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MINERS AT NOME.

Intend Making Regulations for the Beach.

4,000 CLAIMS HAVE BEEN LOCATED.

It Costs \$25. to Record a Power of Attorney.

A Reindeer Express is Running Between Nome and Cape York—A Prisoner in the Jail Sets Fire to His Bunk—A. C. Co. Has a Blaze.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)
According to newspaper reports brought to Dawson by Messrs. McRae and Nagle the miners at Nome are seriously considering the advisability of framing regulations governing the location and size of beach claims. The miners proposed taking this action pending the arrival of information of any action to be taken by congress.

Since the organization of the Nome district on Oct. 14, 1898, 4000 claims have been recorded, a considerable portion of which were located during 1899. In the district immediately adjacent to Nome only 300 claims have been represented. Two hundred and eighteen beach claims have been recorded and 275 on the famous tundra. The Nome district proper embraces a country 25 miles square. The district was organized by A. N. Kettleton, G. W. Price, John Brynston and Jos. Lindberg.

A Reindeer express is in operation between Nome and Cape York. Fourteen reindeer are used in the service and regular trips are made weekly.

R. I. Stackhouse a prisoner in the Nome jail, set fire to his mattress on Dec. 22, and a portion of the building was burned. The damage amounted to several hundred dollars.

H. B. Matchett had an attack of typhoid fever. He was improving when McRae and Nagle left Nome.

A fire occurred in the A. C. Co.'s store during December. The Nome fire company extinguished the blaze and were rewarded by a present of \$100 from the company.

Fred Conrad reached Nome on Dec. 22 from Dawson. He left this city in the latter part of October.

Some time in November two dead men were seen floating by Nulato in a boat. No trace as to their identity was found.

A Christmas tree celebration occurred at the St. Bernard church Christmas night.

A new plat of the Nome townsite has been made and adopted by the city council. Property owners whose ground

is interred with by the new survey will be reimbursed.

During Christmas week a furious blizzard raged up and down the coast. A number of people were frozen.

P. Bernard, a trader, attempted to cross Bering sea to Siberia on a trading trip. He was compelled to return, being driven back by storms.

J. C. Kennedy and Stephen Jasper returned to Nome from a stampede to Norton Sound. They do not give that country a very favorable reputation.

Peter Kleinschmidt Lost.

Mr. William Germer, the Third street grocer, is in receipt of a communication from the German consulate at San Francisco, making inquiries as to the whereabouts of one Peter Kleinschmidt, a native of Duren, Germany.

The last heard of Mr. Kleinschmidt, by his relatives in the fatherland, was in April, 1898, when at Skagway, and about to leave for Dawson via White Pass trail.

If this notice comes to Mr. Kleinschmidt's attention it is hoped he will relieve the anxiety of his relatives by communicating with them at once.

THE YUKON COUNCIL MEETS.

And Confers With The Citizens' Committee.

Informal Discussion Respecting Representative Government—A Census of Dawson Will Be Taken.

At 8 o'clock last evening the members of the Yukon council conferred with the citizens' committee, which was appointed at the meeting of British subjects, held on February 12th. The matters, which were discussed at the conference, related to the memorial that petitions Ottawa for the right of representative government in this territory.

The council convened and all the members were present, excepting Major Perry. Immediately after going into regular session, a motion was carried to appoint a committee to confer with the gentlemen, who represented the citizens of Dawson. Governor Ogilvie appointed every member of the board present to act on the council committee.

Then Col. Donald G. McGregor, Messrs. J. A. Clarke, Alex. McDonald, Thomas McMullen, C. M. Woodworth, A. D. Williams and James Sturgeon, the gentlemen comprising the citizens' committee, were admitted to the council chamber. An informal discussion ensued respecting the election by the qualified voters of the Yukon territory of two representatives to the Yukon council. It was suggested to the members of the citizens committee that they draft a memorial setting forth all the reasons why representative government should be given to the people of this territory; and that such memorial be submitted to the council at its regular meeting tomorrow afternoon. All the members of the council expressed themselves as being in favor of the movement for representative government. At the conclusion of the informal discussion, the citizens' committee retired, and the members of the council resumed in regular session.

With a view of ascertaining the number of British subjects who have resided in the territory for 12 months, and who would be entitled to vote for representatives to the Yukon council, an order was passed authorizing W. H. P. Clement to draft an ordinance providing for the taking of the census of this territory. And an order was passed instructing the officers commanding the N. W. M. P. in Dawson to make preparations for the immediate taking of the

census. The council then adjourned to Thursday, March 1st.

Another Trail Tragedy.

Another tragedy of the trail has just become known. In 1898, Messrs. August Martin, of Spokane, and John Gillespie, of Seattle, left the latter city on a steamboat bound for Kotzebue sound. They arrived safely at their destination and then concluded to travel to Dawson. They succeeded in reaching the headwaters of the little Koyukuk in February, 1899, where they waited for the river to break. At this time, Martin was suffering from scurvy, and was in a helpless condition. In June, the two partners started down the river in a little boat; they had gone but a short distance when their boat was wrecked and all their provisions lost. Both reached the shore, but the accident resulted fatally to Martin, and he died soon afterwards. His partner buried his remains on June 25th, and then continued to Dawson. Martin was at one time captain of police in Spokane, and wife and four children mourn his death.

CAPT. HEALY RETIRES.

From Management of N. A. T. & T. Company.

IS SUCCEEDED BY MR. J. J. DELANEY.

Former Manager Will Look After Company's Mining Interests.

Has Had Forty Years Experience in Mining, to Which Pursuit He is Admirably Adapted—New Manager Very Competent.

J. J. Delaney has been officially notified of his appointment as general manager of the N. A. T. & T. Co. for this district. This position has been filled by Capt. Healy ever since this company began operations in the Yukon. Capt. Healy will now assume the general supervision of the mining interests of the company, as this branch of the business is more to his liking than a mercantile career. Capt. Healy is probably the best informed man on the mining resources of the North in this or any other country, he having spent the best part of his life in the mountains, and being a close student of the geological conditions necessary in a rich mining district has been of great service to the company. Capt. Healy, when asked if the report was true that his resignation as manager of the N. A. T. & T. Co. was accepted, answered:

"Yes, Mr. Delaney is now in entire charge of the affairs of the company, other than that pertaining to mining, which I shall supervise. Mr. Delaney has been practically in charge for the past two months, as it has been my desire to devote my time and experience to that branch of the business which is of great importance. We have over 100 men employed at present in our mines and would have increased this number to a great extent last fall if we could have got the machinery necessary to operate on a larger scale, but it was unfortunately delayed in transit.

"I am in the same position, my boy, as a soldier, and obey the call to duty, no matter in what direction it takes me."

Capt. Healy has had an interesting and adventurous career and first came into prominence in Idaho, where he discovered in '61 a great placer mining district, on which the city of Florence was founded, and which at one time

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FOR NEW SPANISH TREATY.

Negotiations for Such Will Soon Open at Madrid.

For Commerce, Amity and Friendship—Former Treaty of 1795 Abrogated by Late War.

Washington, Feb. 13.—An understanding has been reached by which it is expected that negotiations will be opened soon at Madrid for a new treaty between the United States and Spain. This will be the last step toward completely restoring the friendly relations between the two countries. The war with Spain swept the old treaty out of existence, and the only international agreement now in existence is the peace treaty, which is confined to the events growing out of the war, and has no reference to commerce, navigation, extradition and other manifold relations between nations in time of peace. The coming negotiations will be for the purpose of forming such a treaty of commerce, amity and friendship.

Both sides expect that the new treaty will be a great improvement on the old one, which was an antiquated document, dating back to 1795, with many of its provisions devoted to the boundary between Florida, then a possession of Spain, and the United States. Save for the Cushing protocol it had been impossible to frame a new treaty satisfactory to both sides, and it remained for the war to dispose of it and thus open the way for a modern treaty.

It had been thought that the Duke d'Arcos would conduct these negotiations with the state department here, but the minister is rather relieved at the understanding that the work will be carried on at Madrid. The United States minister there, Mr. Bellamy Storer, will act for the United States.

Whose Baby?



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THURSDAY, MARCH 1, 1900

From Wednesday's Daily.)

WORTHY OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

By a gradual but certain process of evolution the public service in Dawson has been improved and extended until the sour dough who came into the country two years ago is scarcely able to recognize any trace of the system, or rather lack of system, which then prevailed. The Nugget is much more pleased and just as ready to acknowledge capacity in those who are charged with the responsibility of conducting public affairs as it ever was to condemn negligence and incapacity.

The improvements which have been made in the postal service, as will be seen by referring to another column of this paper, have been most important. The service as now conducted is a credit to the government, to the contractors and to Postmaster Hartman and his staff as well. The air of system and method which now prevails at the gold commissioner's office is in striking contrast with the ancient order of affairs, and the transaction of business there does not differ materially from the transaction of business in similar offices in other parts of the Dominion.

We are well convinced that a genuine desire exists among the Dawson officials to improve the efficiency of their various departments and to their credit be it said, most of them are on record as being opposed to the regulations which have worked so ruinously in this country.

The Nugget has never had any quarrel with an official for the mere reason of his being an official. We have censured where we thought that censure was due, and we take pleasure in giving credit where it is manifest that the same has been earned.

The news brought from Nome by the two men who arrived yesterday is in line with the theory which has all along been advanced by the Nugget, in that there is nothing at that place to justify the hardships hundreds are undergoing to reach there and will endure after their arrival. Many persons did well at Nome last fall, and many will do well the coming season, but it does not stand to reason that sufficient new discoveries will be made to enable all who are going to secure rich claims, and no one will deny but that new discoveries are the hope for that country the coming season, the old ground being practically worked out. There is certainly nothing to justify the present proportions of the Nome excitement, and many who are now en route will painfully realize that this is true when it is too late to retrace the heedless step taken in haste and without consideration.

Although nothing has yet been done in the matter, so far as the people of this portion of the country are informed, it is very probable that the United

States government will make Nome a sub port of entry, and that a deputy U. S. customs collector will be located there as soon as it is possible for him to arrive after the opening of navigation. Until such office is created and established ready for business no steamer from Dawson or any other British port can "sail direct for Nome." Until Nome is made a sub port of entry all craft from foreign ports will be required to call at St. Michael and enter and take a customs inspector on board for the time she is at Nome, and until her return to St. Michael to clear for Dawson or any port in her own country.

So far as we know "Soapy" Smith was one of America's toughest products; but he was a gentleman in comparison with that man who partook of another's hospitality and two years later tells him that while partaking of that hospitality he kept his eye open lest he be robbed. No one will deny but that "Soapy" was a reproach to the God who gave him the breath of life; but he was a gentleman—a prince among men—when compared with that man who boasts prowess to himself in accepting hospitality at the hands of one whom he took for a thief. And this man might have been a major. Ye Gods! A major to whom the instincts of a gentleman would be as wholly foreign as is the plan of salvation to a malamute dog.

Attention Knights of Pythias.

All brothers are requested to meet in McDonald hall, Thursday evening, March 1, at 8 o'clock, to organize a lodge here, or perfect an organization that shall represent the Knights of Pythias.

D. B. OLSON, Chairman.
F. W. CLAYTON, Secretary.

CAPTAIN HEALY RETIRES.

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had a population of 50,000 people. From Idaho he went to Montana, where he followed mining and trading. He was sheriff of Choteau county, Montana, for three successive terms, where his pronounced character, quick decision and fearlessness made him the leading man in the history of the territory. He left Montana in '85 and started for Alaska, touching at different points on the coast prospecting and trading with the Indians, and founded Dyea in '86 and Chitoot in '89, with trading posts in both places.

In 1891 he organized the North American Trading & Transportation Company, and brought up the Yukon the steamer Ware in 1892, wintering at Nulato the following season. He then established Fort Cudahy in 1893 and in 1895 erected a trading post at Circle City, and founded Healy at St. Michaels. Arriving in Dawson in 1897, Capt. Healy established the present immense business of the company and which he has managed entirely up to the present time.

Mr. J. J. Delaney, the present manager of the company has been associated with Cudahy & Co., of Chicago, the principal owners of the N. A. T. & T. Co. for a number of years and has been a trusted and confidential employee of the company. He is a married man and the father of four children, who, with his wife, are living in Chicago.

Mr. Delaney was asked if he contemplated any change in the policy of the company. "No," he answered. "I intend to make an effort to sell goods and lots of them, but other than that I do not know as I shall make any particular change."

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THE STROLLER'S COLUMN.

The opening of the Orpheum theater on Monday night was a grand success. The entertainment was good, and the large audience displayed marked appreciation. In the boxes the wine flowed freely till daylight, and most of the fairies cashed enough percentage checks to mollify, for the present, their avaricious creditors. Life on the rialto has assumed a more pleasant aspect now; paste has been discarded for more substantial nutriment, and in a short time hence those jewels and valuables which have been in pawn for the past six weeks, will decorate again the persons of the rightful owners.

Sweet charity—the cardinal virtue that surviveth in heaven—is not a stranger to the people of Dawson. Three benefit performances have been given during the last three weeks; and each netted substantial results. Considering the profits derived from these and the amount realized from the Catholic fair, which was held during Christmas week, it is not inaccurate to say that very nearly \$15,000 has been devoted to charitable purposes during the present year by the residents of the city and the adjoining district. There is probably no town of similar size in the world that can equal this enviable record. Within the past two months, it has been proven that no worthy cause will lack the assistance of Dawson's generous citizens.

There are ladies in Dawson who seek for bargains with the same eagerness which they used to display at the bargain day sales outside. The Stroller chanced into a local meat market one evening this week. A nicely dressed lady was examining the display of frozen steaks, chops, etc., with a critical eye. Finally after a 10 minute survey of the situation she inquired of the clerk as to the price of a pound of pork chops.

"Seventy-five cents," answered the Knight of the Knife.

"And," said the lady, "what is the price of mutton chops?"

"Same price," answered the clerk.

"Well, you may give me a half pound of each," said the customer.

The butcher placed a couple of small pork chops on the scales and proceeded to saw an equal number of mutton chops from a leg of mutton. As he placed the mutton on the scales the lady remarked, "That mutton looks a little stringy. I think you may give me all pork." The accommodating knife manipulator removed the offending mutton and replaced it with two additional pork chops.

As he took the chops from the scale preparatory to wrapping them up, the lady evidently experienced a change of heart.

"That pork," said she, "is altogether too fat. I can't afford to pay 75 cents per pound for meat that is half fat. You had better give me all mutton."

By this time several more customers were in the store, but the butcher, after replacing the original mutton chops on the scales took down the leg of mutton and sawed off two more chops to complete the order. As he hastily weighed the meat the lady happened to glance at a pile of cariboo steaks lying on the counter.

"How much is this cariboo?" she inquired.

"Seventy cents a pound," answered the butcher with an audible tremor in his voice.

"That is better," said the lady, "you may give me a pound of cariboo, instead of the mutton; I always was fond of game."

With a look of a man going to his doom, the butcher made the desired transfer.

"Thank you very much," said the lady, "you are very kind," and she handed him a twenty-five cent piece, three dimes and three nickels. "Here

is your money," she continued, with a most engaging smile, "good evening." The butcher almost fainted, but being a butcher he could not. He thereupon contented himself with saying several things which the Stroller never says except sometimes.

Weather Report.

The minimum temperature last night was 23 degrees below zero; and at 10 o'clock this morning no variations had occurred.

At noon the official thermometer registered 21.5 degrees below.

Lubec potatoes, fresh eggs and Rex bacon. Royal Grocery, 2d ave.

When in town, stop at the Regina. Shoff, the Dawson Dog Doctor, Pioneer Drug Store.

The choicest goods and the cheapest prices. Royal Grocery, 2d ave.

A Boon to Miners.

The greatest saving for steam thawing plants is effected by the applying to a steam pipe a covering of corrugated asbestos. The air chamber made by the corrugations acts as a perfect conductor and fall 50 per cent less fuel is needed to keep up the required heat of steam. It is in use on all the large plants on Bonanza. The A. E. Co. is introducing the corrugated asbestos—a great improvement over all other styles of pipe covering.

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Public Notice.

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All persons who have squatted these acres by notified that they must settle with the 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 Queen Timber Office or at the office of S. M. Grant Agent, Room "D" 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. GUSSELLIN,
Crown Timber & Land Agent.

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IN THREE MORE MONTHS.

Dawson Will Revel in Fresh Supply Delights.

But Those Who Revel Will Pay Fancy Prices for What They Procure From Early Craft.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

In three more months, provided the season is not later than was that of last year, the residents of Dawson may confidently begin to whet their appetites for something fresh in the way of vegetables, poultry, and eggs. It was during the last week in May of last year that the first scows got away from Bennett on the journey this way, Fred Clayson, the missing man of whom so much has been published lately, being among the first to start and the first by a little more than one day to arrive in Dawson. Following hard after Clayson came E. H. Vining, also from Skagway. Clayson brought vegetables and eggs principally, while Vining's cargo consisted principally of doors and sash, with a few cases of eggs. For the latter Clayson had received \$90 per case and the next day Vining disposed of his hen fruit at \$75 per case. For the doors and sash there was great demand at big prices. Ordinary cedar doors which sell even at Skagway for \$2.50 each sold readily here at from \$17.50 to \$20. Vining made big money on his stock and left immediately for the outside and brought back a similar cargo; but during his absence other cargoes of the same class of goods arrived, and on his second consignment he made but little in excess of actual expenses.

But last season was an unusually late one in the upper country, and long after the lakes and rivers were entirely free from ice Lake Bennett was so low that it was impossible to take even a light draught scow through the narrow strait which connects Lakes Bennett and Tagish, which condition was due to the cold weather which prevented the melting of the snow and consequent rising of the water. On the morning of the second of June of last year mercury went down to zero at the summit of White Pass, and late the following night a man with badly frosted feet was brought to a lodging house there, he having gotten his feet wet somewhere between there and Log Cabin. It was not until after the 10th of June that ordinary draught steamers could cross between Bennett and Tagish at Carriboo, and it was not until the latter part of June that such steamers as the Gleaner, Sifton and Nora were able to cross the little bar.

Should the weather in that part of the country turn warm this year early in May as was the case in '98, there may scows arrive here even before the time of their departure last year from Bennett. That there will be a large fleet of scows come down the river immediately on the opening of navigation is certain, for it is now known that many of the Skagway merchants are preparing to come with some merchandise or other, as already a number of them have written or telegraphed to acquaintances here inquiring what lines are short and asking for price quotations.

An erroneous impression appears to have found credence on the outside that Dawson is short on everything except money to buy at fabulous prices, when in reality the opposite is really the true state of local affairs. As a result of this erroneous impression on the outside, there will be dozens of scows loaded with produce landed here in about three months or soon thereafter, and the Dawson merchant who invests heavily and at big prices in goods brought down on the first few scows to arrive will find that he has exercised poor judgment, for the reason that the many importations will result in low prices before navigation has been open more than three weeks.

To the consumer this is pleasant prospect, but to the many who pilot their barges down the treacherous rivers where, during low water, rocks, sandbars and other obstructions are most discouragingly numerous, the venture may not prove by any means a remunerative one. However, the first few cargoes to arrive will be readily taken at almost any price the owners see fit to ask.

K. of P. Will Organize.

A movement is now on foot leading to the perfection of a Knights of Pythias club in Dawson. A charter will be asked for at once from the grand lodge, and when it arrives a regular lodge of the order will be duly instituted here. There are upwards of 60 members of the order now in this city, among them being the leading and best men in Dawson, and when a K. of P. lodge is instituted here it will be an organization of which its members will have reason to feel proud.

Fraternal Resolutions.

To the Knights of Pythias of Dawson, Y. T.:

Your committee reports as follows: Whereas, Divine Providence has seen fit to remove from our midst our beloved brother, Scott Lindsay, and

Whereas, We feel that our order together with this community, has lost a faithful and loyal friend; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we extend to the bereaved family and friends of our deceased brother our most heartfelt and sincere sympathies in their loss, which we fully recognize as our mutual loss; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the members of his family and published in the daily papers, and also that they be spread in full upon the records of our organization. Respectfully submitted in "F. C. & B."

F. W. CLAYTON,
J. L. TIMMINS,
CHAS. E. POWELL,
Committee.

Dawson, Feb. 26, 1900.

W. G. Lloyd Injured.

Yesterday evening, W. G. Lloyd, a teamster, while driving from Hunker creek towards Dawson, was thrown from his sled, as the latter slipped off of the main road and he was painfully injured. He is now confined in the Good Samaritan hospital. His injuries are internal, but are not believed to be serious.

Dog Market Culled.

Only a few weeks ago Dawson could probably boast more dogs to the square yard than any white man's city in the known world. Many of them were the very finest that could be produced, having been gathered here from all points of North America. Today Dawson's dog market has been culled until, with the exception of less than half a hundred, there are none left but a measly, mangy, toothless herd of back door whiners—dogs either too old, too young or too small to make it worth while starting with them on the long trip to Nome. If Dawson was to be called upon now to compete at a bench show, she would be found wanting. So far as dogs are concerned, her glory has departed, gone down the river en route to the new American mining camp. And yet dogs no bigger than jack rabbits are being offered for sale, yes, and sold every day in Dawson at from \$75 to \$150, and in many cases they are so old as to be actually wind dried. If some outsider had possessed the foresight to have landed here two weeks ago with a flock of good, strong dogs he could have made a fortune out of the enterprise. In the meantime no complaints of loneliness on account of the decrease in the number of dogs have as yet been heard from the remaining citizens.

Two years ago this winter Joaquin Miller, who was then here, wrote to a friend on the outside a letter descriptive of Dawson in which he said: "There are dogs to the right of me; dogs to the left of me; dogs all around me; and—u the dogs."

Weather Report.

Last night the minimum temperature was 5.5 degrees above zero. At 9 o'clock this morning, the thermometer registered 6 degrees above, since which time there have been no material variations.

The Klondike Nugget

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A BAD FEATURE.

There are sins of omission as well as sins of commission to be charged up against the legislative architects who framed the ponderous structure known as the placer mining regulations for the Yukon territory. Not only have they displayed the utmost energy and zeal in doing certain things which ought to have been left undone, but they have also been equally energetic and zealous in leaving undone important matters which by all means should have been done.

For instance, in the matter of claim representation there are several features of the law which should be substantially modified in order to insure equity to all parties concerned. As the law is interpreted at the present time a fractional owner in a claim may shirk his share in the representation work and the full burden be thrown upon his co-owners or the claim revert to the crown for lack of representation.

One man may own a two-thirds interest in a claim and in the event he fails to materialize to perform his portion of the work or pay his share of the representation fee, the owner of the remaining third must undertake the entire responsibility for representing the ground or lose his interest. The interpretation thus placed upon the law would not work so great a hardship were any specific means of redress provided for the co-owner thus mulcted. But at the present time he is left with no claim or lien against delinquent parties which is recognized by the law. He has left only the option of suing and standing his chances for a judgment upon grounds of equity, but we are informed that thus far no precedent upon this particular point has been established.

It would appear that in such cases some equitable ruling might be made which would relieve the man who is honestly desirous of complying with the letter of the law, from a hardship so apparent. It parties who are interested with him in ownership of a claim fail to comply with their just share of the requirements of the law, and he is compelled for self protection to do the work of all, he should be protected, at least, to the extent of a lien against the share of the co-owners.

We understand that cases involving the point are of everyday occurrence. We submit, therefore, that an early decision covering the matter is most desirable.

GIVING BOTH SIDES.

The Nugget is publishing the news of Cape Nome from time to time just as that news is received. If a man has a favorable story to tell of the prospects and possibilities of the new camp that story is published in these columns exactly as told, and if the story is unfavorable it receives an equal amount of consideration. What we have sought to do has been to ascertain the facts as nearly as possible in order that those of our readers who are considering the matter of joining the rush to Nome may be as fully informed upon the conditions in front of them as possible.

A man who contemplates such a move will be no gainer by shutting his eyes to the difficulties which he must expect to encounter. His chances for success

will be just as great and in fact should be greater if he starts for Nome fully convinced of the fact that success, if he attains it, will come only after hard and persevering efforts. Too many men joined the first Klondike stampede with the expectation of being able to pick gold from the surface of the ground with little or no effort. Had such men permitted themselves to become informed as to the real status of affairs they would have remained at home, or at least the disappointment which met them when they finally reached the Mecca of their hopes would have been much less keen. So it will be with men who intend going to Nome. The more information which they receive on the subject both from those who have met success on the beach and those who have not, the better position they will be in when they arrive at the new camp. They should consider that other men are there already and have been for 12 months past and it is fair to presume that these men have not allowed themselves to remain idle all the while. They should also consider the extent to which the power of attorney law has been used and abused. They should, in short, remember all the disadvantages as well as the advantages which will be offered at Nome, to the end that they may act with the most intelligence.

It is for this reason that the Nugget, without regard to any opinions held by itself, is publishing Nome news both pro and con, when it appears that such news is of reliable origin. There are two sides to every story and the Nome story is no exception to the rule.

The mail service has been conducted during the present winter season in a most creditable manner. The mail has arrived and departed almost with the promptness and regularity of a railroad schedule. This merely illustrates the difference between conducting the system on a practical, well managed basis and allowing it to run itself. As long as we can be within four days' reach of outside telegraphic communication and can receive letters within ten and twelve days of mailing at Seattle and Vancouver, the word isolation will have little or no significance to us. Within another twelve months it is quite within the range of possibility that through telegraphic communication will be established along the entire length of the Yukon river and down through British Columbia into the States without any reliance whatever being placed upon forwarding messages by boat. It would appear that both the Canadian and American governments possess unbounded confidence in the future of the Yukon valley. The plans they are perfecting are altogether too elaborate for a country of mushroom growth.

Half Way House Sold.

Mr. Irving has sold the Halfway roadhouse, located about 16 miles from Dawson on the ridge road, to James Flanaery. The latter has employed Mr. Charles Donnelly, who for the past year has been connected with the Regina hotel, to assume the management of the roadhouse. Mr. Irving will start in a few days for Cape Nome. Mrs. Irving will leave for the new gold camp on the first steamboat.

A Social Success.

The social dance given at McDonald hall on last Saturday evening, was a very successful affair. A large number of persons were present. The program consisted of 18 numbers. Prof. James Duffy acted in the capacity of manager; and the guests enjoyed a most pleasant time.

she continued, with a smile, "good evening" almost faintly, but he could not. He therefore, himself with saying several times the Stroller never says.

Weather Report.
Minimum temperature last night below zero; and at morning no variations had.

The official thermometer shows 5 degrees below.

Fresh eggs and meat Royal Grocery, 2d ave.

Stop at the Regina Dawson Dog Doctor, 1st ave.

Goods and the cheap Grocery, 2d ave.

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Public No. 10.

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BOERS ON THE RUN

Gen. French Drives Them Away From Kimberley.

BRITISH LOSSES WERE COMPARATIVELY INSIGNIFICANT.

Boers Taken Completely by Surprise Leave Ammunition and Supplies.

French Remains One Day in Kimberley and then Starts in Full Pursuit—Cronje is Retreating in the Direction of Bloemfontein—Kelley Kenny in Pursuit.

[From Monday's Daily.]
London, Feb. 16, via Skagway, Feb. 26.—At last one of the objects for which the British have been striving for the past 90 days has been accomplished. Kimberley has been relieved and the Boer forces which have been pressing the town so hard are in full retreat. To Gen. French, with his 20,000 troops, mainly cavalry, belongs the honor of achieving this first important British triumph. The appearance of French on the 16th inst. was a complete surprise to the Boers, who imagined that the British commander was still in the vicinity of Modder-river.

There was only a brief struggle before Kimberley, the Boers retreating in haste. The British losses were small, while the Boer casualties were considerably larger. A large quantity of ammunition and provisions was found in the Boer camp.

French in Pursuit.

London, Feb. 17, via Skagway, Feb. 26.—After remaining over night in Kimberley and taking measures for strengthening the defences, Gen. French with almost his entire force has left in pursuit of the Boers, who are in full retreat toward Bloemfontein. Meanwhile Gen. Roberts, with the main body of 70,000 men, is coming up slowly. In view of the fact that Roberts has this enormous number of men dependent upon his commissary in addition to almost the entire population of Kimberley who were practically out of provisions when the town was relieved, it is believed that he will not attempt an immediate advance into the interior. Preparations are already under way for repairing the railway from Modder river which the Boers had destroyed, and until that is accomplished and though communication established no decisive movements on Roberts' part are anticipated.

Cronje on the Run.

London, Feb. 17, via Skagway, Feb. 26.—Gen. Cronje who has been contesting the advance of Gen. French upon Kimberley, is retreating in the direction of Bloemfontein. Cronje is being pursued by Gen. Kelly Kenney, who expects to overtake the Boers and face them to a decisive battle. The only thing that prevented the capture of Cronje's forces some days ago was the unavoidable delay of the British at De Keil's Drift, thus allowing Cronje time to plan his retreat.

Buller Moving Up.

London, Feb. 17, via Skagway, Feb. 26.—Gen. Buller is again advancing from Chevely in the direction of Ladysmith. The Boers have been exceedingly active for some days in the neighborhood of Ladysmith, but it is impossible to ascertain whether they have been renewing the attack on the town or are preparing for a withdrawal.

Heliographic signals from the town report the garrison cheerful and provisions still holding out.

News From San Francisco.

San Francisco, Feb. 12.—Smith's Cash Store located on Market street, near the ferry, and one of the oldest and largest outfitting establishments in the city, has failed. The liabilities are \$128,000. Stockholders expect to pay 25 per cent of this amount from the sale of unencumbered assets.

The property known as the Blythe block on Market street, has been sold to the Mutual bank. The new owners will clear the site of the numerous small buildings which now occupy it and will erect a modern eight story block.

San Francisco is now being governed according to the terms of the new charter, which provides the civil service regulations. All the employes of the city—even the street laborers—are required to pass civil service examinations.

Slept on Duty.

Ottawa, Feb. 7.—Another report has been received from Col. Otter, in command of the first contingent. The report is up to January 1st. This is the second report that has been received from Col. Otter. A good deal of what is contained in it has been received by cable, such, for instance, as the necessity of sending to Capetown a Halifax man, Private Shaw, on account of ill-health. He also speaks highly of those Canadians who took part in the Sunny side affair.

The most serious part of the report is that which refers to the necessity of court-martialing three of the contingent who were found asleep on sentry. This is a serious offence. Two of them belonged to A company, and one of them to B, all three being Western men.

Leprosy in New York.

New York, Feb. 8.—Dr. A. S. Ashmead, who was called on by President Murphy, of the board of health, to substantiate the statement that there are many cases of leprosy in that city, has sent his report to Mr. Murphy. He repeats his assertion, and specifies several cases: One, a cook on a Venezuela steamer, living in an East Side tenement house; a nurse in Bellevue hospital; two Chinamen; two freaks in a Bowery museum; a Cuban mulatto cigarette maker, and a young Southerner, who is a guest in a big Broadway hotel.

Want Lynchers Punished.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 10.—The Italian government, through its ambassador here, has intimated strongly to the state department that it regards the punishment of the persons engaged in the lynching of five Italians at Talulah, La., as necessary to the full redress which Italy has asked. Owing to the

fact that the crime is within the jurisdiction of the state courts, the government is obliged to await the action of the Louisiana tribunals.

The Orpheum Will Open.

Everything has been arranged for the opening of the Orpheum tonight. The best of local vaudeville talent has been engaged, and besides the production of a comedy entitled "Whose Baby," a very interesting olio will be given. The management is prepared to give an excellent entertainment, and undoubtedly its effort will be rewarded by liberal patronage.

Knights of Pythias.

After the funeral yesterday the Knights of Pythias met in McDonald hall and elected Capt. D. B. Olson, chairman and F. W. Clayton secretary and treasurer. A committee of three was appointed consisting of Bros. F. W. Clayton, Chas. E. Powell and L. J. Timmins to present a set of resolutions on the death of Bro. Scott Lindsay.

A committee of three was also appointed to investigate the case of Bro. Frank W. Storms, who was badly hurt while working on Jack Wade creek and was brought to St. Mary's hospital.

The secretary was instructed to procure a hall and issue a general call for all K. of P. to meet and form a lodge here.

Those present were J. L. Timmins, G. Hoar, F. E. Maltby, B. A. Berton, G. M. Buck, F. F. Welch, Geo. E. Storey, Geo. A. Noble, Chas. E. Powell, O. W. Hobbs, C. L. Phillips, C. T. Sairs, H. H. Honnen, J. D. Carroll, E. J. Carsow, Chas. Briggs, H. W. Leonard, A. Tapper, Capt. D. B. Olson and F. W. Clayton.

MORRISON PARDONED.

After 30 Days' Confinement.

Recent arrivals from Seattle bring the latest news concerning James Morrison, well known in this country as the owner of No. 39 below on Hunker creek. Readers of the Nugget will remember the story which appeared in this paper last October. It was published that Morrison, whose real name is Charles O. Summers, and a man named Murray, robbed the Southern Pacific express office at Meridian, Mississippi, in 1893, of a large sum of money. At the time when the crime was committed, Morrison and Murray were employed in the secret service department of the Southern Pacific company. They were apprehended, most of the stolen money was recovered, and the convicted men were sentenced to imprisonment in the state penitentiary at Jacksonville. Morrison succeeded in effecting his escape by bribing one of the guards. In 1897, he came to Dawson and soon afterwards acquired a controlling interest in 39 below on Hunker. Last summer he disposed of his interests here and departed for the outside. He journeyed to Mississippi and surrendered himself to the state officials.

Now, it is learned that the amount originally stolen from the company was \$60,000, which, with the exception of a few thousand dollars, was recovered immediately after the robbery. Upon arriving at Jacksonville, Morrison paid \$5000, which sum liquidated the balance due the company, and remunerated the state for the expenses which it had incurred in attempting his recapture. He was confined in the penitentiary for 30 days. During his incarceration he was not subjected to the humility of having his hair cut short, and he was engaged in the capacity of trusty at work around the office. At the end of the 30 days, he was granted a full pardon by the governor of Mississippi. Upon securing his release he was offered his old position with the Southern Pacific company at an advance in salary. He declined the proffer, however, and is now in Seattle, where he intends to engage in business. It is not expected that he will visit the Yukon again.

Carbon paper for sale at the Nugget office.

FIERCE BATTLE FOUGHT.

Cronje Turns and 800 British Soldiers Killed.

EIGHTEEN CANADIANS AMONG THE DEAD.

Cronje is Being Reinforced from Ladysmith and Kimberley.

Report Current That Buller Has Relieved Ladysmith, but Lacks Confirmation—Much Anxiety Prevails in London.

Skagway, Feb. 26.—3 p. m.—The steamer City of Seattle arrived at 2 p. m. today. News from the war is brought up to the 22d inst. Gen. Cronje, reported in this morning's wire as being in retreat towards Bloemfontein, made a strong stand between Paardeberg and Koodasrand. Reinforcements arrived in the meanwhile and a fierce battle ensued the British being compelled to desist from the pursuit. Gen. Roberts reports the loss of 800 men, but does not state the result of the battle. The London war office gives out no news and in consequence great anxiety prevails. Eighteen Canadians were killed in the engagement and 60 were wounded. Cronje is being reinforced by railroad from the Boer forces now engaged about Ladysmith and scattered bands from around Kimberley are constantly arriving to his aid. The report is current that Buller has succeeded in relieving Ladysmith, but is not confirmed. The Boers are said to be preparing for a general engagement along the Tugela.

POLICE COURT.

In Major Perry's court this morning Louis Smith blushed and plead guilty to violating the Yukon health ordinance to the extent of \$1 and costs, which he paid.

To the charge of throwing coffee grounds and potato peelings on the street Mesdames Sawyer and Winsky plead ignorance of the law. "Anyway, it was only dishwater." No fine was imposed and the ladies were instructed to be more careful in the future.

F. J. McGade was up on the same charge and proved that the collection of tin cans that had brought him into court had been gathered up by him to be taken to the garbage dump on the ice, and that the officer had appeared before the garbage sled. Mr. McGade proved by the officer that his premises, aside from the pile of tin cans, are the most cleanly in his part of the city. Sixth street, near Fourth avenue, where the ladies above mentioned also reside McGade was not fined.

The case of B. F. Thompson vs. Wilcoxon, Gates & Green for \$88.65, labor performed on 18 below on Sulphur, was dismissed on the plaintiff's evidence, it being evident that he never gave defendants an opportunity to intelligently settle with him. Dr. Wilcoxon appeared in the role of attorney with such success as to lead to the belief that he had mingled the study of Blackstone with that of physics.

The case against C. A. Mathews, charged with maintaining himself by gambling, was set for hearing this afternoon.

Salvation Army Entertainment.

Tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock the Salvation Army will give an interesting entertainment in the Masonic temple on Mission street. A tableau piece has been arranged, which is comprised of five scenes. Refreshments will be served and to those who will attend is promised a pleasant time. Tickets are 50 cents each, and may be procured at the army hall, or from any member of the organization.

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

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BENEFIT FOR MATT PROBST.

People Turn Out En Masse to Aid the Injured Fireman.

Every Seat in Palace Grand Occupied—Fairly Good Program Presented—Receipts Highly Satisfactory.

[From Monday's Daily.]

When the curtain rose on the first number of the program last night at the Palace Grand, the occasion being a benefit for Matt Probst, the fireman who suffered a broken arm by an accident which occurred in engine house No. 1, during the progress of the fire on January 10th, there was not a vacant seat in the house and the aisle was packed from the door to the orchestra. Mr. Eddie O'Brien was stage manager and during the entire program there was not a moment's delay between acts.

The Yukon Field Force band under the leadership of Sergeant McKinnon, discoursed several selections during the evening, all of which were exceedingly fine and enthusiastically received.

Miss Ross had not sufficiently learned "The Man on the Dump," with the result that she got her recitation very much muddled.

Little Miss Ruth McCormick, by her clever singing and exquisite acting, completely captured the audience and responded to two encores.

A feature of the program which was most enthusiastically received was the cake walk as performed by Ernestine Tiernan and Lulu Prather, the latter being dressed as a little boy in white sailor suit. The little ones went through their cakewalk with the skill of veterans, each seeming to be specially adapted for her part. Both entered heartily into the spirit of the occasion evoking much applause.

Capt. Jack Crawford was good as he invariably is; but had he cut out from thirdly to tenthly inclusive the majority of the audience would have been better pleased. Capt. Jack was too lengthy.

Among the very best features were the renditions by the firemen's string band of four banjos, a guitar and mandolin. The sextette played nicely together and responded to a most vociferous encore.

Miss Cecil Marion made a fine appearance on the stage and rendered two vocal solos in a pleasing manner.

Dawson's favorite, Miss Annie O'Brien, always welcome, was never more so than last night and her several sentimental songs only served to further endear the little lady to her hearers. Later, with her father, she assisted in the rendition of several excellent musical specialties.

Conchita fully sustained her enviable reputation as an entertainer of great ability. She was called back no less than five times, and each time her production was more entertaining than before.

To the managers of the fair, Messrs. Tennant and Stingle, ably assisted by Chief Stewart and other members of the fire department is due great credit for its success, and the large sum realized will be a royal gift to the poor, unfortunate man, Mr. Matt Probst, for whose benefit it was given. As all the performers kindly donated their services for the occasion for which they were publicly thanked by Manager Tennant, there was but little expense connected with the entertainment. The exact amount to be turned over to Mr. Probst will not be known until all accounts are audited tonight, but Chief Stewart thinks the amount will be in the neighborhood of \$1000.

Knocked to Smitherees.

Several weeks ago at a meeting of the trustees of the Board of Trade the secretary was instructed to procure a register in which it was proposed that not only every member of the organization but every man in the city would be asked to place his name and place of business; especially was it the object to have all

who contemplated leaving for either up or down the river to call at the secretary's office and enroll his name, the date of his intended departure and the point for which they were destined.

Mr. Clayton, secretary of the Board of Trade, procured the book, but that is as far as the proposition has been carried. A few names may appear on its pages, but only a few. It is safe to assert that not two per cent of the people who have left during the past two months for either up or down the river have left any evidence of their departure further than that which may happen to be known by their friends, but in most cases, should an accident befall the traveler, the memory of his friends would greatly vary as to the date of his departure.

There is not in Dawson today a person who actually knows within several hundred the exact number who have left here over the ice for Nome. One man will tell you he is certain that not to exceed 600 have gone while another is ready to swear that he has with his own eyes counted upwards of 1200, to say nothing of those who started very early in the morning before he got down town. Hundreds have gone, but how many hundreds no one can tell nor is there now any possible way of determining.

At the time navigation closed last fall nearly the exact census of the Yukon district was known for the reason that it was known the number who had arrived during the season by way of steamers on the lower river, and as for the upper river very few, if any, passed Tagish without registering. But all census records of the territory have been smashed by the Nome exodus without, to our knowledge, anything having been done to prevent it. Travelers may be required to register at the international boundary line where an imitation of collecting customs duty is made by one of Uncle Sam's representatives, but if he keeps tab on the travelers who pass that way we are not so informed.

The local papers are probably subject to censor for not "boosting" the Board of Trade's registering proposition more than they did but the fact remains that it has been and is a dead letter, and there is no way of knowing whether 300 or 2000 people have left Dawson within the past three months.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Gold Commissioner Senkler did not try any disputes today.

The territorial court will not convene till March 1st, when the trial of cases on the criminal calendar will be commenced.

About 15 dog teams departed for Nome today. The stampede to the new camp has been stimulated by the moderation in weather.

Dr. Yemans, of the Empire Line, is in receipt of a telegram from Gates Fahnestock announcing his arrival at Bennett on the 23d.

The hockey match on Saturday between the Dawson Club and the Yukon Garrison Club resulted in a victory for the latter team by a score of 5 to 1.

Owing to the illness of the teacher, Sister Mary Joseph, the school known as Father Gendreau's, will take a vacation for this week. Sister Mary is a victim of the hard colds which are now prevalent in the city.

Chief Stewart of the fire department, keeps his men free from ennui these days by having them practice on runs, hose connections and such other features as belong to the work of successfully combating fires.

There is a rumor to the effect that Cecil Marion has a surprise in store for her many friends at the opening of the new Orpheum tonight. The gown she will wear will be a stunner, and is liable to be the cause of many envious glances.

Fred Farenholtz, a miner employed on 18 below discovery, Sulphur, suffered a severe fracture of the arm Friday last. He was hauling wood for the mine when his sled broke away on a hillside. In trying to get away he fell and the accident occurred. Dr. Wilcoxon, on whose claim he was employed, set the arm, using a candle box from which he made a set of splints.

Send your packages to any claim on Eldorado and Bonanza by the daily stage. Nugget Express.

Safe deposit boxes for rent. Nugget Express office, Forks.

SCOTT LINDSAY BURIED.

Yesterday Afternoon in the Hillside Cemetery.

The Funeral Services Were Held in Pioneer Hall—Many Beautiful Floral Designs.

The remains of Scott Lindsay, who died last Wednesday, were buried yesterday afternoon. A host of friends followed the deceased to his resting place on the hill, east of Dawson. The funeral services were held in the Pioneer hall, and commenced at 2 o'clock p. m. The bier was laden with innumerable floral designs. The employees of the A. C. Co. gave a broken wheel; Messrs. Hitz Baake and others from Juneau, presented "Gates Ajar;" Mrs. Capt. Woods designed a very beautiful cross; a large wreath and many bouquets were given by the intimate acquaintances of the deceased.

The hall was crowded with people, among whom were the representative business and professional men of the city. The Reverend Wright, of the Presbyterian church, conducted the services, and made some very appropriate remarks. Among other things, he said: "The character of men is ascertained by the manner in which they are regarded when dead. The great respect that is shown to the memory of Mr. Lindsay, is evidence of his upright conduct." In conclusion, Mr. Wright cited a number of moral examples which were suggested to him by the mournful occasion. Mr. Schank sang exceedingly well a solo, entitled "Flee as a Bird." A double quartette, under the leadership of Mr. C. N. Pring, rendered two vocal sections.

The pall bearers were Messrs. Bert Schuler, Fred Kline, John Lawrence, Frank King and Rudy Kalenborn. The corpse was taken to the grave yard in a sleigh, draped in black, and drawn by four black horses. Sixty members of the Knights of Pythias order, of which the deceased had been a member, followed the remains to the cemetery. A number of sleighs, occupied by ladies connected with the A. C. Co. and other friends of Mr. Lindsay, formed no inconsiderable portion of the funeral procession.

The remains were interred according to the burial ritual of the Knights of Pythias. The sad rites were concluded with singing "Nearer My God to Thee."

The Patriotic Concert.

Proceedings of the committee of the patriotic concert in aid of the Canadian Patriotic Fund held on Feb. 15th, at Palace Grand.

Resolved, That the sincere thanks of the committee be extended:

First—To Messrs. Meadows and O'Brien for their great kindness in allowing the free use of the Palace Grand opera house for the patriotic concert in aid of the Canadian Patriotic Fund.

Second—To the band, Sergeant Major Young, N. C. officers and men of the Yukon garrison for the valuable assistance given by them in connection with the patriotic concert.

Third—To Sergeant Major Tucker, the N. C. officers and the men of the N. W. M. police for the valuable assistance given by them in connection with the patriotic concert on 15th February.

Fourth—To the Yukon Sun Printing Company for their kindness in furnishing printing and advertising in connection with the patriotic concert free of cost.

Fifth—To the Klondike Nugget and Daily News for the support given by them to the patriotic concert.

Sixth—To Mr. Montague Martin to whom the committee feel deeply indebted for his invaluable assistance in completing the artistic arrangements.

Seventh—To Mr. Griffith, the ladies and gentlemen who so generously contributed to the success of the concert.

Eighth—Resolved, That the statement of the secretary showing receipts and expenditures in connection with the said concert be approved:

Receipts—Sale of tickets, \$1322.50; sale of programs, \$88.60; "Pay, Pay, Pay," \$89.16; total, \$1500. 0.

Expenses—Advertising and printing, \$145; material, \$15.26; employees, \$20.

Balance brought forward to Canadian Patriotic Fund, \$1320.

Col. Steele in the Yukon.

In a late issue of the Toronto World appears a three column article on the life and history of Col. Steele, who was detailed to Dawson for nearly two years and who is now in command of Strathcona's horse, from which we extract the following:

"What Col. Steele can accomplish in combating the forces of nature, and in organizing order out of the chaos of a mining camp is shown by his record of the past two years' work in the Yukon. Sent there in charge of the mounted police at a time when there was a rush into the territory almost equal to anything that Bendigo ever witnessed, and when there was practically no organization, Col. Steele took hold of his work as only a strong man could. He has a faculty of creating an esprit de corps among his men that few officers possess, and on taking charge in the Yukon he exercised this power to the utmost. The temptations that lay before the police to either abandon their work or to neglect it were many and potent, and the remuneration they received was out of all proportion to the severity of the physical tasks imposed on them. To their credit be it said, they became, almost to a man, imbued with the spirit of devotion to duty that animated their chief—and as a result they performed a work that is neither sufficiently known nor appreciated by the people of Canada.

"When Col. Steele started to enter the Yukon he found that the contract for the carriage of the mails was not being properly performed, and during the whole of the last winter his men performed the work under circumstances of the most trying character. Relay stations were established along the Upper Yukon, and between these the mail was carried on dog sleds, the constable running behind. The physical work involved in this work was enormous. Many of the men regularly ran 35 miles a day, over a trail sometimes deep in snow, sometimes slippery with ice, oftentimes precipitous, and always rough. One splendid fellow on one occasion covered 70 miles in one day in order to make proper connection of two mails. Such work as this could not have been secured from these men for mere money. The credit of the corps of which they were so proud was at stake, and they did the hard work as uncomplainingly and as much as a matter of course as one of them would walk into the midst of a crowd of armed savages and arrest his man.

"In Dawson and vicinity Col. Steele performed duties of the most varied character, superintending all manner of public works until the machinery of civil government was firmly established. He acted as a magistrate and disposed of hundreds of cases. He was in himself the Dawson board of health. His force looked after the collection of the federal royalty—a work of much responsibility, and peculiarly rich in temptation. He was a member of the executive council, on which his wide knowledge and sound judgment gave him a preponderating influence. So thoroughly did Col. Steele fill all the numerous demands upon him that there was an almost unanimous expression of regret from the citizens of Dawson upon his departure."

Weather Report.

Sunday the minimum temperature was 2 degrees below zero.

Last night the thermometer registered 3 degrees above, and at 9 o'clock this morning the instrument recorded 8.5 degrees above.

The weather continued to moderate and at noon the temperature was 19 degrees above.

HAS HE SURRENDERED?

N. Y. Tribune Says Cronje is Captured.

THE STORY IS NOT CONFIRMED.

Details of Four Days' Fighting—Kitchener Encircles Boers.

Boers Have 8,000 Men Constructing Intrenchments—French Arrives to Reinforce Kitchener—Buller Getting Close to Ladysmith.

[From Tuesday's Daily.]

New York, Feb. 23, via Skagway, Feb. 27.—A special to the New York Tribune says Cronje has surrendered. There is no confirmation.

Four Days' Fighting.

London, Feb. 22, via Skagway, Feb. 27.—For four days and nights after the fierce contest which resulted in the loss of 800 British troops the battle has waged almost incessantly. On Sunday evening, the 18th inst., Kitchener had almost completed the cordon around the Boer entrenchments. On the same night a number of Boers came into the British camp reporting that the Boers had a great many sick in camp; that the heavy fighting had disheartened the troops and Cronje was being strongly urged to surrender. The previous fight had been one of the most fiercely contested battles of the war and the Boer losses were heavy.

During the whole of Sunday night the Boers were busy making intrenchments and on Monday morning the battle was resumed as fiercely as before.

At noon a messenger from Cronje asked for an armistice of 20 hours, during which time the Boers should be allowed to bury their dead. Kitchener replied that the fight must be continued to a finish or Cronje surrender unconditionally.

A second messenger from Cronje announced that if the British commander was inhuman enough not to grant an armistice to allow time for burying the dead, the Boers would surrender.

Kitchener immediately proceeded in person in the direction of a Boer laager agreed upon as the spot where terms of capitulation should be arranged. On the way he was met by a third messenger who declared Cronje's intention to continue the struggle until he died. Kitchener returned and ordered the bombardment continued. For the remainder of the day a heavy and destructive storm of Lyddite shells was poured into the Boer entrenchments.

During all of Monday night and Tuesday 8000 of the Boer troops were engaged in strengthening the entrenchments. The fighting on Tuesday was not heavy. Gen. French has arrived with reinforcements. Cronje is entirely surrounded and cannot possibly escape.

Ladysmith Reported Relieved.

Skagway, Feb. 27.—As the steamer City of Seattle was leaving the wharf at Victoria on the evening of the 23d inst., a brief dispatch was placed aboard to the effect that a cable had been sent direct from Gen. Buller to the Queen at Windsor, announcing that the relief of Ladysmith had been accomplished. No news to this effect had been officially given out from the war office. The latest news from London is dated Feb. 22, at which time the garrison at Lad-

smith was announced as being in excellent spirits and the advance of Buller was visible from the town. There had been heavy fighting for three days previously, with an apparent weakening on the part of the Boers at the end of the third day.

On the night of the 20th a large body of British, in attempting to make a crossing of the Tugela, were driven back with heavy loss, the resistance on the part of the Boers became half-hearted and on the following day the crossing was effected. On the same day Buller forced the last Boer position south of the Tugela river. He subsequently shelled Colenso, which town the Boers have evacuated. Several brisk fights occurred, but the loss on both sides was small and Buller is making steady progress toward Ladysmith.

Arrivals From Nome.

R. R. McRae and F. H. Nagle arrived in Dawson at 2 o'clock this afternoon. They left Nome on January 6th, and traveled by way of the Kaltag cutoff trail. They brought nine inside dogs and one sled, which was loaded with about 300 pounds of express matter. The gentlemen are the representatives of the Kimball Express Company of Nome. Both travelers are in good health, and appear none the worse for their long trip. The dogs are a little foot sore. In speaking of Nome and their journey, Mr. McRae said:

"Nothing of importance has occurred at Nome since the departure of Knobel's dorf and Campbell, who passed through here some time ago. Our actual traveling time is 34 days. We have mail for parties in Dawson, and will remain here about four days. Then we shall continue to Skagway, and from thence to Seattle and San Francisco. We met many going down the river, and all of them are doing well."

QUAKER CITY GETS EXCITED.

Pro-Boer Meeting Calls Out 10,000 of its Inhabitants.

Speechmakers Assert That England Has No Right to Interfere in Internal Affairs.

Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 13.—Never in the history of the Academy of Music has such a crowd attempted to gain admittance as was the case tonight, the occasion being a pro Boer meeting under the auspices of the organized Irish societies. Within half an hour after the doors were opened every space in the big theater was occupied and all doors had to be closed. Fully 5500 people were inside, while 10,000, it is estimated were unable to gain admittance.

The meeting was presided over by Judge William N. Oshman of the Orphans' court of Philadelphia, and on the stage with him were many other prominent men.

Before the speechmaking began Judge Oshman read a telegram from Judge Woodward of the supreme bench of New York, in which he expressed his regret at not being able to attend, but said his heart and sympathies were with the Boers in their fight for independence.

Judge Oshman said that the conventions of 1881 and 1884 gave England no right to interfere in the internal affairs of the Transvaal republic. He said the reason for the meeting was that the Irish and Americans have fought side by side for the rights of the oppressed. "That is why they cry out tonight."

Rudolph Blankenburg said that England had long manifested a desire to look after the welfare of the whole world, but that she should first sweep her own doors clean. Instead of taking merchant ships as they are now and preparing them to be sent loaded with soldiers to battle with the Boers, his opinion was that they had better send the vessels here and let the liberty-loving, charitable American people load them with flour and food for England's starving subjects in India.

Resolutions were unanimously adopted amid great cheering, expressing sympathy with the Boers, calling on congress to extend national sympathy to the South African republic, opposing

an alliance with England as anti-American, and requesting the President of the United States to define by proclamation the right of vessel owners to carry cargoes to neutral ports, so they may conduct their business under the protection of the American flag.

Tenants Pay It.

London, Feb. 13.—The Duke of Portland, one of the wealthiest landed proprietors in England, who recently contributed the munificent subscription of \$50,000 to the Red Cross Society for the aid of the wounded in the South African war, now comes before the public in a less enviable light.

In 1885, when times were bad and lessees of agricultural holdings found it impossible to make ends meet, the Duke granted an abatement of 10 per cent on the rents of his tenants. The concession continued in force up to the present month, when the full amount was demanded.

The duke's tenants are much put out at the sudden withdrawal of the abatement, and are wondering if the duke, who has hitherto borne the reputation of a kind landlord, is seeking to recompense himself at their expense for his generosity to the war fund.

To Resist Roberts.

London, Feb. 22, via Skagway, Feb. 27.—The Boers are concentrating their entire available forces to resist the advance of Roberts. The troops under Roberts' immediate command number 70,000 men.

ROSEBERRY IS PROPOSED.

As Right Man to Face Present Imperial Crisis.

Officials Charged With Recriminations, Contradictions and Palpably Lame Excuses.

London, Feb. 13.—The indignation and amazement of the nation at the incompetency displayed by its ministers has risen to heights probably never before attained. While the empire is engaged in the most serious struggle to which it has been committed since the first years of the 19th century, and while the statesmen and the legislatures of the self governing colonies faithfully represent the imperial spirit of their annals, the statesmen at home have committed themselves to party maneuvering, mutual recriminations, contradictions, shuffling, evasions and palpably lame excuses so utterly heedless of the temper of the people that the movement in favor of a reconstruction of the cabinet first inaugurated a few weeks ago, promises, unless a more vigorous policy is speedily adopted, to develop into a national uprising. Even the Times declares the "chatter in the house of commons during the past few days is simply irritating and offensive to nine out of ten people in the United Kingdom."

Consequently it is not astonishing that the people are looking for some strong men to lead them. Lord Roseberry's name is the most prominent. His pitiless lashing of Lord Salisbury on the day parliament reassembled marks him, in the opinion of many, as the right man to face the present imperial crisis.

Theosophists.

The Yukon theosophists will present their friends with another literary treat at its regular weekly meeting tomorrow evening in its hall over the Juneau hardware store on Second avenue, when the moulding power of thought will be fully dilated upon by one of its advanced students and most proficient occultists. This thoughtful theme will doubtless attract as large an audience as usual, but the club is amply prepared to accommodate all visitors. The meetings are free to all, and all serious thinkers are invited.

Carbon paper for sale at the Nugget office.

BARRACKS HOLD-UP.

Has the Same Fishy Odor of its Predecessor.

AMOUNT STOLEN MUCH SMALLER.

Louis La Plante Sings Mournful Story to His Employer.

Sergeant Wilson in the Role of Old Sleuth Reveals Glaring Truths—La Plante in Jail Awaiting the Trial.

Mrs. Moulton runs a roadhouse on Hunker, and Louis La Plante, up until a few days ago, was employed by her as an assistant in the work of conducting the house. On the evening of the 20th instant La Plante came to Dawson with gold dust to the value of \$100, the property of his employer, with which to buy groceries and supplies for the house. He returned to Hunker next day with out the groceries and without the gold dust, but with a lengthy tale of woe to the effect that, like the man who went down to Jericho, he had fallen among thieves. His story was that on the night he was in the city, the 20th, he had been passing along Front street at between 11 and 11:30 o'clock and that when on the sidewalk in front of the barracks, not far from the Yukon Sun office, he was held up by two men each of whom held a gun as big as the hind leg of a horse; that he was made to disgorge the money entrusted to him for the purchase of evaporated potatoes and other Klondike delicacies. The above is about the substance of La Plante's story when he returned to the roadhouse. Evidently the account was not swallowed with that degree of aptitude noticed at strawberry festivals, with the result that Sergeant J. J. Wilson of the N. W. M. P., was conferred with. That officer in his quiet way started out to do the "Old Sleuth" role, with the result that he soon had sufficient evidence to warrant him in taking La Plante into custody. At the preliminary hearing held by Major Perry this morning the sergeant proved by Miss Josie Meyers, a habitue of the Palace Grand, that at the time on the night of the 20th when La Plante claimed to have been robbed on the barracks sidewalk he was drinking wine with the aforesaid Miss Meyers in a box at the Palace Grand; that he had previous to entering the box taken several "rounds" at the bar, and that after going to the box La Plante had purchased five bottles of wine, some of which had been spilled and the remainder drunk. It was also brought out by the sergeant that in addition to spending what money he had with him on that particular night, La Plante had borrowed and spent additional money. It was further proven that La Plante turned up at the Travelers' Rest at 3 o'clock next morning showing visible traces of dissipation, but that he said nothing there of having been robbed. In his own behalf the accused man had little to say further than that the money spent by him at the Palace Grand was his own. He was held to answer to the territorial court, and not being able to provide the required bond, was committed to the guard house.

Ford and the Colorado Kid.

A ten-round go is announced for next Thursday evening at Ford's gymnasium. The Colorado Kid and Bert Ford will don the mitts and a fast go is assured, as both gentlemen have earned an enviable reputation as foot racers. There will be also several four round goes and wrestling matches between the members of the club. An interesting time is assured.

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DAWSON'S MAIL SERVICE.

Has Been Excellent During the Present Winter.

Postmaster Hartman Replies to Objections—18 Consignments Carried Each Way Since November.

(From Wednesday's Daily)

Exceptionally good mail service is being given to the people of the Yukon territory during the present winter. Great improvements have been made in this department of the government. Postmaster Hartman has his office thoroughly systematized, and the public are satisfied with the results.

Mr. Hartman, in speaking of the delay sometimes occasioned in sorting the mail, said: "I am aware that some complain about the office closing for several hours after the arrival of a consignment of mail. The only way that this delay could be avoided would be to employ more clerks and I do not feel disposed to recommend an increase in my office force. Most of the time, my employes are idle; they are on duty, it is true, but there is hardly anything to be done during the intervals between the arrivals of mail. The expense attached to the administration of the postoffice is very great now, and I do not favor any further outlays at the present time."

The first consignment of mail to be despatched to the outside over the ice this winter was started from Dawson November 6th. Since then, the mail has left here regularly every week. In all, 18 consignments have been shipped, which were comprised of 266 sacks. The weight of each consignment averages 500 pounds, making a total of 9,000 pounds, which have been carried to Bennett since the closing of navigation. The trip from Dawson to the railroad station at Bennett has been made by the carriers, as a rule, in seven days; but the mail, which left here on the 14th instant, reached Bennett in five days and four hours.

The first mail to arrive in Dawson this winter over the ice was on November 7th. Altogether, there have been 18 consignments, comprised of 322 sacks, transported by dog team from Bennett to Dawson. The total weight of these consignments is 9,000 pounds. The incoming mails have been delayed in several instances. For 13 days in November, for 10 days in December, and for 13 days in February, the people of Dawson received no mail from the outside, but these delays were matters of small inconvenience.

Since November, 1899, postoffices have been established on Bonanza, at Grand Forks, on Hunker at the mouth of Gold Bottom, and on Dominion at the mouth of Lombard. Once a week, mail is carried to and from the sub-offices.

A semi-monthly service has been established for some time between Dawson and St. Michaels, and way points on the Yukon river.

Taking everything into consideration the people of Dawson are to be congratulated on their well regulated mail service.

Last Night's Dance.

A pleasant social dance was given at the McDonald hall last night by Senator Lynch and Mr. Edwin S. French to about 40 invited guests. The floor was managed by Prof. James Duffy, and good music was rendered by Tom Manzey's orchestra. Lunch was served at 12 o'clock midnight. The varied numbers on the program concluded with "Home, Sweet Home," but the chords of this old tune were not struck till an early hour this morning.

The ladies present were: Meslames Edwin S. French, Alex. McDonald, Seely, McDonnell, George Smith, Sale, Lewis, George K. French, Mahoney, Merman, Kelly, Hill, West, the Misses De Lobel, Miss Roberts, Miss Gandolfo, Miss Booge and Miss Comer.

The gentlemen were: Senator Lynch,

Messrs. Edwin S. French, Doig, Alex. McDonald, McCaul, Curtis, Lewis, De Lobel, George K. French, Milne, Buch, Wiley, Griffith, Byrne, Merman, Buchanan, Sale, George Smith, Milton, Martin, Colin Chisholm, Capt. Healy, Capt. Olson, Dr. MacDonald and Dr. Barrett.

Fire This Morning.

At 9:15 o'clock this morning fire was seen bursting through the roof of the building on Front street which is occupied on the first floor by the Northwest Trading Company and on the second floor by the law offices of Pattullo & Ridley. An alarm was turned in and in a few moments the big chemical engine from fire house No. 1 was on the scene and at work, a ladder having been hoisted to an upstairs window and a stream turned into the flaming room. Later two streams from three-inch hose were turned on, and in ten minutes all danger of further destruction was past.

The fire originated in the ceiling of the law office from an overheated stove pipe, there being no one in the office at the time to regulate the fire in the heating stove. The damage done to the firm's books and papers was slight.

Mr. Allenberg of the Northwest Trading Company estimates his loss at between \$4000 and \$5000, the damage being wrought by water. The stock and fixtures in the Merchants' Cafe, the first building on the north, were also considerably damaged by water. The fire boys did prompt and valiant service and prevented what would otherwise have been a repetition of the disastrous conflagration of last month.

The fire this morning originated in the very building in which the fire of January 10th was checked, and a good portion of which at that time was torn down.

Water Rights.

M. H. Boulais has been given the right, for three years from February 27th, to divert and use 200 inches of the water of Portland creek for mining purposes on creek claim No. 30 below lower discovery on Dominion.

C. W. Johnson, O. E. Stanhope and N. F. McPhee have been granted the right, for four months from February 27th, to divert and use 60 inches of the water of a pup entering Hunker on the right limit at No. 16 above discovery for mining purposes on the lower 180 feet of said creek claim, No. 16 above discovery.

E. B. Newman has applied to the mining recorder for the right to divert 60 inches of water by running a drain half of a mile in length, directly to the rear of his property, namely the bench claim in the second tier, left limit, opposite No. 7 below discovery on Bonanza.

John S. Cameron has applied for the privilege of diverting 100 inches of the water of Victoria gulch, to be used for mining purposes on creek claim No. 42 above discovery on Bonanza.

Gold Commissioner's Court.

Gold Commissioner-Senkler is occupied today in hearing the trial of the case of the Crown vs. Judge Davis. The controversy arose over the boundary lines of what is known as the St. George claim on Monte Cristo Hill. The trial of the action of Servini vs. Irvine is fixed for tomorrow. This suit involves a dispute respecting the boundary lines of the bench claim, left limit, opposite No. 10 Last Chance.

Where Is Sackrider?

Mr. E. S. Houghtaling, of Hart, Michigan, has written respecting the whereabouts of Charles Elihu Sackrider, who is described as a man of small stature, black hair, blue eyes, and aged 41 years. No word has been received from the missing man by his relatives since April, 1891. Because of his protracted silence, his old mother is exceedingly worried. Any information respecting Mr. Sackrider will be greatly appreciated.

Will Expand.

W. M. Cribbs of the drug firm of Cribbs & Rogers who operate a store here and another at the Forks, returned to the latter place this afternoon after

passing two days in the city. Mr. Cribbs expects to leave on the 12th of the next month for the outside. He will visit Canadian cities where he will purchase new stocks for his company's stores here, then he will visit his old home in Pennsylvania, after which he will make an extended tour of the United States, going from New York to San Francisco by way of Jacksonville, Florida, and New Orleans. At San Francisco he will purchase a large stock of drugs which he will take to Nome, where Cribbs & Rogers will wing a shingle to the breeze.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Park Jewell of No. 25 Gold Run, is in the city for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. James Holmes from Hunker, are at the Fairview.

C. Wegerman, agent of the A. E. Co., at Grand Forks, is registered at the Regina.

Sergeant J. J. Wilson made a flying trip to Gold Bottom on official business Sunday.

Steve Sanders, who is interested in Nos. 32 and 22 Gold Run, is in town on business connected with his mining properties.

Mr. E. F. Christie, the genial sales man who has been with the S. Y. T. Co. the past season, is making an extended tour of the creeks in the interest of his company.

A Rare Gift

Chicago, Feb. 13. — Mr. and Mrs. Samuel M. Nickerson have given their valuable collection to the art institute. It is valued at upward of \$300,000. It comprises one of the richest and rarest gifts yet presented to that institution. For 20 years or more the donors have been collecting in all parts of the world extremely fine specimens, which are now to be placed upon exhibition. The letter making the bequest was received and accepted by the directors of the art institute this afternoon. The only provision made was that suitable galleries to be designated by the donors shall be devoted to the expositoin of the works of art. The rooms will be refurnished and decorated at the expense of the donors.

The collection consists of valuable Chinese and Japanese porcelains, jades, crystals, bronzes, ivory and wooden carvings, swords and sword guards, oil and water color paintings, engravings, etchings and other valuable art works. The collection as regards jades and crystals is said to be the finest in the United States, with the possible exception of the Huber Bishop collection in New York. Even that famous collection is excelled as far as crystals are concerned. Single specimens have cost as high as \$18,000, and many are rated in value from \$6000 to \$12,000. This collection of jades and crystals will establish a new department or section in the art institute, which will at once put the museum at the head of any other institution in the country in this branch. More than one gallery will be necessary for the exhibition of the specimens.

Among the Chinese.

San Francisco, Feb. 14.—If a new emperor has been named by Kwang Su to ascend the mysterious throne of China, the denizens of Chinatown are blissfully ignorant of the fact. Traffic went on as usual yesterday in that quarter. There was no gathering at the street corners beyond an idle crowd that watched the departure of a little band of freshly shaved Celestials for the home of their ancestors. No proclamations decorated the walls. The office of the Chinese Empire Reform Association, said to be the headquarters of any embryo revolutionary party, was padlocked and deserted. Rumored changes of dynasties and the crumbling of immemorial power seemed to have less effect than the arrival of a fresh lot of wildcat meat at a corner butcher's.

Consul General Ho Yow was interviewed regarding the reported abdication of Kwang Su. He stated that the reported change of Emperors had been learned, but that nothing official had been received. "If there had been any such important announcement made," he said, "this consulate will receive

word from the minister at Washington. I have never heard of Pu Chun, the boy reported to be named as Emperor, nor of Prince Tuan, his father."

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(From Wednesday's Daily.)

R. R. McRae and F. H. Nagle the two messengers from Nome in the employ of the J. S. Kimball Co., of San Francisco, were interviewed by a representative of the Nugget last night. They do not carry any regular mail and report passing the U. S. mail at Fort Yukon.

They report plenty of food at Nome when they left, January 6th, and do not anticipate any shortage this winter only on cream, which was selling for \$1 a can when they left.

Real estate is held at exorbitant prices, far in excess of its value, and a full lot on the business part of the city cannot be obtained for any reasonable amount, as lots are subdivided into small fractions on which ten porary buildings of all shapes and sizes are erected. Corrugated iron buildings are built in many instances, but the majority of structures are of sawed lumber, there being no logs in the vicinity of the city. The houses are lined with building paper and are quite comfortable, there being no particular discomfort experienced during the winter.

The winds are not severe, but are of sufficient strength to blow the ice away from the beach if a strong off shore wind should arise, the ice returning when the wind sets in the opposite direction.

During the past few months there has been a great many stampedes up and down the coast, but no important discoveries have been made. Other than this, everything is very quiet and all are looking forward eagerly to the spring.

Gold dust is used as a medium of exchange almost exclusively, principally beach dust, although some creek gold is in circulation. Some little work is being done on the beach this winter, but not to any great extent, a few claims putting out winter dumps and some of the "beach combers" rocking in their cabins.

When asked if Nome would reach the expectations of those going, Mr. McRae answered very cautiously, stating that the country was good, but it was hard to say how things would shape themselves, as so many people contemplated going that the camp would doubtless be overdone. He reports the trail quite rough between Circle and Dawson, but a fair trail below that point all the way down the river. The best trail is below Fort Yukon, but they encountered head winds as far up the river as Rampart.

They estimate that they have passed fully 800 people on the river bound for Nome, seeing many deserted and empty cabins all along the trail. They have met a number of people going down the trail with absolutely no outfit of any description. Some with dogs and no food, others with food and no dogs, dragging along a loaded sled. There is plenty of provisions all along the line, except bacon and rice which is scarce. There is one point, however, a distance of 225 miles, between Rampart and Weare, where no provisions are obtainable as there is no post in that section, consequently provisions must be obtained in sufficient quantities at Rampart going down to last that distance.

Betsch was seen at Rampart on the 4th of February and was traveling slowly, his dogs being in bad shape from overwork. There were three men in his party, Mr. and Mrs. Betsch being in excellent health. Miss Gates was passed at Fort Yukon in splendid health and spirits.

Mr. McRae believes that steamers can get in to Nome next spring much earlier from the outside than down the

river, as the first steamers can get into Nome about June 1st. It might be possible, however, he added that the cut off could be made the latter part of May by skirting the mountains along the shore, but it would be very arduous.

Mr. McRae intends returning to Nome this spring and is now on his way to San Francisco to report to his company. He leaves for the outside in a few days.

Fight in the Dominion.

At noon today a lively fracas occurred in the Dominion saloon. While playing faro bank, Mike Foley, a local spot, who was intoxicated, used very abusive language towards George Gilen, the dealer of the game. Foley's abuse and repeated threats finally incited Gilen, who left his position from behind the table and struck the drunken man over the head with a stool. Foley fell to the floor. He was almost immediately taken to the office of Dr. Sutherland for medical treatment. An examination of the injured man's head showed several serious cuts, two of which required several stitches each.

POLICE COURT.

In the absence of Major A. B. Perry, who left yesterday on a business trip to Dominion, Inspector Primrose is presiding in the capacity of police magistrate.

The first case this morning was that of A. Lee, proprietor of the Wayside roadhouse, charged with violating the ordinance which prohibits the sale of liquor on Sunday. Lee plead guilty and was fined \$20 and costs which was paid.

G. A. Heitch, another roadhouse operator, his location being at the Dome, was fined \$20 and costs for being in the same boat with Lee. He likewise remitted.

The cases of O. P. Johnson vs. H. H. Hart for \$108, and Chas. Smith vs. H. H. Hart for \$40 were both continued until this afternoon in order that Hart's attorney might have ample time in which to reach the court room. Both suits are for labor performed on Hart's claim.

The case of Jas. Wilson vs. Crabb for money, was continued, Crabb not being present.

C. Shepherd, over whom hovers the charge of "d. and d." was not in court and will be tried this afternoon.

New Rolling Stock.

In view of the greater stretch of road to operate in the near future, and the good patronage from those bound for Dawson and Cape Nome over the ice, and the outward travel from the Yukon basin and the prospective local traffic from promising properties being developed near by, the White Pass & Yukon railroad is making big strides in the increase of rolling stock.

Superintendent J. P. Rogers gave out that the company has under construction in the Skagway shops 40 flat cars of 40,000 pounds each, and material has been ordered for 80 more freight cars and two large baggage cars. Four new locomotives, two compounds and two simples, have been ordered and will be here in February.

The cars being built here are being furnished with all modern equipment, and in point of convenience and general stability will be second to none.

An average of a car a day is being turned out. The entire work of construction is done in the local shops, but later on the company will bring the material here from the sound prepared to put together just as received. Thirty-two men are employed in the shops.

A considerable work looking to the maintenance of the rolling stock and its housing is being done all along the line so far as it extends at present, and more work is to be added to the Skagway round house and an oilhouse will be erected at the shops, work to be begun on both improvements immediately.—Skagway Alaskar.

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