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TREADGOLD CONCESSION

Bids Fair to Become the Greatest Mining Octopus That Has Ever Fastened Tentacles On Klondike Preparing to Locate Relapsed Ground Vigilance the Word.

Mr. A. N. C. Treadgold, procurer, promoter and possessor of the much talked of Treadgold concession, the effect of which was published in the Nugget several weeks ago, has returned to Dawson to receive the plaudits of his fellow stockholders over the success he has so far attained in the Klondike, and possibly with the intention of mapping out future operations which shall line their pockets with golden shekels. It will be recalled that it is this concession which contains the famous section 10, regarding the interpretation of which there was such a divergence of opinion among official circles. Treadgold insisted that by his lease he was entitled to everything on Hunker, Bear, Bonanza and Eldorado, not already held by others and which might in the future go to the government. More than that not only was the ground his by right of divine right, should he choose to claim it, but it was unnecessary for him to establish such a claim. In other words, it was compulsory for him to acquire the particular piece of ground in order to effectively tie it up. It is the opinion of his lease that the concessions should be staked by his representatives similar to the manner necessary in the case of any free miner, but if he did not care to do so no one else could, and the ground simply would lie dormant until such time as it should suit his sweet will to make some disposition of it. Such was his interpretation of section 10, which in effect meant the closing of the creeks named, their tributaries and all the concessions bench ground from any further location. In the gold commissioner's office there was no doubt that the minister of the interior had never intended the section should be so far-reaching in its intent, but on account of a certain ambiguity of the language employed no grants were issued in locations pending a clearer interpretation of the section from Ottawa. Applications for record were received in the meantime but were held in abeyance. The order finally issued removing the doubt as to exactly what was meant, grants which had been temporarily shelved were issued and the welcome news went forth that the concessionaire had not succumbed in calling the ENTIRE Klondike district, which would have been

RECEIVED BY WIRE. DAWSON PARTIES

Said to Be Promoting Competing Railroad. Skagway, Oct. 16.—The Vancouver Province of the 10th prints a long story of a second railroad from salt water to the Yukon, but names no promoter or capitalists except two Dawson parties.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE

Skagway Restaurant Cook Tried Laudanum Route. Skagway, Oct. 16.—Louis Lund, a restaurant cook, attempted suicide here last night by taking a large dose of what he had purchased at a local drugstore for laudanum. The clever druggist, however, divined his customer's intentions and sold him only a weak solution which had no further effect than to make him very sick.

Subscription Reduced

Beginning with this issue the subscription of the Daily Nugget will be reduced to three dollars per month, delivered by carrier to any address within the limits of Dawson. This reduction is made by reason of the facilities which we now enjoy for turning out a modern up-to-date journal at a minimum cost, the Nugget now possessing a plant which cannot be excelled in any city of the world of a similar size. Our readers will notice that while we have reduced the price of the paper we have increased its size, and are now publishing an eight-column metropolitan journal, equal in text, matter and typographical appearance to the up-to-date dailies on the outside.

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Persons Enquired For. Wm. P. Foley, Whitehorse, Y. T.; Jas. Young, Badcock, Ester, Eng.; Henry B. Cowan, Wichita, Kansas; Jas. Riley, Moncton, N. B.; Geo. L. Smith, East Tawas, Mich. Died at Skagway. Skagway, Oct. 16.—Dora Clifford, well known in the Skagway and Dawson half world, died last night at the Bishop Rowe hospital.

RECEIVED BY WIRE. UNGRATEFUL ROOM-MATE

Robb Klondiker Neil Simmonds in Seattle. Seattle, Oct. 16.—Via Skagway, Oct. 16.—Neil Simmonds, a Klondiker, was robbed of \$500 last night by his room-mate, Ed Neil, whom he had previously aided financially.

DOUBTFUL COURT

Skagway Council's Actions Are Questioned by Judge Brown. Skagway, Oct. 16.—In the district court yesterday in the appeal case of Skagway vs. Riley, Judge Brown gave an intimation of a decision which, if given, will practically put an end to the municipal court instituted by the city council as the effect of the judge's decision will be that the municipal magistrate has no jurisdiction.

RECEIVED BY WIRE. KLONDIKE CREEKS RAILWAY

Promoter E. C. Hawkins, Ex-General Superintendent of W. P. & Y. R.—Steam Will Be Used Instead of Electricity—No Doubt of Its Being Built in Near Future.

Victoria, B. C., Oct. 9, via Skagway, Oct. 16.—E. C. Hawkins, late general manager of the White Pass railroad, in an interview today made a statement that railways would eventually tap the principal creeks of the Klondike and with the advent of cheaper fuel steam would be the motive power employed instead of electricity.

DETAILS OF WASHOUT

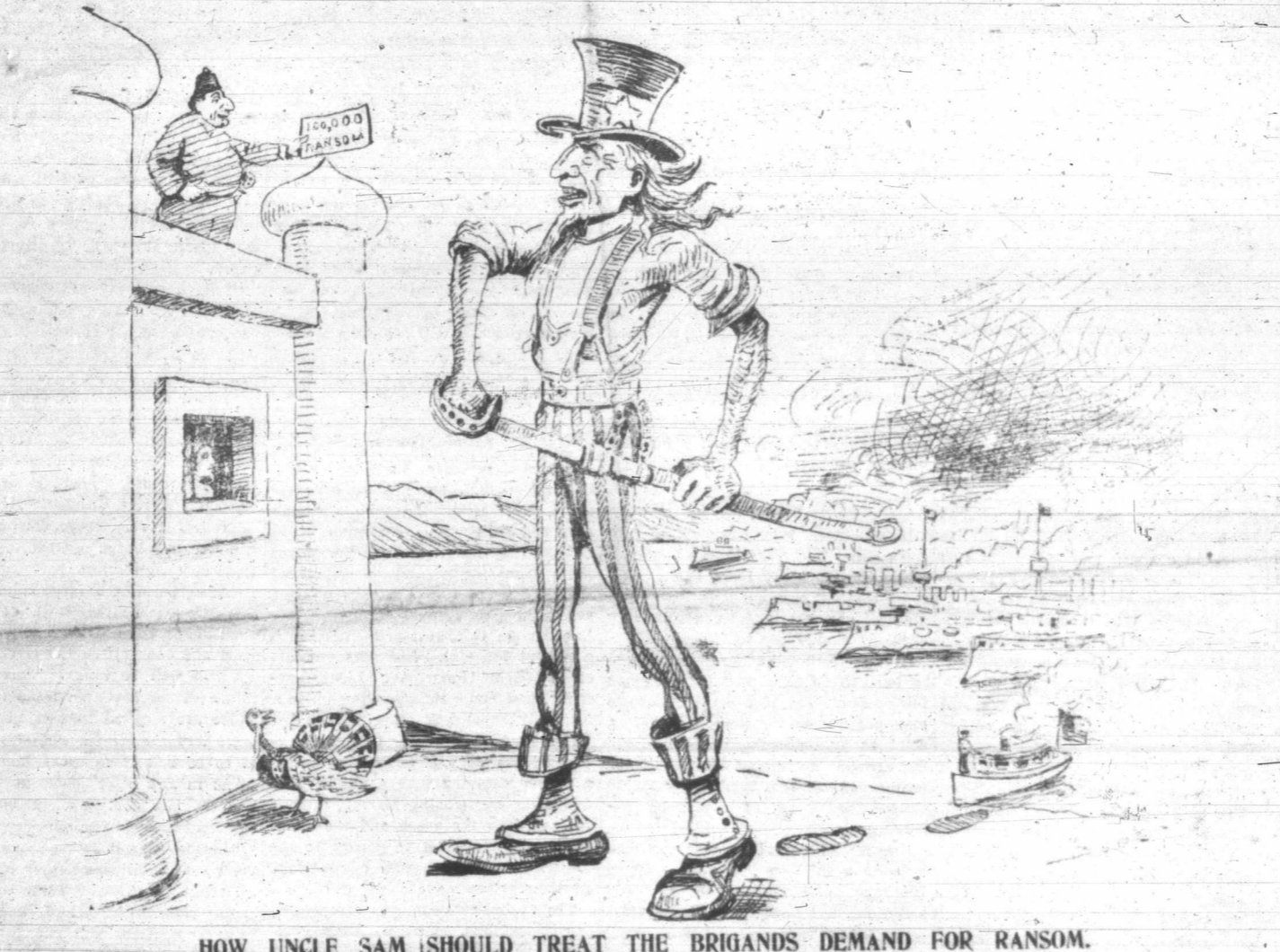
Whitehorse, Oct. 16.—The train which left here Saturday with about 75 passengers only, reached Caribou where word was received of a big slide near Pennington. Later it was reported that slides had occurred south of Fraser and that the bridges spanning the Skagway river had been washed out. The reports proved true and the train left its passengers at Caribou and returned to Whitehorse. Since that time communication with the outside has been entirely suspended. From Y. D. Lewis, who arrived on foot this morning from Skagway, the following is learned. From the Porcupine Hill bridge on the Brackett wagon road, the roadway of the W. P. & Y. R. has been utterly demolished for half a mile and the three railroad bridges have been damaged to the extent of losing two or three bents each. The main slide on the road was near Pennington where the track for a distance of 300 feet in length and 60 feet in depth has been swept away. A train left here for Caribou last night as it had been reported that that place was short of provisions and the delayed passengers wished to return to Whitehorse, but only about six availed themselves of the opportunity. A bulletin is now up in the White Pass depot that a train will be sent out tomorrow, but it is not expected that it will succeed in getting further than Fraser. The break at Pennington has been repaired but Mr. Lewis thinks it will take at least ten days to repair the Skagway end. Only a small amount of freight here and about forty tons reported in Skagway.

TOO MUCH LAW AT NOME

All Development of Claims Retarded by Litigation. Port Townsend, Wash., Sept. 27.—The steamer Senator has arrived from Nome with nearly 500 passengers and over half a million in treasure. Out of a large number of passengers on the Senator, not one of them brought out it is said, as much money as they took in. All speak in the highest terms of the country as a mining section, but say that the laws are such that it will be years before the country will open up. They say that not one new claim has been opened in the vicinity of Nome this season, for the reason that when prospectors find pay diggings, some one comes along and claims it by right of prior location, and it is then tied up in court. The largest nugget ever found in the north was taken out of Anvil creek on September 14th. It weighed 97 ounces, and is valued at \$1552. A rich strike is reported at the head of Grouse gulch. The claim was bonded for \$50,000, and the bond had lapsed but a few days when the strike was made. Sick and indigent people at Nome have reached such large numbers that the question of what shall be done with them is the main topic. Just before the Senator sailed a mass meeting was to be called for the purpose of raising money to send them out on the last boat. George Butler has a new supply of the "Flor de Mano"—a big 25c cigar. Only the best brands of cane goods served. Drinks and cigars 25c.—Pete McDonald, Bank saloon. If you want the "Big" 50 cent cigar—call at Butler's Pioneer.

ALONG THE WATER FRONT.

The Clifford Sifton will leave at midnight with a large list of passengers. This will be her last trip of an exceedingly prosperous season. After reaching Whitehorse she will be brought down to Hootalinqua and put on ways already constructed to receive her. The captain of the Sifton reports having passed a number of snows on his last trip down. The Flora left at three o'clock this afternoon with all accommodations sold. That she will land her passengers safely at Whitehorse is a foregone conclusion. The Flora passed Hootalinqua on her way down this forenoon. Killing Time and Grouse. Sheriff Eilbeck, who is one of the many passengers in the train blockade at Caribou, wired his son Jack yesterday evening that at that time there was no immediate show of the "rembargo" being lifted; that he and Comptroller Lithgow had put in yesterday grouse hunting, the woods in that locality being full of those delectable birds. Were it not that they would have to remain in Skagway pending the arrival of their baggage, the sheriff and many others of the travelers would "look it" to Skagway and a number of them may yet do so. Quiet Winter Anticipated. From the law and order standpoint the police department is looking forward to the most quiet winter known since Dawson came into existence. As has been before stated, a very large exodus to the outside of characters upon whom the watchful eye of the police was kept has taken place with the result that but few remain of the class apt to violate the laws of the land. There is probably not more than a well-behaved mining camp on earth as Dawson.



HOW UNCLE SAM SHOULD TREAT THE BRIGANDS DEMAND FOR RANSOM.

OATS TAKE DECIDED JUMP

A Corner Successfully Manipulated and Stock Now in Hands of Two Firms An Advance of \$60 Per Ton Since Saturday—May Yet Go Still Higher.

The church tent at Gold Bottom will be ready for winter by Sunday, October 20th. On that day at 8 p. m. the opening service will be held. There will be special music and the sermon will be preached by Rev. John Pringle, an old timer, famous on Stukine and Teslin trails, and at Glenora, telegraph and Atlin City. All are welcome. Shaking Hands Today. W. D. Bruce, the insurance man, is back in town after an extended trip to the outside. He comes in trip representing six more fire insurance companies. Mr. Bruce met Attorney Walsh in Vancouver in a peculiar manner. While taking a stroll by the Vancouver hotel he heard a melodious voice chanting the Zero Club refrain, "OH Why Do We Work?" and upon entering the billiard room found Brex Walsh entertaining a number of acquaintances in his inimitable manner. Farewell to the Yukon. Purser Niles, who has presided over the destinies of the steamer Clifford Sifton since she was launched, and who, by his gentlemanly deportment and accommodating manner, has made more friends than any man on the Yukon, will leave the steamer when she reaches Whitehorse this trip and return to childhood's happy home in Missouri. Mr. Niles does not expect to return to the Yukon again. Hotel Arrivals. EMPIRE HOTEL. Mrs. E. Whitehorse, Seattle, Mrs. H. Turner, Seattle, R. Elliott, Grand Forks, J. Ackman, Dominion, Wm. Phillips, Dominion; H. Curtis, lower Bonanza, James McNeill. WANTED—Position by competent lady cook. Address "Cook," Nugget office. Geo. Butler has a fresh consignment of the "Flor de Mano"—a big 25c cigar.

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THREE WOMEN AND A MAN

Travel Among Manitoba Mormons and Indians.

Young's Daughter "Aunt Amelia" is Head of Mormons There Peculiar Red People.

"I wish I knew," begins Elizabeth, "I wish I knew something"...

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some toughs; the gallant policeman came to the rescue. This was the beginning. The ending was his reply to Aunt Amelia's letter of expostulation and command with a badly-spelled but heartily meant quotation from the one poet whom he knew:

"From the beretic girl of my soul shall I fly, To seek somewhere else a more orthodox kiss?"

The other is that of a Scotch girl. The Mormons are averse to their maidens going out to domestic service, knowing well that once in the home of the gentle, and removed from the accustomed influence and restraint, they are apt to stray from the fold.

There was nothing to do but have a revelation, and Aunt Amelia proceeded to have it. The girl should at once return and become the wife of a certain Mormon—was the gist of the revelation. Instead of being over-

come at having all this take place on her account, what did this stubborn one do but gang her ain gait, merely remarking that it would take more than a revelation to make her marry any man but one of her own choosing.

The settlement is in a fertile district, and is rapidly growing larger. The average Mormon looks with suspicion on an outsider. He gives the gentlest little of his time, or courtesy, or money, as possible. When he makes an excursion for the purpose of replenishing his stores he proceeds warily. The horses are unhitched from the wagon, or, to use a western phrase, prairie schooner, on the outskirts of the town, and tethered. He eats in his own wagon, and goes home without spending one cent more than he is compelled to spend.

He makes a good settler, in that he is careful and hardworking, a poor settler in that he keeps between himself and his neighbor of another faith a strong wall of distrust.

But, as Jeanette says, there is plenty of room for everyone to have a little room to himself if he wants to. This gipsy way of steam is perfectly delightful, but hard on the complexion. Some of our party—I name no names—have taken on such a beautiful coat of tan that they resemble the original owners of this great west. The man of the house has one joke he never tires of, and that is suggesting that these be dropped off at some Indian village, and allowed to join their own tribe. Jeanette enjoys it. It is very well for her, but we cannot all be blondes with a pretty wave to our hair.

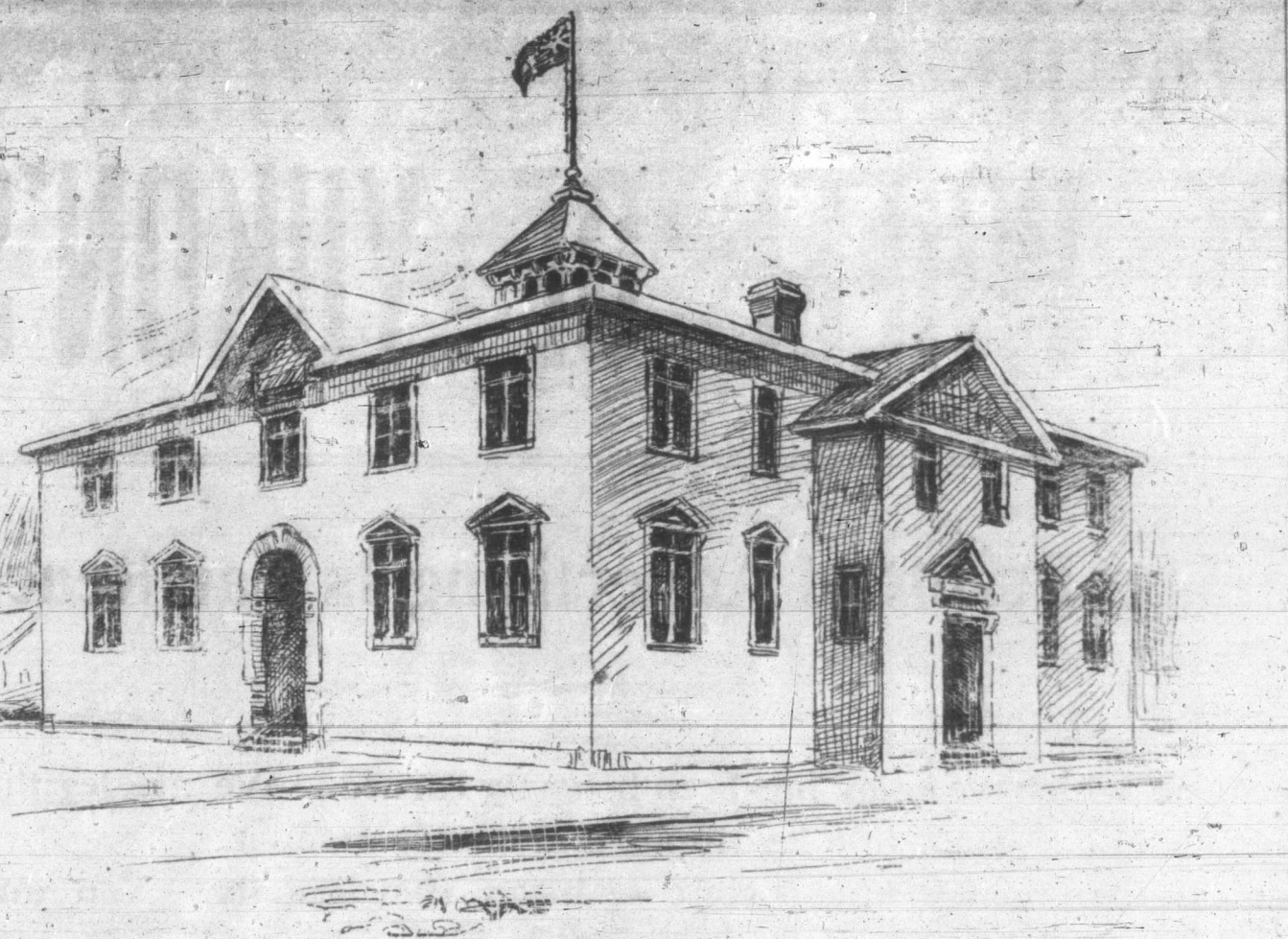
We came into a pretty prairie town one day, when a circus procession is in progress. The Indians are out in full force. They must be fond of excitement, these stolid folk, for wherever there is anything in the way of dissipating, merrymaking, or sight-seeing, there are they gathered together. The procession is like any other circus procession, but the crowd lining the sidewalk and grouping on the commons is a unique one.

Indians with gorgeous, unique, and big rings in the ears and grotesque adornment of their long braids of black hair; squaws with red and blue and yellow robes, and shawls which no rainbow could hope to rival. The chief glory of this tribe is the head. All the finery is for that important part of the body, for it beads are strong and ribbons woven. One has something different from his fellows, a brass wheel which looks as though it were screwed in the back of his head, but which must be fastened under his hair somehow. The effect is gruesome.

What seems strange is that groups of these Indians pass groups of other Indians without a glance of recognition or word of greeting. When I ask the man of the house the reason of this, he says with a laugh: "Oh, the Indian and the Scot is much alike! Each sticks to his own clan, and lets the rest of the world go hang!"

There is no use telling him he ought to be ashamed of himself, for he never is ashamed of himself. Besides, I am too much interested to argue.

Then there is another tribe who have all sorts of fixings on their feet, straps, buckles, beautifully braided moosehairs, gilt buttons on the leggings. One more enterprising than his fellows has a string of thimbles round his ankles. The squaws are no so fine. They seem to have donned such ornaments as their beavers could not find room for. But these have not the squat, unwieldy figures we



DAWSON'S NEW PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDING.

THE WAR IN BOERDOM

Shows Indications of Gradually Coming to an End.

Ladysmith, Natal, Sept. 30.—The British success at Fort Ital is now known to have been greater than was at first reported. Two hundred were wounded or captured.

London, Oct. 1.—"Mr. Kruger," says a dispatch to the Daily Mail from Brussels, "has abandoned the idea of sending a delegation to the president of the United States, having pursued the policy of non-intervention."

Pretoria, Sept. 30.—A pamphlet has been published here, under Lord Kitchener's authority, containing notice of the permanent banishment of several Boer leaders captured since the 15th, and also a long letter from Lord Kitchener, replying to a communication from Acting President Chalkberg, received September 25th. Lord Kitchener promises to send the Schalberger letter to the imperial government, which, he says, reciprocates the Boer statements of desire for peace.

Lord Kitchener then proceeds to explain that the responsibility for the war rests upon the burghers, "whose invasion of unprotected British territory opened the saddest page in South African history."

He quotes a letter from a member of the Volksraad to a member of the Cape Colony assembly declaring that "the time is ripe to drive the English from South Africa."

In conclusion Lord Kitchener declares that, having annexed the two republics to Great Britain, he cannot break faith with the people who have shown loyalty to the new regime, and so far as clemency to Cape rebels is concerned, this is the prerogative of the rulers which must be exercised with unforseen discretion.

A proclamation has been issued providing for the sale of properties of the burghers still in the field, in accordance with the terms of Lord Kitchener's previous proclamation.

RAY SOUTHWARD THE MINSTREL KING IS SINGING "GINGER LOU," "SHABBY COON" AND "DINNAH" THIS WEEK AT THE NEW SAVOY THEATER.

STEAMER DIRIGO IS SOLD

The remaining half interest in the Lynn canal steamer Dirigo, Captain McGregor, has been purchased by the Alaska Steamship Company, which operates the vessel for a consideration of \$60,000. John S. Kimball of San Francisco, owned the interest sold. The deal gives the Alaska Steamship Company entire ownership of the four vessels, the Dolphin, Dirigo, Farallon, and Rosalie, long operated by the company.

Negotiations for the sale were concluded yesterday morning. The Dirigo is scheduled to arrive from South-eastern Alaska today. The City of Seattle reports that she had about 200 passengers on leaving Lynn canal four days ago.—P. I. O.

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# SARGENT & PINSKA

NOTE: -- We Fired the Pebble That Slew Goliath.

"SMALL DEALERS"

### THE STEAMER LAVELLE YOUNG

Has Had a Checkered Though Interesting Career.

Fortune Was Beckoning to Her Former Owners, But Having "Cold Feet" They Heeded Not.

The arrival of the Lavelle Young a few days ago and how that remarkably staunch little craft came into the possession of its present owners brings back a bit of history which in this land of rapid evolution may be considered as somewhat ancient. The days of '88 saw the formation outside of companies and syndicates without end, some of which were promoted for legitimate means while others depended for dividends wholly upon the sale of beautifully lithographed stock certificates. Co-operative societies wherein every man in the party was to share equally in the labor, mine, sea, and whatever profits, however, in great profusion, but very few remained intact long enough even to reach their destination. Dredging syndicates sprang into existence and thousands of dollars were spent in building steamboats and purchasing machinery with which to dig for

to scoop up the bottoms of the gold bearing streams in such quantities that every stockholder would soon become a millionaire. The Lavelle Young was the result of one of these last named financial bubbles. There were a dozen or fifteen owners in the concern and their original outlay of capital could not have been much short of \$50,000. The steamer was built new in '98 on Puget Sound and came under her own steam to St. Michael, her objective point being the headwaters of the Koyukuk. In her construction her modelers deviated considerably from the ordinary type of vessel in general use for river navigation, her prow being rounded off instead of made sharp, giving her a snout-nosed appearance. Plenty of power was provided and her great breadth of beam allowed a large carrying capacity with comparatively light draft. Upon her arrival at St. Michael in August people who had chosen the all water route to the Klondike were climbing over each other in a mad endeavor to reach Dawson. Cargo space could not be had at any price and the owners of the Lavelle Young were offered all the freight they could carry at \$300 per ton, shippers begging them to take their consignments. But that would not be digging gold and the Young was here for the purpose of mining and nothing else. With a large outfit of provisions and tools and her hold containing \$15,000 worth of hydraulic and dredging ma-

chinery, the Lavelle Young finally put out for the Koyukuk, eventually reaching Bergman just about the close of navigation. The outfit went into winter quarters and the winter of '98 was spent in stampeding and staking claims. That year there were but very few people in the Koyukuk, and before spring had arrived the majority of the members of the syndicate had "cold feet" and were ready to quit and return to their more comfortable residences in the States. In hereternel discussions arose which finally resulted in a determination to sell the assets of the company and seek a more congenial climate. During the winter 80 claims were staked and recorded, but not one was prospecting or had a hole sunk to bedrock. The following summer the steamer was taken back to St. Michael and her present owners became the purchasers, included in the sale being the machinery which had been staked and the Koyukuk a short distance above Bergman. The total price paid for everything would not have exceeded the machinery alone at its place of manufacture, let alone the steamer and the bunch of claims, the latter, of course, being of extremely prohibitive value. The machinery referred to was of the best money could buy and included in the lot was the largest centrifugal pump ever brought to either Alaska or the Yukon. The vessel on and the new purchasers of the Lavelle Young de-

voted their attention more to transportation than to mining. The Koyukuk, where the claims lay which had been included in the deal, was but little known, so they were practically abandoned, and finally laid by reason of their not being represented. A year later there was a stampede to the new diggings, many new prospectors swarmed in and the ground which had once been the property of the Young syndicate was resurveyed by a different class of adventurers. Among the number relocated were several claims on Emma creek, which fell to the lot of the McNamar boys. These turned out very rich, and it was by a strange coincidence that this year the first large output of the Emma creek claims, \$52,000, was carried down the river by the very steamer whose builders and also whose subsequent owners had allowed the ground to lapse because they did not consider it worth while to bother about it. In telling the story of how a fortune had thus slipped through his fingers, narrated by one of the present owners of the Lavelle Young, he concluded by merely saying: "Now, wouldn't that rasp you?"

SEE THE MOTHER OF ALL FARCE COMEDIES, "PINK DOMINOES," AT THE NEW SAVOY THEATRE THIS WEEK.

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**Deaf Mute Gamblers.**  
"The biggest raise I ever saw in a poker game," said the doctor, "was when I was surgeon in a deal and dumb institution in a Western State. Some of the inmates who held positions in the asylum had a 'little poker club' that assembled every Saturday night in my office."  
"One night while the nutes were having a game with a good, healthy limit, a friend of mine, who was a drummer for a Chicago grocery house, and who was at the asylum selling a bill of goods, dropped in and wanted to play. The deaf mutes made room for him and the drummer was soon deep in the game. The players had some sort of sign to represent passing, staying, raising, and the like, and these terms were briefly explained to the drummer by one of the attendants in the asylum who was watching the game."  
"The playing went on steadily enough for awhile, and then there was a round of jackpots, for which the ceiling was taken off, and it was understood that everybody could bet as high as he wanted to. On the last of the jackpots, which had been unusually warm, and at which considerable money had been won and lost, exceedingly good hands seemed to be held all around, and the ante was raised several times before cards were drawn."  
"Four of the players, including the drummer, bet their hands, and they began raising each other \$5 at a

clip. The pace was too fast for everybody except the drummer and one of the deaf mutes, and they were left glaring at each other over an uncommonly big pot."  
"The symbol used by the deaf mutes for seeing a raise and going so much better had been to wave the clenched hand in front of the face. Ordinarily the mutes merely made a motion of the hand in front of the body. But after the deaf mute and the drummer had raised each other half a dozen times the mute, after a long hesitation, decided to see the drummer's raise and raise back again, and he made the motion signifying this action unusually emphatic, by shaking his fist squarely in the drummer's face."  
"The drummer was terribly excited by this time, and when the deaf mute shook his clenched hand in his face he thought he was being intimidated. He clinched his fist and shook it right back at the mute. The mute, determined not to lose the pot, shook his fist again, and the drummer reached over and brandished his fist back and forth under the deaf mute's nose."  
"The deaf mute gasped and shook his fist at the drummer, but the Chicago man, now exasperated beyond all measure, and forgetful of everything but the fact that a man was intimidating him, stood half on his chair and shook both fists in front of the deaf mute's face as fast as he could move them back and forth."  
"The deaf mute dropped his cards

and fainted, and the attendant rushed forward, grabbed the drummer by the arm, said:  
"Heaven, man, do you know what you've done?"  
"No-What?" asked the drummer.  
"Why," said the attendant, "you've raised that man \$75,000."  
"Anyhow, the drummer got the pot."—Chicago Tribune.

**At Victoria.**  
The shooting gallery on Johnson street was the scene of a shooting affray last night, as the result of which a Mrs. McMillan, the wife of the proprietor, is at the lock-up charged with shooting with intent. It appears that about 10 o'clock a Royal Garrison Artilleryman, while under the influence of liquor, patronized the gallery to a considerable extent. After he had expended his last dime he wanted some more shots. Being refused he became angry and was about to jump over the counter when the woman fired, the .32 calibre bullet lodging in his right breast.  
The wounded man walked to Shoholt's drug store and told the clerk that he had been shot. The latter summoned the police and Sergeant Hawton took Sweeney to Dr. Fraser, who, upon examination, found that the wound was not fatal. The woman was arrested at 5 o'clock this morning by Special Constable Stevenson. She will come up in the police court tomorrow morning. The artilleryman was today reported

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