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PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.

Kruger Reported to Meet President Steyn.

WHEN HOSTILITIES MAY DISCONTINUE.

Clements Advance Troops Are Occupying Achartang.

Boers Retreating But Still Fighting—Railroad Repaired and Operated to Britain's Purpose—Salisbury on American Politics.

London, March 4, via Skagway, March 9.—Dispatches received today from the seat of war state that President Kruger has left Pretoria and is on his way to some point in the Orange Free state for a conference with President Steyn of that republic. It is argued from this action on the part of Kruger that negotiations looking toward a peace treaty will shortly be entered into. Close observers of the situation, however, do not anticipate any such result from the reported conference. The best authorities state that the Boers are rallying all their forces to repair their temporary reverses, and that the war is certain to continue for an indefinite length of time. Kruger's visit to Steyn is looked upon by them as being preliminary to closer alliance between the Transvaal and Orange Free State.

British Advancing.

London, March 5, via Skagway, March 9.—At midnight of the 4th inst., the war office received a dispatch from Gen. Roberts stating that Clement's advanced troops are in full possession of Achartang and that the railroad has been repaired and opened. The enemy is still in force at Nowals bridge. Gen. Gatacre wires that the Boers are diminishing from the vicinity of Stromberg. Gen. Baden-Jowell sends word that all is well at Mafeking.

American Politics Uncertain.

London, March 4, via Skagway, March 9.—Lord Salisbury states that American politics are too uncertain to justify the belief that an Anglo American alliance can be formed. Personally he does not favor it.

Sues for Divorce.

Skagway, March 9.—Mrs. Lulu Gould of Seattle, has sued Harry Gould, of Dawson, for divorce.

(Harry Gould is engaged in the milk and dairy business in this city, having come here in the summer of 1897. When informed of the purport of the above telegram by a Nugget man this afternoon, Mr. Gould said he has been expecting such news for some time, and that he will not contest his wife's suit. The Goulds have been married eight years; they have no children. Mr. Gould did not state the nature of the trouble between himself and wife, and spoke only in kindly terms of that lady.)

Boers Are Mourning.

Petersburg, March 4, via Skagway, March 9.—The Boer newspapers are aken up almost entirely with lamentst

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for the loss of Cronje and his troops, and of abuse upon England. The papers are filled with protestations against the establishment of English authority in South Africa, and of assertions that the Boers, by the manner in which they have thus far resisted the British as fully entitled to be recognized as an independent power. All the papers call upon Europe to intervene and end the war, which is designated by one journal as being the most infamous war ever waged by England and inaugurated for predatory purposes.

Commission To Be Appointed.

Skagway, March 9.—A report is current here that a commission will be appointed by the Ottawa authorities to investigate the affairs of the Yukon administration.

Will Be Electrocuted.

New York, Feb. 16.—Roland Burnham Molineux was sentenced today to die in the electric chair during the week of March 26th.

Molineux made a statement in court that he was not fairly convicted, and that "yellow journals" had put a price on his head. Counsel for Molineux served notice of an appeal for a new trial.

GOLDEN GETS SIXTY DAYS.

His Story Did Not Stand for Investigation.

Is Now Carving Fuel on the Royal Woodpile—Drunken Son Disgraces His Family.

In Magistrate Starnes' court yesterday afternoon the case of the crown vs. Frank J. Golden, charged with theft by conversion, came on for hearing. An account of Golden's starting for Nome, being overhauled by the police down the river and brought back to Dawson appeared in the Nugget of Wednesday, and Golden's statement of the matter appeared in the Nugget of yesterday. The same story was told in court, but when the searchlight of investigation was thrown upon it, many thin places were found, which stamped it as being unworthy of belief. The evidence was such as warranted a conviction and Golden was sentenced to hard labor for a period of two months, and this morning he joined the other prisoners in the work of manufacturing fuel at the crown woodpile; and one of the guards is authority for the statement that he (Golden) is using the saw used by his former business partner, Joseph Selix, who but recently completed a two months' term at hard labor on the same collection of timber.

Edward Morgan, for having imbibed too freely of the fluid extract of rye which caused him to be "real naughty," was fined \$20 and costs this morning, or ten days at hard labor. He will engage in the manufacture of fuel.

Another young man, the scion of an eminently respectable family, for whose sake, not for his, the name is withheld, was up on a charge similar to that of Morgan, the two having been together and in the same condition when arrested; he also was fined \$20 and costs, which amount was paid.

The insanity dodge is an old one, and Dawson is distinguished in that she is headquarters of an entirely new departure from the old excuse. Dawson is exclusively the home of the kidney trouble dodge which for the 3rd time since January 1st, was sprung on the police, magistrate this morning, and was perpetrated by John Herdman, who was up for violating the Yukon health ordinance. The usual fine is a dollar,

but John was fined only 50 cents without costs, leaving him a balance with which to buy Pierce's Celebrated Kidney Cure.

Continuous Cleanup.

On many of the claims which will be worked during the summer the work of washing out the gold will be continuous, in that it will be carried on with sufficient force to keep the dumps from accumulating. More claims will be operated this summer than during the same period of any previous year, and instead of being but a year of six weeks, the washing out process will be carried on as long as running water can be obtained.

Arctic Brotherhood, Attention.

All members of the above order are requested to be in the camp tonight at 8 o'clock sharp as there are a number of candidates upon whom the degree will be conferred, and it is necessary to begin early in order that the work of the meeting may be completed by midnight.

Get your eyesight fixed at the Pioneer drug store.

IN THE TERRITORIAL COURT.

Disposition Made of a Number of Motions.

The Verdict Rendered in Purden vs. A. E. Co. Sustained by a Decision of Justice Dugas.

This morning, justice Dugas rendered a decision in connection with the case of James G. Purden vs. Alaska Exploration Company. Some time ago the plaintiff obtained a verdict against the defendant for \$500 architect's fees, and for about \$400 carpenters' wages. Before judgment was entered, Mr. F. C. Wade, representing the defendant, moved that judgment should not be entered in accordance with the verdict, because the latter was contrary to evidence. The decision of the court sustains the verdict of the jury, and judgment for the plaintiff was entered against the defendant with costs.

A motion was made to continue the interim injunction in the case of Ellen Acklen vs. Johannsen. The injunction was continued till Monday next.

The motion in the matter of the estate of James McLarty was deferred till Monday.

In Raymond et al. vs. Faulkner et al. a motion was made to continue the injunction. The court ordered a peremptory enlargement for two weeks in order to allow the plaintiff to file affidavits in reply to defendant's affidavits. William Joel was made a party defendant in the action of Holland vs. Klondike Development Syndicate.

The plaintiff in Hughes vs. Mona-

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ACTION OF COUNCIL

Respecting Petition for Representation.

NOT APPROVED BY CITIZENS' COMMITTEE.

Which Met Last Night and Issued an Address.

Census Will Only Tend to Delay Relief—Committee Will Telegraph Original Petition to His Excellency in Council Direct.

The Daily Nugget is in receipt of the following communication from Mr. Joseph A. Clark, secretary of the citizens' committee:

Dawson, Y. T., March 9th, 1900.

Editor of the Daily Nugget, Dawson Y. T.

Dear Sir: At a meeting of the citizens' committee held last evening it was decided to issue the following signed statement regarding the present status of the proceedings taken by the committee, in order that the citizens of the territory may know exactly how the matter stands. By giving space to this statement in your columns you will greatly oblige the citizens' committee.

Yours truly,

JOSEPH A. CLARK, Secretary.

The statement is as follows:

Dawson, Y. T., March 9th, 1900.

To the British Subjects Residing in the Yukon Territory.

Gentlemen: Your committee, the undersigned, met at the close of the meeting appointing them on February 10th. We almost immediately requested an interview with the commissioner of the Yukon territory, and obtained the same. We were advised by the commissioner that he had some instructions from Ottawa in regard to the election of two members to the Yukon council, and that it would be advisable that we should meet the Yukon council. The committee at once requested a meeting, the request being dated February 15th. We met the Yukon council only on the 26th day of February, a report of which meeting has already appeared in the press. At the request of the Yukon council petitions to his excellency the governor general in council were submitted for the endorsement of the Yukon council, which petitions were dated the 28th day of February. The council finally met and considered the same on the 6th day of March, and sent

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Specials for This Week

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FRIDAY, MARCH 9, 1900

CALL A SPECIAL MEETING.

At a meeting of the Board of Trade, held on Wednesday night a resolution was introduced covering an endorsement of the efficiency and integrity of the officials now representing the Dominion government in this territory. The meeting was small, hardly a quorum being present and in consequence no definite action upon the matter was taken.

We understand that the resolution was brought forward by reason of reports now circulating on the outside reflecting upon the personnel of the present Yukon government. The Nugget has been on record at all times as opposed to the policy of the government toward the Yukon territory. That policy we believe has been and is detrimental to the interests not only of the miner and prospector in the territory but equally detrimental to the interests of the government itself.

As to the individual men who are at the head of the various departments of the public service, we are glad to say—and we say so the more willingly for the reason that in the past we have had occasion to severely censure dereliction in public office—we are glad to say that public affairs in Dawson at the present time are efficiently and honestly administered. We are of the opinion that there should be unity and co-operation between the officials and the community at large in an effort to secure for the country such changes in our mining regulations as are universally conceded to be necessary. Those changes must come and must come quickly or the future welfare of the territory is liable to be seriously jeopardized. From our knowledge of opinions held by the officials generally, we believe that for the most part they are genuinely desirous of seeing substantial changes made in the government's policy to the end that the Yukon territory may prosper as it is justly entitled to do.

At this critical juncture in the affairs of this territory, in the progress and development of which we all have a mutual interest, we regard any reports reflecting upon the integrity of the members of the present Yukon administration as uncalled for and untimely, especially when it is considered that such reports have no foundation in fact.

Inasmuch, therefore, as the matter has been brought prominently before the Board of Trade, with the result as noted at the beginning of this article, we would consider it a wise move that a special meeting of the Board should be called and a full attendance urged, in order that the matter may be fully considered and action taken in accordance with the views of the members as a whole.

WILL NOT HAPPEN AGAIN.

The closeness of times in Dawson during the past winter has been due in

no inconsiderable degree to the fact that at the time of the freeze up last fall, hundreds of tons of merchandise were scattered along the Yukon river in scows, destined never to reach Dawson with their precious cargoes.

The value of the goods thus tied up has been variously estimated, but the lowest figure we have heard mentioned places the amount at several hundred thousand dollars. There was scarcely a business house in Dawson but what was effected to some extent by the loss, and in consequence a general tightening up ensued which resulted disastrously to business generally. The price of commodities was affected to a considerable extent, there being a general stiffening all along the line as soon as it was realized that the river had actually closed and no more goods could be brought in except by the expensive and laborious process of freighting over the ice.

The experience of last fall will serve to urge upon everyone who has goods to bring in from the outside, the importance of getting orders out promptly and thus avoiding the possibility of having goods caught in the ice several hundred miles above Dawson.

The steamboat companies should be able to handle a greater volume of business next summer than ever before. When the railroad is completed to Whitehorse the entire up-river fleet will probably be placed on the run between Whitehorse and Dawson, and the facilities for landing freight in Dawson will thus be vastly increased. The risk of getting goods in will be greatly lessened, and the prices of commodities should show a consequent decrease. There will be little or nothing to be gained by resorting to the old time scow for bringing goods down the river, for the risks incident to the navigation of a scow on the upper Yukon system are too great to make the small saving in freight any particular object.

That our business houses are determined not to be again caught, as many were last fall, is shown by the fact that in numerous instances they have arrangements all perfected for bringing their supplies in at the opening of navigation.

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ghan applied for summary judgment. Decision reserved.

In Driscoll vs Dawkins, the plaintiff applied for the appointment of a receiver. Decision was reserved.

The sheriff of the Yukon territory applied for interpleader to issue in the case of Bossuit vs. Timmins and the N. A. T. & T. Co. The court appointed Monday as the time when the action will come up for summary disposition, and Messrs. Healey and Timmins were directed to be present.

The motion in Ames Mercantile Company vs. Alaska Exploration Company stands till Monday.

The plaintiff in Merchants Bank of Halifax vs. McKay Brothers moved to strike out statement of defense. Decision reserved.

A motion was made in Nichol vs. Cooper & Lewin to set down the case for trial. Motion continued.

A False Report.

A recent Victoria paper contains an article in which a recent arrival from Dawson is quoted as saying that fully one third of the business houses in this city have closed during the winter and that those still open are not doing any business. As Dawson never expects to figure as a wholesale city or great railroad center, it is doubtful if the story will do her any material harm, for it matters but little to Dawson what opinions the outside world may have regarding her. But the fact remains that a liar has gone out, and in order to

get his name in the papers has concocted a story of which the above is a part. The Victoria paper gives as a reason for the reported business inactivity here the exodus to Nome, and in turn gives as a cause for the exodus to Nome the explanation that existing mining laws of the Yukon district are oppressive and border on prohibitory. This portion of the article is the only one bearing the semblance to truth.

Regarding the number of business houses here, there has been little, if any, decrease, and those engaged in business are all satisfied with the volume transacted.

But the Victoria story is only one of thousands that have been concocted and published concerning Dawson. Every man who has ever been here and returned to the outside must first be interviewed for publication before his journey is completed.

ACTION OF COUNCIL.

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the secretary of the committee the following reply:

"Sir: I have the honor to forward you a copy of a resolution passed by the council at its meeting yesterday, which is as follows:

"Resolved, That an immediate census of the territory be taken; that in the meantime the commissioner communicate by telegraph to the minister of the interior the purport of the petitions received from the citizens' committee, and forward the originals by mail, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the secretary of the committee."

This letter was dated March 7th, and signed by J. N. E. Brown.

This reply your committee consider unsatisfactory and indefinite and is neither an endorsement nor approval. Your committee have not been able to learn at what time the census referred to in said resolution will be or can be taken.

We have been informed by the commissioner that a report of the various steps taken in connection with this matter have been telegraphed to the minister of the interior.

On the evening of the 8th day of March, your committee met, all members being present except Mr. McMullen, who was absent from illness, and resolved to telegraph the petition of the citizens through their committee to his excellency in council direct.

The following resolution was then carried: That a public meeting be called on receipt of a reply to our telegram to Ottawa, but in any event not later than 15 days from this date.

We have been as diligent as possible, but regret that we have not a more encouraging report, and have not obtained more definite results.

We deem it advisable, however, to wait a reply from Ottawa for a reasonable time. Signed and approved by

C. M. WOODWORTH,
ALEX M'DONALD,
A. D. WILLIAMS,
JAS. STURGEON,
DONALD MACGREGOR,
Chairman,
JOSEPH A. CLARKE,
Secretary.

Gold Commissioner's Court.

W. Meikle, D. A. Shindler, and A. Trabold, as plaintiff, have filed a protest suit against Nellie Cashman, defendant. The matter involves a boundary dispute respecting the hillside claim on the left limit, opposite No. 3 Monte Cristo gulch. The hearing on the protest is set for March 26, 1900. No case was tried before Commissioner Senkler today. Tomorrow, the matter of the protest against the application of Allan R. Joy for a right of water to be diverted at No. 3 below on Bonanza, will be heard.

Masque Ball at the Dewey.

On Friday night, the 16th inst, there will be a grand masquerade ball at the Dewey hotel at Grand Forks.

The management is making special arrangements to furnish the patrons of the house with a most enjoyable entertainment. Everybody who has attended the various dances that have been given at the Dewey knows that a splendid time is ahead for the 16th. The best of everything is kept at the bar and the floor is in fine shape. Don't fail to attend.

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Next Sunday's Concert.

Extensive preparations are being made for the symphony concert to be given at the Palace Grand theater next Sunday evening. The program consists of 12 numbers, each of which will be a special feature. The Symphonic Orchestra, William Gorbracht, leader, will render some excellent selections. The following is the program:

March, "Chicago Athletic Club," (Sousa, orchestra; overture, "William Tell," (Rossini), orchestra; trio musical selection on violin, cello and piano, allegro moderato, andante, rondo, (Bergman), Messrs. Goodwin Brothers and Quigley; "Siciliana" from "Cavaleria Rusticana" (Mascagnie), Turido, Mr. Zimmerman; solo for cornet and trombone, "Declaration of Love," (Morris), Messrs. Lyons and Hobbs; waltz, "Freut euch des Lebens," (Strauss), orchestra; overture, "Jolly Robbers," (Suppe), orchestra; song, "It Was a Dream," Cowen, Miss Beatrice Lorne; piano solo, Mr. C. F. Quigley; song, "The Holy City," (Adams), Mr. Zimmerman; duet, "Adieu," (Nicoai), Miss Lorne and Mr. Zimmerman; descriptive piece, "A Trip to Coney Island," (Benda), orchestra.

An intermission of ten minutes between the sixth and seventh numbers on the program. The affair is under the management of Messrs. Zimmerman and Radcliffe. Tickets are now on sale at Reid & Co.'s drug store.

Private dining rooms at the Holborn.

Best Canadian rye at the Regina.

Chase & Sanborn's blend of Moca and Java coffee. Royal Grocery, Second ave.

Public Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Ellen Acklen and Charles George Johnson have purchased from the government the 76.34 acres known as the Acklen ground, and that therefore they are entitled to all the surface rights thereon.

All persons who have squatted there are hereby notified that they must settle with the above named proprietors of the ground before the 1st day of April, 1900 for any part of the ground occupied by them on the lines of the agreement entered into by the said proprietors with the government, communication of which agreement can be had either at the Crown Timber Office, or at the office of S. M. Graff, Agent, Room 217, A. C. Co's Bldg.

Squatters failing to settle with the said proprietors before the said date will render themselves liable to ejectment.
Dawson, 17th of February, 1900.
(Signed) F. X. G. SELIN,
Crown Timber & Land Agent.

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WORK WILL BE PLENTIFUL.

Demand for Labor Will Materially Increase Soon.

Use of Machinery Creates Big Dumps Which May Be Carried Away by the Spring Freshet.

While more men have been during the present winter and are now employed on the various claims in the district than during any work season in its history, the demand for labor will not only be steady during the coming summer, but there will be a largely increased demand over the present within a short time, or just so soon as the weather will permit of starting on the work of cleaning up the dumps. Owing to the fact that machinery for thawing has been generally used during the present season the average dump is from three to five times larger than was that of previous years when the thawing was all accomplished with wood burning. But as the system of sluicing has not advanced with that of ground thawing, the same old process is still in vogue and the only manner by which that department of the work can be facilitated is by the employment of more labor. As the majority of creek dumps are in close proximity to the water and many of them but slightly higher than average water mark, there are apprehensions that not a few of them may be flooded and carried away before they can be handled.

In view of these conditions the prospects for the laborer for the coming spring and summer are very encouraging. An operator who has employed 25 men on his claim all winter and who is yet employing them, remarked to a Nugget reporter on Tuesday that he would be required to increase his force fully double its present number as soon as he starts on the cleanup.

Provided there is demand for one-fourth more men than are now employed, it will be extremely doubtful if Dawson can supply them owing to the fact of so many having gone to Nome, and the many who will go just at the time when there will be the greatest demand for their services here. The statement that conditions quickly change in Dawson is not more true of any department or industry than that of the demand for and supply of labor. Less than three months ago there were several hundred men here willing to work, but who could not then obtain employment of any kind at any price. Today the available supply of unemployed labor is very limited and is growing more so every week. Nearly every man who was honest in his endeavors to secure employment has either found it or given up here and started for Nome. It is true that there is yet a large number of unemployed men in Dawson, but they are largely of that class who contend that the world owes them a living and who would not perform manual labor at any price—men who are not ashamed to beg and sponge off their friends and acquaintances, and who, when this source is exhausted, would actually resort to petty theft rather than soil their hands by working on a mining claim. These fellows will tell you they expect to work during the cleanup and earn the price of fare either to Nome or the outside, but not one of them in ten will ever touch either shovel or rocker.

For the man, in Dawson, who is willing to work, the outlook at present is much, very much, better than at any time during the past year. A great many claims will be worked the coming summer, and after the cleanup there will be steady work at good wages, and the indications are now that there will be an advance in wages before much of the gold now in dumps is saved and in the sack of the claim operator.

The condition of affairs, as above stated, are causing many men who fully intended going to Nome to pause and

consider before leaving a certainty for something that offers no assurance of even a scant living or anything aside from future disappointment and possible want for the necessities of life. Many may do well and be amply rewarded for having made the change of location; but many others, not supplied with means to keep them ten days after their arrival, are not taking time to ponder on the fact that they are rushing off to a place where there is as yet nothing to employ labor, no chance to engage in business other than mining and no mines to be had.

The laborer who adopts the homely phrase "Dawson looks good to me," and stays by it until the latter part of next summer is the man who can take a late steamer for St. Michael and journey from there to Puget sound first class and in ease and comfort, when his partner, who has rushed off to Nome, will occupy a berth in the steerage and eat from a tin plate on the same voyage.

Steamer to Be Raised.

The owners of the Willie Irving have commenced operations for the raising of that steamer from the bed of the Yukon, where she is now lying almost a total wreck. Nothing marks her resting place save some stakes that are driven in the solid ice under which she is entirely hidden.

Captain Abbot, who has charge of the boat, will place four derricks over her on the ice, and, making a clear way, will fasten to her hog chains and raise her sufficiently to allow heavy chains to sweep under her bows, securing the hull both fore and aft.

After this is done it is claimed that it will be a comparatively easy task to bring her to the surface, where she can be repaired and got ready for a run down the river to Nome.

Frank Kinghorn, the enterprising manager of the Yukon dock, may soon be selling tickets for that steamer.

The Willie Irving was sunk in the ice jam last fall and lays immediately above the bows of the Stratton, which is sunk in the same spot.

If Water Would Burn.

Editor Daily Nugget:

I have been very careful during all the winter about allowing stops to be thrown out around my house with the result that I think my premises will compare favorably with any in Dawson from a standpoint of cleanliness. But a few days ago a gentlemanly officer inspected my premises and instructed me to not throw out anything, not even wash water. Now, as my house is several blocks from the river, this order is quite hardship on me, a woman striving to support herself and little children by washing. It cost me a good sum to have water brought to my house and if I must again pay to have it taken away, it will not leave me much money with which to pay rent and keep the wolf from the door. I think if people are not allowed to throw common wash water out in the snow that sewers or sinks should be provided.

WASHERWOMAN.

Sifting Sand.

In addition to the usual excellent entertainment at the Orpheum theatre, last night, there occurred an interesting contest for a \$200 prize among the "buck and wing" specialists of Dawson. It was late in the evening before the contestants appeared on the stage; but nevertheless the large audience waited and the dancers were greeted by the applause of a crowded house. Each pupil of terpsichore had his admirers among the spectators, who manifested their approval at the execution of particularly difficult steps. The judges were selected by reason of their knowledge of the art, and their decision was impartially and properly rendered.

The first contestant was Tom Rooney. His dancing was exceedingly good, and if there had been any second money undoubtedly he would have secured it. Rooney's time was three minutes. Harry O'Brien was the next one on the list. His competition for the prize proved clever and entertaining. He danced for three minutes and a half.

Then came Charlie Brown, whom the patrons of the music hall had not seen this season. He amused the audience for four minutes, during which time he demonstrated himself to be a master of the art. Frank Kelly, the popular ragtime specialist, was the last contestant. The audience manifested its favor for Kelly immediately upon his appearance, and he was given an ovation. For five minutes, he executed a multiplicity of difficult steps with exact precision and in the most approved style. To him the judges awarded the prize, and their decision was approved by the spectators.

After the contest, Eddie O'Brien offered to match his daughter Annie against the winner for \$500. Kelly accepted the challenge, but stipulated that the contest be determined by three judges to be selected by the contestants. To this condition, O'Brien agreed; and the match will occur at the Orpheum sometime during the next two weeks.

Applies in Dawson.

"He trun it into me all right," said the defeated pugilist, wiping the blood from his nose after the fight was over. "But he licked me fair. I ain't doin no beefin. I had 'im goin in de sixth round, but I didn't foller it up. It's all right, an I hain't puttin up no holler."

His literary friend, however, fixed it up for him in a little better shape, and this is the way it appeared in the papers:

"I have only to say, concerning the fight between Mr. Biffim and myself, that he is one of the most accomplished and scientific ring generals whom I have ever encountered in the pugilistic arena, and he won the contest strictly on its merits. In my own behalf I might plead that I was overconfident and did not exert myself to the full until it was too late, but such excuses are both trite and commonplace. It must have been apparent, however, to those who were watching us closely that I had decidedly the advantage of Mr. Biffim in the sixth round, and had I followed it up with my usual skill the result might have been different."

Juneau Woman Suicides.

Additional particulars of the suicide of Mrs. John M. Tenny, wife of the deputy collector of customs at Juneau and sister in law of President Burt, of the Union-Pacific railway, February 1, were received on the Alki, which arrived from Skagway yesterday morning. Mrs. Tenny shot herself with a revolver. Her sudden death shocked the entire community. She was suffering with ill-health. They were formerly residents of Seattle.

A few days before the act Mrs. Tenny told Dr. Mar. Chisholm, the family physician, that she had some silverware coming from Seattle, and through fear of having it miscarry had ordered it directed in care of Miss Chisholm. This was rather a singular request, for Mr. Tenny is well known, but Dr. Chisholm thought nothing of it at the time.

When the steamer Rosalie sailed from here January 25, she carried a small package addressed "Mrs. T., care of Dr. Chisholm, Juneau, Alaska." The package was delivered to Dr. Chisholm by Henry Shattuck, the steamship company's agent at Juneau and she handed it to Mrs. Tenny. The package was about the right size for silver forks or spoons, but instead of containing silverware it hid a 38-calibre revolver and some cartridges. She ordered the revolver by mail from Seattle.

Mrs. Tenny was about to leave for Seattle on a visit to her sister in Omaha. While she lay on a sofa Mr. Tenny packed her trunk. Then went to get a dray to haul it to the wharf. He left Mrs. Tenny still lying on the sofa, and apparently in her usual condition of mind.

Mr. Tenny rode back to the house on the dray. When he and the drayman entered the parlor his wife was lying on the carpet with the pistol by her side. Blood was on the sofa and the

floor. She was dead. The position of the body indicated that while reclining or sitting on the sofa she had unfastened the front of her waist and fired at her heart. The suddenness of death showed that she took good aim."—Seattle P. I.

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Dawson, March 8, 1900.

Editor Daily Nugget.

Dear Sir: Threshing of old straw doesn't much effect the feed bin, but the news that Mr. Sifton is experiencing a change of heart as regards his attitude towards the Klondike, inasmuch that he is now generously willing to allow us to purchase the land he lately barred to the prospector. This news to the ordinary, every day prospector, such of us as are still left, simply sets us to wondering "what he will do next." We boys in overalls cannot be blamed if by row we are in the frame of mind where we are apt to look encouraged at any new regulations emanating from Ottawa, and ask ourselves the question "Where does the government sack come in on that?" Are we right, Mr. Editor, in supposing that the shoe is beginning to pinch at last? Are they really and truly beginning to be alarmed at the falling off in the government's revenue? After having so virtuously frowned out of existence those "greedy prospectors" and "rapacious claim recorders," is it actually beginning to dawn on their intelligence that "elbow grease" will always antedate "palm oil" in a new country? I remember telling Mr. Fawcett early in '97 that to my limited intelligence it seemed as if he were aiming at driving prospectors out of the country, and no one in 1900 can deny the truth of the remark. As a matter of fact I don't believe that any "change of heart" at Ottawa will ever induce the present generation of prospectors to return to this part of their dominion. We burnt children, even in this cold country, can understand when our fingers have had enough warmth. At any rate it will take more than this new Siftonian edict to restore the confidence of the original prospector. What we want is to see some signs of a government's willingness, or even more than that—some sign of their anxiousness to legislate for the benefit and welfare of the working miners attracted by the possibilities lying dormant in this vast unprospected country. If they are now willing to make amends for past mistakes, let them show us their change of heart by beginning at the right end, and encourage the prospector to go poling up stream in search of new pay ground. Do they expect us to feel grateful for the gift (by auction) of the feathers after they have killed the goose and "renewed" the carcass? Barring a few fractions and possibly a few claims, what will their auction sales amount to as a matter of revenue? It seems to me just the last despairing effort of the "Sifton burlesque" before the curtain drops and the audience go home disgusted. Speaking as an Englishman, I am simply staying on here because for my part it will be so vastly entertaining to be on the spot when the last "official" steps aboard and leaves behind him the "legislated wilderness," but a wilderness that will surely team with a new generation that know not the name of Sifton. Yours in overalls,

C. STUART BARNES.

Indians Employed.

A late issue of the Victoria Times says: "Major Bliss, of the Yukon field force, had reached Skagway when the Tees sailed, on his way to Ottawa for orders, presumably to proceed to South Africa for duty. He was accompanied up the Yukon as far as Minto by Inspector Scarth, who is in charge of a special party that will make a thorough search to clear up the mystery surround-

ing the disappearance of Clayton, Relfe and Oleson.

"Inspector Scarth, said Major Bliss, is to have the aid of five Indians in his search for the missing men, for not only will the skill of the tried police be employed in the attempt to unearth the mystery, but the Indians will be called upon to exert their native skill and training in tracking in the bush and on the trail.

"The inspector has encamped a mile and a half this side of Minto with his entire party, and will remain there indefinitely. The entire place will be scoured by the police and Indians. The government is determined to do all that it can to ferret out this mystery. Money will be no object. Thousands will be spent if necessary."

K. of P. Social Club.

The K. of P. Social Club held one of its interesting meetings last night in McDonald hall, the business of the evening was disposed of as rapidly as possible, and the social features came out in speech making, music, stories, etc., until about midnight.

The secretary was instructed to provide a register where every K. of P., whether a member of the club or not, could register his name, the name number and address of his lodge and the address of his friends; also his present address, and he will be expected to notify the secretary of any change.

The secretary is F. W. Clayton in the Board of Trade rooms E and F, in the A. C. office building, and will be glad if all K. of P. will come there and register. It was unanimously agreed to give a smoker or stag party on Thursday evening, March 22d, and a good time is guaranteed. We hope to see all K. of P. there that evening, and that they will not fail to register.

Water Rights.

The mining recorder has issued a grant for three years to B. F. Stevens, C. S. Gould, W. C. Louder and Charles M. Blair, for 100 inches of water to be diverted at a point about 75 feet below the upper line of No. 48, below on Bonanza, and to be used for mining purposes on the hillside claim on the right limit opposite No. 51 below on Bonanza.

John Enlund and Nels Nelson have applied for a three years' grant for 120 inches of the water of Portland creek, to be diverted at a point 1500 feet from the mouth, and to be used on the bench claim on the right limit opposite No. 25 below lower discovery on Dominion.

Down River Mail.

Petitions to the postmaster general of the United States, mention of which appeared in an account of a meeting of the Board of Trade as published in yesterday's Nugget, are being freely circulated and as freely signed asking that increased mail facilities be given the lower Yukon country. A semi monthly service, as at present, is wholly inadequate to the demands and actual business needs of the vast district which it is proposed will be benefited. A weekly service is being asked for, and should by all means be granted. Every citizen of Dawson, regardless of nationality, should append his name to one of the petitions now being circulated.

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