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KLONDIKE NUGGET. WEDNESDAY, MAY 6, 1903.

SEASON'S OUTPUT.

There is excellent reason for belief that the cleanup for the present season will be considerably in excess of that of last year.

This theory is based upon the fact that extensive operations are now in progress upon ground hitherto left practically unworked and upon the probable effect of the improved machinery employed.

The falling off in the output of last year was due primarily to the comparatively small product from a number of rich Eldorado and Bonanza claims which previously had been pretty well worked out.

The volume of work and amount of dirt handled last year easily equalled that of prior seasons but the average of pay was less than usual and hence the decrease in the output.

With respect to the operations of the current season, a tremendous volume of work is in progress on practically virgin ground which gives promise of yielding splendid results. It is not to be anticipated that the new territory now in course of development will yield enough gold to offset the decrease in the product of the fabulously rich ground which gave the district its initial start.

After all, the real basis of the district's prosperity rests primarily in the amount of dirt handled and in the number of men employed at remunerative compensation and regarded from this point of view, the season of 1903 should make an excellent showing in comparison with any of its predecessors.

PRACTICAL EFFECTS.

No legislation will prove favorable to the cause of labor in the long run which has the effect of curtailing the amount of employment offered. No wages can accrue unless there is work to be done, and it is therefore most essential that no unnecessary obstacles be placed in the way of those who furnish employment.

This is not the result which the laboring men of the district generally are desirous of seeing occur, and it is altogether undesirable that any such results should take place.

For the sake of all interests concerned, steps should be taken to modify the proposed lien law to the end that it may be relieved of features which are essentially opposed to the common good. Otherwise the hopes of those who have placed such great reliance upon the lien law agitation seem well nigh destined to fail utterly of realization.

MAIL SERVICE.

Postmaster Hartman's efforts in the direction of securing substantial increase in the mail service for Dawson bid fair to accomplish substantial results.

By direction of the postmaster-general the recent calls for tenders for delivery of mail in Dawson will be withdrawn and others issued in their place providing for a greatly increased and far more effective service. By

the terms of the original call for tenders, mail to the extent of 1700 lbs. only, including both first and second class, was to be forwarded weekly.

It now rests with the contractors to shade their tenders down to a point where the government will be justified in giving the full service. If reasonable bids are offered, the territory should hereafter be in receipt of all classes of mail ordinarily handled.

There are a vast number of public improvements needed in and around the city which everyone would like to see undertaken and carried out.

The resources of the council, however, are limited and there is no desire on the part of the taxpayers to see extensive indebtedness created. The problem of making both ends meet is a serious one with the city fathers and it will require close and conservative handling of city finances to make the outcome satisfactory.

The recent cases brought in the courts against certain parties for trespassing upon the toll bridge across the Klondike river serve to renew attention to the necessity of the same or a similar structure for the convenience of the public.

The toll bridge has served its purpose and should no longer be maintained as such. The bridge is a public necessity and it is not in keeping with established practice that it should be conducted as a source of private gain.

All Against Sheep. Pilot Rock, Ore., April 15.—While the grass is better than it has been at this time of year for upwards of ten years, and the prospects generally good for the flockmasters of Umatilla county, nevertheless their complaints are many.

One of the pair of mammoth lions for the decoration of the grounds will be completed within the next five days. These lions will be 24 feet long and about eight feet wide, and on account of the poses, nearly 16 feet high.

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WATERING PRAIRIES

Portland, April 10.—Irrigation is making a wonderful change in the country through which the Oregon Railroad & Navigation Company lines pass.

The new irrigation ditches near Umatilla and Baker City, have had the best effect. The Umatilla country has been transformed into a garden spot and hundreds of settlers are taking up land.

A. L. Craig, general passenger agent of the O. R. & N., has returned from a trip over the road, taken for the purpose of investigating the business conditions and checking up the affairs of the system.

the farmers will work at it. Why this prejudice exists against the sheepmen I know not, but it appears to exist, just the same.

"The fact is, the ranging of sheep in the mountains does not lessen the territory to be covered by the cattlemen. Cattle are inclined to seek lowlands, where they will be near water at all times, while sheep are inclined to ascend to the highest peaks, and have been known to go without water for three months at a time.

"I am now in receipt of a letter from Salt Lake, in answer to one written a few days ago regarding the price of salt. Last February we were offered all the salt we wanted at \$2.50 per ton. In the letter just received I am told the price has been advanced to \$10 per ton.

"The miner's lien for numerous reasons cannot attach on the property of anyone except the person who hires him unless the property of that third person has been enhanced in value by the said miner's labors.

Weekawken, N. J., April 18.—Bitter, director of the department of sculpture of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, Gustav H. Gerlach, superintendent of Mr. Bitter's shop, and a score of workmen, have loaded into cars a part of the heroic-size statuette which is to decorate the World's Fair grounds and buildings.

The figures already sent away were nearly all of heroic size, varying from eight to 12 feet in height. Among them were the four great pieces for the mines and metallurgy building, two male and two female.

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What has been written by me of suggestion or criticism has been done with an honest desire to see that this matter should be dealt with and settled at the coming session of the Yukon council and that nothing should pass without full discussion.

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the police. At the conclusion of his dual duties he felt the need of a bit of recreation, hence the trip. While at Whitehorse, the major purchased twelve head of horses from the stage company and will buy twenty more from the same company here making the new purposes 32 in number. They are being bought for general purposes, teaming, driving and riding. The roads are no more muddy than they were thought to be at this season of the year. Notwithstanding the season being the worst in the year for traveling the major expressed himself as having a very enjoyable time.

NEW NAMES ARE ADDED TO VICTORIA DAY SPORTS COMMITTEE AT LAST MEETING.

A meeting of the Victoria Day sports committee was held last night in the rooms of United States Consul Saylor when the following names were added to complete the committee: Randy McLennan, J. K. Macrae, M. G. McLeod, F. S. Long, W. L. Gibson, Dr. Zera Strang, J. M. Elbeck, Chief Lester, Sergeant Major Tucker, Dr. Lachapelle, Staff Surgeon Bowdridge and Pierre LeDuc.

The chairman of the committee, W. M. McKay, presided. Another meeting of the full committee will be held at Mr. Saylor's office one week from tonight. In the meantime the committee will get down to business in a manner which will insure the success expected on the day of the big celebration.

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EXPENSES ESTIMATE

Cost of Fire Department for One Year

Salaries Alone Amount to \$50,000—Report of Street Committee.

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Alone Amount to Over \$50,000—Report of Street Committee.

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| Salaries | \$51,000 |
| Engine houses | 500 |
| Telephone | 2,025 |
| Water | 240 |
| Telephone | 1,200 |
| Telephone | 1,600 |
| Telephone | 420 |
| Telephone | 50 |
| Telephone | 250 |
| Telephone | 180 |
| Telephone | 1,300 |
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| Telephone | 335 |
| Telephone | 900 |
| Telephone | 221 |
| Telephone | 20 |
| Telephone | 20 |
| Telephone | 75 |
| Telephone | 1,000 |
| Telephone | \$62,476 |

the distinction of being the largest of the family. On Popoff island, and after crossing the channel to the Alaskan peninsula, over thirty bear skulls were secured, a series of specimens which forms the largest and most perfect collection of the kind in the world.

From the Alaskan peninsula the expedition headed for the Stikine region of Northwestern British Columbia, going up the Stikine river into the heart of an almost unexplored section. Including Indian guides, native hunters and Mr. Stone's assistants, a young collegian from Leland Stanford, Jr., university and a young scientist from Tacoma, the party numbered an even dozen. The camping outfit and supplies were carried either in canoes or on the backs of the members of the expedition, according to the mode of travel.

Little work had been done in the region by the expedition of the previous year, and Mr. Stone was anxious to secure a complete collection of mammals, large and small. Everything was propitious, even the weather and the guides.

"We observed no regular daily routine," said Mr. Stone. "Such a thing as regularity on these expeditions is impossible. We rose in the morning anywhere from 1 to 7 o'clock, according to the weather and to the character of the work of the preceding day. We closed our eyes for the night—I won't say went to bed—at hours which ranged from 8 to 12 o'clock.

"The party was usually divided, one man being assigned to the traps of which nearly a hundred were set daily for small mammals. The traps were baited with bread, bits of cheese, fresh meat, dried salmon or barley, according to the catch desired. The catches usually consisted of squirrels, marmots, the popular name for which is ground hog, voles and shrews, similar to small mice, rats, lemmings and ordinary mice.

"After the traps were visited the entire time of one man was required for the rest of the day in preparing the skins of the animals for preservation. As the work progressed one or two men were assigned to stripping off and preparing the skins of the large mammals, like the moose, caribou, bear and deer, and salting the hides. For this latter purpose only the finest grade of salt is used, and, therefore, salt becomes a troublesome problem on an expedition. We used 500 pounds, and all of it we had to carry with us."

Fashions of Spring Time

The first glimpse of this year's picture hat of burnt satin straw, millinery openings gives the impression that the feminine fancy has gone flower mad, but before a circuit of the showcases has been made, the sightseer decides that, after all, it is a most intoxicating madness.

Never before has the art of reproducing the natural blossoms reached such a standard of perfection. As an evidence of this it may be cited that a smart shop, noted for its exquisite decorations as well as its chic millinery, had on neighboring tables platycans of real and artificial hyacinths, and so wonderful was the reproduction process that when the secret was whispered about, groups of women fell to waging chocolate sodas on the real and the counterfeit, the decision being reached by fingering the blossoms.

A number of new flowers have invaded the millinery field this year, including wistaria, hydrangas, hops, hawthorne, lilacs, both white and purple, and dandelion puff balls. While some of these blossoms have been offered before, they were not manufactured in styles which lent themselves artistically to trimming, but the drooping "flats" of this season carry the long-stemmed flowers admirably.

One of the most striking all-flower toques shown at a recent opening was composed of delicate pink hyacinth blossoms, packed solidly on a Napoleonic-chiffon frame. The foundation material, shapen, was completely hidden by the flowers, and one side was raised jauntily by a soft, sweeping bow of liberty tulle, matching the tone of the blossoms exactly.

An effective rose flat was composed of leaves, overlapping and curled up just a trifle. On either side of the hat nestled bouquets of moss rose buds, and the same flowers, with knots of black velvet ribbon, were placed on both sides under the brim, which was faced with tulle in folds.

In selecting a hat composed of rose leaves, the utmost care must be taken to have the shape carry a certain air of distinction. Otherwise the purchase will be regretted, as manufacturers of cheap millinery are duplicating this style of trimming in shapes that are atrocious.

A thistle hat, which could be worn admirably with a tan-colored suit was of eury Milan straw in a modified sailor shape. Around the crown and across the top, from side to side through the center, was fluted velvet ribbon in a beautiful shade of sage green, while on one side and drooping a trifle toward the edge of the brim was a mass of thistle bloom, in that elusive mauve shade which can only be described as misty.

For early spring wear with the royal blue tailored suits and foulards of the same shade, comes a stunning large toque of crushed tea roses are striking, but rather trying to the average complexion. The yellowish pink of these flowers is not so pleasing, although somewhat smarter than the more humble coloring of the old-fashioned blush rose.

The fad of the hour in trimming large flat hats is a two-inch band running crosswise just back of the hat's center and fitting down very tight. Sometimes this is of velvet or ribbon, ending on either side in a rosette of a flat bunch of flowers. Again, it is made of tiny flowers sewed close together. The floral bands can be purchased by the yard and are

exceedingly useful to the home milliner. They come in very small-rose buds, forget-me-nots, English daisies, geraniums and the smaller fruits, like currants and gooseberries. These two fruits, together with a few cherries, are noticed in the smarter millinery, but grapes are being retired slowly but surely.

A pretty hat of fine white straw has a flat crown and a sweeping brim heavily rolled on one side. Midway between the edge of the brim and the crown is an insertion of point de Venice. The hat is edged with crushed blush roses, and a wreath of the same flower snuggles around the crown. At the back, the hat fits close to the hair and is finished with a bow of pink ribbon in the pale rose color.

Another feature of the small spring hat is the height to which it is raised in the front. Bandeau, matching the under-trimming of the brim, raises it as effectively as a well-dressed pompadour, and the brim from bandeau to edge forms almost a quarter circle. The frame then runs well down in the back. A stylish finish is a rosette of velvet on either side, close to the hair, with flat pointed ends, which also fit close to the head.

In ready-to-wear hats, the competition for popularity lies between the ivory white with black and the burnt straw with black. The dead white gives a more dressy finish and lends itself to more elegant trimmings than does the burnt straw, but the latter will be extremely popular for wear with pongee shirtwaist suits.

A striking toque shows alternate folds of black and white straw and a high brim finished with woven black and white straw in diamond shape. Six of these diamond-shaped pieces are used, each growing smaller toward the back, which is finished with loops of the black and white straw. The toque is raised on one side with a straw band, to show a pure white wing nestling close to the hair.

From a Bond street shop comes a golden burnt straw that is distinctly trim and English in its lines. The shape is a round sailor, with a roll so slight that it is not trying to any face. The trimming is simple but effective—three rows of narrow black velvet ribbon around the crown, and three black pompons.

Another English toque of burnt straw is built on treader lines. The brim is overlaid with three rows of fine black straw in a fancy weave, and at the back is a broad bow of soft silk, fastened with a long, narrow jet buckle.

A burnt straw with a brim that rolls on both sides, a trifle higher on the left than on the right, is trimmed across the top with three bands of black silk. Bows of the silk are used under the rolling brim on either side, with black wings under the left side. Still another round English toque of burnt straw is edged on either side

of the brim with black straw, and the twocolors form a buckle-shaped piece in the front. A pair of black quills is run through the crown. The straw is pliable and the effect of the brim is of folds.

The imported hats show odd combinations of fancy straw and tulle in alternate folds, but the combination appears less popular with American buyers than that of lace and straw.

If feathers are used, they fall backward over the hair, starting near the middle of the hat. The end of the quill is rarely covered with ribbons or ornaments. The feather tail is to have the rough end stuck through the brim or the crown. If cabochons or buckles are used, they must not hide the end.

For early spring wear, the royal blue leather bids fair to be most popular. A feather shading from white to royal blue is also shown.

There never was a greater variety of shapes than this year, and, by selecting up-to-date trimming almost any shape used last year can be converted into a confection for 1903. The distinguishing feature will be the lace, the flowers, or the hand stretched across the crown from brim to brim. The shape is less important.

Small Wheat Acreage
 Medford, Or., April 15.—From careful estimates by the farmers in Jackson county, the acreage to wheat will be but one-third of what it was last year in the Rouge River Valley. The cause for this shrinkage in the wheat area is that the farmers were unable to get much seeding done last fall. The excessive dryness during the early fall months prevented plowing, and later on, when it did begin to rain, the rains were so heavy and continuous the ground was too wet to plow, continuing in that condition until late this spring. Considerable spring wheat has been sown, but un-

less the season is favorable, it will not fill well, and will have to be cut for hay.

Much of this vacant wheat land will be sown to oats, thus greatly increasing the area of those two grains. Much of the wheat land has been sown to alfalfa or planted to orchard. The fruit and dairy business is making such rapid strides that it is but a question of a few years when wheat raising will be a thing of the past in this country. It is stated that the wheat crop this year will not supply the local flour demand, and the mills will be compelled to import wheat to grind during the coming year.

Brains Cost Money
 This is the opinion of a large retail merchant on wage earners. When an irate customer complained that the store was full of insolent chumps who did not understand the first principles of waiting on a patron he said: "If my clerks had brains enough to amount to anything they would not be working here at \$7 or \$8 per week." "Why don't you hire clerks with brains?" asked the customer. "Because brains cost more money than I can afford to pay," was the reply. "In our business we pay large salaries to slave drivers and nothing to the slaves."

Deacon—What was the collection today?
 Elder—Ten cents, two buttons and a tin tag.
 Deacon—What did the pastor say?
 Elder—Oh, my, it wasn't fit for publication—Comfort.

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ON WAR PATH.

Reported Uprising Among Alaska Indians

Council City, March 5.—Mail Carrier J. W. McKay has just arrived from Candle, and brings the news that a serious outbreak of the Indians and the Kobuk is threatened. Just before McKay left Candle Paddy O'Donnell and partner arrived from the Kobuk region, having been sent by the white men of that section for assistance.

O'Donnell reports that the situation is critical, and that all the white men in that section of the country, about 80, have gathered to resist the threatened attack. The natives are about 300 strong, and are well armed. The scene of the prospective trouble is at the new stake on the Shungnak, a tributary of the Kobuk, 200 miles from Candle.

Destitution among the natives and the advice of their medicine man are the disturbing elements. There has been a scarcity of fish, their main food supply, this season, and the medicine man has stirred up bad blood by telling his followers that every time a white man drove a stake in the ground, it killed a great many salmon. To stop the destruction of salmon and bring back their food he urges the killing of the white men.

The natives in their starving condition are desperate, and the situation was so serious that all the whites had banded together for protection. O'Donnell and his partner made the trip to Candle with all possible speed, and notified the civil officers of that camp. They may come to Council for additional assistance, as they have grave fears for the safety of the men left behind. Besides being well armed the natives are well supplied with ammunition.

Among the people on the Shungnak are the following well known people of Candle: Tim Sullivan, Tom Shay, Frank Knight, Charley Van Kert and Pat Maloney.

Four laymen shoveling in two days on 28 above on Boganza, the property of the N. A. T. & T. Co., cleared up \$44,000 as the result of their work. Their second cleanup after one day shoveling in netted \$22,900. Councilman John Pringle who was in that vicinity when the cleanups were made says the claim will produce fully \$150,000 from the winter dumps. The results obtained are among the best since the days of the greatness of Eldorado.

Today is the last sitting of the court of appeal this season. The case of Fraser vs Gandolfo, an appeal from the gold commissioner's court, is being heard. The court will not sit again until the regular term in July.

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EXTENSION OF AVENUE

Property Owners Benefitted Will Settle

Petition to Have Second Avenue Opened Direct Through to the Bridge.

The property owners of Second avenue are a most progressive lot. Back in '98 the street was nothing but an impassible swamp to cross which in the summer time required either a canoe or a pair of his boots. There was not a building between King and Queen worthy of the name until the Royal cafe was built by J. L. Timmins and it for some time stood alone in its isolation. The following year more business houses were attracted to the street which was filled with slabs and saw dust so that a crossing was possible and since it has steadily grown in popularity as the main retail section of the city until now it is recognized as such by everyone. Not content with the natural growth in their direction the owners of property after filling the depression at the corner of Princess last winter at their own expense now propose with the sanction of the council to give the street a better entrance at its southern boundary. It is desired that the jog in the street caused by the Klondike hotel at the corner of First and Harper be removed and to that end have petitioned the council to arrange the matter and assess the damages incurred to the signers of the petition.

The petition was presented to the council at the regular meeting on Monday evening and was signed by J. L. Timmins, Alex McDonald, J. E. Greene, J. R. Gandolfo, George DeLion and many others of the holders of real estate on Second avenue. The petition prays that the council cause the street to be opened direct through to a straight connection with First avenue at or near the bridge leading over the slough adjoining No. 2 fire hall. That the necessary steps be taken to expropriate the lands required for said extension and also to ascertain the compensation demanded as damages by the owners of the property through which the extension will pass. (Such cost it is asked shall be assessed against the property owners of Second avenue, they being the persons most interested in the proposed extension. The petition is dated April 25 and is signed by 36 owners of Second avenue realty.

It is understood the council is favorable to the proposed improvement and will act at once in accordance with the desires expressed in the petition. If the extension is agreed upon it will mean the taking off of a triangular shaped piece of ground about 70 feet in length at its base along Harper street where the Klondike hotel stands, cutting through the entire block and running nearly to a point at the intersection with Church street at the bridge. What the probable cost of the extension will be is entirely a matter of conjecture. The Klondike hotel property would be the largest losers and would naturally come in for the heaviest damages as the extension of the road through in a straight line would leave what formerly was a lot longer than the average in the townsite but little over 50 feet long to the alley.

Mr. Humber states the trails are in excellent condition for light traveling. He will leave for Unalaklik on Tuesday morning.

Want More Pay. Salem, Or., April 6.—The male attendants at the Oregon State Insane Asylum today petitioned the board of trustees of that institution for a raise in salaries of about 6 per cent. The board listened to arguments on the subject by three representatives of the attendants and took the matter under advisement. An investigation will be made to ascertain what salaries are paid in similar institutions in other states as a partial basis for forming a conclusion upon the petition. The raise, if made, will increase the total salary expense about \$200 per month. The head attendant now receives \$40 per month, and three attendants \$37.50. On the three violent wards, where there are three attendants, the head attendant receives \$42.50, the second \$40 and the third \$37.50. The petitioners ask that the scale be made thus, Head attendants, \$45; second, \$42.50; third, \$40. In all cases this includes board and laundry. The argument of the attendants is that the cost of living has increased, that wages in other lines of work have advanced, that they are on duty 14 hours a day and are subjected to call during the other 10 hours, and that work among people diseased in mind and body should be paid better than other kinds of work. There is no intimation that any of the employees contemplate resigning if the advance is not granted.

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TOO MUCH BOOZE

Causes Trouble at an Early Hour This Morning.

A. B. Hughes was, in police court this morning charged with having interfered with Constable Burke in the discharge of the latter's duties. The alleged offence is said to have taken place about 7:45 this morning when the officer in question was taking into custody C. Keer Wilson against whom a charge of drunk and disorderly was lodged. Hughes' case was enlarged until tomorrow. Wilson was not in fit condition to appear in court this morning. His case would probably come up this afternoon.

Good for the Eyes

A sight more suggestive of spring than any other in Dawson can be seen in the windows of the Dawson Hardware Company's store where are exhibited a complete array of rakes, hoes, trowels, spades, pitchforks, garden rakes, shovels and garden tools of all kinds and descriptions. In another window are garden, grass, timothy, clover, bean, pea and all kinds of garden and farm seeds. The windows are worth walking several blocks to see.

Nome Trail

Nome, March 7.—R. H. Humber, the well-known mail carrier, reached Nome from Unalaklik Thursday morning at 11:15 with about 90 pounds of mail, largely second class, there being just 52 letters. Mr. Humber's mail route is between Unalaklik and Isaac's point, but this trip he brought the mail through to Nome, Carrier R. H. Griffiths going on to Unalaklik. Mr. Humber left Unalaklik February 27, encountering a good deal of water on Norton Bay. For four days of the trip rain and sleet fell almost continuously. The wire between Kaltag and Tanana has been down nearly all winter, but that between St. Michael and Unalaklik is working.

Jack Campbell, the mail carrier between St. Michael and Katmai, was badly frozen on his trip from St. Michael and reached the Russian mission on the Kuskoowik in bad shape. The Russian priest endeavored to induce him to forward the mail by natives, but Campbell would not, neither would he engage a native guide. His feet were badly frozen and he pushed on, and has not been heard from since.

The strike on the Tanana is believed to be genuine. Frank Hawks, of Unalaklik, recently received a letter from J. McCallum, who is at Chesna, saying that a good strike had been made. Benson, of St. Michael, also received a telegram from his partner urging him to go out once as a good claim had been staked for him. It is also reported that a good many men were leaving St. Michael and the lower Yukon for the Chesna.

The body of Chas. Gilbert, the St. Michael cook who was lost on Norton bay in January, was found near Shaktolik, a few hundred yards from timber. Gilbert had evidently perished in a blizzard. The body was buried in a snow bank until such time as it can be properly interred.

Three claims are being worked on Bonanza creek, besides a good deal of prospecting is under way, there being about 30 men on the creek. Quite a number of men are also wintering on the Tubuktolik, but nothing much seems to have been found, the best pan reported being seven cents.

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E. A. MIZNER IN DAWSON

Former N. C. Manager Arrives Yesterday

Will Remain Several Weeks and Later Visit the Tanana Country.

Edgar A. Mizner, formerly Dawson manager for the Northern Commercial Company, arrived on the stage which reached here at 1:30 yesterday afternoon eight days out from Whitehorse. If Mr. Mizner has changed any in appearance since he left Dawson last August it is to have become more rotund of body and jovial of countenance.

Asked as to his intentions for the future Mr. Mizner stated that he came to Dawson for his health, having become debilitated on the outside and wishing to build up again. But his appearance positively contradicted the statement. He said, however, that he will remain in Dawson for some weeks and will very likely visit the Tanana during the summer. News of the Tanana had reached the outside long before he left for the north and information of the country was very eagerly sought after. Mr. Mizner says that the Yukon and especially Alaska is attracting much attention on the outside and that the coming five years will witness much growth and development in this northern part of the world.

Regarding the trip down from Whitehorse Mr. Mizner says they were told at every roadhouse that they would not be able to make Dawson, but said he this afternoon, "The could not have stopped us had the trail been twice as bad as it was."

IN NEW STORE.

Merchant J. P. McLennan Now Comfortably Located

The big dry goods emporium of J. P. McLennan is now located on Second avenue a few doors south of Rudy's, the move from the former location on First avenue having been accomplished yesterday, last night and this morning. The elegant new store is most pleasantly situated, well lighted and commodious. Everything is now in shape for business and Mr. McLennan extends a cordial invitation to everybody to pay him a visit in his new store.

Workmen have been busy for several weeks installing fixtures, painting and papering and making other preparations for the reception of the extensive stock which the firm carries.

McLennan's new store will be one of the finest retail establishments in the city, being fitted up in a manner that would be considered creditable in any large outside community.

The whole system pursued in the arrangement of the store is designed to afford the best display of stock possible. There will be no lack of space for all the lines carried by the house and ladies will hereafter be enabled to do their shopping with the same pleasure and comfort they enjoy in the metropolitan establishments of the coast cities.

The new store attracts constant attention from passers by on Second avenue, which thoroughfare is rapidly becoming the retail street of the town.

The case of the King vs. Chris Christiansen, charged with perjury, will be heard by a jury tomorrow. The case arose during the progress of a civil case in which the defendant was a witness. It is alleged that at the former trial he swore in an affidavit to certain things which in the latter instance he directly contradicted.

Joseph Conrad

It will probably be a surprise to many to be told that Joseph Conrad is not writing in his native tongue when he writes in English. Mr. Conrad's power over English has frequently been referred to as "wizardry." He seems to have all the most incisive and suggestive words of the English language at his beck and call, and his masterly descriptions have a vividness and strength that few, if any, English born writers can match.

Mr. Conrad is no Englishman, but a Pole, and was born in a Southern province of Poland. His father was a noted critic and poet, who edited a patriotic review at Warsaw. Conrad received his education at a school in Cracow, or at least such a beginning of an education as his naturally roving spirit would let him make. He very early put himself in the path of adventures, and was only a slip of a lad when he took to the sea, and began those experiences which, put down in his inimitable English, have so enriched our literature.

Choice cooking butter—60 lbs. to case, \$16.—Alert & Forsha's. Fresh Kodak Films, all sizes, at Goetzman's, 128 Second avenue.

SPLENDID TESTIMONIAL

Bittner's Farewell big Success in Every Detail

The program for Bittner's finish as previously published was cleverly carried out at the Auditorium last night and was heartily enjoyed and lustily applauded by the largest audience the theatre has contained for many months, every seat in the building being occupied. An excellent program was rendered, the various performers invariably being forced to respond to an encore and two or three in some cases.

During the evening Mr. Bittner made the best curtain talk he has ever made in Dawson and in it he reviewed his varied experience since coming to the city, the triumphs he has scored in elevating the standard of public amusement in the Yukon and the hardships he has undergone and endured in the struggle for eating money. The big gentlemanly manager and actor is liked and respected by everybody in Dawson and that he is unable to keep the theatre open is the fault of local conditions and not attributed to him, for if there is a manager on earth who could make a continuous go of the show business in Dawson, Bittner is the man, and how that he is off the stage and out of the business it may be many days before the pleasure-loving people of the Klondike metropolitan area are so well provided for with entertainment as they have been of the big man.

Redmond Bros. have constructed two thousand feet of new flume and have three strings of sluice boxes placed to wash up their huge dumps of thirty thousands buckets.

PARADISE HILL, HUNKER

Within the next three or four days sluicing on all the pay dumps will be well under way and many of the claims are busily engaged making long flumes and sluice boxes.

Lynde and Janson have been sluicing for the past three days and will be the first to carry a gold laden pike to Dawson.

Bob Patton is ground sluicing on the rim with the waste water.

Albert Gabriel is also operating on the corner of the hill opposite No. 5 on Heister.

B. R. Elliott is also constructing a long flume to his group of nine claims and will ground sluice on an extensive scale this summer.

J. Hugo has sunk two shafts on his claim and will connect them by tunnel.

Babcock and German have reached bedrock at a depth of 45 feet and found fair pay.

J. C. McDonald is taking out a pay dump on his claim in the second tier and is now running a tunnel across his claim.

M. R. Boyd & Co. are ready to sluice their large pay dump under which three strings of sluice boxes were placed last autumn.

On the Maiden and Redmond group, they are ready for the water and are still taking out pay, and have a huge pile of wood on the claims for summer operations.

C. C. Lamb on his claim adjoining the Redmond group has a shaft down fifty-five feet, and has not reached bedrock yet, but has doubled the price on his interest.

E. K. Jones and J. Turnbull are developing their claims in the sixth tier with a good steam boiler.

On the Madden and Redmond group, owned by Jas. Madden and Chas. Redmond of Adams Hill, which now comprises eight claims, having acquired two adjoining properties last week, they are putting down two shafts to bedrock, and clearing off a hay field thereon besides.

George Hansen and H. A. Nelson have commenced to sluice on their claim on the north end of the hill and are well pleased with results. They put down two shafts to bedrock and took out a good pay dump this winter.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Marsh, in order to accommodate their boarders, have found it necessary to increase the size of their hotel and will put up a new addition 28 feet long. They will also develop their properties on the south side of the hill on a large scale this summer.

Mrs. A. Bitts of Gold Bottom was visiting Mrs. J. L. Marsh for the past two weeks.

Chas. Redmond has gone to Adams Hill to look after his interests there. Mrs. East of Dawson is now living on the hill, looking after her interests.

J. Redmond, C. Redmond, B. R. Elliott, C. C. Lamb, E. K. Jones, J. Turnbull and Jas. Madden were in Dawson last week on business.

Last Sunday Frank Redmond was seen putting a double bottom in his huge gear sack, and double sewing all the seams with waxed thread.

Stempepers without number are sluicing over the hills every day, and new white stakes are dotted over the landscape as thick as tombstones in a country church yard.

She—The very next morning after you had proposed to her she confided in me and asked me what she had better do.

He—I hope you were favorable.

She—Oh, yes, I told her, I didn't believe she could do any better.—Town Topics.

FOR SALE.—New complete outfit summer working mining machinery, except boiler.—GEO. R. CLAZY, Judge Street.

POLICE COURT WAS CROWDED

With Both Sexes From Life's Lowest Walks

Bartlett House Raid at Early Hour - This Morning Results in Several Arrests.

There was a large glist of cases before the police court this morning the majority of them emanating from a raid made by Detective Welsh, Corporal Piper and Constable Mapley on the Bartlett house on Third avenue at an early hour this morning.

Mr. Justice Macaulay occupied the bench in police court this morning and when court opened at 10:20 o'clock the cases on the docket comprised one in which theft is charged, one of drunk and disorderly, the prisoner being too far "seasner" to appear, one for interfering with an officer in the discharge of his duty, four cases of women charged with conducting and occupying houses for immoral purposes and two cases against males charged with living off the avails of prostitution.

The four women Mary Chirjev was the first called. Mary was arrested late last night in her alleged bogan in Klondike City and taken to jail where she spent the rest of the night. Life-size mirrors not being in evidence at the jail Mary's morning toilet showed such neglect as to cause her appearance in the prisoner's box to bring to mind recollections of the maiden all tattered and torn who milked the cow with the crumpled horn, that tossed the dog that worried the cat, etcetera, on down to the malt that in the house that Jack built Attorney Adman appeared for Miss Chirjev who does not speak English. The attorney through an interpreter instructed her to plead not guilty, but disregarding the injunction she pleaded guilty. Later the plea was withdrawn and Mary was required to put up \$100 cash bail or remain in jail until Friday when the case will come up for hearing.

Lucille Martin, Louise Corrigan and Martel Martin, the former charged with the conducting of a house for immoral purposes, the Bartlett house on Third avenue, the two others charged with being inmates of the same house, were defended by Attorney Aitman and J. B. Smith. Pleas of not guilty were entered and they were held for trial Friday in \$100-cash bail each.

John Frank and John Robain were charged with living from the avails of prostitution. Frank homeports at Klondike City while Robain showed up in the dragnet at the Bartlett house raid this morning. Their cases, like those of the women, were continued Monday next being the date set for hearing. Each man was required to give bail in two sureties of \$500 each or put up \$500 in cash.

Count Emile d' Rourell appeared as the chaperone of the Bartlett house crowd and for entering into persistent conversation with the prisoners was called into the prisoner's box and severely reprimanded. He humbly apologized for his breach of court rules and regulations.

Her to Million. New York, April 14.—Moses Fowler Chase, a wealthy young man of Lafayette, Ind., who recently was found in a sanitarium near Paris by Consul-General Gowdy, reached here today on the steamer Kron Prinz Wilhelm. A tug met the steamer at quarantine and took Chase to Jersey City. The young man came over under an assumed name and will be met by a number of friends, who were armed with a permit from the collector and accompanied by officers to facilitate the landing. At Jersey City Chase took a train for the west.

THE ELOQUENCE OF CASH

New Orleans Molasses, 1-gal. 2 cans St. Charles Cream 2 cans large size Libby's Sausage Meat, 2-lb. cans Veal Loaf pot. tin Rhubarb in 2-lb. tips Yellow Corn Meal 10-lb. sack Imported Boneless Sardines Singapore Sliced Pineapple Graham's Granulated Potatoes, 5-lb. tins 3 cans Whole Sweet Potatoes The best soft and hard Flour per sack Strictly cash prices. ROYAL GROCERY, 235 Second ave.

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