEETING OF BOARD OF TRADE

And General Expression That It Should be Retired

WAS SENSE OF THE MEETING

But Just How to Best Accomplish Desired Results Is Still an Open Question.

From Monday and Tuesday's Daily. The Board of Trade held a special meeting Saturday night for the consideration of the question of gold dust as a circulating medium. There were about 25 of the representative business men present and after a two-hours' discussion the following resolution was adopted:

It is the opinion of the Board of Trade that lawful money of Canada be the only medium of exchange in Dawson and that the chairman appoint a committee of five within three days to confer with miners and merchants as to the best time to enforce the retirement of gold dust, committee to report within two weeks to a special meeting called for the purpose of receiving the report.

There was a little hesitancy on the part of everyone with regard to opening the discussion, each desiring to hear his neighbor's views before giving his own, but when the ice was fairly broken each took a hand and the question was thoroughly discussed. Upon a call from the chair Mr. Fulda opened the discussion by saying:

"It seems to me that when any question of public interest is brought up for discussion people are very careful about committing themselves. The question which is before us now is one of great importance and we should proceed very slowly. There are a great many things to be considered in the question pro and con and it is for that purpose we are assembled here tonight. While I believe there are several objections to dust as a circulating medium and I consider the objections well taken, yet I don't believe we can dispense with it immediately. I think it would be wise to postpone definite action until after the arrival of the new governor who may have some instructions with regard to the subject. If we make a decisive move now there will be no retraction. There is one question we must consider: If we demand the immediate withdrawal of the dust, can we replace it?"

In reply to Mr. Fulda, Mr. Willis said:

"Mr. Fulda seems to be in some doubt as to the amount of currency necessary to replace the dust now in circulation. I can answer that by saying that there is enough currency now in Dawson to supply all the demand. The question to consider is: Do the people want to enforce the withdrawal of dust from circulation? If they do there is a statute which can be put into force."

Mr. Condon was asked to give the miners' views on the subject but said that he could not do that as he was not a miner, but he thought that gold dust, forced to be taken at any figure other than its actual value, as a medium of exchange was not the proper thing. He agreed with Mr. Willis when he said there was enough currency to supply the exchange for dust.

"The question," he said, "is one of personal bravery. The law on the statute books can be enforced at any time and by any one who would take the proper action to enforce it. It is more of a question of expediency which confronts us, whether it would not work an injustice to everybody to enforce it now while the contracts now outstanding are all for dust payments. I think it would be wise to wait until after the present settlement and then change the system."

Mr. J. H. Rogers, of the W. P. & Y. R., was called upon and said: "This is a subject which does not interest us. We demand currency payment and if everybody does the same that will settle the question."

Mr. Macaulay said: "We should

put some price at which gold dust be taken more to its actual value than the present. Let a committee be appointed from the Board of Trade to confer with a committee of business men to adopt some more equal value. The matter is entirely in the hands of the merchants and they can regulate it."

Mr. Mizner, speaking from the chair, said: "I hardly think that wiping out the dust from circulation or putting it below its present value would be fair to the miner. Dust now in circulation is not worth \$16 and it is worth more than \$15. Last fall there was an attempt made to reduce the price to \$15, but that was considered unfair to miners and it fell through. During a year's business we found that the average actual value of the dust received was \$15.40. At the present time we have a large amount of outstanding accounts payable in dust and I think it would be impossible to restrict it at the present time. We should, however, have an agreement for clean dust and not take anything else."

Captain Olson said: "If we are dealing in large amounts of dust it is an easy matter to clean it, but in small amounts it is a very difficult matter. The merchant here buys his goods outside and pays in currency; he has to pay his transportation and customs house charges in currency and when he has to sell his goods and take dust at \$16 he is losing money all the time. Dawson today is ripe for a currency basis and by giving a month's notice the change could be made very easily. The contracts now out do not affect the situation one particle for the dust which is paid on those contracts will be taken outside and minted without being put into circulation in either case."

Councilman Prudhomme was present and in response to a call from the chair said, "I do not think that there is any diversity of opinion on this point, that if we can get gold dust out of circulation without working an injustice to anyone that it will be a good thing."

"The establishment of a government inspector or assay office to buy the gold would I think be an absolute necessity."

Mr. Thos. O'Brien was asked his opinion and said: "In my opinion it would be very unfair to the miners to force this question on them without their opinion on the matter. The difficulty is that the miners would have to have their dust assayed. The big concern might take an unfair advantage of the small traders by buying dust from the miner and give them in exchange a certificate of value for the purchase of their outfits. I do not think it would be fair to compel the miners to sell their dust to anyone particular concern and that is what would happen if the dust were demonetized."

Mr. Condon took the floor and requested permission to make a few desultory remarks during which he said: "In the first place it is a misdemeanor to have gold dust on your person five miles from the claim. The miners have struck the key note when they say, 'Let us alone.' Make labor payable in currency and you have solved the question."

A representative miner was present who gave his opinion from the miners' standpoint but requested not to be quoted, therefore his name is not given, but he made a very strong talk for the miners, saying: "All the miners with whom I have talked, and the question has been very freely discussed, are very much in favor of the establishment of a currency basis. Never have I heard the expression 'let us alone,' which the gentleman speaking just before me quoted as current among the miners. Everyone realizes that when a man goes around town to buy goods and pays dust that there is always a shrinkage and when he gets through he hasn't in value of goods the amount of money he had with him when he started."

"There is also a feeling that when you buy goods and pay for them in dust you only get the actual amount of goods, which the dust is worth and that is \$15 to the ounce. Lots of the miners sell their dust and buy currency to do their trading just for these reasons. In my estimation and it is the opinion of all the miners with whom I have discussed the question that the establishment of currency as a medium of exchange would be very beneficial to the miners."

Mr. Willis made a statement as to the value of dust from the different creeks to show the percentage of miners who would be losers on the change. Bonanza dust runs from \$15.50 to \$17; Hunker \$17 to \$17.75; Hunker on the concession and Last Chance are low grade; Dominion is worth more than \$16; Sulphur is a little lower than Dominion; Gold Run and Eureka are about the same quality running more over \$17, so that according to the figures he said there was only a small percent-

age of the miners who would be the losers.

Capt. Olson here made a motion that it should be the sense of the meeting that the medium of exchange be currency.

This motion was discussed at considerable length and was finally amended to read as stated at the beginning of this article.

The meeting then adjourned subject to call from the president to hear a report of the committee.

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HOMER BIRD AT SKAGWAY

To be Tried Second Time for Murder of His Partners.

Skagway, April 6.—Homer Bird has just arrived here on the steamer Senator. He was sentenced at Juneau during the summer of '98 to be hanged at Sitka on September 21st of that year for the murder of his partners Herlin and Patterson at a point on the lower Yukon called Slaughter House Gulch, near Anvil that spring. The supreme court granted a new trial and the case is set for hearing here. The point to be argued is as to whether the case can be tried here or will it have to be tried in division No. 2, in which division the crime was committed.

Bird was first arrested on an island not far from Nome. At one time he broke jail and was at liberty for three weeks when Deputy U. S. Marshal Vawter offered a reward of \$500 for his apprehension. He was finally rearrested and taken to Sitka on the revenue cutter Bear.

MAY PROVE REALITY

Like King's Railroad Bill Alive and Active.

Skagway, April 8.—Thomas Birke, a business associate with Mike King was a passenger from Victoria on the Amur. He says that the bill for the Chilkoot and Lake Bennett Ry., which is being asked by Mike King, did pass its second reading and has also been endorsed by government caucus, but before it will pass to its third reading in the provincial legislature, its sanction must be granted from Ottawa. The same parties backing King in his enterprise have been granted a franchise to build 120 miles of road on Queen Charlotte island, work on the first 30 miles of which will begin at once.

TO RECEIVE MR. ROSS.

Proper Committees Appointed at Meeting Saturday.

As per announcement in the Daily Nugget of Saturday a meeting was held that afternoon to arrange for tendering to the new commissioner of the territory, Hon. J. H. Ross, a fitting reception shortly after his arrival in the city which will probably be about the middle of the present week.

The meeting was held in the Board of Trade rooms and, while not large, was composed of representative Canadian and American residents of Dawson. Thos. W. O'Brien presided as chairman and Attorney Tabor acted in the capacity of secretary. As it was the unanimous sense of the meeting that the new commissioner be duly recognized after his arrival, the following resolution introduced by Attorney W. E. Burritt and seconded by J. P. McLennan passed:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this meeting that a banquet be tendered Gov. J. H. Ross upon his arrival in Dawson, and that a committee be appointed to consult with Mr. Ross as to the time of holding the same, and further, holding a public reception in Pioneer hall during the afternoon preceding the evening on which the banquet is held. The chairman to select the committee.

A general committee was appointed by the chair composed of the following:

Messrs. White, R. P. McLennan, Delaney, Milne, Noel, Condon, J. P. McLennan, Wade, Alex. McDonald, Bliss, Willis, Doig, Mizner, TeRoller, Fulda,

Burritt, Bruce, McCaul, Tabor and Clayton with the chairman.

As a special committee to look after the financial end of the matter Messrs. J. P. McLennan, H. T. Willis, Doig, TeRoller, O'Brien, Clayton and Tabor were named. To arrange for banquet, Messrs. R. P. McLennan, Fulda, Mizner, Burritt, Milne and W. D. Bruce. To arrange and have charge of toasts, Messrs. Wade, Bliss, White, McCaul, Walsh, Gosselin.

Reception, Messrs. Wade, White, Noel, Delaney, Condon, Tabor, Alex. McDonald and O'Brien.

F. C. Wade and E. B. Condon were instructed to wire up the river and learn of Mr. Ross' whereabouts, also to inform him of the movement in progress for his reception. An answer came at about 11 o'clock yesterday forenoon from Selkirk. It read as follows: "Accept with pleasure banquet tendered by citizens of Dawson. Your suggested arrangements satisfactory. Would name Monday or Tuesday evening of next week. (Signed.) "J. H. ROSS."

A number of those whose names appear on the above committees were not present at the meeting, but are in full accord with the steps taken and will use their utmost endeavors to make the reception to the new commissioner an unqualified success.

In conversation today with a number of movers in the matter it was stated that the retiring commissioner, Hon. Wm. Ogilvie, will preside as master of ceremonies at the banquet, which will be but a fitting tribute to that gentleman on his stepping aside to give place to his successor in office.

The meeting which was to have been held this afternoon to further perfect arrangements for the reception was postponed until 5 o'clock tomorrow evening.

BEING DULY DEDICATED

New Bridge Over the Klondike River Completed Today.

There was a large crowd went up the Klondike to witness the ceremonies attending the dedication of the new bridge this afternoon.

There were between 12 and 15 teams besides a large number on bicycles and on foot who were lined up in front of the barracks, when the signal was given to forward march. The A. C. Co., A. E. Co., N. A. T. & T. Co., and Ames Mercantile Co., each had a team in line. Henry Honnen sent one of his stages. Several cutters were also present and the time honored dog teams were very much in evidence. The various social and benevolent orders were also represented and altogether the procession made a very good showing.

SERIOUSLY INJURED.

Mr. McKinnon, of Mr. Ross' Party, Thrown From Stage.

On the second day of Commissioner Ross' party out from Whitehorse, which was Thursday of last week, and while passing over one of the C. D. Co.'s cutoffs, the stage in which the party was traveling upset throwing Mr. McKinnon, who is coming to Dawson to accept the position of chief of the license bureau, violently against a stump in such way as to cause him to strike on his left side just over the heart. For some time it was thought he would not be able to continue his journey, but becoming slightly better he is coming on with the party which is traveling by easy stages for his benefit.

The party was at Selkirk yesterday and possibly would not leave there until this morning. It is not likely the distinguished travelers will reach Dawson before Wednesday night or Thursday.

Not His Brother.

It is told that Saturday afternoon at the continuation of the trial of Jacob Rosenfield, alias "Uncle Joe," on the charge of obtaining money under false pretenses, which charge was sustained, Rosenfield, alias "Uncle Joe" being held in jail to appear before the territorial court, the man he had claimed ties of brotherhood to, Uncle Hoffman, was put upon the stand as a witness.

Directing his question to Uncle Hoffman and indicating the prisoner Constable Piper said "Is that man your brother?"

"Vat!!!!" exclaimed the genuine Uncle. "Dot man my brudder? Vell I should say he-ish nod."

H. S. Wallace and son of 6 Dominion, are spending a few days in town.

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AMERICAN CITIZEN

Aguinaldo Taks Oath of Allegiance to American Government

BUT IS YET A PRISONER AT MANILA

Carter Harrison Again Elected Mayor of Chicago.

MANY REPUBLICAN VICTORIES.

St. Louis Repudiates Bryanism—Dedicates of Carrie Nation Cut Little Ice in Kansas City.

From Monday and Tuesday's Daily. Washington, April 2, via Skagway, April 8.—Aguinaldo has taken the oath of allegiance to the American government under the terms of amnesty previously offered by direction of President McKinley. What disposition will be made of him has not been made public, but at present he is still a prisoner at Manila.

Carter Harrison Re-Elected.

Chicago, April 2, via Skagway, April 8.—For the third time Carter Harrison, Democrat, was elected mayor of Chicago today by an overwhelming majority.

Reports from St. Louis, St. Joseph, Denver, Leaville and other cities where municipal elections were held today show sweeping Republican victories.

In St. Louis the result is of more than local significance, as it is considered a defeat for Bryanism.

In Kansas City the Prohibitionists made very little showing notwithstanding the recent excitement raised there by Mrs. Nation.

Murderer Confesses.

New York, April 2, via Skagway, April 8.—Charles F. Jones, valet of the late Millionaire Rice who was murdered, today made a full confession. He says he forged the will and then killed his employer with chloroform. He claims he was instigated to the crime by Patrick who is also under arrest on the charge of murder.

Mushed Out of Town.

Dr. Morrison, for the past four months a bright and shining light in Whitehorse medical circles, was brought before the police magistrate last week charged with practicing his profession without the necessary license from the Yukon council, and at his trial was fined \$50 or ten days in jail. Not having the wherewith to liquidate he asked Judge Horrigan for a few days grace in which to raise the money, and the prosecuting lawyer, Judge T. W. Jackson, recommending that a reasonable time be granted him in which to settle his indebtedness, he was given until Saturday the 23d. After his release the doctor concluded that he could save money by "hitting the road," and he stood not on the order of his going, but went at once. The first day he reached Dugdale, the next Minto, and on Saturday Caribou, where Conductor Miles gently but firmly told him he would have to buy a ticket or get off. Needless to say that he was left behind when the train pulled out from that thriving burg. Coming from Minto to Caribou on the train the doctor spied "Shorty" Chambers on board and coasting him off into a lonely corner of the car struck him for a V "for a few days," but as "Shorty" had trouble of his own he would not listen to an insinuating voice, and in consequence the worthy disciple of Esculapius could not make the desired loan. He is in all probability, long ere this beyond the reach of the strong arm of the Whitehorse police force, meditating in security over the inhumanity of man to man, and racking his brain for information as to where he shall go to have his abilities—both financial and otherwise—properly recognized by a cold and unfeeling world.—Whitehorse Star.

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FRANCE ALONE

Is Willing That China Should Concede Manchuria to Russia.

OTHER POWERS STRENUOUSLY OBJECT

And Li Hung Chang Says the Proposition Is Off.

RUSSIA OFFICIALLY NOTIFIED.

Schemes to Tax China to Pay Indemnity Now Proposed—Principal Debt 30,000,000 Pounds.

[From Tuesday's Daily.]
Pekin, April 4, via Skagway, April 9.—All the powers except France have strenuously objected to the concession of Manchuria to Russia by China and the latter government has officially notified Russia that it is unable to make the concession owing to the attitude of the other nations. The official notification says it is China's desire to keep on friendly terms with all nations.

Li Hung Chang says this will settle the matter of ceding Manchuria to Russia for all time to come, although Prince Chang says Li Hung Chang was the only Chinaman in the kingdom not opposed to it all along.

Foreign ministers here are now considering proposals by experts of schemes whereby China can raise money for the payment of the indemnity which will be required. Sir Robert Hart, director of the maritime customs, has a scheme which by the levy of certain taxes would in 40 years time pay off the whole principal debt of £30,000,000, but the indemnity demanded will likely be a much greater amount.

The Civil List.

London, April 4, via Skagway, April 9.—The report of the committee on the civil list recommends that the amount be fixed at £470,000, an increase of £67,000 over the previous list.

Senatorship for Gofbout.

Ottawa, April 4, via Skagway, April 9.—It is reported that Gofbout, the member from Beauce, will get the senatorship from Quebec made vacant by the death of Paquette.

To Kill the Czar.

London, April 4, via Skagway, April 9.—A special message from Vienna says an officer of the guard entered the czar's study and fired a revolver at him. The czar was not hit and, realizing what he had done, the officer committed suicide. The story is doubted here.

Stewart River Steamers.

Capt. E. J. Smyth is at the Occidental hotel, having come up from Victoria on the Amur. He is the manager of the Stewart River Company, which is to operate steamers on the Stewart this season. He brought with him the woodwork of a knockdown river boat and a crew to put it together at Whitehorse. The material was being made ready for shipment yesterday and will go out in a day or so. The workmen will accompany it and immediately upon its arrival at Whitehorse start to putting the hull together. The machinery and boilers will come up on the Danube the trip after the next one, and it is planned to have the hull ready for their reception at that time. With this end in view everything possible to expedite the work was done before coming north.

The steamer, which will be known as the Prospector, will be 110 feet long over all and 22 feet beam. She is designed to be one of the speediest as well as the lightest draught steamboats on the Yukon or tributaries. Capt. Smyth, in addition to acting as general

manager, will command the Prospector. Talking with a reporter at the hotel, Capt. Smyth said:

"The Stewart river country, as regards mining, is showing up very satisfactorily, and we all look forward to a good season's work. The diggings on Clear, Lost and McQuesten creeks, which are all branches of the Stewart, have in the past been good producers, and this year are expected to yield even larger than before. There are other tributaries expected to be favorably heard from during the year.

"Stewart river, besides mining, has other industries which afford considerable business for steamboats. Quite a large amount of tame hay, chiefly barley and oat straw, was put up in the valley last year, and more will be marketed from there this season. This goes largely to Dawson. Then there are the logging and wood interests, which require many men. Considering all these things, we of that vicinity think we have good reasons to expect a fine year commercially."

The company with which Mr. Smyth is connected will operate two boats on the Stewart river this year, but these are only a nucleus of a large fleet which it will put on as traffic demands. The Quick, one of the boats, is now below Dawson in winter quarters, and about a month ago Capt. Whidden went in to get her ready for traffic. He will be in command of her. Capt. Smyth is an old timer on the Stewart, having operated the first regular line of boats on it. The concern of which he is now the head is composed of Dawson business men. He has never been connected with the Canadian Development Company, as has been published.—Alaskan.

RELIC OF SWIFTWATER

Property on His Quartz Concession in Police Court.

While Swiftwater Bill is outside galivanting up and down the face of the earth, first with one Lamore sister, then with another, and next with another, and so on, all through the Lamore family, his property on Quartz creek concession No. 1 is being "fit and fout" over in court. Some time ago on complaints filed by Adair Bros. and a man named Davis, Sheriff Eilbeck seized under writ of attachment the concession of "Swift" and everything thereon including a lot of wood. Edward Russ claimed the wood was owned by him and was not the property of Swiftwater or was it any part of the concession, therefore he proceeded to haul a portion of it away for which act he was brought before Magistrate Scarth this morning. Russ evidently knew what he was doing when he hauled the wood as he justified his act by the testimony of Assistant Gold Commissioner Bell. The case was dismissed.

Curing a Hiccough.

Mr. Smithkin had heard that a sure cure for hiccough was a severe fright. One evening, smoking at his fireside after supper, he was taken with a hiccough, which continued in spite of all his efforts to check it.

Presently he got up suddenly from his chair and called out in alarm to Mrs. Smithkin:

"I've lost my watch! I've lost my watch!"

Mrs. Smithkin hastened into the room.

"John, dear," she said, "what do you mean? Why, you haven't done any such thing. Here's your watch all right in your waistcoat pocket."

"Don't you think I know that?" said Mr. Smithkin. "I was just giving myself a severe fright, you know, to stop the hiccough."—Ex.

Aggravating the Offense.

The absurdity of many of the common forms of speech comes upon us at times with something like a shock.

A man who was making his way into a crowded omnibus with considerably more haste than was necessary trod roughly upon the toes of a woman passenger.

"I beg a thousand pardons, ma'am."

"The original offense was bad enough," she replied, "without asking me to issue a thousand pardons for it. I will grant you just one pardon, sir."

There was a general titter as he sat down, and he did not step on anybody's toes when he went out.—Youth's Companion.

Culture Asserts Itself.

Mrs. Watson—Why did you leave your last place?

Would Be Governess—I haven't had my last place yet, I presume. My latest position was in Boston, and I left there because the family unwisely decided to move to Chicago.—Somerville Journal.

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ARE STILL MARRIED

Notwithstanding Their Personal Wishes in the Case.

Montreal, April 3, via Skagway, April 8.—Justice Archibald has at last handed down a judgment in the famous Delpit marriage case which declares that the Roman Catholic church has no power to declare null and void marriages contracted by two Catholics when the ceremony is performed by a Protestant clergyman. He declares the Delpit marriage was legal and binding and the laws of Quebec do not state what religion a clergyman must have to perform such marriage. The Delpits who are anxious to have the marriage tie severed, will appeal to the privy council of England.

Census Takers Are Out.

Ottawa, April 1, via Skagway, April 8.—Eight thousand census takers started out today to take the census of the Dominion.

Summer Rates.

Seattle, April 3, via Skagway, April 8.—The Alaska Steamship Association and Traffic Manager Lee of the White Pass & Yukon Route, have agreed on through summer passenger rates between Seattle and Dawson as follows: First-class, \$105; first-class continuous trip, \$100; second-class, \$80. This is a reduction of \$35 from the schedule of last year.

CHANGE OF VENUE

To Nome Is Asked in Homer Bird Murder Case.

Skagway, April 8.—The case of Homer Bird, charged with murder in the first degree, came up here this morning when a motion for a change of venue to Nome was made. The judge ruled that if a showing can be made that it will be less expensive, owing to the transportation of witnesses, to try the case at Nome, the motion will be granted. Otherwise it will be tried in this district and will probably come on for hearing at Juneau on the 10th of next September.

Treachorous Boers.

Bloomfontein, April 3, via Skagway, April 9.—It is asserted here that the Boers tried and executed Dekoch, the peace envoy who carried the message from Gen. Dorrien to Botha on February 12th. He was charged with treason.

Another Railroad.

Ottawa, April 3, via Skagway, April 8.—A bill has been introduced asking for permission to construct a railroad from Kamloops to Atlin.

PRESIDENT'S PROCLAMATION

Announcing Death of Honorable Benjamin Harrison.

Executive Mansion, Washington, March 14th, 1901.

To the People of the United States:

Benjamin Harrison, president of the United States from 1889 to 1893, died yesterday at 4:45 p. m., at his home in Indianapolis. In his death the country has been deprived of one of its greatest citizens. A brilliant soldier in his young manhood, he gained fame and rapid advancement by his energy and valor. As a lawyer he rose to be a leader of the bar. In the senate he at once took and retained high rank as an orator and legislator, and in the high office of president he displayed extraordinary gifts as administrator and statesman. In public and in private life he set a shining example for his countrymen.

In testimony of the respect in which his memory is held by the government and people of the United States, I do hereby direct that the flags on the executive mansion and the several department buildings be displayed at half staff for a period of 30 days; and that suitable military and naval honors, under the orders of the secre-

taries of war and of the navy, be rendered on the day of the funeral.

Done in the city of Washington, this 14th day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and one, and of the independence of the United States of America the one hundred and twenty-fifth.

WILLIAM M'KINLEY.

By the President:

JOHN HAY,

Secretary of State.

Department of State, Washington, March 14, 1901.

To the Departments and Consular Officers of the United States.

Gentlemen—Your attention is called to the president's proclamation of this date announcing the death of ex-President Benjamin Harrison and directing proper expression of honor to his memory.

You will cause the flags of your respective offices to be displayed at half staff on the reception of this circular and for a period of 30 days thereafter. I am gentlemen, your obedient servant,

JOHN HAY,

Secretary of State.

Copies of the above were received this morning by Vice-Consul H. Te Roller and the American flag over his office was at once lowered to half mast in which position it will remain for the next 30 days.

John Korbo is said to have sold 24 Gold Run for \$55,000 to an agent of Chute & Wills. The sale includes the dump, machinery and buildings as well as the mine.

A moose was killed on Montana creek recently by some miners, who in talking of the incident claim it was done in self-defense as the animal attacked them.

CAPT. CHRIS. SONNICKSON

Succeeds Sheriff Eilbeck in the Steamboat Business.

The steamer Eldorado which was offered for sale today at public auction by Sheriff R. J. Eilbeck, was sold to Chris Sonnickson for \$500. Her twin sister, the Bonanza King, sold a week ago today for \$750. The Eldorado is on the Yukon above Selkirk and is said to be in fine shape for floating as soon as the river opens.

If there is a man in Dawson who will look well on the bridge of a "leviathan of the deep" it is Chris Sonnickson. The new owner has not yet announced his intentions as to whether he will put his steamer on the regular river run or keep her as a special packet for the accommodation of picnic parties.

Quite an Industry.

New York, March 20.—The fisheries industry is one of great importance in the Dominion of Canada. The amount of capital invested in the industry last year exceeded that of the previous year by \$289,743, and 719 more men were engaged in the work. No less than 79,863 men were occupied in 1900 in exploiting the waters of Canada, using 5,500,760 fathoms of nets and other fishing gear, representing a capital of \$10,000,000.

The salmon preserving industry of British Columbia, comprising 69 canneries and representing a capital of \$1,380,000, gives employment to 18,977 hands.

The total catch of fish in Canada for the year 1899, as reported by the fisheries department, amounted to \$21,891,706, being an increase of \$2,250,000 over the yield of the previous year. The catch for the Province of Quebec was worth \$1,953,134, an increase over the preceding year of \$191,694.

The lobster plant alone is estimated to be worth \$1,334,180. It comprises 88 canneries, dispersed on the seaboard of the maritime provinces.

The sealing fleet last year numbered 37 vessels, an increase of 11 over the previous year and representing an aggregate of 2641 tons register. The total number of fur-seal skins taken by Canadian sealers during the year 1900 was 35,523.

This result is larger by 177 skins than that of 1899, which in its turn largely exceeded the catches of 1898 and 1897. Although the catch of 1900 is slightly in excess of that of 1899, the average catch per vessel would show a falling off if comparison were confined to these two specific years.

Manufactured sealskin goods have largely advanced in price in the Montreal market, and the profits of retail dealers are said to be very high. They can be purchased in the United States quite as cheaply as in Montreal, because retail dealers here are content with smaller profits.

So far as can be learned, there have been no complaints of transgressions of the law or regulations by the sealers last year; nor have any complications arisen through the application of the law affecting the business.

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THE RIVER IS OPEN

For Fifteen Miles Below Lower Lebarge and Thaw Continues.

WEATHER WARM AT WHITEHORSE

Where the River Trail Is Going Rapidly.

STRONG CHINOOK IS BLOWING

Cutoff Trail in Bad Shape—Travel Easy Between Selkirk and Dawson.

From Tuesday's Daily.
A telegraphic report received this morning from the various stations along the upper river route shows that the trail is feeling the effects of the sun and in many places there is open water. While we have been experiencing exceedingly cold weather, for this time of the year, in Dawson, the weather has evidently been much milder at points farther up for the trail in many places is broken up and the hills are free from snow. The water is rising above and is overflowing along the shore. The reports from the various stations is as follows:

Bennett—Cloudy with a light south wind, temperature 30 above. There has been no trail on the lake this winter, but as far as can be seen the ice is yet solid.

Whitehorse—It is thawing very rapidly today, temperature 44 above. A chinook wind has been blowing from Skagway yesterday and today and the trail is going very rapidly, becoming almost impassable.

Lower Lebarge—The river is open for 15 miles below here, and the thaw continues to be very rapid under the influence of a high south wind. Temperature 44 above.

Five Fingers—Very mild today, strong south wind, with temperature 44 above. The river trail is in very good shape but the trail on the cut-off between Mackay's and Carmack's is in very bad condition in many places. Almost all the hills are bare.

Selkirk—Very mild today, 45 above with the trail still in good condition.

Selwyn—Very warm and thawing all morning. River trail still in good shape.

Stewart—Weather warm, 40 above. Trail still in good condition.

Ogilvie—Weather very warm today, 32 above in the sun. Water has risen about four inches and is now overflowing along the shore.

Late Deaths.

Ernest Weaver, an Englishman 22 years of age, died at Caribou on Dominion Saturday. He had no friends but owned some property which is now being cared for by the police until the public administrator can take charge of it. Weaver's body was brought in yesterday and is being held at Green's undertaking parlors until the public administrator looks into his affairs. Death was caused by pneumonia.

Robert Smith, of Portland, Oregon, aged 52 years, died Sunday at the Good Samaritan hospital from pneumonia. He left no property. The body was buried from Green's at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Glacier Still Growing.

From people who make regular Sunday trips to the glacier on the hill east of the A. C. trail it is learned that there has been a very perceptible increase in its size within the past week, all the water that gushed out in that time having frozen, owing to the continued cold weather. Unless something is done towards confining the water to ditches, the road to the country will be practically impassable when the summer's sun begins to make its influence felt on the mountain of ice which has there accumulated.

Hugh Spencer can learn something of importance to himself by calling at the office of Woodworth & Black in the Victoria block.

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

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And Small Packages can be sent to the Creeks by our carriers on the following days: Every Wednesday and Saturday to Eldorado, Bonanza, Hunter, Dominion, Gold Run, Sulphur, Quartz and Canyon.

THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 1904.

From Wednesday's Daily. AN AUSPICIOUS TIME.

The new commissioner for the Yukon territory comes to Dawson in what we believe to be an auspicious time. After four years of steady and ever expanding effort in the line of developing the resources of this territory, it may be said that the territory has only begun to throw off its swaddling clothes. Its progress until within the past six months has been hampered by restrictive legislation, to such an extent that no opportunity has been presented to the territory to grow in a manner such as its abundant resources warrant. The load which has been hampering the development of the district has largely been removed and in consequence we believe, and present conditions seem fully to warrant the belief that we are on the eve of a period of much greater prosperity than has been enjoyed at any previous time.

Many of the difficulties against which Mr. Ross' predecessor in office has had to contend have been cleared away and the new commissioner will have better sailing than has been the case with Mr. Ogilvie.

The growth of our material interests will, however, present new problems from time to time and in the solution of these the ripe experience of the new commissioner should prove invaluable. The Nugget extends to the new executive the hope that his term of office in the Yukon may see this territory grow and flourish and become, as it is justly entitled to do, one of the important and influential elements of which the great Dominion is composed.

GOOD FAITH SHOWN.

The information brought by the new Yukon commissioner respecting the royalty reduction sustains the opinion expressed by this paper when the reduction was first announced.

The exemption of \$5000 still continues, and the tax of five per cent is to be levied upon the output in excess of that amount. This will be news of the greatest importance to hundreds of small miners throughout the territory, the output of whose claims never reaches an extravagantly large figure.

As was indicated in these columns at the time the royalty reduction was announced, the abolishment of the exemption clause would practically offset the benefits which otherwise would accrue from the measure. The small miner would have been placed in a much worse position than formerly, and the benefits would have accrued entirely to the heavy claim owners. This we did not believe to be the intention of the government and this belief, as noted above, is fully borne out by the statement of Mr. Ross.

The government having expressed a direct intention to give the Yukon territory every possible concession in the way of legitimate reform it would scarcely offer so shadowy a measure as the order for the reduction of the royalty would have been, had the same not carried with it a continuance of the exemption clause.

The government has demonstrated its good faith in the matter in an unmistakable manner.

Had the original movers in the matter of receiving the new commissioner given public notice of their intention in the beginning, a great deal of friction and no small amount of hard feelings would have been avoided. Such matters, however, always work themselves out in the end as was the case at the meeting of yesterday, the details of which are presented elsewhere in this paper. The entire community is interested in welcoming the new executive as it is also in properly expressing appreciation of the services of the retiring commissioner. The committees as now constituted are certainly representative of the various interests of the territory.

There are ways and ways of doing things. This is particularly true in the matter of tendering receptions to high officials. Secret calls for public meetings are just a little out of order in our present highly advanced state of civilization.

How the powers will extricate themselves from their difficulties in the Orient without resort to war, is almost impossible to understand. The situation as it stands at the present time seems incapable of any other solution.

Who is a Printer?

Hunker, April 9th, 1904.
Editor Klondike Nugget:
Sir—To decide a bet will you kindly answer through your valuable paper the following:

A bets a typesetter is not a printer; while B bets he is a printer. If he is not a printer, please tell us what constitutes one. And oblige,
A NUGGET READER.

(A good typesetter is always a printer, although in the experience of the majority of publishers, persons apply for positions in printing offices who are what are termed "blacksmiths" by the professionals. A good printer, having served his term as an apprentice, is always a good typesetter. A pressman may print but he can not, in the strict sense of the word, be called a printer.)

Attention, Trappers.

The following price will be paid by the New York Zoological Society through their agent, Mr. J. Alden Loring, for animals of any age, delivered to the nearest port at which the Alaska Commercial Company's boats touch on return trips. They must be perfectly healthy and in no way injured. I will accept the first 2, 4 or 6, or whatever number the list calls for, which are offered, and pay for them when received in the fall on my way south: Three silver tip or bald-faced grizzly, \$40 each; 2 glacier bears, \$30 each; 2 pigmy white bears (from Naas river), \$70 each; 2 blue bears, \$20 each; 6 wolverines, \$20 each; 4 red foxes, \$8 each; 2 white or 2 black wolves (not gray) \$30 each; 3 white mountain sheep, \$50 each; 6 mountain goats, \$50 each; 3 caribou or 3 moose calves, \$50 each.

Animals of most any species (except black bears) are usually desired, and it would be well to write stating what you have and give prices.

J. ALDEN LORING,
Field Agent New York Zoological Society, Tyeonok, Cooks Inlet.

Ignorance Enlightened.

"It was easy enough to tell that your entertainer was an Englishman."
"In what way?"
"Why, he didn't sound his h's when he sang."
"That shows how little you know about music. The scale doesn't run above G."—Richmond Dispatch.

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Anyone can guess.
It will cost you nothing.

Welcome! Commissioner Ross!

WE extend the glad hand to you, and at the same time, acknowledge the many sterling qualities of your predecessor. There are many surprises in store for you, Commissioner. You will find the people of Dawson strictly up-to-date in their ideas. We have found that out in our business and it has kept us hustling to keep abreast of the times. You will notice at the banquet tendered you that the citizens of Dawson are as well and appropriately dressed as any similar body of men in the world. In that fact we take great pride. Looking for information, should you ask some particularly well-dressed man who the leading clothier and haberdasher of Dawson is, there will be but one answer,

OPPOSITE
WHITE PASS DOCK

"HERSHBERG"

STROLLER'S COLUMN.

In the knee-pants days of his youth and when he was wont to stand behind the barn until half frozen and surreptitiously smoke a homemade pipe, and before the sere was on his pumpkin, the Stroller read in Harkness' Latin reader of the convention held by the mice at which meeting ways and means were discussed by which the approach of the cat might be made known in time for all to scamper safely to their holes. One mouse, wiser than his fellows, suggested that a bell be put upon the cat. The suggestion was hailed with delight and the maker of it was invited to a seat on the platform beside the speaker. A motion that a bell be put upon her Mariaship carried without a dissenting voice; but when the chair proceeded to appoint a committee to put on the bell, each mouse had urgent business elsewhere and the bell was not worn by the cat.

The local gold dust question is similar in many respects to the grievance of the mice. Everybody agrees that it should be retired as a medium of exchange, but no one is willing to take upon himself the responsibility of saying just how to bring about the desired result. That gold dust should be retired is as apparent to the people of Dawson and the Klondike as was the necessity of a bell on the cat apparent to the mice. But the retiring of it is an entirely different matter.

Dr. J. N. E. Browne, although not now a practicing physician, still has the traits of one and that is why he never goes on a journey that will keep him from home over night without taking with him his medicine case.

Having business at Gold Run the latter part of last week, the doctor, accompanied by his wife, made a trip to that place and while absent were called upon to pass a night in one of the many roadhouses which, as regards class and quality, are indigenous only to the Yukon. As usual the doctor had with him his medicine case, likewise a bottle of fluid extract of rye, for in a country where ice worms abound there is no telling but that deadly serpents may also be found. In fact, there is no telling what a traveler will find in a roadhouse bunk and the doctor did not proposed to be taken off his guard, hence the rye.

Now in the average roadhouse telephones and speaking tubes are not required in order that a roomer may hold communication with his neighbor in the next room or across the hall. In fact, it is a matter of choice whether a guest at a roadhouse enters or departs from his room through the door or a crack in the wall.

On the night in question the doctor and his wife had retired but found sleep impossible owing to the continuous coughing of a fellow guest who, with half a dozen others, was occupying a large room some distance from the boudoir of the Browns. With the instincts of the Good Samaritan which characterizes his daily life, Dr. Brown arose at midnight, lighted a candle and with medicine case in hand, started out on a mission of mercy. First going to the kitchen he managed to procure some hot water which he carried to the room from whence the coughing proceeded. The sufferer was soon located and the application of remedies began. As the seat of trouble appeared to be in the man's breast, a mustard plaster was fished from the medicine case and applied. Some boiling water was poured into a glass, or a tomato can, and into it was emptied a liberal amount of 12-year-old Canadian Club, the fumes of which soon permeated the entire house and the odor from hot whisky is not to be sneezed at in any country. The patient drank the soothing potion, turned over and gained ten pounds before morning. The doctor shiveringly returned to his bed and sought to woo gentle slumber, but in vain. The other guests of the

house were "dead next." They had snuffed the aroma of hot whisky and coughing became contagious and from its vehemence a case of pneumonia was threatened in every bunk in that hostelry, so from that time until the contents of the bottle were gone glimmering the good hearted territorial secretary alternated between the kitchen for hot water and the bed-sides of his numerous patients, and not until the rays of the morning sun began to wink at him through the crevices of his room did he drop into fitful sleep, broken by a hacking cough, the result of a cold he had contracted while waiting on his numerous patients of the previous night. The next time Dr. Browne takes a journey of a similar kind his medicine case will contain only one article and that will be the slumber brand of hootch.

Harry Hershberg went up against it when he opened his guessing contest regarding the going out of the ice. Not only has he had to get an enlarged ticket box, but he has had to hire two extra boxes at the postoffice where the clerks are kicking at the amount of extra work forced upon them in handling the letters addressed to Hershberg from the creeks, all of which contain guesses which the makers are certain will win the outfit offered to the one hitting the thumb nail fairly in the center. Besides, when the contest is

over a corps of expert accountants will have to be employed to go over the votes.

Odds are being offered around town that Hershberg will go broke on his scheme before it is finished.

Hard Luck.

"This clock is 87 years old and is worth \$5,000."
"Well, well! An I'm 92 an ain't worth half that much."—Indianapolis News.

Chechaco butter. Selman & Myers.

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FIRE THREATENED WOODPILE

Which Was Only Support of the Town.

Jans Jensen Exercised Principle of Philosophy and Saved the Town and Won a Wife.

From Wednesday's Daily

The wood pile was a mountain for height. It towered above the mills when it fed, and the men who carried the wood to the furnaces tunneled in the mountains like ants—that is to say, the town of Lead lived on the mills. The mills ran by reason of the existence of the wood pile. For years the logs had poured down from the nearer and farther hills to sustain it. For years the furnaces had flamed, and the great crushing and reducing works had turned out their bricks of precious metals—\$35,000 and \$45,000 to each massive brick.

The people, reckless, wasteful, devil-may-care, had a veneration for this one thing—for the mountain of wood, the visible foundation of their prosperity. Had it come to an end their never ending dancing and merrymaking must have ended too. The buying and flaunting of cheap finery would have ceased. The plentiful tables would have become bare. The easily obtained drink and the pleasures of the gaming table would have been lost. To the more sober it meant the home comforts and privileges for the children. To the intelligent overseers, the scientists, the owners, it represented the base of operations. To Nell Onderdock, the daughter of one of the overseers, it represented a poetical idea.

She was a thoughtful girl, and she saw the rude picturesqueness of all about her and, most of all, felt the power and value of the wood pile. She had often spoken about this to Jans Jensen, the serious visaged Swede who paid lover's court to her, and he, a student and adventurer, full of the wild imagination of his race, saw it as she did, with eyes of philosophic appreciation.

He appeared to see all things much as she did, but that fact, which he appreciated to the full, had never won her any response to his devotion. She was an American with a prejudice in favor of American lovers, and while among all her acquaintances there was no one so obviously ambitious and aspiring as Jans, yet she felt annoyed at the accent that made his speech alien and at the strong racial characteristics that marked him of the land of Sweden. As for him, he adored her with the concentrated and consecrated devotion of a homesick and lonely man, isolated by reason of his dreams, his bookishness and his refinement from many of those about him. All would have been well with him, he often said to himself, if only Nell would have loved him.

One day, while walking alone and thinking of his grief in love, he saw a plume of smoke hovering above the mountain of wood. It was a sight he had never seen before. He hesitated, wondering if it were not a drifting cloud. But the plume flaunted itself against the sky, mounted and swept along like the wing of a fateful bird. "The wood pile is afire!" shouted Jans to the solitude and ran for the town. There was a hand fire engine at Lead, and the fire company had an enthusiasm for their task; but, though they worked all night and all day, they made no impression on the fire that had eaten into the core of the wood mountain.

Nell Onderdock, watching the men in the faint twilight of morning, saw them swarming over the top of the wood pile and crawling in its tunnels. They burrowed in it like ants—ants for size, in comparison to that pile. They fought with axes, with flails, with water, with tarpaulins. They tried to drown it, to smother it, to beat it out and to blow it out. But their efforts availed nothing. The mills were run with a minimum of men. Every one who could be spared was out to fight the fire. The big boys were taken from the school. The women sat on the hills near their babes in their arms, watching, or they carried water and food to the wearied men. In the churches the people prayed that the fire might be quenched by a miracle. In the mills the men talked of agencies—dynamite, hydraulics, pneumatics—and the common men, half suffocated, obstinate, courageous, fought with blackened faces, aching lungs and blinded eyes, while over the whole town the wrathful cloud of smoke hung like an affliction of the desert. Jans Jensen, in charge of a crew of

men, sat on the side of the hill thinking. Nell Onderdock was near him, regarding him with coldly critical eyes. She wanted him smoke begrimed, with bare arms; she wished to see him leading on his men desperately, shouting, hoarse and frantic. She was excited, and she desired to see her possible hero heroic. But he smoked a pipe, stared at the streaming cloud above him and said nothing. It was humiliating. However, after a time, without noticing her particularly, he went away to the mills. He returned with an added force of men, and he went to the top of the pile. Then the men were called out of the tunnels. Every one was put on top. "We are to fight the fire from the top," he said, "and we will do it by stopping the draft." Orders were sent to the hills to continue the driving of the logs. They swept down the great shoots in hundreds. They closed the air passages, and the men directed them till every opening of the pile was closed. The smoke took to itself a heavier quality, as it does when flame is quenched. The whole town argued pro and con. Some thought the whole mass doomed. Some believed it was saved. On the outcome obviously depended Jans Jensen's reputation. The smoke turned from black to copper color; it grew dun, it grew gray, it faded. The fire went out.

Back into the mills swarmed the men. The furnaces were heated to their height; the great caldrons of amalgam seethed and bubbled; the mighty ingots were cast.

And Jans Jensen put on the finger of Nell Onderdock a little ring made from the gold of Lead and set with a glittering pebble of the Black Hills.—Chicago Tribune.

A Pathetic Story.

Mr. A. M. Baber mentioned in the following from the Skagway Alaskan, was in Dawson several weeks this winter engaged in compiling the Yukon Directory and Gazetteer. He left here for the outside in February:

Many people here will remember A. M. Baber, the pleasant gentleman who has visited Skagway on several occasions as advertising representative of the Yukon Directory and Gazetteer, which is now in press, will be pained to learn that ill luck has overtaken him and that he is now in the east attending the funeral of his wife. The story is a pathetic one, especially so to Alaskans, who realize how many have left their homes on the outside to seek their fortunes in the Klondike, and returning found them deserted or the dear ones left behind cold in the embrace of death.

Several years ago Mr. Baber left his wife and little girl at home in Paris, Ill., and came to Alaska to make his fortune. As usually happens, ill success crowned his efforts for a long time. He was persevering, though, and clung to his self-allotted task of accumulation, thinking only of the loved ones at home and how happy they would be when he returned. Struggle after struggle followed, and he finally became a solicitor of the directory, and later on one of the owners. He worked incessantly, and as a result of his efforts the work is now on the press crowded with advertising which will yield him quite a snug amount. He was elated at his success, and told all of his friends—and they are legion—that it would not be long until he would be able to see his wife and show her that although long absent he had not been idle.

For quite a while he received no word from home, but one day a letter came from his mother-in-law, stating that "Lola" the daughter and wife had worried so constantly because he had returned to Dawson a second time, fearing some mishap, that her mind had become slightly deranged. The blow was a sad one to poor Baber, but upon reflection he thought he would go to the telegraph office and send her the means to join him, believing that the trip and reunion would be the best healing salve which could be applied.

Upon returning from sending the message he found a telegram upon his desk, stating that his wife was dead, and to go on and attend to the funeral. Baber nearly lost his mind. He idolized his wife as few men do, and, not being in the most robust health imaginable from his long struggle over ice and snow to gain the means by which to make her comfortable, he broke down entirely. He was attended by his friends and quieted as much as possible until placed on the train at Seattle on the 25th inst. to go to Paris, Ill., to bury his own hopes as well as the earthly remains of his beloved partner, whose memory is now all that is left to crown the efforts of a most devoted husband and loving father.

High Spencer can learn something of importance to himself by calling at the office of Woodworth & Black in the Victoria block.

Women and Their Dogs.

The Victoria Times says: "A writer in an American paper complains because the women in his country do not love children but lavish their affections upon dogs. In some sections in the east he contends that the dog is supreme and the child almost invisible. Villages are mentioned where no children are to be seen in the streets, and the cost of education troubleth not. Perhaps we are becoming unfashionable in the west. But the writer referred to views the matter seriously and expresses his misgivings as follows: 'Can you show me anything ennobling about the love of a woman for a dog? Do you see anything womanly in the wife who devotes her time and her affection to a brute which can appreciate them only in a minor degree? And all this while the house is devoid of a baby's laughter or a child's prattle. The sequel is unpleasant to contemplate. The increase of these menageries means the gradual obliteration of all that is womanly among the devotees of pugs and poodles. Is the child to reign in the American home, or the dog?'

"It would, perhaps, be a good idea for the societies for prevention of cruelty to animals wherever women are found 'loving and fondling dogs' to arrest the female and send the canine to the pound. It is fortunate for civilization that these creatures who make public exhibitions of themselves with their lap dogs either in their arms or at their heels, do not love children for the propagation of idiots is not desired."

Turned Down.

Jack Borroughs—For several months, sir, I have been paying attention to your daughter. It will therefore not surprise you—

Mr. Goldman (who knows him)—Ah, but it does! It surprises me to hear that you ever paid anything.—Philadelphia Press.

Mumm's, Pomerey or Perinet champagnes \$5 per bottle at the Regina Club hotel.

Films of all kinds at Goetzman's.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Between Dawson and Grand Forks, Tuesday, an open-face silver watch, main spring broken. Finder return to Nugget carrier and receive suitable reward.

LOST—Between Dawson and Grand Forks, one Eastman Kodak, size 13x2. Camera was in a case with a strap to go over the shoulder. Finder please return to Nugget office and receive reward.

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MACKINNON & NOEL, Advocates, Second St., near Bank of B. N. A.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the following survey, notice of which is published below, has been approved by Wm. Ogilvie, Commissioner of the Yukon Territory, and unless protested within three months from the date of first publication of such approval in the Klondike Nugget newspaper, the boundaries of the property as established by said survey shall constitute the true and unalterable boundaries of such property by virtue of an order in council passed at Ottawa the 2nd day of March, 1900.

CREEK CLAIMS No. 32, 36, 37 and 38 Gold Run creek and creek claim No. 2 on a tributary at 38 Gold Run creek. In the Dominion mining division of the Dawson mining district, a plan of which is deposited in the Gold Commissioner's office at Dawson, Y. T. under No. 40 by T. D. Green, D. L. S. First published February 6th, 1901.

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[From Monday and Tuesday's Daily.]
DUE RECOGNITION.

The proposal to tender a banquet to the new Yukon commissioner will meet with general approbation, more particularly by reason of the fact that the public generally is to be invited to participate.

It will be a pleasant task to citizens of Dawson, irrespective of politics or nationality to join in greeting the new executive who comes to Dawson with the very highest token of praise from those whom he has but recently left.

It is a pleasure to know that Mr. Ross has been loaded with encomiums by his own people, for no better test of the merits of a public man can be suggested than the opinion of the community which he has been called upon to serve.

In this connection it may be said that it is peculiarly fitting that Commissioner Ogilvie is to preside at the banquet which is to be tendered the incoming executive. Mr. Ogilvie will leave Dawson, after two years spent in the performance of duties which at all times have been difficult and not infrequently extremely onerous.

The conditions which prevailed in Dawson on Mr. Ogilvie's arrival made his position particularly trying but the judgment of the community as a whole will be that Mr. Ogilvie's efforts have been along the line advancing the welfare of the territory at large and that with no small degree of success.

It is eminently right and proper that the new commissioner should be greeted in the very best manner possible, and it is equally fitting that due recognition be given to what Commissioner Ogilvie has accomplished during the time he has served the Yukon territory as its chief executive.

A SIGNIFICANT FACT.

The bridge formally opened for public use yesterday afternoon marks a point in the history of the Yukon territory which may well be remembered. For a period of more than three years all traffic between Dawson and the adjacent mining districts has been carried on in the absence of any public means of crossing the Klondike. During the season of cold weather while the river has been solidly frozen no injury has been worked to anyone. But in the open season everyone who has had occasion to go back and forth between Dawson and the creeks has been at the mercy of the toll-gatherer either by bridge or ferry. During this time gold dust to the value of upwards of \$75,000,000 has been brought to Dawson from the creeks and thousands of tons of machinery and merchandise have been sent back in return.

It may be said, therefore, in all truth, that the bridge has been built none too early. In fact it has been delayed long past the time it was badly needed. Nevertheless the value of the bridge to the community for the future is by no means lessened on account of the delays in its construction, though it is undoubtedly a fact that many a man would be far better off today, had the bridge as it now stands been an accomplished fact two years ago.

There is a significant point in this connection which will exercise a strong influence with many in reaching a conclusion as to the future of the country generally. The placer mines of this district have now been worked for a period of four years. When the original discovery of gold was made it was claimed that the life of the camp would not exceed that length of time. Now we find the Dominion government, asserting its faith in the future of the country by undertaking public enterprises on an elaborate scale. The government is in a position to know better than any individual as to the present condition and future outlook for the territory. In constructing the bridge across the Klondike most substantial evidence is given that the estima-

tion of the government this territory has a long and prosperous future before it.

To this opinion the Nugget readily subscribes.

AQUINALDO.

Aguinaldo has taken the oath of allegiance to the United States government. In doing this Aguinaldo has proclaimed the fact that he is not entirely a savage, nor is he devoid of good, hard, common sense. Aguinaldo has probably come to realize that the United States government has only the best interests of the Philippine islands at heart. The war which the doughty chief's mistaken idea of freedom caused him to undertake, has resulted only in disaster to the Filipinos, and had Aguinaldo achieved the purpose for which he fought, greater disaster would have followed. It will be many years yet before the Filipinos are able to demonstrate their capacity for self-government and meanwhile a powerful arm is required to protect them, not only against attacks from outside foes but also from injuries which they may inflict upon themselves.

Had Aguinaldo attained his desire the Philippine islands would now be the prey of ambitious native chiefs each ambitious for sovereignty. Under existing conditions, Uncle Sam will take hold and teach the islanders how to govern themselves. When this is accomplished the time will be at hand to consider plans for giving them their entire freedom. Aguinaldo has done wisely.

Considering the general conditions of business in Dawson during the winter, the local theaters have done remarkably well in furnishing the public with amusement. No matter what receipts may be, expenditures must go along just the same, and it is not difficult to see that it costs money and no small amount of it at that, to conduct a theater in Dawson. Special mention should be given to the efforts that have been made by the different theaters to cater to the demand for legitimate entertainment. The call for such entertainment has constantly increased and it must be said that the managers of the different houses have responded to the same in the most liberal manner possible.

An alleged telegram appeared in the News on Saturday in which it was stated that the new commissioner, now en route to Dawson is favorable toward running the town on a "wide open" policy. It is dollars to less even than doughnuts that the said telegram is a fake. Mr. Ross is altogether too astute a politician to place himself on record on so important a matter before he has even seen Dawson. Whatever views the new commissioner may hold on the gambling question it is agreed among those who know him best that he will give no expression to his opinion until he has personally acquainted himself with the situation.

Any movement in the direction of retiring gold dust from circulation should be made very slowly. A sudden disturbance in any financial system always reacts disastrously, particularly when an immediate curtailment is effected. The fact should be determined beyond the peradventure of doubt that an abundant supply of currency is on hand for all purposes of trade before any change is made. Whatever plan is decided upon, should not become operative until sufficient time has elapsed to allow general trade conditions to adjust themselves in readiness for the new system.

When Uncle Sam finally wakes up to the fact that the combined trusts of the United States can command almost as much capital as the government itself, there will be a shaking-up of old bones which will be heard around the entire world. The anti-trust agitation is already reaching tremendous proportions, and is receiving no little attention from the press of the dominant party. By the time another presidential election rolls around it will not be

surprising if all the political parties in the States are found arrayed in a hostile attitude toward the inroads of the trusts.

Last year the liquor importations into the Yukon territory amounted to nearly 75,000 gallons. This would make an average per capita of about four gallons. Considering, however, the fact that one gallon of real, genuine whisky ought to be good for three gallons for actual consumption, it will readily be seen that a grave responsibility rests upon every citizen who does his full share in the matter.

It is a safe bet that Aguinaldo has already received a dozen offers from theatrical and lecture tour managers to appear on the American stage. A dramatization of the Philippine war with Aguinaldo in the leading role would prove a howling success.

The continued cold weather which is so disagreeable in Dawson, will prove a blessing to people on the trail who are heading toward this city from Whitehorse. It certainly is an ill wind which blows good to no one.

Considering the lateness of the season, the trail between Dawson and Whitehorse is still in excellent condition.

The Word "Klondike."

Dawson, April 4, 1901.

Editor Nugget:
Would you kindly decide a bet by giving the Indian meaning of the word "Klondike," which A says means "plenty of fish," while B contends that it means "plenty of moose." An answer will greatly oblige
READER.

(B is "it," and A is right, for generally speaking, as the Indian interpretation of the word Klondike is "plenty of fish." But a literal translation of the word would probably be "plenty of ice worms," the latter being classed by the Indians in the same category as fish.)

Easter in 1848.

Dawson, April 6, 1901.

Editor Klondike Nugget:
Will you kindly tell me through the columns of your paper on what date Easter Sunday occurred in the year 1848, and oblige,
A READER.
(In 1848 Easter Sunday occurred on the 23d day of April.)

Justice at Atlin.

Parties arriving from Atlin tell a good story on Judge Wood of that place.

Two big Irishmen, the story goes, have been partners on a claim in the Spruce creek country, and during the winter have been working it. As is often the case with Irishmen—and other people, for that matter—these two sons of Erin frequently disagreed, and when a war of words would not suffice to settle the matter they would proceed to adjust their differences in that way so beloved by all good Irishmen—a regular knockdown and dragout fist fight. The wars of words frequently proved inefficient, and as often were the fists brought into use.

The frequency of the "scraps" became common gossip of the camp, so one day sometime after the death of the queen the belligerents were brought before Judge Wood. Now, English jurists are noted for their austere and stately ways of impressing an offender with the exalted greatness of the majesty, be it his or her, and Judge Wood was no exception. So when the offending Irishmen came before him and each told his tale the judge decided to bind them to keep the peace for one year and solemnly and impressively swore them to that effect in the name of "Her Majesty, the Queen."

The offenders went back to their claim, and, as it developed to the face pummeling business also. They were soon before the judge again, and, not desiring to serve time, one of them summoned his Irish wit to his assistance. It didn't fail him—Irish wit never does—and he set up a defense as novel as it was effective. He argued that having been sworn to keep the peace in the name of "Her Majesty, the Queen," and as the queen was dead at the time of taking the oath, he was under no legal obligation to refrain from fighting.

Judge Wood had to acknowledge the point, and re-swore them in the name of "His Majesty, the King," since which time all has been peace between the two Irishmen on Spruce creek.—Alaskan.

L. L. James left this afternoon for a trip to his logging camp, 60 miles up the Klondike.

PROTECTION FOR MCKINLEY

The Idea a Strange One to Isolated Americans.

Correspondent J. S. Estee Would Like to be Shown Necessity for Presidential Armed Guard.

From Tuesday's Daily.
The large number of Americans in this country having followed the events at home, have been treated to a bit of news lately which undoubtedly will interest them to a high degree. President McKinley will require strong police protection on his intended journey to the Pacific coast we are told, but the particulars are lacking. We are not aware of any anarchistic movements going on in the States, or political assassins being at large whom it might be well to guard against; he has been re-elected with a large majority, been inaugurated with imperial pomp, and the country is prosperous according to the press reports. Now the fact that a strong bodyguard is required for the president's safety suggests the assumption that his leaders and friends in whose hands he has been for the last 12 years, are afraid of some hidden danger and on the lookout for it. Europeans learning of this fact, and steeped in dense prejudices for a monarchy absolute or constitutional alike, may exclaim with some kind of satisfaction: tout come che nous!

As the news from the outside travels rather slow and reaches us sparingly and in small doses, we are thrown on our own resources of imagination to define facts reported in this slow fashion, and we must therefore conjecture things that to the outside world are revealed from day to day or almost from hour to hour. There is either a real or only a fancied danger threatening the life of the president. If a real danger there must be a serious dissatisfaction with the present social conditions prevailing and getting our clue from some utterances lately in the States it will be easy to define the source of the danger. Prof. Hadley, of Yale, gave it as his opinion that the world in 25 years hence will see a real crowned emperor at the head of the state of North America, and another opinion expressed in an article of the Atlantic Monthly states that the real government of the United States is "Commercialism," personified by such people as Mark Hanna, and consequently the president is simply a figurehead who executes the will of the power behind the throne, antagonistic to the welfare of the people.

It would be a sorry spectacle indeed to see a man who for years has acted in the legislative and executive halls of the nation as a most efficient agent for "Commercialism," and particularly he combined manufacturers, now confronted by a spectre of real or fancied danger formed by a huge cloud of the collective dissatisfaction, resentment and revenge of an offended and sensitive populace, and perhaps sacrificed to the wrath of an outraged people. But if there is no foundation to the reported danger, then we are probably dealing with a hallucination emanating from an awakening conscience in the atmosphere of the executive mansion and another "Mene tekel upharsin," which in the course of events may prove of some benefit to the masses if not even to the classes.
J. ESTEE.

RETURN OF MR. GIROUARD

From a Four Months Visit to the East.

Mr. J. E. Girouard, registrar of land titles and member of the Yukon council, arrived in Dawson last night returning from a four months' trip to the east. He visited Ottawa, Montreal, Winnipeg and all of the principle cities of Eastern Canada. He was very reticent about speaking of the business connected with his trip, but stated that he spent a large portion of his time at Ottawa, where he was advising with the legislators with regard to the future development of the territory.

"The government," he said, "is getting decidedly more liberal in its attitude towards this territory and legislation is now being framed looking towards its highest advancement and development."

Mr. Girouard has resigned his place in the land office and this morning found him busily engaged in the duties connected with his office.

Hutchinson Not Dead.

Mr. Humboldt Gates who recently returned to Dawson from an extended trip to the eastern states and Europe brings back word that Fred Hutchinson of 28 Eldorado, who was reported dead, was at the time ill with dropsy at the German hospital in Philadelphia. About six weeks ago he had sufficiently recovered to be removed to Florida where his health is gradually being restored. His representative Mr. Fritz Kloke is on his way in and should be here in a short time.

Ogilvie BRIDGE

Duly Dedicated and Opened to the Public.

Fully 1000 people assembled at the new bridge across the Klondike yesterday afternoon to witness the formal opening of that structure to public traffic. Nearly all the available conveyances in town were pressed into service for the accommodation of those who desired to attend the ceremonies and hundreds of people journeyed on foot. The neighboring bluffs were covered with spectators who secured reserved seats at various degrees of altitude from which to witness the formal opening of the most important public work yet undertaken in the Yukon territory. A company of Northwest Mounted Police were in attendance under charge of Capt. Scarth and their presence added materially to the impressiveness of the ceremonies.

From various points on the bridge flags were displayed which fluttered gaily in the breeze.

In accordance with a resolution of the Yukon council the bridge has been named for Commissioner Ogilvie and a plate with the inscription "Ogilvie's Bridge, 1901," has been placed in a prominent position. Commissioner Ogilvie with the Yukon council occupied a position in the center of the bridge, the company of police being drawn up in line at their right.

Mr. H. Te Roller, acting U. S. consul and other invited guests were also present and from their position reviewed the parade of wagons and sleighs which at the conclusion of the ceremonies passed over the bridge. A neat compliment was paid to the American citizens by the display of an American flag from one of the highest points on the bridge.

Mr. Ogilvie delivered a brief address in formally announcing that the bridge is ready for public use. He said in part that while it is generally understood that all things come to him who waits, the bridge had been secured only because of hard and persistent efforts on the part of the Yukon council. Construction work had been begun early in the season as it was presumed that the ice would go out of the Klondike earlier than now seems likely will prove to be the case.

He commended most highly the efforts of Messrs. Thibedeau and Matheson who had labored incessantly since construction work was undertaken, to complete the bridge before the breaking up of the ice should render the task more difficult. He was greatly pleased to be able to say that the work had been carried on and completed in a thorough and workmanlike manner and assured the public that the structure as now completed will endure for an indefinite length of time.

At the conclusion of his address Mr. Ogilvie called for three cheers for Messrs. Thibedeau and Matheson which were given with a will. Someone in the crowd called for three cheers for Mr. Ogilvie which were likewise given with a tiger added.

At the conclusion of the address the police wheeled into column of fours and marched across the bridge and back, being loudly cheered.

The conclusion of this maneuver was followed by a general procession across the bridge in which heavy wagons and sleighs belonging to the various commercial and mercantile firms of the city participated.

Representatives of all the companies were present and nearly all the vehicles contained several ladies.

The bridge itself has been described on several occasions in this paper and its construction is well understood by the public. Its longest span is 154 feet and it is supported on foundations of solid granite which rests on the rock of the Klondike river. It is a steel structure throughout and is considered by expert engineers to be a splendid piece of workmanship.

It is 20 feet in width which admits easily of the largest sleighs and wagons passing each other without difficulty. While the heaviest teams were passing over yesterday, scarcely a jar was noticeable even by those who stood in the center of the bridge.

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IT WAS A CHILLY EASTER

But That Did Not Keep New Bunnets at Home.

Knighthood in the Order of St. Gregory Conferred Upon Alex. McDonald Last Night.

From Monday and Tuesday's Daily. While the air was more chilly yesterday than is desired for an Easter Sunday yet there was a generous display of new bunnets and dresses which mark the return from the thoughtful and self-denying period which has lasted during the 40 days of lent, to the more cheerful and gay side of life.

All of the various churches had services specially prepared for the day and at each church large audiences attended both night and morning. At St. Mary's Catholic church the services were very impressive. A special large choir of voices had been trained for the occasion and the music was all well rendered. In the morning "Rosewig's Mass" in F, Lambillotte's "Haec Dies," a chorus and duet by Mrs. Mullen and Miss Carr and Gregorian's "Victimae Paschali" were the special features.

In the evening the following special music was rendered: Aizolo's "Dixi Dominus," Lambillotte's "Magnificat," Mrs. Atkinson and chorus; "O Solutarius," Meadames Mullen and Atkinson; "Ava Marie," (Luzzi), Miss Carr; "Fantum Ergo," Messrs. Clayton, Mahoney, Genest and T. Sheridan.

During the evening Father Gendreau, acting under instructions from his holiness the pope, gave Alex McDonald a knighthood in the Order of St. Gregory. Mr. and Mrs. McDonald passed up the aisle where they knelt before the altar while Father Gendreau read the letter from Cardinal Macchi. They then rose to their feet when he pinned to Alex's left breast the emblem which created him a knight of the order of St. Gregory. The ceremony was short but very impressive and Alex is justly proud of the honor conferred upon him. At the Methodist church the anthem, "Christ Is Risen" was well rendered by the choir; a solo by Mrs. Libbey, "The Resurrection Song," and a solo "The Holy City," by Mrs. Devig were the special features.

At the morning service at the Presbyterian church Mrs. Ritchie sang as an offertory "Hosanna," and in the evening the anthem "Christ Our Passover," by the choir with Mrs. Ritchie and Mr. Wye taking the solo parts and Mr. McPherson in the solo "The Palms," made an exceptionally good musical program.

BUSY MEETING OF COUNCIL

Was Held Saturday Afternoon—Ogilvie Bridge.

The Yukon council held a special session Saturday afternoon with all the members present with the exception of Justice Dugas who was too ill to attend.

Commissioner Ogilvie prepared an address to the new incoming governor which was adopted by the council to be presented to him upon his arrival.

The ordinance regarding the incorporation of the Yukon General Trust Co. passed its second reading. The council then went into a committee of the whole to consider the ordinance which was put on its third reading and passed.

The ordinance granting to laborers compensation in certain cases was postponed till a future meeting.

The ordinance respecting the miners' lien was put on its second reading and referred.

The council then went into a committee of the whole to hear a statement from Mr. Sutton with regard to his claim of damages which he sustained while building the road from 60 below Bonanza to the Forks by wagons being driven over it before construction work was completed. His claim amounted to \$300 which he said was for extra work in keeping the road in repairs during its construction. After he had made his statement the council examined Messrs. Smith and Thebedeau as expert witnesses and each testified that the claim was a proper one. The council then went into a committee of the whole and after due deliberation allowed the claim.

Mr. Smith, who is foreman of the government road construction requested a raise in his salary which now is \$1 per day, out of which he has to pay

his own expenses. His work takes him over all the creeks and he said that sometimes his expenses amounted to \$8 per day and that it was impossible for him to work at that figure. The council after considering the matter decided to increase his salary to \$400 per month, increase to start from the 1st of January.

Upon the council resuming its regular order of business Major Wood proposed to the council that in appreciation of the efforts of Commissioner Ogilvie and the interest he had taken in the development of the territory and especially in the construction of the new bridge that the bridge be named after its chief promoter, "Ogilvie bridge."

In reply Commissioner Ogilvie said: "Gentlemen, I wish to express to you my appreciation of what you have done and I take it as a recognition of what I have tried to do and finally succeeded. I need not go into details because you all know the trouble and delay in connection with the bridge was something very disheartening. However I am inclined to leave this office I have filled for the last two years and leave that behind me, thinking that if I leave no other testimonial than that I have done a good deal for the district. I thank you for the honor you have done me and I hope that the bridge will stand there as a testimonial of my interest in the territory as long as I live."

LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT

Klondikers Are Nothing if Not Romantic.

That romance is still to be found, even in the 20th century, is shown by the history of Mlle. Gabrielle le Houeron, who, as Mme. Moury, arrived on Thursday on the steamship Senator with her husband, Mme. Moury, as she must now be called, is a Parisian girl of good family, who was making a tour of the world with some friends of her family. At Manila she took the ill fated Rio de Janeiro for San Francisco, only to be landed half dead from exposure at the Golden Gate without friends, clothes or money. The gentleman who is now her husband happened to meet her boat at the wharf and fell in love at first sight with the beautiful shipwrecked girl. They were married soon afterward and are now on their way to Dawson City.

Mme. Moury, who is an exceptionally beautiful girl with all the vivacious charm of a Parisienne, daintily clad in sealskins, looked the picture of health and life Saturday, when she gave a Seattle Post-Intelligencer reporter a graphic account of the way she was snatched from death at the Golden Gate. "I was asleep in my cabin," she said, "when the shock came, and the noise of the falling glassware awakened me. The ship lurched over, throwing me out of bed, and as I was picking myself up my friends in the cabin opposite rushed on deck shouting for me to follow just as I was. I followed as quickly as I could, with nothing on but my night dress. When I got on deck nothing could be distinguished. There was a babble of shouts, men were rushing to and fro. A thick fog covered everything. There was no organized attempt to save the passengers. The officers and crew for the most part were trying to save only themselves. The result was that only three out of the 16 lady passengers were rescued. Overcome by the noise, the confusion and by the cold, I was cowering down alone on the deck. No one had offered to guide me to a boat or told me what to do. I was, I believe, the last one on deck when Captain Ward came up. He caught me up in his arms and put me into a boat, and that was the last I saw of him. He was drowned the next minute.

"I had hardly taken my seat in the boat when the ship rolled over on her side and then went down, carrying with her the boats on the other side of her. That we were not carried down was almost a miracle. When the ship went down the boiler exploded. The noise was something terrible. One unfortunate Japanese stoker fell from the sky, it seemed to me, into our boat. He was terribly mangled.

"We rowed around for about an hour and picked up the chief engineer, a German captain and a gentleman named Carpenter, and also a number of Chinese. All this time I was clad only in a night dress. When the long row was over I was almost unconscious. As soon as we got to shore we were well taken care of, and beyond some sleepless nights and some terrible nightmares I was none the worse for my experience.

"Fortunately I had on a pair of valuable diamond earrings, so I was able to provide myself with clothes, for I had lost everything. The gentleman who is now my husband was most kind to me, and we were soon married and now I am quite happy."

Mr. Edward Moury went to the Klondike from France, reaching there in 1897. He owns claims on Hunker, Eldorado and Bonanza creeks, and although not a millionaire says he has done very well. He and his wife, so strangely met, hope to make a trip back to France in the fall.—Alaskan

Skagway Klondike.
For several days loud blasts have been heard repeatedly and people have been at a loss to know whether the Oregon had arrived and fired a salute or whether someone had been holding a single-handed celebration.

The noise emanates from neither source, but is caused by the mining operations of R. H. Brown, an old sour dough who thinks, or rather knows, that he has struck it rich on the hillside.

Some time ago Mr. Walters of the Yukon-Iron Works in Dawson, since deceased, passed through Skagway, and his old friend Brown convinced him that he had a mine, and that there were millions in it. He said that he did not have the means, but that he had the energy and the location.

Walters supplied what was needed—the price—and gave Brown \$1000 with which to open up. Walters traveled outside, promising to send in all necessary machinery, but he died shortly afterward, and now Brown has not the plant which he expected to have on the ground long before this.

He is going ahead just the same, though, and several times a day he inserts his blast and its discharge is music to his ear, and the heavenward-turned dirt is scenery to his eye.

While talking with Phil Abrahams the other day Brown unboomed himself, and told the latter that he had a valuable piece of property. "I am going to do all the work I can now," he said, "and as soon as the thaw comes I will go ahead and show the people of Skagway that they have a veritable Klondike right in their midst."

The town is full of Missourians, and they are waiting to be shown.—Alaskan.

WAR NEWS.

I'm very hard to please, perhaps, views; For the papers seldom suit my views; For when I look for news of scraps, They give me only scraps of news.

I'm tired of all their language, for 'Tis like the chattering of birds; And when I look for words of war, I only find a war of words.

The trekking Boers they all abuse, I calmly put their rubbish by; For in their telegraphic news, I know they tell a graphic lie.

In China, too, they've raised a din, And put the pig-tailed troops to rout! And there they've captured great Peking, Where once they did not dare peek out.

And, having routed all the gang, From Hang Wah Sing to Ping Wun Lung, Some asked the aid of Li Hung Chang, While others want old Li Hung Lung.

I wish they'd stop their fighting, and Let discord and confusion cease; Within that classic piece of land, And let it be a land of peace.

Down in the Cape I know they'll win; On that I'd like to make a bet. They'll soon make old Dewet come in, Then all come in out of de wet.—Province.

An Irishman's Views.

The Hon. John Daly, the mayor of Limerick, Ireland, who is now in Boston, has no sympathy for the Irish members of parliament who made the scene in the house the other night. "I do not quite understand," he says, "what these men are trying to accomplish. But from what I know of some of the men involved I would say that their main object is to gain popularity among the Irish people at the cost of opposing the chairman. Such things tickle the fancy of some of the people they represent, but beyond that amount to nothing. They have probably been expelled from the house, which means for 24 hours only, and if there was any fear of further punishment they would be careful to do nothing to merit it. The speaker could, with the consent of parliament, confine them, but there is no danger of that in these cases. Another thing that convinces me that this trouble is caused only by those who seek to curry favor with the people is the fact that none of the great leaders of the Irish Nationalists in parliament have taken any part in it. If it were of importance all the Irish representatives would be into it in a body. You may rest assured that the whole thing amounts to nothing and is only done for effect."

Merely Inquired.

"Did you trump my ace, dear?" asked Mr. Meekton, who was his wife's partner at whist. "I did," she rejoined sternly. "What of it?" "I merely inquired to relieve my mind," he answered, with a gentle smile. "It is a great comfort to know you trumped it. If any one else had trumped it, you know, we should have lost the trick."—Washington Star.

NEW PREACHER AND WIDOW

Each Sat by an Open Window and Fanned

While the Old Maid Watched Them, Said They Were Flirting and Raised Cain About It.

The Rev. George Peters of the First Presbyterian church of Homerville was a young man of about 25. It was his first call, but it was agreed that his sermons were the best ever delivered before that congregation. He was also popular in a social way, and, taken all around, he had a standing that few young ministers could boast of. When he had been in Homerville six months, he had made just two enemies. These were an old maid named Angelina Harris and her father. Neither was an open enemy, but Angelina was piqued and provoked and somewhat embittered because the minister had kept clear of the matrimonial net she would have thrown about him. She would have been willing to make a match of it with almost anyone, but it was the ambition of her soul to marry a clergyman. She struck the young reverend at an early date, and she followed it with ardor and persistency until he was obliged to give her the cold snub. As she was one of his flock, and as her father was a would-be pillar of the church, the snub wasn't ice cold or full of carpet tacks, but he made his meaning plain nevertheless.

From that hour Angelina Harris had it in mind to do that good man up. She didn't give her hand away by throwing out little slurs and innuendoes, because she would have found herself to listen to her, but she set herself to watch and bide her time. He who watches and bides finds an opening sooner or later. As Angelina was keeping tab on current events a widow named Moreland moved to Homerville from Chicago. She was young, rich, vivacious and took her place at the head of society at once.

She occupied a house exactly opposite the one in which the minister lodged, and it was also next door on the left to that occupied by Mr. Harris. She hadn't got settled yet when Angelina made up her mind that her cue was to watch for something between the new arrival and the minister. She sized her widow up for a flirt, and, though she had never seen the Rev. Peters indulge in anything of the kind, there was no telling what he might do if coaxed on by a designing woman.

A couple of weeks had passed when one hot afternoon the Chicago widow sat down at an open window to read and fan herself. She hadn't been there ten minutes when the Rev. Peters sat down at one of his second story windows to do the same thing. The widow didn't see him, and he didn't see the widow, but Angelina saw them both. She saw the widow's fan waved in a way that said, "Glad to see you," and the reply was waved back, "Many thanks."

Then the widow's fan began an outrageous flirtation, and the minister's fan kept company with it, and even when she waved that she thought she could love him for himself alone he wasn't driven off the field. The snubbed girl had watched and bided, and in a day or two a social thunder-clap shook the town.

The father of Angelina, would-be pillar, etc., had not found the Rev. Peters as clay in his hands, as he had hoped for, and his effort to run things connected with the church to suit his own ideas had not proved successful. He had put up with the defeat as meekly as possible, but, like Angelina, he was on the watch and the bide. That his only child and favorite daughter should have failed to make a sentimental impression was another thorn in his side, and a smile of satisfaction lighted his face as she called him to witness the last five minutes of the flirtation. With his own eyes he saw those fans working as if driven by steam power. He wasn't a man to stand anything of that sort even if he hadn't had a grievance. He drew the line at a minister riding the bike or playing croquet and thought he was over-liberal at that. Within a day he and Angelina had taken care that about 50 different members of the church had been posted on the flirtation. It is needless to say that people were dumfounded and that the Rev. Peters wobbled about and almost fell down in a faint when he heard the gossip. As for the Widow Moreland, she was more than astonished, but of course she had to giggle over it.

When the elders of the church doubted the sanity of Angelina's father in spreading such a yarn, he vigorously replied: "I'll show you whether I'm crazy or not! Call a meeting of the vestry, and I will be there to make my statement and prove it! When I see a flirtation with my own eyes, I guess I know it from a load of coal!"

A meeting of the elders was called. It had to be. The minister wanted it as well as Mr. Harris. When all was ready to take up the charges, it was Elder Spooner who asked in his slick, snave way: "Now, Brother Harris, how long since you flirted with a woman?" "Never in my life!" was the indignant answer. "Then will you please tell us how you knew this was a flirtation?" "Why—why, they were waving their fans at each other." "But we have seen plenty of fans used in church. You don't mean to say that flirtations were being carried on during service, do you?" "Of course not, but this was different. She'd fan, and then he'd fan." "And what did you understand the motions of the fans to mean? Give us the flirtation code." "Do you mean to insult me?" roared Brother Harris as his face got very red. "I don't know the code, as you call it, but I do know that they were talking by signals—that is, Angelina." "Oh, it was your daughter Angelina who interpreted the signals to you. We must have her here as a witness. I don't think any one of us ever suspected Angelina of flirtations, but it seems she must have had quite a number to be familiar with the code." "Angelina shall not come here!" exclaimed the irate brother as he realized that he had put his foot in it. "And how dare you charge my daughter with flirting?" "But if she hasn't flirted how does she know the code? You have made a grave charge here, brother, and we look to see you support it. You say you saw part of the flirtation. What did the widow convey to the pastor by her signals? Take this fan and show us how she used it." "I—I can't do it if Angelina was"— "Oh, if Angelina was here she could," said Elder Spooner as the other caught himself. "Well, let us send for her, as I suggested before." "I'll never do it!" "But the charge, brother—the charge. Here is a charge of flirtation against our pastor. You made it, but you haven't submitted one iota of proof thus far. What are you going to do about it?" "Mebbe it wasn't exactly a flirtation," sullenly admitted the brother after awhile.

The Rev. Peters said he was using the fan to drive away the flies and bring a breath of cool air as he read over the sermon he was to preach on the following Sunday. He had neither noticed the widow nor Angelina nor her father. The Widow Moreland had insisted on being present. Yes, she knew all about flirtations, but really she hadn't the nerve to sit at an open window under the eyes of her neighbors and attempt a flirtation with a clergyman and the pastor of the church she was soon to be a member of. If she used her fan languidly, it was to drive away the droning house flies; if briskly, it was to warn a daring needle or a beetle to keep a safe distance.

"Were I to flirt," added the widow as she shook out her fan and smiled coyly, "I should do like this."

And she went through such a series of motions and gestures as no elder of that church had ever seen before, and some of them almost found themselves trying to reply to the signals.

"Well, Brother Harris, what shall we do?" asked Deacon Spooner as the widow retired.

"I—I guess Angelina was mistaken," was the hesitating reply.

"And you?"

"I guess I was too. Yes, I'm willing to say I was and take it all back. I hereby ask everybody to forgive me, and I'll go home and box Angelina's ears for a fool!" M. QUAD.

No Thaw Yet.

Notwithstanding the fact that the spring season is here there is a noticeable backwardness on the part of spring weather to appear, and during the two weeks previous to yesterday there was less thaw than in two days shortly after the middle of March. Last week on several mornings the official thermometer stood at from 6 to 10 degrees below zero and even yet the weather is chiefly and laden with a flavor of winter which is evidence that Bory has not yet released his grip on this portion of the country.

A. J. Kroenert and wife of Gold Hill returned last evening from a trip to the outside.

THURSDAY & FRIDAY NIGHTS

Will Witness Free Library Concerts in M. E. Church.

Best Talent of Dawson Enlisted—Carefully Prepared Program—For Benefit of Library.

From Wednesday's Daily
The concert which is to be given tomorrow and Friday nights at the Methodist church under the auspices and in aid of the Free Library will be without question the most elaborate entertainment of its kind ever given in Dawson. A chorus of 60 voices has been under training for three months and everything is now complete and the program is ready for delivery.

The chorus is composed of the following well-known ladies and gentlemen:

Sopranos—Mesdames Atkinson Bell, Devig, Hulme, Libby, Mullens, Macfarlane, McLennan, James, Hine, Maltby, Mackay Ritchie, Misses Hartman, E. Larsen.

Altos—Mesdames Fysh, O'Neil, Trounce, Wade, Carr, Johnson and Miss Larsen.

Tenors—Messrs. Fysh, Thomas, Herbert, Finuey, Charraway, Jones, Mahoney, Barwell, Hall, Fawcett, Stacpool, H. R. Rogers.

Bassos—Messrs. Edwards, Wye, Johnson, Davidson, MacLean, Clayton, Sheridan, MacPherson, Craig, Robertson, Long, Thornburgh.

The above well-known and accomplished vocalists will render a select program and those who are so fortunate as to be present will have a musical treat such as has never before been given in Dawson. Among the soloists who will appear are Mrs. Ritchie, Mr. McPherson, Mrs. Hulme, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Clayton, Mrs. Devig, Miss Larsen, Mrs. Fysh and many others.

ANOTHER MUNCHAUSEN

Bert Collyer Out-Collyered by Herman Koehler.

The following, which appeared in the San Francisco Call, was sent to Mr. Frank Mortimer by his mother with the request that he inform her of the truthfulness of the statements:

San Diego, March 17. — Herman Koehler, formerly a baker in this city and now in business in Dawson city, Northwest territory, Canada, has written a letter to his sister here in which he tells of some remarkable happenings in that land of snow and ice.

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Society on Gold Run.

The second of a series of dances to be given by Messrs. Slipper and Hulme of the Gold Run Central hotel was given last Friday evening. A very enjoyable evening was spent by the guests who join in praising the hospitality of Mrs. Hulme and Miss Stone. A luncheon was served at midnight and dancing kept up till the wee small hours. Among those present were:

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house stoves at intervals along the route. This morning was several degrees colder than yesterday, the cold still being of a very penetrating and biting quality. Yesterday was a quiet day in Dawson, very few people being outside."

ANOTHER ADJOURNMENT

Made Today in the Celebrated McConnell Case.

The case of the members of the Yukon council vs. Mrs. McConnell was again called before Magistrate Starnes this morning in the police court. Col. MacGregor appeared for the defendant with a certificate from Dr. Richardson stating that Mrs. McConnell was still too ill to attend court. Col. MacGregor said that he was prepared to make a statement to the court but the court did not consider such a statement necessary and remanded the case for one week.

Louis Eiger, while under the influence of intoxicating liquor last night did unlawfully appropriate to his own use ten plugs of chewing tobacco, the property of one of the First Avenue merchants and also while being placed under arrest did try to resist the officer to all of which he pleaded guilty this morning. One month's imprisonment at hard labor was the sentence passed upon him by the magistrate.

George O'Brien will be put on preliminary trial at 2 o'clock this afternoon for the murder of Clayton, Relief and Olsen one year ago last Christmas day at Minto. A number of witnesses will be heard today.

COMING AND GOING.

Mr. Chas. Lamb is spending a few days in town and is at the Regina hotel.

Mail passed Selwyn for Dawson yesterday noon and should arrive here tomorrow night.

Mrs. Dr. Slayton, the well known phrenologist and palmist returned to Dawson recently from a trip to the outside.

Geo. W. Coffin, W. G. Harrison, W. Lamb and Mr. A. C. Clemander, of Hunker are registered at the McDonald today.

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FEAST OF LOVE, NIT

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the minutes of the previous meeting were not read after he did show up, although repeatedly called for, there was another glaring possibility that Mr. Woodworth did not shoot more than three rings from the bullseye.

Mr. Wade, chairman of the reception committee appointed at the previous meeting, stated that there had been no intention of slighting or overlooking anyone in the selecting of the committees which had been named by the chairman, Thos. O'Brien, but that he favored enlarging the committees by the addition of as many names as were desired. He counseled unity of feeling as there was unity of purpose and moved the addition to the reception committee of Messrs. Wilson and Prudhomme and Col. MacGregor. Other names were mentioned until 11 had been selected for additions to the various committees, and, on motion, the chairman was instructed to distribute them which he did, the following additions being made:

Reception committee—Arthur Wilson, Alex Prudhomme, J. A. Clarke, Dr. Alfred Thompson and C. W. S. Barwell.

Finance committee—A. D. Williams, C. M. Woodworth and J. F. Sugrue.

Banquet committee—Col. MacGregor, Thos. McGowan and Arthur Lewin.

As Mr. Mizner had previously raised a question regarding the respective duties of the banquet and menu committees, Mr. Condon moved that the two be amalgamated. Mr. Wade said the motion was out of order and the chair so ruled. Condon appealed from the ruling of the chair and when a vote was taken on the appeal 16 hands punctured the smoke-laden atmosphere for, to against and the banquet and menu committees became one and the same.

As it is the object to have a reception on the afternoon previous to the banquet, the offer of O'Brien & Jackson tendering the Savoy theater for that purpose free of charge was applauded and while no action was taken, it is probable the kind offer will be accepted.

The question of selecting a chairman to preside at the banquet was not settled, the only name mentioned at the meeting being that of Judge C. A. Dugas which was proposed by Thos. McGowan and seconded by Mr. Mizner. But whoever the chairman may be it is proposed that Hon. J. H. Ross occupy the seat on his right and Hon. William Ogilvie occupy the seat on his left.

Mr. McGowan's motion was not put as, owing to the fact that suppressed "harmony" was beginning to get in its work between certain members of the meeting, a timely motion to adjourn was given precedence and with various protestations in which that of love was not eminently predominant, the meeting adjourned, its individual members feeling as did Peter after his visit to the Mount of Transfiguration, "It was good for me to be there."

It Killed the Bear.

A man who had experience in Alaska was listening to a group of citizens discussing the weather and broke in on the talk thus:

"Pshaw, you fellows don't know what changeable weather is. You think it's always cold in Alaska, do you? Well, just let me tell you a little experience of mine. One day I went hunting with a party of miners. The weather was quite warm when we started, and I perspired freely. Suddenly it turned bitterly cold, and large icicles formed on my whiskers (I had grown a full beard). Crossing a small canyon, I came face to face with a big, ugly looking bear. I had nothing but powder in my gun, and the man with the cartridges was away behind me, so as a desperate resort I rammed the icicles from my beard into the gun and blazed away."

"And what happened?" said one of the crowd eagerly.

"Why, I struck him squarely in the head and killed him."

"Killed him? Impossible!" chorused the crowd.

"But it did, I tell you. The temperature suddenly turned warm again, melting the icicles, and the bear died from water on the brain."—Detroit Free Press.

A Plague of Flies.

Belgium has had a strange experience. Many districts have been visited by huge swarms of large winged insects, variously described as dragon flies, locusts and "demoiselles." In Brussels boys collected in crowds and carried on a regular battle with switches. People in the streets had to cover their faces, and many fled indoors at the sight of the invading swarms. In several squares, the story goes, there was a veritable fight for possession between the insects and the human inhabitants.

Arctic Brotherhood.

A telegram was received yesterday by F. W. Clayton, Arctic Chief of the local camp of the Arctic Brotherhood from Mr. John T. Reed who was at Eagle City en route from Nome to New York. Mr. Reed's telegram states that he is a special envoy from the Nome camp A. B. At the regular meeting last night it was decided to hold a special meeting Friday night of this week for the purpose of receiving Mr. Reed. The operatic travesty is progressing finely. At the rehearsal last night the principals showed improvement in their respective parts while the chorus is doing very good work. It was decided not to hold any initiations for two weeks and to devote that time to rehearsals. The next rehearsal will take place Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at Max Alder's cabin on Sixth street.

Special A. B. Meeting.

Arctic Brotherhood: A special meeting of the A. B. has been called for Friday evening, April 12th, at McDonald hall, 1901, to receive Bro. John T. Reed, deputy clerk U.S. district court, at Nome, Alaska, as accredited envoy. A full attendance is requested. 8 p. m. Sharp.

F. W. CLAYTON, A. C. G. G. CANTWELL, A. R.

Baker Knabel on Hand.

Henry Knabel, the enterprising baker and all-around hustling business man, had a unique advertisement in the procession to and across Ogilvie bridge yesterday in the shape of a wheelbarrow on which in large plain letters an advertisement for his German bakery was displayed. Knabel is up-to-time on all things.

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Largest Stock in the City to Select from.
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Will include a complete line of Specially Designed Hoisting and Pumping Machinery.
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A. E. COMP'NY
"White Pass and Yukon Route"
A Daily Train Each Way Between Whitehorse and Skagway.....
..Comfortable Upholstered Coaches..
NORTH—Leave Skagway daily, except Sundays, 8:30 a. m. Bennett 12:15 a. m. Arrive at Whitehorse, 5:15 p. m.
SOUTH—Leave Whitehorse daily, except Sundays, 8:00 a. m. Bennett 1:25 p. m. Arrive at Skagway, 4:40 p. m.
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