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Nugget Advertisements Give Immediate Returns.

DAWSON, Y. T., SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 1903.

PRICE 25 CENTS

MEASURE PRESENTED

Increasing Chinese Poll Tax to \$500

Premier Laurier Offered the Bill Which He Described as Absolutely Necessary.

Special to the Daily Nugget. Ottawa, March 27.—Premier Laurier presented a bill in the house of commons raising the poll tax on Chinese to \$500. The premier said it is absolutely necessary to make the proposed increase.

AMERICA'S INSISTENCE

Upon Gold Payment Has Raised New Point

Special to the Daily Nugget. Washington, March 28.—America's insistence that the Chinese indemnity be paid in gold raises the suggestion that the other ten powers misconstrued article 6 of the Peking protocol when negotiating future negotiations.

Case Postponed

Mrs. Mattie McKinnon is Better This Morning

The examination of Mrs. Mattie McKinnon who was brought to Dawson from Fortymile on account of the mad being unbalanced was to have taken place this morning but was indefinitely postponed to allow a further opportunity for observation of the patient's condition.

Good Dry Wood!

A. J. PRUDHOMME
211 Harper St., N. Free Library
Phone 214-A

Electric Lights Summer Rates

April 1 to Sept. 30, 1903.
Business Places—
Half night (burning to midnight only) \$.75 per week.
All night (if burning after midnight) 1.25 per week.
Service on meter, rates as at present.

Lumber! Lumber!

ARCTIC SAWMILL

All Kinds of Dimension Rough and Dressed Lumber.
Mining, Sluice and Flume Lumber a Specialty.
General Mill—Klondike River at Mouth of Bear Creek. Telephone "Muttie of Bear"
City Office—Boyle's Wharf, Front St., Dawson.

A SMALL ONE

Mr. Carnegie Tosses a Gift to Pittsburg.

Special to the Daily Nugget. Pittsburg, March 28.—Carnegie has added a million and a half for the Pittsburg library, making a total of five and a half million dollars.

DUMPS ARE IN DANGER

Deposited on Another's Claim

Latter Now Refuses the Right of Entry so They May be Washed up.

Now that the season of the clean-up is about at hand William White and Annie Miller together with the laymen who have been operating their claim this winter find themselves in a peculiar position and by a suit that today was filed in the gold commissioner's court the good offices of the gold commissioner are being appealed to to help them out of their difficulty.

HUNGRY MEN

Are the Special Delight of Mine Host Horkan

Field, farm and forest all contribute toward furnishing the splendid bills of fare that mine host Horkan of the Standard Library restaurant sets before his guests.

EASTER HATS

Spring Hats, Bonnets, Neck-ties, etc. JUST IN.
SUMMERS & ORELL,
102 SECOND AVENUE

FEATURES OF LAND BILL

Which Vitaly Concern Welfare of People

The Commission Will Have First Claim to Purchase Bankrupt Estates.

Special to the Daily Nugget. London, March 27.—The text of the Irish land purchase bill reveals many important features unmentioned by Wyndham in his speech. The commissioners provided in the act will not be permitted to purchase estates not mainly agricultural or pastoral. Thus Killarney will be exempt. Fishing, sporting and mineral rights will be vested in the commissioners. The commission has first claim to purchase bankrupt estates and can re-sell them to tenants or use portions for the repatriation of evicted tenants. The latter point is regarded as being one of the vital features of the bill.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

"She Stoops to Conquer" Nets \$345

Management Submits a Detailed Account of Their Receipts and Expenditures.

The public will be interested to know how the finances of the two performances of "She Stoops to Conquer" came out and to what extent the hospitals were benefited. With that end in view Messrs. Carnegie and Sonson who were instrumental in giving the production have prepared the following detailed statement of the receipts and expenditures which is attested to by two auditors. By the statement it will be seen that each of the hospitals received \$100 as their share of the performance and the Good Samaritan by previous arrangement \$145 additional being the net proceeds from the program. The gentlemen state they were at considerably heavier expense than they anticipated and intimate that in one or two instances they were liberally held up. It is doubtful if any more plays will be produced this season but interest in the company will not be allowed to die out, as next season it is the intention to put on several of the society dramas that have proven successes in the east. The financial statement is as follows:

Receipts	
Receipts March 9th	\$328.50
Receipts March 10th	466.00
Less 20 per cent. paid theatre	158.50
By rebate on tickets	\$634.00
By profit on programmes	145.00
Total	\$780.75

Expenditures	
Stage hands and ushers	\$ 98.50
N.W.M.P. orchestra	100.00
Salvation Army, for wood	31.00
Geo. Brewitt, for costumes	18.50
Mrs. Ranahan, for altering costumes	24.75
C. Luaders, for wigs, etc.	25.00
A. R. Thorne, for hire of costumes	35.50
Dawson Amateur Operatic Association for hire of costumes	20.00
Sundries—Material for costumes, parts, make-up, cartage, properties, repairs, telephone, etc.	94.39
Total	\$433.44

Paid St. Mary's hospital 100.00
Paid Good Samaritan hospital 100.00
Paid Good Samaritan hospital from programme, as arranged with St. Mary's hospital 145.00
Total 345.00
Certified correct.
(Sgd) E. W. WARD,
F. S. LONG,
Auditors.
Dawson, March 28th, 1903.

To actual consumers, over-the-ice eggs 75c doz. N. A. T. & T. Co.
Swift's Bacon has no equal.

THE CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE

Absorbs the Halifax Banking Company

And Will Have Over 100 Branches With Capital and Rest of About \$12,000,000

Considerable interest was aroused in financial circles when, on the 3rd inst., an announcement was made public that the amalgamation of the Halifax Banking Company with the Canadian Bank of Commerce was proposed. The last named institution has at present a paid-up capital of \$8,000,000 with a reserve fund of \$2,500,000, but it is expected that at a special meeting of its shareholders called for the 14th of next month a bylaw will be passed increasing the capital to \$10,000,000. With its head office at Toronto, Ontario, it has 80 odd branches throughout the Dominion and the United States, ranging from this city in the extreme north to Victoria and San Francisco on the west coast, and Sydney, N. S., and New York City at the eastern boundary of the continent. It has also offices in the principal centres in Ontario, British Columbia and the new Canadian Northwest, besides branches in Portland, Oregon, Seattle, Washington and London, England.

By opening an office at Sydney, about two months ago, The Canadian Bank of Commerce established its first branch in the Maritime provinces, although previous to that time as much as a tenth of its capital stock had been held by Nova Scotians. The absorption of The Halifax Banking Company will now mean extensive representation on the eastern Canadian seaboard since its offices will comprise 17 new branches in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, including Halifax, Truro, St. John, Sackville, etc.

The Halifax Banking Company is one of the oldest financial concerns on this continent. Having been established under its present name in 1825 as a private partnership, it became incorporated under the Dominion banking laws in 1872. In the conservative east it has long maintained a generous share of the loyalty and support of many business houses, and of recent years, although laboring under the disadvantage, which a comparatively small bank must necessarily encounter in these days of competition with larger institutions, it has succeeded in more than holding its own. With a paid-up capital of \$600,000, a rest of \$325,000, deposits approximately \$4,000,000, and assets of about \$6,000,000, its incorporation with the much larger institution will necessarily mean an increase in prestige so that a corresponding increase in its present business may be looked for. It is intended that the services of the present directors will be used as a local advisory board at Halifax; its cashier becomes local manager there and the entire staff be taken into the service of The Canadian Bank of Commerce. Under these arrangements there is little doubt that the good will of the old institution will be acquired together with its more tangible assets.

The terms of the amalgamation have been made public as follows: After the necessary approval of the shareholders of The Halifax Banking Company has been obtained and all the requisite legal formalities have been completed, The Canadian Bank of Commerce will assume the liabilities of The Halifax Banking Company, and will give in exchange for the surplus of its assets over its liabilities, stock of The Canadian Bank of Commerce of the par value of \$700,000.

The Canadian Bank of Commerce is to be congratulated, scarcely less than The Halifax Banking Company, on the new arrangement, as its exceptional—it might also be said unrivalled—facilities must be materially strengthened by the amalgamation. On the completion of the amalgamation it will have a paid-up capital and rest aggregating nearly \$12,000,000, and total assets of some \$30,000,000, with offices at no more than 100 points throughout the Dominion of Canada.

Eggs! Eggs! Eggs! Who's got them? Well, I have a couple of hundred cases just arrived over the ice, at reasonable prices. Barrett, Third Avenue. Phone No. 1.
Ahert & Forsha have the best eggs in town. 75c per dozen.

CLAIMS FOR DAMAGES

To American Sealers From Russians

Affirms Russia's Approval of Settlement Through Arbitration.

Special to the Daily Nugget. Washington, March 28.—Professor Furley's award of claims of American sealers for damages for seizure from the Russian government affirms Russia's approval of the settlement of all such matters by arbitration and assures Russian endorsement of America's course re seal protection.

Won Handicap

Liverpool, March 28.—Fighting Furley won the Liverpool Handicap, with Bachelors Button second, and Anrea Ferrara third.

TRIP ONE OF PLEASURE

The Territorial Secretary Tours the Creeks

Surprised at the Work Being Done This Winter the Future Looks Good to Him.

Territorial Secretary and Mrs. J. N. E. Brown returned yesterday afternoon from a several days' jaunt over the creeks which included Hunter, Last Chance, Dominion its full length, Gold Run and Sulphur, and the former is more than pleased with the positive evidences of activity and prosperity seen on all hands. Had the doctor been inclined to be pessimistic in his views regarding the future prior to his tour of inspection he would certainly have turned an optimist on his return.

"Last Chance is a creek I never thought much of," said Dr. Brown, "until I saw it this winter and I was dumfounded at the work that is going on. Why, there are three miles of the creek that is a regular beehive of industry. Every pup is being worked, some of them as far as two miles and more up from their mouth. Hunter is busy from its mouth to the summit and the same is true to a great extent of Dominion, particularly from 9 above lower to the sixties and seventies below lower. From 20 to 220 there is but little doing, but from the mouth of Gold Run to the mouth of Sulphur and below there seems to be a miniature village on almost every claim. On that section of Dominion, on Gold Run and also on Sulphur one sees very frequently the conical shaped, altitudinous dumps representing a small sized Mount St. Elias, the result of the steady work of the self-dumping buckets now in such general use.

"After hearing so much in the city all winter regarding light business, financial depression, etc., I was prepared to listen to the same thing on the creeks though considerably magnified, but strange as it may seem I never heard a single complaint all the time I was out of hard times. Every one is busy and all the claim owners and laymen with whom I talked were satisfied with the showing they are making this winter. A great many of the properties that are idle this winter will be operated extensively during the coming summer.

The return trip was also made by way of Hunter, the ridge road via Bonanza being not open at the present time. All the travel for Dominion, Gold Run and Sulphur now goes by way of Hunter. That for the last two named creeks follows the new road along the ridge put in last summer by the government from the head of Lombard to the head of Sulphur.

Berlin, March 7.—The Imperial Yacht Club at its annual meeting just held, appropriated \$10,000 for entertainments and special expenses during the regatta of next June. Emperor William was re-elected president.

Hay and grain at rock-bottom prices for cash at Barrett's, Phone No. 1.
To actual consumers, over-the-ice eggs 75c doz. N. A. T. & T. Co.

NEW DECISION

Announced re Burial of Hector McDonald.

Special to the Daily Nugget. London, March 28.—A secondary decision is announced that the body of Hector McDonald will be buried in Scotland.

FRATERNAL ORGANIZATION

For Protection of Perverters of the Truth

Been Recently Formed—Dawson Lodge Gives Evidence of a Large Membership.

A new fraternal and protective organization has been formed which promises to outclass all the older orders in point of membership in a very short time.

The organization is called "The Ancient Order of Reckless and Independent Prevaricators," and has for its object the protection of willful perverters of the truth.

Every member of the order is given a license good for one year which reads as follows: "The Ancient Order of Reckless and Independent Prevaricators' Liar's License. This is to certify that I am hereby authorized to lie, prevaricate and extraordinarily stretch the truth from the first day of January, 1903, to the thirty-first day of December, 1903. He has passed a rigid examination and is duly accepted as an expert in catch-as-catch-can and fancy lying and is entitled to all the benefits and kind treatment of a full member of the A. O. R. I. P. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this _____ day of _____ 1903. Ananias, Secretary of State to His Infernal Majesty."

This order, the charter for which has only recently reached Dawson, has a large charter membership and applications for membership are being received faster than the blanks for same can be filled out.

Further information relative to the society can be obtained from Snow.

Popular People Arrive

Among the recent arrivals on the stage this week were Sidney Birch and his bride, nee Miss Katie McMullen, who were married on the outside this winter. Mr. Birch is well known in the city having been connected with the old A. C. Co. and later with the N. C. Co. for a number of years. The bride is a very pretty girl who was one of the belles of the camp during the winter of '98 and is a sister of Mrs. Robert Birch whose husband is a brother to the groom. Mr. Birch is undecided as to his future movements but will probably open up some mining property he possesses on Hunter.

TRIAL SPIN

Of Shamrock Has Been Postponed.

Special to the Daily Nugget. New York, March 28.—A special dispatch states that the trial spin of Shamrock III, set for today, has been postponed on account of a heavy gale.

HANAN & SONS' FINE SHOES . . . \$8.00

We Have Good Shoes for \$5, Which are Excellent Values.

Spring Clothing.

SWELL SUITS, OVERCOATS

AND

...TROUSERS...

HERSHBERG & CO.

135 First Avenue. Dawson, Y. T.

COMBINATION IS FORMED

To Include All Western Rolling Mills

New Concern Will be Known as the American Rolling Mill Corporation.

Special to the Daily Nugget. St. Paul, March 28.—A combination is being formed taking in all the rolling mills of the middle west. The amalgamated concern will be known as the American Rolling Mill Corporation.

PETITION PRESENTED

For Incorporation of Pacific Grand Trunk

Terminal Will Be at Butte Inlet or Port Simpson—Before Parliament.

Special to the Daily Nugget. Ottawa, March 27.—The capital stock of the Grand Trunk Pacific has been placed at \$75,000,000. A petition for incorporation has been presented to parliament. Butte Inlet or Port Simpson are given as possible terminal points.

HOCKEY THIS MORNING

The Small Boys Play an Extra Game

The skating rink that was damaged by the war horses has been repaired and a skating rink was played this morning. The game was played between the "Bros." team and the "Monarchs" team. The game resulted in a victory for the former team by a score of 2 to 0. Both goals were scored in the first half and both were made by Lawrence Mero.

This is the sixth game these two teams have played and in five of them the Palmers have come out victorious while the Monarchs have been able to secure but only one.

The hockey match that was cancelled been played this evening at 8 o'clock by the war horses has been postponed for other reasons. The game will be run by the youngsters who are within the age limit. There are eight entries and the contest will positively announce that the winner will see to it that the game is not joshed this evening. The game and it is dollars to doughnuts that about as soon as any of the boys stop.

Job Printing at Nugget office.

The Klondike Nugget

TELEPHONE NO. 12 (Dawson's Pioneer Paper) Issued Daily and Semi-Weekly. GEORGE M. ALLEN, Publisher

SUBSCRIPTION RATES. Daily. Yearly, in advance \$24.00 Per month, by carrier, in city, in advance \$2.00

NOTICE. When a newspaper offers its advertising space at a nominal figure, it is a practical admission of "no circulation."

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

\$50 Reward.

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

NO CAUSE FOR COMPLAINT. Within less than a week after the arrival of Mr. Ross at the federal capital, reductions in fees are announced that will mean a saving of \$50,000 to the miners of the territory each year.

CLEAN-UP APPROACHES. The clean-up season is close at hand and with its arrival old balances will be wiped out and a fresh start made.

IGNORABLE TACTICS. The News following its policy of misrepresentation went to the extent of committing a deliberate forgery in its issue of last evening.

WASH GOODS. I am showing a very large line of the latest styles in Foulards, Gingham, Piques, Percales, Linens, &c.

J. P. McLENNAN. 233 FRONT ST. Phone 101-B. Agent for Standard Patterns.

The evident intent of the MESSAGE was to nullify and neutralize the efforts of the board of trade.

SETS AN EXAMPLE. Skagway has set an example for the merchants of Dawson which example might very well be followed with considerable profit to the business interests of this community.

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PROTESTS FILED. Both Concerning Water That is Scarce and Much Desired.

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HYDRAULIC OPERATIONS

Plant to be Installed on American Creek

California Syndicate Preparing to Operate Large Body of Low Grade Gravel.

W. O. Brown, T. H. Leith and Fred Cook are three young men who left yesterday morning for Eagle City.

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the servant quarreled, and it is charged the abess, fearing the girl would divulge the stories told and injure her in court circles, poured muriatic acid into the girl's coffee, which made her violently ill.

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The White Pass & Yukon Route. PASSENGER AND MAIL SERVICE. On account of heavy travel inbound our RATES WILL BE ADVANCED ON MARCH 24th.

Beef Loins and Ribs. For family use. The best cuts of the Beef. No waste. Pacific Cold Storage Co. Telephone 63.

Alaska Flyers. Operated by the... Alaska Steamship Company. Dolphin and Humboldt Leave Skagway Every Five Days.

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EUROPEAN POLITICS

Have Perplexing Effect in Germany

The Increase of England's Naval Strength Has Created Suspicion.

Berlin, March 7.—There is a very curious feeling over reports of English parliamentary utterances respecting the Kaiser's alleged purpose to dominate all the seas.

The Kaiser, an estimable gentleman, but not yet a fully tried sovereign, has drawn in a deep breath of icy air and would give it out in warlike expressions.

Germany, once foremost among the nations of the world, now spouts pseudo-Germanism over Europe, and seeks to command the North Sea.

Not only in England, but in Russia the press is warning the government to keep an eye on the Kaiser.

It is quite apparent here that Russia is "considering matters" and is prepared to be deeply disappointed if the Macedonian pretext turns out too weak to enable her to swoop down on Constantinople.

For purposes of administration Macedonia is divided into 800 districts. Every district group consists of eight members—all fanatics, sworn to serve the cause.

At present the agents propagate the doctrines of the society and are engaged in the smuggling into Turkey of arms, which they distribute among the disaffected population.

The melancholy honeymoon of an estranged citizen of Berlin is now being held up as a warning to prospective German bridegrooms not to look upon pretty French girls of unknown antecedents.

A merchant named Wachsberg started for Vienna with his newly wedded wife to spend the honeymoon.

On arriving at Tarnow the passengers had to change, and as there was no train for some hours the young wife said she would like to visit the town.

But neither wife nor young man turned up and the poor husband, after waiting at Tarnow for some days, returned home in despair.

Emperor Re-Elected Berlin, March 7.—The Imperial Yacht Club at its annual meeting just held appropriated \$10,000 for entertainments and special expenses during the regattas of next June.

REFORM IDEAS.

Are Placed in Practice by the Ameer

London, March 7.—A wave of reform, almost tidal in its magnitude, has hit the Ameer of Afghanistan, and he is determined that, from now on, he is going to run a righteous country or materially decrease the work of the census taker.

He intends that his example shall be closely followed. By beat of drum, which means business in Afghanistan, he has decreed that every husband in the land—must reduce his domestic surplus to the four, and keep it there.

And the Ameer has determined that there shall be no religious controversy in Afghanistan. He has ordered that no subject of his shall taunt another on account of his religion, or upon conviction the tormentor shall be blown from the cannon's mouth, thereby settling the question summarily.

Robbers are being placed in cages, which are hung in the streets as a warning to others. Trusts, too, are being relentlessly pursued. Any man who attempts to corner grain in Afghanistan will have his whole supply taken by force.

FOR HIS MOTHER

Princess Louise's Son Offers Up Prayer

Dresden, March 7.—Little Prince George, eldest son of Crown Prince Frederick, was missing from the palace yesterday and for several hours his tutors and the household officials were in consternation.

The Socialists are using the Crown Princess episode for political agitation, and the unpopularity of the Saxon monarchy appears to have been considerably heightened.

Kaiser and Duke Make Up Copenhagen, March 7.—The announcement of Emperor William of Germany that he will not visit King Christian on the occasion of his birthday anniversary, April 8th, because it falls in Holy Week, is officially confirmed, but it is added that the German Emperor will arrive here during the week of April 2nd and that he will meet the Duke of Cumberland. Hence there has been a revival of the rumors of a reconciliation between the Emperor and the Duke.

Investing in Oil

Cheyenne, Wyo., March 7.—Charles Walter, resident director of the Belgo-American Drilling Trust, has received word that Prince Henry of Brussels will sail from Antwerp on the 11th instant for America, to visit the field of operations of the Belgo-American Company, with the view of investing in Wyoming oil lands.

For Sale

FOR SALE.—25-horse return flue boiler and fittings at a bargain, on Hillside No. 4 from mouth Last Chance.

Job Printing at Nugget office.

Studies in Natural History

The Mother-in-Law

By Dorothy Dix

THE MOTHER-IN-LAW.—This ferocious animal is, of all living creatures, the one most dreaded by man.

Very little is known of the origin of this species. Many people who have had opportunity of studying it at close range believe that the first one was the original Serpent of Eden that put Eve up to making trouble for Adam, and that its descendants are still at work breaking up Domestic Paradises.

Generally speaking, the Mother-in-Law is indigenous to Europe and America, only a few scattering ones, and those of feeble character, being found in Asia, and none at all in Africa, which accounts for the large immigration of recent years.

The chief characteristic of the Mother-in-Law is its inability to let people alone. It can no more see a man and his wife happily going their own way in peace without wanting to throw a bomb in between them than a dog can see a horse grazing in a meadow without snapping at its heels.

As may be supposed, knowing the danger to which they will be exposed, and seeing the fell fate that has befallen their friends, no man desires to have such a household pet, but so crafty and foxy is the Mother-in-Law that it comes upon him unawares and the first thing he knows one of these creatures is inalienably attached to his establishment.

Los Angeles, March 7.—After being out all night the jury in the case of Frank Seppi, charged with the cold-blooded murder of his wife because he could no longer endure her scolding and violent temper, announced a disagreement when court opened today.

The refusal of Frank Seppi, Jr., the accused man's sixteen-year-old son, to testify against his father in spite of repeated imprisonments for contempt is believed to have saved Seppi temporarily from conviction.

A friend of a Congressman, a member of New York and said to be a millionaire, came away from home without any money this morning.

Power of Attorney Blanks for the Tanana-Nugget Office.

Why I Ran Away From \$400,000 and New York

By PAUL HELLEU.

Paris, March 7.—Even now, when I look back on the month I spent in the great American city, it seems to me as if I had had a nightmare.

What overpowered me more perhaps than anything was the prodigious efforts of the press. I had done nothing to the American people. I do not believe that I was known to more than a dozen of them, and yet within one month alone I saw more biographies, artistic, literary and social notices printed of me than I did in all my life in Paris.

The tremendous publicity given to me frightened me. I might not have had any fears or any displeasures, for from a pecuniary point of view, my results were as flattering as anything that could be desired.

In less than three weeks I had orders and notes of orders of which I had given a slight promise of filing to the value of more than two million francs.

But I withstood the feeling as well as I could, when suddenly word came that my only daughter, who is now near fifteen years of age, was ill with typhoid fever.

Such a piece of news, coming to me in the state of mind I was in, almost drove me wild. I could not find a steamer quick enough to take me back. My feelings as a father overcame everything else. You might give me millions here, I said to myself, I would not stay.

Now, however, my mind is relieved. My daughter has passed the crisis; she is on the way to recovery.

Among the portraits I was unable to execute and which I regret most, is that of Mrs. Astor. Others also I regret, but if, as I hope, my daughter will be perfectly well again, I shall return to New York in September next. But then it will be for a long period. I shall go with my wife and children and remain at least for the winter.

Prisoners Break Out Bakerfield, March 7.—Three prisoners broke out of the county jail last night by a side door which is believed to have been opened from the outside by a former prisoner released a few days ago.

Two of the prisoners were implicated in the recent robbery of a local jewelry store and had turned state's evidence and was the means of recovering the stolen property.

They occupied an isolated portion of the jail, into which the side door opened from the outside.

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GEO. DICK IN COURT

Charged With Stealing a \$20 Watch

From Residence of Chas. A. Conture—Accused Now Serving Two Years' Sentence.

George Dick, who was found guilty of stealing a diamond ring from Mrs. Rudy Kalenborn and sentenced to two years imprisonment at hard labor by Mr. Justice Craig at the criminal assizes the first of this month, was before Mr. Justice Masculay this morning in the police court on another charge of a similar character.

The case in question was brought on complaint of Chas. A. Conture, who charges Dick with entering his dwelling on Third avenue and Edward street during the month of September, 1902, and stealing therefrom a gold watch valued at \$20.

Dick accompanied by two constables appeared in the court with his hair and mustache closely shaven. Sergeant Smith who appeared for the prosecution asked for an enlargement of the case until Tuesday of next week at 10:30 a.m. Dick said he was willing to agree to the enlargement but took occasion to say that he did not know anything of the case.

Dick was informed by his lordship that he would be given the same consideration he would have received before his first conviction and that the authorities would give him all the aid he required in summoning his witnesses.

There have been many complaints of petty thieving made during the last year and it is thought that Dick's handiwork can be seen in most of them, although it has been a hard matter to obtain direct evidence against him. The police have been at work for several months on the present case and it has only been a short time since the connecting link in the chain of evidence has been discovered. The case will come up for preliminary hearing next Tuesday at 10:30 a.m.

Resigns His Position Deputy Sheriff Krueger will chase no more capias for a while, so he says. He has quite a bit of mining property out on the creeks and he has come to the conclusion he had better be out there taking some of the gold out of the ground than following the trail of delinquent debtors down the river, so yesterday handed in his resignation to the sheriff to take effect at once. Krueger has been both popular and efficient as a bailiff and deputy sheriff.

Ahler & Forsha have the best eggs in town. 75c per dozen. Swift's Bacon for sale everywhere.

BACK ONCE MORE

Can Not Remain Away From the Beauties of the Klondike

After an absence of eight weeks from the lovely city of Dawson, J. J. Thornton, of the N. C. Co., is back again at his desk with the same old sad sweet smile as of yore. Jamesy has been to the little village on the shore of the bay adjoining the Golden Gate, the place of high jinks likewise high balls, and after being surfeited with the life led by "Skipper" Norwood, Clarence Berry, "Jerry" Lynch and a few others he is more than delighted to be back once more to the peaceful surroundings and pastoral existence that is concomitant with life in the Klondike.

During his stay in San Francisco Mr. Thornton met a great many of the old timers who have acquired wealth in the golden north and whose chief aim in life now is to get quick action on the dollars with which they know not what to do. The strangest piece of news Mr. Thornton brings is that practically all the old "sourdoughs" now on the outside are coming in again this summer. He says the travel north this season will be unprecedented, undoubtedly much larger than it has ever been before.

A Spring of Poison A San Bernardino dispatch of the 17th says: A party of prospectors headed by Henry Arnel, who is well known all over the desert mining district, has arrived here, bringing with them the remains of several people supposed to have been a party of prospectors.

Arnel and party had been prospecting in Nevada and were on their way to this city intending to come by way of Mormon Springs. When near what they supposed was Timber mountain, they were attracted to a spring by the luxuriant growth of vegetation around it, which could be seen for miles.

Upon nearing the spring they were startled to find, first, a part of a human skeleton, and a little further on the remains of several other skeletons, showing that the entire party had perished.

Although the finding of a human skeleton on the desert is not an event which creates much excitement the discovery of the remains of an entire party caused much wonder among the prospectors and especially when they were so near a water supply. The cause of their death was soon revealed, however. No sooner had the members of the party drank of the water from the spring than they were seized with cramps, some of the men suffering intensely.

Suspecting that the water contained a mineral poison, Arnel cautioned his companions against drinking more of it, and after resting over night they started for this city, bringing with them samples of the water. The water was analyzed by a chemist and proved to be heavily charged with arsenic.

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BENEFIT SUCCESS

Mrs. Bittner's Friends Out in Force

Theatre Was Packed From Pit to Dome—Beneficiary Appears in "East Lynn."

It was a gracious tribute to the high regard in which Mrs. Bittner is held made manifest yesterday evening on the occasion of the testimonial that was tendered to her at the Auditorium. Every seat and box in the theatre was occupied and even the standing room at the rear of the chairs on the lower floor was packed densely. The program was lengthy and in addition to containing many familiar faces that one has been accustomed to seeing all winter long, some of which are certainly becoming very stale, there were a number of novelties not seen every day.

About half of the program was made up of non-professionals and they seemed to receive the major part of the applause. The Welsh twins made their public debut and created a great deal of merriment with their three round contest, their tiny fists being encased in regulation boxing gloves made of a suitable size. Willie Bittner officiated as referee.

One of the most enjoyable numbers was the Madrigal quartette from the "Mikado" sung by Mrs. Mullen, Mrs. Mullen, Mr. Cowan and Mr. Sheridan. Mr. Charles Macpherson favored with a couple of songs and never was in better voice, the audience insisting upon more. Frank Johnson was heard in his inimitable French dialect stories, in which he can not be excelled. He sprang a couple of new ones and everyone howled with delight. Harry Burrell sang, Fred Atwood gave a couple of excellent coin songs and J. H. Taylor was heard in a reading. Chris Moran, Billy Mullen and others of the professional talent each did a little stunt.

The last act of "Inshavogie," the Irish play that was given on St. Patrick's night, was repeated and those who saw both performances say that that of last night was the superior. Miss Walton enacted the part formerly taken by Miss Montrose, doing it with the utmost credit to herself. Billy Mullen took the character that Mr. Morris had in the original production.

The last number on the long program was an act of "East Lynn" in which the beneficiary, Mrs. Bittner, was seen for the first time since her unfortunate illness. She received quite an ovation on her first entrance, but the evidence of the fever was still very evident in her pallor and general weakness.

The benefit was an unqualified success and the many friends and admirers of Mrs. Bittner trust that her speedy recovery to perfect health is but a matter of care and good nursing.

CHURCH NOTICES.

Methodist Church.—The usual monthly service for children will be held tomorrow morning. The sermon will be an object lesson. Subject, "The Magnificent Christ." In the evening the subject will be "The Influence of Iniquity." Anthem, "Suff of My Soul." Holden. Soprano and tenor solos and quartet, Mrs. Edythe Walker, Miss Larsen, Messrs. McLeod and Povah. Offertory duet, "The Lord is My Shepherd." Smart. Mrs. Walker and Mrs. Mullen. After the benediction, "Now the Day is Over." Barnby.

Presbyterian Church.—At tomorrow evening's service at St. Andrew's church the following special music will be rendered: Mr. Chas. W. Macpherson will sing Guonod's sacred solo, entitled "Nazareth," and the choir will sing "Hearken Unto Me, O My People," an anthem by Sullivan. Ask your grocer for Swift's bacon.

SNOW STORM.

Is Prevalent on the Upper Yukon.

The snow storm which visited Dawson yesterday is today prevailing at points along the upper Yukon accompanied by northwest winds. The temperature is mild above Selwyn but at Stewart it takes a big drop and north of the latter place it is below zero. The temperature for the report is taken at 8 o'clock in the morning but during the day it rises and at 11:30 several degrees above zero were registered by the barracks thermometer. The report for today is as follows: Atlin, snowing, light northwest wind, 25 above. Tagish, snowing, light northwest wind, 20 above. Lebarge, snowing, strong northwest wind, 15 above. Itootatiqua, snowing, strong northwest wind, 22 above. Big Salmon, cloudy, northwest wind, 25 above. Yukon Crossing, snowing, strong northwest wind, 17 above. Selkirk, clear, west wind, 10 above. Selwyn, clear, west wind, 10 above. Stewart, cloudy, light west wind, 11 above. Oatville, cloudy, northwest wind, 2 below. Dawson, clear, west wind, 5 below. Fortytwo, clear, calm, 12 below.

LIBRARY WILL MOVE

Into New Quarters on May First

Two Story Structure on Mission and Third Ave.—Has Many Advantages.

The Free Public Library will move from its present location on the corner of Third avenue and Harper street to the new building opposite Mac's grocery on the corner of Third avenue and Mission street, on the first of May.

The board of control of the library decided to make this move at its meeting Thursday night. It is the general opinion that the move will be an advantageous one. The new building occupying a ground floor space of 25x40 feet is two stories high and both floors will be utilized by the library. The rental will be \$100 per month, the same price paid for the present building, which has but the single floor.

DEMANDS HIS FEES

What a Witness in the Gold Commissioner's Court Did.

Barrister F. G. Crisp ran against a snag yesterday that he was not contemplating, and had it not been that advocates in the Klondike are invariably blessed not alone with fat bank accounts but always make it a practice to carry about in their pockets several hundred in loose change, he would have been in an embarrassing position. The incident occurred during the trial of the case of Isaac Lusk vs W. J. Chance in the gold commissioner's court, the action being over a bench on the right limit opposite 254 below lower on Dominion. Mr. Crisp was appearing for the defense. A witness was called to the box whose evidence was indispensable, in fact, the success of the suit depended largely upon his testimony. When his name was called he replied but refused to go into the stand until he had been paid his "conduct" money, that is, his fees and mileage. It amounted to \$42 but as he had already received \$10 at the time he was served there was but a balance of \$32 due. He was obstinate in his demands and as his evidence was necessary and the gold commissioner held that he was within his rights there was nothing to be done but to dig up the balance.

BUTLER'S CORNER NO. 2

Mr. F. S. Dunham Is Going to the Tanana

Having made up my mind to go to the Tanana I have disposed of my stock and business to Mr. H. W. Butler. Mr. Butler will carry on the business in the same lines that I have tried to do, handling the best goods and giving the best service possible. Mr. Wm. Schmitt, with Clark & Ryan, and late with myself, will be in charge. I wish to thank my many customers for their good will and patronage, and trust they will still continue to patronize Mr. Butler at my old stand. Yours truly, F. S. DUNHAM.

Ready for Business

Los Angeles, March 7.—Stephening the completion of the San Pedro, Los Angeles and Salt Lake road as far as Ontario, a Chamber of Commerce excursion, numbering 700 was carried over the road today on the first train over the line.

Oom Paul Recovers

Paris, March 7.—A dispatch to the "Patrie" from Cannes says Mr. Krueger, who had been suffering from a light attack of grip, remained in his room for three days on advice of his physician, but has entirely recovered and today resumed his daily promenades in the garden of the Villa Genoa. He expects to prolong his stay at Cannes until the end of April.

Ragged Is and...

Ragged island, alias Crie Haven, on the coast of Maine, is certainly happy above most islands. It has neither mice nor magistrates, though its inhabitants number nearly fifty. The solitary doctor comes over when wanted from the mainland. There is not the solace of a church, but there is also not the distraction of a lawyer. There are a few cows and horses, but neither dogs nor cats, nor is insect life, if present at all, a nuisance even in the hottest season. The natives catch lobsters and eat all that they cannot sell. Job Printing at Nugget office.

VERY HEAVY PENALTY

Imposed on Local Loon Man

For Selling Liquor to An Indicted Person—Fine and Costs Amount to \$105.

The proprietor of a saloon on Third avenue was fined \$100 this morning for selling liquor to an indicted man.

The case was tried last Wednesday and his lordship reserved his decision until this morning.

In giving his judgment his lordship said that he had examined the ordinance very carefully and found that two constructions might be placed upon its meaning. First, the fine of \$100 and costs and revocation of the license and the other part of the license might be imposed. The ordinance was not very clearly worded and therefore his lordship stated that he left perfectly justified in putting either construction upon it.

"You admitted," he said to the accused, "that you furnished the liquor. While you probably meant to do a family favor by sending the liquor to the family your action was highly improper as he had been placed on the indictment. It is at the request of the wife for his as well as his own protection."

"To give liquor to an indicted person is a very serious offense no matter how he may plead. You must look after his own interests and protect himself."

"I am inclined to put the construction on the ordinance that this case cancellation of license should only result in default of payment, and I will give judgment to \$100 and costs or 3 months' imprisonment. My decision in future cases, as I may take a different view. I trust this will be a lesson to you in the future."

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