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The greatest tributes that have been paid to Mr. Ross come from men who knew him during all the years of his active political life in the Northwest territories.

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How different would be the case should Clarke by any possibility be chosen. Judged by his past record, absolutely no faith or reliance can be placed in Joe's pledges of honest and faithful attention to duty.

His private dealings have been of a very similar nature as is witnessed by the fact that without exception the men who have been most closely associated with him in the past have been driven from him through repeated betrayals of trust and confidence.

With such a contrast before them there should not be and will not be any difficulty experienced by the electorate in reaching a decision. They will decide the matter as honest, intelligent men should decide a question which directly concerns their personal welfare.

WINTER MAIL

The winter mail service bids fair to be almost as unsatisfactory for the present year as it has been in the past. Announcement has been made that parcels and newspapers will not be guaranteed delivery in Dawson...

In recognition of the fact that public interest has been deeply aroused in the murder cases now engaging the attention of the court, the Nugget is devoting an unusually large amount of space thereto.

Never in years has stern winter been such a sluggard in making his appearance in the Yukon. The first of November is well nigh at hand and still the weather possesses the mildness of late August.

Roediger's morning organ accuses his evening organ of lying and the evening organ accuses the morning organ of being a fake.

The News telegram about the Skagway Alaskan probably had its origin in the same place from which its information regarding the alleged \$100,000 campaign fund was received.

It will soon become fashionable to run steamboats on the Yukon all winter long.

"I couldn't get out of marrying her," Henpeck explained. "When she proposed she said, 'Will you marry me? Have you any objection?' You see, no matter whether I said 'yes' or 'no,' she had me."

A DAWSON MAN'S DREAM. He dreamed he died and went to heaven. St. Peter was showing him the beauties of heaven. They passed a lady chained to a post. He asked, "Why do you keep her chained?" St. Peter replied, "We have to do it because she would go back. She is from Dawson and used to buy all her groceries from Dunham. Nothing we have here will satisfy her."

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MEETING OF ROSS MEN

Large Gathering Held at South Dawson

Speeches by Auguste Noel, Dr. Catto, George Black and F. T. Congdon.

The meeting of Ross supporters held at South Dawson last night was very largely attended, in fact there was such a crowd that Mr. Black made it a charge against the government that it had not provided better accommodation for such meetings...

The fun came after the speech of Mr. Beddoe, who made some rather wild statements in regard to the shortcomings of Mr. Ross. When he had concluded Mr. Noel rose to ask him a question.

Mr. Noel put it again and asked for a straightforward answer. Mr. Beddoe: "I must decline the gentleman's request, as I do not think it practical politics to answer."

The whole of the audience called for an answer, and Mr. Beddoe tried to get out of it by saying he would take both under certain circumstances, and there was hearty laughter.

Mr. Noel then said that he had more to say of Mr. Clarke but would prefer to say it in his presence. He did not wish to say a word reflecting on Mr. Clarke's private life, but at the meeting on Thursday evening he would have something to say of Mr. Clarke when he was in public position here.

Dr. Catto seemed to feel it a severe blow that some one had been working for months at what he believed to be his own original idea, and the audience laughed heartily over his disclaimer.

As the meeting was about to adjourn Mr. Black insisted against the decision of the chairman and the opposition in favor of Clarke. He was booed down, and Mr. Congdon scored him unmercifully for his action.

ROSS A CANDIDATE

Mr. Ross, it is learned, has resigned his office as commissioner of the Yukon, and accepted nomination as a candidate for the house of commons in that district. His friends in the territories, and there is scarce a man in the territories whatever his politics who does not count himself Mr. Ross's friend...

Of Mr. Ross's public life in the Northwest, it is almost superfluous to speak here. To him and to Mr. Haultain this country owes an immeasurable debt. Their public history is largely the political history of the territories. Theirs was the successful fight for responsible government.

LAST BOAT GOING OUT

Leads to Police Court Conviviality

Mr. Barwell, Going as a Guest of the Thistle, Gets Arrested and Left.

Samuel H. Barwell was going out on the Thistle as the guest of the captain, but during the night, while waiting for her to cast off there were so many friends to say good-bye to him, and so many saying good-bye to other people, that he got too gay and in complaint of the officers of the ship Mr. Barwell was taken to the barracks to spend the rest of the evening.

Mr. Justice Macaulay disclaimed any enmity in the matter, on the part of the police or anybody else, and was giving him the full penalty under the charge, but he changed his mind and told him to pay \$1 and costs.

Mr. Justice Macaulay dismissed the case, and in doing so spoke strongly to Mr. Pearce. He said that in altering the check a worse crime had been committed than the one charged against the defendant.

Mr. Hills Plans. Victoria, B.C. Oct. 8.—Hon. A. G. Blair was waited upon by the Victoria board of trade and said he had a conversation with Mr. Hill in which the Great Northern magnate led him to believe he was not only interested in the V. V. & E., but was ready to carry it forward energetically when the present depression passed.

Mr. Hills Murder Castro. San Juan, Puerto Rico, Oct. 8.—According to advices received here today from Venezuela by the steamer Caracas, it seems certain that the revolutionists will triumph, probably in a fortnight, and that La Guaira and Caracas will capitulate.

AN EMPTY CHARGE

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Hutton & Pearce, of the Commerce saloon, were placed in a peculiar position in the police court this morning, having done a foolish act which Mr. Justice Macaulay observed amounted to a forgery.

The defendant this morning put in evidence his deposit book of the Bank of Commerce, showing that he had over \$200 in his credit at the time the check was drawn, and that, of course, upset the whole case of the prosecution.

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Cape Breton Storm-Swept

Halifax, Oct. 8.—A storm of great violence swept over the Cape Breton coast this afternoon. At Sydney it became intensely dark, rain fell in torrents, and the wind blew with hurricane force.

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LETTERS OF LA BELLE TO HIS PARENTS

In All of Them He Asseverates That the Killing of the Three Men on Murder Island Was Done by Fournier—Prays His Parents to Use All Their Influence That He May be Tried by French-Canadian Jury—The Journey to Eagle With Fournier and La Blanc Is Therein Described.

In the letters written by Edward La Belle and read to the jury in his trial yesterday afternoon, there is a constant iteration of his innocence and of the guilt of Fournier, who, he says, killed all three of the men.

La Belle was written from Wadsworth, Nev., shortly after his arrest there by Detective Welsh, and is dated September 1st. In this he tells of his arrest for murder, and calls God to witness of his innocence. The letter is here given in full.

"Wadsworth, Nev., Sept. 1, 1902.
"Very dear father—
"For the first letter I have written to you since I left you I see from here your tears, but I hope that with your aid and the aid of a good lawyer I will very soon get out of prison, for as you will see by this letter I have just been arrested for the murder of three Canadians. Now, dear father, I take God to witness that I am not guilty of this murder and you can judge for yourself, for I am going to explain the thing to you, and believe your son who tells you the truth and nothing but the truth. Here it is:

"In the month of June last I left Dawson with \$300 to go and see you again, for it was all I had been able to save during the winter. I had worked on some ground that I thought better than it was. In short after having paid my store bill, which amounted to more than I had left, I had decided to return with you and to work for you or for Henry. Then I went down to Dawson and was preparing to leave. Meeting with some of the men of the mine, they told me that a man named Fournier had come to me and asked me if I would take him from Dawson to Skagway and that from there he would work his way to Seattle, a pretty city in the United States, and that he would reimburse me the money.

"Seeing him without money and I having a few drinks of whiskey I answered him that he could take the boat with me if he promised to return the money in Seattle. Then he got aboard with me and the first station we stopped at was Whitehorse, which is half way between Dawson and Skagway. I had paid \$10 for him and \$40 for myself. We had taken several drinks of whiskey every day coming up and in Whitehorse the first night I took one glass to many and spent all my money, all but \$40 that I still had.

"Then I found myself forced to return to Dawson. I could never reach you with that money. Then Fournier said to me, 'We will wait until tonight for the train from Skagway and we will take three or four companions, and buy a small boat which will cost us \$3- or \$4- each and \$1- each for provisions; then we can return to Dawson.' Then I accepted the proposition. When night came I met three Canadians at the depot who found themselves in the same position as myself, not much money. I paid \$20 for the boat and the three others gave \$5 each, their share, for Fournier had no money, and we bought a little provisions and we left the same night, but before leaving my friend Fournier said to me, 'You remember when coming up the river we saw a moose that came to the river to drink, and that if I had a rifle we could without a doubt kill some coming down and that I could shoot it north from 30 to 35 cents a pound in Dawson.'

"Then I went into a store and I bought a rifle, which I paid \$7 for, and we left, the whole five, for Dawson in a small boat. The first six days went all right, only seeing a few ducks and swan and the seventh day in the morning as one of us went to make breakfast on the bank of the river, Fournier told me to take the rifle and make a tour of the island, for it was an island we were camped on, and I, not thinking of anything but making the tour of the island to try and kill something.

"I had not been gone more than a quarter of an hour when I heard shooting. Then fear seized me, for I began to understand that something was happening at the camp. I did not come back to the camp before an hour and a half at the least, and imagine it when I got back the three Canadians who had been with us were no more. He had killed them and had their money and had thrown them in the river.

"Now, dear father, to explain to you how Fournier killed those three men I am obliged to take the words he said to me when I arrived at the camp. He had a bag in which he says that we call a Yukon bag, in which he had a big revolver—a six shooter that he had always kept in his Yukon bag, and when I got back to the camp he showed me his revolver saying that he had got rid of his companions, and that he had a little money now. Imagine, dear father, that he had killed these three

men. One had \$15, the other \$35 and the other a \$100 bill.
"Now, dear father, put yourself in my place, what would you have done? He had killed the men and had thrown them in the river and he was there with his big revolver. He put his revolver back in his Yukon bag. Then I said to him, 'Let us fly from here, and we left for Dawson. During the day he said to me he owed me \$45, and he gave them to me, and I was awkward enough to accept them for I had hardly any money left, but it was not for that, dear father, that I am arrested. I will tell you the reason for my arrest. I kept my rifle until we arrived in Dawson in hope of re-selling it, never thinking that I would be suspected of having killed those men. I kept the rifle in Dawson and two of my friends who were prospecting on a creek asked me if I did not have a gun; that they had seen a bear the night before close to their cabin. Then I told them that I had a rifle and that they could have it and they took it, and a few days afterwards they found one of the poor unfortunates floating on the river.

"Now, dear father, when we started from Whitehorse we were obliged to give our names at the police station and they put a number on our boat, for the people who pass Whitehorse and come down in small boats are obliged to give their names, and they put a number on their small boat, so that they will be able to know if anything happens coming down. They have their names and the number of their boat. Then, dear father, seeing they had found one of the poor unfortunates—
"Three days later, after he had arrived at Seattle in custody, he writes again to his father, saying that his poor head is crazed with thinking of the accusation that is brought against him. With this letter he enclosed another which purports to have been written and signed by Detective Welsh, but it was explained to the jury that the detective had neither written nor signed it. This letter is as follows:

"Seattle, Wash.,
"September 4th, 1902.
"Sir—After having consulted with your brother-in-law, Mr. Ed. La Belle, I perform a duty in writing you, and at the same time all the family, that I really think that with the help of a first-class lawyer of Montreal, Mr. Ed. La Belle, accused of the murder of three Canadians, can be honorably acquitted, for Fournier, who is known by me and all the citizens of Dawson, is the real culprit, and his bad reputation proves it, for, believe me, sir, that this is not Fournier's first crime. I consider myself a friend of the unfortunate arrested—Ed La Belle.

"Dawson,
"W. H. WELSH,
"Detective of Dawson."
The letter which accompanied it, and which was signed by La Belle, read as follows:
"Seattle, Wash.,
"September 4th, 1902.
"Very Dear Father—
"It is almost impossible for me to describe all the sorrow that I feel, for the first letter that I write you since I left you. My poor head is crazed in thinking of the accusation that is brought against me. You will probably have seen the thing before receiving my letter because the detective who arrested me told me he had telegraphed Ottawa immediately after my arrest and my dear father, also madame La Belle and all the family, I take God to witness, who will not judge me, that I am not guilty of the crime; that it is another Canadian who had no money and who asked me to take him out of the country of Alaska and that he would repay me his passage in the city of Seattle. How I would like to tell you the thing by mouth, but as it is impossible for me to do it I am forced to explain in my letter. Here it is: 'Dear father, also all the family: Oh pay attention to this dear parents, that it is my blood that speaks even as yours, for if I am not heard by you, not having any money to defend me, we can all think of the hangman's rope, and on the other side if I have a good lawyer to defend me and you and madame La Belle here my detective answers for it that I will get out of all trouble—even the gaol. I am sending to Mr. Emil Leonard at the same time as this one a letter written by the detective himself which you can read also for the real guilty one, dear parents, was arrested before me and he says that the guilty one is I, but you will judge for yourselves which is the guilty one.

"The beginning of June I came in after having worked 8 months on a piece of ground which brought me \$350.00 after my grocery bill had been paid. On arriving in Dawson I decided to go out of the country and to go back to you. Having waited two or three days for a steambot

I met quite a lot of Canadians in town, and we took several drinks of whisky. The last day at night before my departure I met a man named Fournier, whom I had known when I came into town and who asked me if I would pay his passage as far as Whitehorse, and from there he would remit me the money in Seattle. City. Having had several drinks of whisky and seeing him without money, and he said the country was too hard on him, I consented to pay his passage as far as Whitehorse, which amounted to \$30, and he left with me the same night, but before boarding the boat there is always the police who examine all the baggage that leaves Dawson. The police examined my baggage and told me to get on. Then Fournier came along and tried to go on without having his rifle examined but the police stopped him and told him to open his blankets, which he did. Then the police found a big revolver about a foot long and a belt full of cartridges. As it is permitted to carry fire arms in this country as long as they are not loaded the police let him pass. I did not have any fire arms. On the boat on the way up I continued to take several drinks of whisky and I took-up four days to reach Whitehorse. Arrived here I was three days drinking some all the time with the said Fournier, and remember well that he had no money and that it was always I who paid, and remember well that whisky costs 25 and 50 cents a glass in this country. I was kind of troubled and it seems to me that I could feel that which was going to happen. However, at the end of three days when I wanted to take the train to Skagway I found that I had not enough money for to go and see you, and then Fournier said to me, 'You will buy a small boat with a little provisions for five or six days and we will return to Dawson,' and that is what I did. I paid \$24 for the boat and then he said to me, 'If I were in your place I would buy a rifle to go down the river, for you know that there is considerable game there. The fact is we had seen a bull moose come and drink at the river and I knew that if I wanted to sell my gun at Dawson I could get my money for it. Then I bought a rifle which I paid \$8 for. That was in the morning, and he afterwards said that if we would wait for the 4-30 train we could probably get someone to come down the river with us and would help us to pay for the boat. I waited until night. Three Canadians got off of the train who asked us if we were going to Dawson, to which I answered 'yes,' that we had bought a boat that we had paid \$24 for, and that if they wanted to pay \$5 each they could come down with us instead of paying \$40 on a steamer and that is what they did. They each gave me \$5 and we each bought \$2 worth of provisions excepting Fournier. He we were obliged to feed, he had no money and we left the same night, for it is daylight all night here in the summer. Now I will relate to you the morning of the murder and I take God to witness, dear parents, that I am writing you nothing else but the truth for you will judge yourself and from the word of the detective who arrested Fournier and who afterwards arrested me. He told me to tell you that he is known as a man who never worked in Dawson, nor before coming into that country, and that he had killed a man in the city of Seattle on a bridge and afterwards threw him into the river after taking the money he had on him. The detective tells me that the man had only \$300, and they killed him just the same. The detective told me that they telegraphed to several cities and everywhere they got the reputation of a bandit. The detective told me and told me to tell you that it is impossible that he should escape the rope. He is in jail without money or anyone to defend him, as I will be if you do not come, for as you will see I was with the gang and he says that it was I who committed the murder. Then, dear parents, here is the story, and nothing else but the truth: I take God to witness what I am about to say. In the morning of the sixth day we were on the river and it was the last one, as we should reach Dawson that night. We all got up as usual and we were preparing for breakfast on the shore. Fournier said, 'Take the rifle and make a tour of the island, for we were on an island, and said to us 'I thought I heard a noise before I got up.' Then I took the rifle on my shoulder and left to make the trip of the island. About a quarter of an hour after I left I heard shooting and I counted five gun shots. It was then I began to suspect that which was happening at the camp and I did not go back

before an hour and a half because of the fear that I had of returning. However, I decided to go back, and I saw Fournier alone on the shore who looked at me and said, 'I have a little money now. What could I do at the time? He had killed our three companions with his big revolver above mentioned. If you think that I was not afraid of myself figure the thing to yourself. He told me one had \$35, the other \$20, and the other a \$100 bill. Then I said to him, 'Let us get away from here as soon as possible for Dawson, and imagine it he had thrown his revolver into the river, and I still had my rifle and kept it until we got to Dawson and the police have it in their possession now. But that does not excuse him of the crime; for his revolver was one of the largest calibre that could have been examined at Dawson by the police before leaving for Whitehorse at the boat, and we have the name of the policeman and date the boat left. Now dear parents there is another thing more serious against me, which is this: All small boats which leave Whitehorse to go down the river the occupants are obliged to go and give their names at the police station and the police put a number on the side of your boat. Then the night before we left Fournier said to me, 'If you wish we will not give our proper names at the police station so that no one will know that we have returned to Dawson, and I, without the thinking any more about it, gave the name of Ladouceur to the police, and Fournier he gave the name of Peter Forrest, and when the police arrested me they said it looked bad my having changed my name. Then I told him that it was Fournier who had asked me to do the thing so that no one would know that we had left and had been obliged to return to Dawson, not having enough money to go outside. The detective told me that that would not amount to much. He is the only friend I have had since I have been arrested, for he has every faith in my case. His name is Detective Welsh. It is he who arrested me. He is from Dawson. Now dear parents believe me they did not arrest me in Dawson. When with Fournier I left the place where he had killed those three men he said to me an hour afterwards, 'I

owe you \$35, here they are, and I, thinking of nothing but getting away and being afraid that they would find those men, I accepted the money, and on arriving in Dawson I took another boat for the city of Seattle, for I had a little over \$125. I went to work on the railroad in California and it was there they arrested me, and it is on my way returning to Dawson that I wrote you this letter dear father, and as you see it is in the city of Seattle that I write, not having had the chance before, for I was five days on the train, and the detective here gives me all the things I want to write you. I will be in Dawson about the 12th of September in the jail for my trial. When you receive this first letter tell Emil to telegraph me immediately so that I will know if he received my letter and what to do. Papa, see Judge Oulmet at once and ask him if I can have a French Canadian jury. It is almost always Judge Dugas of Montreal who judges the criminal cases. Papa, I want to see you here as well as madame La Belle, and Hector. Do not hesitate a moment and I will write to you as soon as I arrive in Dawson so that you will all know when to come. Madame La Belle, do not imagine that the trip is hard. You take the train at St. Rose and get off of the steamer at Dawson. The trip will take 10 days. It is no use my trying to explain all this, for you know my head turns with fear when I think that probably you will not answer your son who implores the assistance of his family—but it is not he that I want to tell you. Emil to telegraph me immediately on the receipt of the letter from the detective so that the authorities will know what to do.

"I conclude in kissing you all and recommending all the family to go to communion so that God will give me the strength and courage to wait until you are near me to defend me.
"Your unfortunate son,
"EDOUARD LA BELLE."
In addition to the written confession of the prisoner published in the Nugget yesterday, another statement of the whole affair which he had written was read to the jury. The translation of this makes right typewritten pages, and was probably intended for use in his defense. This is much the same as far as the description of the murders is concerned, and what led up to them, but it concludes as follows:

"The next day I met Dave LaBlanc with Fournier, and Fournier told me that LaBlanc had a boat, that he would like to go down as far as Eagle City; that there was work there for him; and that he thought we could get work also. Then I spoke to LaBlanc and he told me the same thing and we went down.
"Not being able to find any for myself I told Fournier that I was going to return to Dawson and we came back. That same night we arrived in Dawson Fournier commenced to drink again and when I saw he was changing his \$100 bill at the LaBlanc

hotel, and saw the bill was torn in half, I said to myself, 'He will certainly be taken with so much money as that,' and seeing that I was with him I did not know what to do.
"LaBlanc took it and went to the bank and he came back with the change and Fournier paid LaBlanc what I owed him for a couple of months' lodging. I had owed him since last fall. When we arrived from down the river we arrived in Dawson on Sunday. Monday morning I saw in one of the last week's newspapers that one of the poor unfortunates whom he had killed had been found. Then I said to myself, 'I have no longer any business here.' And I left for Whitehorse on Wednesday night, I think."
The last letter of the series is translated as follows:
"Seattle, Sept. 7th, 1902.
"Very dear father as well as all the family—
"My poor head leaves me. As you see I no longer know how to address a letter, especially in a limited time I might say for myself for if you do not come to my assistance with a good lawyer although I swear to you on the holy altar that it is through trying to render a service to a man whom I did not know as a murderer, that I had never seen anywhere, that when I came to Dawson I saw him doing nothing there, but that did not tell me what he was capable of doing. It is for that reason, dear parents, that with the help of a good lawyer and you, papa and madame LaBelle you can be sure that my innocence will be proven. Dear father, see Monsieur le Judge Adolphe Dumiel with Emil and ask through him, the privilege of having a French-Canadian jury; that they will see that things are arranged. I do not know for what reason Dawson City is in Canada and I always see an English jury at the criminal court although there are enough Canadians here; the population is more Canadian than English and Judge Dugas who comes from Montreal, who is a Canadian, will not accept a French-Canadian jury. I can see myself in a court of justice not understanding half of the questions that will be asked me and I of my side unable to explain myself as I could in my proper tongue. I desire to say any more, you understand the thing as well as I. Now, dear parents, my address that I sent you in my first letter you probably will have some difficulty to understand. Here is a letter one for the Dawson City post. Mr. Edouard LaBelle, Dawson City, Yukon Territory, Canada, care of Dawson Barkers.
"Now once again have Mr. Emil Leonard telegraph as soon as you receive this letter so that I will know what to do, and so that I will know when my trial is to take place. However, do for the best, dear parents, and be certain that you will all get out of the terrible danger I have brought you into. My heart breaks in seeing the pains you must endure, but I cannot help myself. Now, I am

awaiting your help. Truly if I were guilty, dear parents, I would avow frankly that it would be useless to go to that expense for me, but I swear to you that my innocence will be proven.
"Good-by, dear parents. I will write again and often. I am still in Seattle city, but I should embark for Dawson City Sunday and I will not be able to write to you before I get to Dawson.
"Your son who implores your help,
"EDOUARD."
"Kruger's Book."
London, Oct. 9.—Lehmann, who is making Munich the centre of the German publishing trade, has faith in the selling power of Boer literature. The new controls four Boer books, namely: Kruger's, Dewet's, Viljoen's and Kestell's, and is reported to have invested over £20,000 in these various undertakings.
"ATTACKS CHAMBERLAIN AND MIENER."
The political chapters of Kruger's book, now in the press, reveal more bitterness in dealing with Mr. Chamberlain and Lord Milner than in the treatment of the late Cecil Rhodes. Mr. Chamberlain is charged with complicity in the Jameson raid, the telegrams between Flora Shaw and Mr. Rhodes, produced before the parliamentary committee, being cited as evidence of his guilt, and large inferences being drawn from the suppression of other telegrams, and from the Colonial Secretary's defence of Mr. Rhodes after the close of the investigation.
"CAMPAIGN OF PROVOCATION."
Mr. Chamberlain is accused of organizing a systematic campaign of provocation against the late Boer republics after the failure of Jameson's dash, and is reproached for misrepresenting the facts, embittering British opinion, and bringing on the war. Lord Milner is described as a marplot, who acted rashly and without reason at the Bloemfontein conference, and as an accomplice of Mr. Chamberlain in harassing and provoking the Dutch allies.
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Telephones for Everybody.
IMPORTANT REDUCTION.
We are now prepared to install residence telephones on short notice and feel sure that when the advantages of such service are fully realized the public will quickly accept the very low terms offered. Every one should realize that a telephone in the house may be worth several years' subscription in case of fire, as instant connection can be had with the fire department. A doctor can be called in a second, which might save a life.
Every business house of importance has a telephone.
All the lawyers and doctors have telephones.
You can secure seats at the theatre.
Get groceries for breakfast.
Provide the things you forgot when down town.
Call up your friends for a chat, and in general save money, time, patience and shoeleather by having one of these ready messengers in your house.
There are nearly four hundred telephones in Dawson and on the creek, and they are all at your service for the asking. If you already have a telephone down town anywhere you can have the same facilities at your residence. If you have a residence telephone only the rental mentioned below will give you service in Dawson and an extra fee will be charged for long distance service. Beginning Nov. 1st, residence telephones will be installed for:
Five Dollars Per Month.
A new Directory will be issued shortly. Get your name and business in it. There is no better advertisement.
Call at the telephone office, use your neighbor's phone to send in your order, or speak to Mr. Hamilton or Mr. Thornburgh on the street.
YUKON TELEPHONE SYNDICATE Limited.
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CORRAL REMOVED

Decision of the Police Committee

South End Fairies Living Within the High Fence Must Seek Other Quarters.

"They poke their heads in our doors as they pass and smile in open defiance as much as to say that they have things fixed and what are you going to do about it."

That is what a member of the committee from the south end of Dawson said to the council at the meeting Monday evening in reference to the fairies of that quarter of the city who the better element are endeavoring to have removed.

Police Commissioner Macdonald replied that pursuant to the resolution passed at the previous meeting he, Alderman Murphy and Alderman Norway had investigated the matter in company with a committee representing the citizens of the south end and they had found good grounds for complaint.

Mr. Moore, one of the south enders, was more than wrathful and said nothing visible in the way of mitigating the nuisance had been done and that this was the last time it was proposed to trouble the city council with the matter.

Alderman Murphy, as a member of the police committee, declared the committee had decided to remove the women living inside the corral. Nine-tenths of the people residing in that vicinity he said had favored the women coming there in the hopes they could either sell their property at a high figure or rent it to an equally good advantage.

Alderman Wilson with a twinkle in his right eye suggested policing that district so thoroughly that no one would dare visit the outskirts and they would thus soon move of their own accord.

Alderman Macdonald stated that within the last few days he had been approached by a number of residents of the lower end of town who protested against any action being taken in the matter by the police.

The mayor announced that he intended to make a personal investigation of the affair and he assured the committee that if he considered the conditions warranted it the women would all have to go.

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porting Clarke, but the optimist and the man who desires to witness the full fruition of the great possibilities in store for the Yukon will choose the man who "stands for a definite policy for the future and who has the ability to induce the inauguration of that policy.—Skegway Alaskan.

MAIL LOST.

Mail Contractor Downing received a telegram this morning from Eli Verreaux, the mail carrier, that the American mail which left Dawson yesterday morning was lost in an ice jam.

The telegram was a brief one merely announcing the fact that Verreaux himself had narrowly escaped with his life and that every ounce of mail had been lost.

The mail was a large one consisting of about 450 lbs. all destined for American points. Verreaux is an old-time carrier, having been in the service for about two years.

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Warship Arrived

Panama, Oct. 24.—The Colombian war ship Bogota has arrived at Panama and was received with much enthusiasm.

Men of the Day

Lieut.-Col. Henry P. Leader, who on the recommendation of Lord Kitchener, has been appointed to command the military forces of Natal, is a Canadian.

He went to South Africa as captain in the 6th Dragoon Guards ("The Carabiniers") and served throughout the war, receiving promotion steadily until he was placed in command of the Duke of Athol's regiment—the Scottish Horse.

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STILL LISTENING TO PROSECUTING EVIDENCE

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THISTLE'S BIG LIST

Took Out the Last of the Gold Dust

Crimmin Took the Mail—The La France is on the Way in With Scows.

The Thistle got away this morning at eight o'clock, with a large crowd of passengers and with a good outlook for a speedy and pleasant trip.

There was scarcely a bit of ice in the current of the river this morning, and advices by wire were to the effect that there was no ice running between here and Whitehorse.

The Thistle took out \$200,000 in gold dust from the Bank of B.N.A. and private parties. The following is her passenger list: Mrs. A. Butler, Mrs. B. G. Carboneau, Dr. R. Macfarlane, J. P. Ford, C. Larsen, W. P. Foley, Emma Leroux, Mrs. D. Lamont, Miss Sartorius, Mrs. J. A. Cameron, Master Richard Cameron.

W. C. Chedister, Master Machison, Adolph Machison, J. Shanessy, A. Nelson, J. E. Barton, A.H. Lane, Daisy D'Avra, Freddie Lane, J. Hallgren, John Dick, Ben Kverett, Miss Henderson, Joe Hutton, Frank Parks, Mrs. Walter Donn, J. B. Dunn, William Chase, E. J. McCormick, K. Anderson, A. W. Achison, John Willison, Mrs. D. Compton, J. C. Grary, J. M. Manley, Thomas Ward, H. Caswell, C. A. Jamison, E. A. Jamieson, J. Stocum, Mrs. Jamieson (corpse), E. Zaefle, D. Bauer, J. E. Comtemarch, Wm. Baird, J. J. Barisch, Miss Clegg, Fred Gretzing, Capt. Steve Martin, Pete Johnson, Thomas Barton, C. Gregory, James Riley, A. H. Cook, D. E. Keeler, Ainsley, Charles Puckey, Ned Strong, J. M. Shaw, C. B. Welsh, O. W. Hobbs, J. Boucher, L. Nicol, E. Clutch, T. Stannant, William Orper, W. Sharlock, H. Richardson, Mrs. C. Nelson.

The Wilbur Crimmin left at five o'clock this morning, with the mail and a small passenger list. The La France is on her way down with five scows. Three of these are laden for Dawson and the other two are empty and are to be left at St. John's Bay.

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SWELL OVERCOATS OF THE SEASON

Are broad shouldered, rather loose fitting garments with vertical instead of straight pockets, and small plain rounded cuffs. The fabrics from which these coats are made are Principally of the Rough Faced Variety—such as Heavy Cheviots and Worsted—Vicuna in Oxford Gray, Cambridge Gray, Olive, Brown and Black. The acme of perfection and fashion are embodied in the Overcoats we are handling this season.

Prices Range From \$15 to \$35

We also have a full line of Fur-lined Coats with genuine Otter Collar and Cuffs; also Fur-trimmed Coats as well as all Fur garments.

HERSHBERG & CO., Clothiers and Furnishers

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First Ave., Directly Opp. Aurora Dock

bring a victory which will cause no tears. In my opinion the grandest achievement of the twentieth century was the creation of this tribunal.

"Oh," said the visitor, "excuse me. I didn't know you were absorbed."

"Come in," responded the dreamer, extending her hand. "I am glad to see you."

"But why are you so sensitive? You look as if your best friend had died. What is the matter?"

"The young woman drew her handkerchief hastily across her eyes."

"Don't tell me," she interrupted, "that you and Harry have quarrelled?"

"The girl sighed again. "The end has come," she said, "to all our moonlight walks, to the tender whispering beneath the trees, to the boxes of sweets and the baskets of flowers, to the sweet nothings in the conservatory as the dancers whirl in the ball-room, to the verses he wrote to me, to the rivalries and jealousies of sweetheart days, to—"

"Say no more," exclaimed the older woman, determined to set matters right. "What have you two done? Tell me everything."

"We were married this morning at ten o'clock," she whispered, and the older woman's hands fell helpless once more.

Figure it Out. Here is the question: The governor of Kgovini, a very mean man, desiring to give a very small dinner party, invited his father's brother-in-law, his father-in-law's brother-in-law, and his brother-in-law's father-in-law. How many guests were there?

Here is the answer: None. The governor dined alone.

Here is the explanation: The governor was a widower, with a marriageable daughter and a marriageable sister. The governor's father was also a widower. The governor and his father married sisters. Thus the governor became his father's brother-in-law. The governor's brother married the governor's step-daughter; thus the governor became his brother's father-in-law. The governor's father-in-law married the governor's sister; thus the governor became his father-in-law's brother-in-law. The governor's brother-in-law married the governor's daughter; thus the governor became his brother-in-law's father-in-law. The governor therefore dined alone.

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ROSS ON THE CREEKS.

Meeting on Bonanza Last Night and at Magnet Tonight

A regular meeting of the Ross supporters was held at Joe Ness' roadhouse, lower Bonanza, last night, which was largely attended. The meeting was opened by City Solicitor Donaghy, who spoke for about half an hour, and was followed by Joe Clarke, who spoke at great length, and was fully answered by J. F. Sugrue, who closed the meeting.

To Carry Mail

Boston, Oct. 11.—Sir Frederick Borden, Canadian Minister of Militia, who is a visitor in this city, in an interview today, made known the fact that the Canadian and British governments have decided to jointly establish a fast steamship line between Halifax and Liverpool with an annual subsidy of \$1,125,000 for three years.

It is practically decided, Sir Frederick said, to establish without delay a service beginning with twenty-knot boats to be accorded a subsidy of \$400,000 a year from the Canadian government and \$725,000 additional from the British government. He could not say yet whether the Canadian Pacific Railway or syndicate of steamship companies, comprising the Allans, Elder Dempster and other lines, would get the contract.

The steamer will make their terminus in winter at least, at Halifax. The terminus in the United Kingdom will probably be Liverpool. Touching the subject of reciprocity with the United States the minister said that the Canadians have made advancement at various times in the last twenty years, but they had met with such cold receptions at Washington that they latterly have become convinced that the government there is not disposed to make a fair agreement and Canada has therefore turned her attention elsewhere with splendid results.

Big Fire at Joderich

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