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MAJOR PERRY'S COURT.

Mine Owners and Laborers Meet in Litigation.

Much Carelessness in Making Contracts Leads to Disagreement—Prisoner From Whitehorse.

The old saying, "law is not always justice," is not verified in Magistrate Perry's court, where not even clients whose cases are decided adversely to their interests can say that the law is not properly administered and at the same time justice is meted out to all. During the past few weeks a score or more cases similar in condition have been up for hearing. They are cases in which mine owners are being sued for wages by laborers. In no case has there been a written contract and in most cases, not even a well understood verbal contract between employer and employee. The former invariably contend that labor wage is to be paid at the clean up next summer, and the employees, when they come into court, say they were engaged with the understanding that they were to get their wages along as they needed money, and to be paid in full in event of their being discharged or quitting work for any other cause.

In court this morning, Robert Johnson had a claim against Mandigo and Clark of American gulch, for \$307.75, which claim was admitted. The usual "black and white" evidence regarding the time for payment was admitted, and an order was issued for the payment by Feb. 15th of the amount claimed.

J. W. Johnson was on hand with a claim of \$250.75 against the same parties for services rendered. The same evidence as mentioned in the preceding case was introduced, but as the plaintiff is sick and threatened with scurvy, the order of the court was that he be paid \$100 within five days and the remainder by February 15th.

Edward Wymire who was overtaken by wire and arrested at Whitehorse on his way to Bennett on the charge of stealing a raccoon robe from Bert Johnson, plead not guilty and asked that his case be continued until tomorrow when he will endeavor to prove by witnesses that Johnson loaned him the robe.

James Ryan got dates mixed and mistook Saturday the 13th for the 17th of Ireland, St. Patrick's day, and got gloriously drunk and at the same time very disorderly. He was fined \$10 and costs and as he had squandered his subsistence in riotous living for the next 14 days any communications for Mr. Ryan should be addressed to care of royal woodpile.

As an indication that another stray is to be added to the already large burden heaped upon J. H. Sutton by vaudeville females, another member of that sisterhood was in court this morning with a complaint which will cause a notice to be served on the unfortunate Sutton in the near future.

Police Court Constable Booth, of Cunningham-Forest-Semple case fame, is still confined in the guard house charged with having deserted a post of which he was assigned as sentinel on the night of the recent fire.

ARCTIC SAW MILL

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SLUCE, FLUME AND MINING LUMBER

At Lowest Prices. Order Now.

At Mill, OFFICES: Upper Ferry, Klondike river. Uoye's Wharf. J. W. Boyle

Switzer, whose mysterious alleged hold-up and robbery of \$1300 last Wednesday evening is being investigated, is still doing business at the old stand.

Fulda Was Puzzled.

L. R. Fulda was at the masquerade ball Friday night, not as a dancer but as a spectator. Some time before 2 o'clock two apparitions in masque, both ladies, approached the genial manager of the big company, familiarly chuckled his fat chin and passed on.

"Well," said Fulda, "those ladies appear to know me, but as I can see only their ankles, I do not recognize them." Then, after a long look at the tour neatly encased extremities, he continued, "No, I can not remember having seen those ankles before."

From the Outside.

Jack Reagan, well known in sporting circles, arrived from the outside last night in company with Ned Williams and wire. Last June Jack landed in Nome and things looked to use his own expression as if "I got down on a dead one." He secured a lot, now right in the center of the town and put up the first frame building there, which only took six hours to build.

The only set of furniture in Nome today he purchased at that time for \$60, for which he was offered \$200 a week later. Besides his city property, Jack has interests on Ruby, New Eldorado and Shovel creeks, the latter 120 miles southeast of Nome. In answer to a question of how the Dawson boys were making it, he said:

"The fellows from Dawson knew just what to do and how to do it, and they have all made money. Billy Gibson, a partner of Gus Seiffert, made a barrel of money, running a dance hall, with only three girls. Jack McCloud, who left here with Jack, opened a gambling house and cleaned up \$30,000, and has 18 good interests in claims. Charley Cole has a coal yard, and charges \$5 for a 'little bity' sack of coal."

While in San Francisco, he met any number of Dawsonites who were anxious to get back to Dawson. Charley Anderson gave a banquet at the Cliff house to boys from here.

Billy Chappell, will soon be in. He was married recently to Miss May Lamore. Billy tried to have an automobile built in New York that would do away with mushing.

Nellie Lamore bought a house in San Francisco for which she paid \$8000 cash.

Jack passed Nellie Holgate, who was reported frozen severely, and says she is the best "musher" in that outfit.

Jack will wait for steamboats now before continuing his journey.

"Prince" Tommy Dolan.

Tommy Dolan, quiet, good natured, easy-going Tommy is bound for Nome. So says Corporal Skirving, who met the "Prince" of Hunker in Lee Pate's place at Fort Yukon on his return from the Edmonton trip. The corporal tells an interesting story of what he saw and heard about Tommy while there, which gives a brilliant hue to his romantic career, for he is leaving the trail smoke behind him with burning money.

Tommy is going to Nome and has two of the best teams on the trail purchased by a dog expert who had unlimited orders. He travels as only a prince should travel. He carries coffee and tea only for his retinue of guides, cooks, dog drivers, camp makers and trail breakers, while he and his guests drink chocolate. The sled which carries the help's outfit is loaded with first-class provisions, but Tommy's sleigh is a different thing, for he carries every delicacy of epicurean delight procurable at Circle City. The trail is strewn with bottles labeled, brandy peaches, chut-

ney, etc. It seems as if "there's nothing too good for the Irish." His reputation for generosity precedes him and his approach to an Indian village is announced by a gathering of the inhabitants with many small presents of moccasins, and dog fish, and with robes, fur garments and dogs for sale. Tommy's valet quietly disperses these gatherings by giving a "piece of silver" to each one, and the prince is not further disturbed. An instance is cited where Tommy asked a man just from the McKenzie river the price of a parkey he was wearing. The owner of the parkey thought it was worth \$10. "I'll take it," said Tommy, as he dove into his pocket and extracted a nuge roll of bills with a hundred dollar wrapper, but you could just as well have asked \$50. The corporal asked Tommy where he got so flush. His reply was that "I have just sold my claim on Hunker for \$12,000 cash," and he flashed several rolls, all with a hundred dollar wrapper, to convince the corporal that he had it with him, too.

The only danger Tommy will run on his trip is being sidetracked somewhere on the lower river with an attack of gout.

He has with him as guests the Messrs. Samuel Chesterfield Newman and John Augustus Swift, both well known in Dawson, besides a gentleman traveling incog, and a Mr. Anthony, who had just escaped the rigors of the Edmonton trail, and whom Tommy insisted upon joining them on their pleasure trip.

All hail! to the "Prince of Hunker."

PERSONAL MENTION.

H. B. Hines of No. 20 Eldorado is a guest of the Hotel McDonald.

Mrs. Clark, the Christian Scientist, is visiting on lower Bonanza.

F. H. Barnett, formerly with the N. A. T. & T. Co., and Mr. Roberts arrived in from Seattle last evening.

Mrs. Stewart, who started for the outside Saturday, was obliged to lay over at Ogilvie on account of the bad condition of the trail, caused by high winds.

W. J. Graham, one of the stokers in the fire department, contracted a severe cold while fighting the Front street fire. He did not report for duty at the station this morning.

Matt Probst, the fireman who broke his arm at the recent fire, is doing as well as can be expected. Between the elbow and shoulder, he sustained four fractures. The limb has been set, but it will be a long while before he recovers the use of the injured arm.

A False Alarm.

Yesterday afternoon the silence of Dawson's Sabbath was broken by three short blasts of the whistle at the A. C. Co.'s electric light plant. As it was foggy and the sight was limited to a block, business men at their homes came rushing down town expecting a repetition of last Wednesday's fire. It proved, happily for the business man, to be a test of a new whistle just put in, but unhappily for the engineer. Sergeant Wilson came swooping down upon him and gave him to understand that the people were nervous about fires and he must not irritate them further.

RECEIVED BY WIRE. LOOKING FOR CLAYSON.

His Brother Coming Into the Interior.

Unfounded Rumor at Skagway That Bodies Have Been Located—Police Have no Information.

(Special to the Daily Klondike Nugget.)
Skagway, Jan. 15.—Will Clayson, brother of the missing man of the same name, is in Bennett, intending to continue on into the interior in search of his brother, who there is little doubt has been killed. Clayson is to keep his friends in Skagway informed as to his movements by wire, but no word as yet has been received from him.

The Bennett mail carrier in today from that point states that a report has reached there of the finding of the bodies of two men on the trail near Hutchiku. It is stated that one of the bodies had two bullet holes in it. There is, however, no official information regarding the tragedy and the general belief is that the story of the discovery of the bodies is based upon rumor entirely.

Dawsonites just arrived say that there is no doubt expressed along the trail that the whole party, Clayson, Relfe and Olsen have been murdered and their bodies disposed of.

Norseman's Criticisms.

When the alarm of fire was given this morning as the result of an incipient blaze on Second avenue, the up-town contingent of the fire department responded with all haste. The writer knows that not a second was wasted, because he was toasting his toes at the fire hall stove at the time the alarm was given. One of the little cayuses was speedily hitched to the hook and ladder wagon, which vehicle is a load of itself for two horses to say nothing of the chemical engine cart that drags behind it, the doors flew open and the run began. Persons acquainted with the approach at the south of the bridge which is parallel with the fire house know that the grade is quite steep and in making the turn on the steep grade just after emerging from the building a great test of horse strength is required. This morning just as that turn was being made five men, not including the driver, who was already in his seat sprang upon the long wagon instead of waiting until the incline was made, greatly retarding the progress of the pony. This was too much for a Scandinavian who witnessed the action and who thusly spoke his mind: "Y— —! Yust look at dem tam fools! Why not da wait da ground on and help da pany oop da hill instead of yumping da wagon on. Yust lok tam fools what da is." And having thus delivered himself the hardy Norseman went on about his business.

FIRE! J. L. Sale & Co., now at branch store, 2nd Ave., next to Palmer Bros.

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WILL BE SENT BROADCAST.

The Nugget proposes to lay before the people of Canada the exact status of public opinion in the Yukon Territory with reference to the regulations now governing the industry of placer mining. To this end, copies of Saturday's paper, containing interviews with a large number of Dawson's prominent business men, concerning the effect of the Nome excitement upon the future of Dawson, will be mailed to all the prominent newspapers of Canada, to the members of parliament and other men prominent in public life in the Dominion.

Our statesmen at Ottawa, who so long have closed their ears to the continuous pleadings of the Yukon for relief, may possibly be able to understand and appreciate an object lesson such as was set forth in Saturday's paper.

Unquestionably the Nome fever has taken a strong hold upon the people of this territory, but not for the reason that there is any well founded belief that Nome is any richer than the gold producing district adjacent to Dawson. The opportunities for securing a fortune at Nome are still exceedingly problematic. The creeks of known value were long ago covered with locations by men on the ground, and all the newcomer may expect to do is to secure a location on a new creek or take his chances at rocking on the beach, the returns from which, undoubtedly, have been vastly overestimated.

Men are preparing to leave the Yukon country for the reason that they are being literally driven out of it by laws as cruel and vicious as any that Krueger ever enacted in the Transvaal. That fact cannot and will not be denied by the most ardent supporter of the Liberal party in Dawson, unless he is a man so blinded by passion and prejudice as not to be able to see facts patent to everyone else.

This is the condition that we purpose shall be known at the earliest possible moment throughout the length and breadth of Canada. The Nugget is satisfied that no change in the attitude of the present government can be expected until the fact is forced upon the government that by its own acts it is rapidly destroying a country which already has become a source of large revenue to the Dominion, and which, if governed by wise and just laws,

would become a still larger contributor to the general treasury. The interviews in Saturday's Nugget will furnish food for thought to the government supporters on the outside for some time to come.

The reported holdup and murder of three men on the trail between Minto and Hutchiku suggests the possibility of frequent similar occurrences during the approaching summer. From every creek men will be wending their way to Dawson, carrying with them, in many cases, the product of a winter's work at wages or the proceeds of the spring cleanup of a claim. There are many secluded nooks along the creeks which will furnish cover for the highway robber, and, now that his nefarious work has been started, it may be expected that other attempts in the same line may be made unless so strong an example is made of the perpetrators of this first outrage—when their guilt is established—that others similarly inclined will take warning and turn from the error of their way. However that may be, there is little or no doubt of the presence in the country of men who will jump at any opportunities that may be offered in the holdup line, provided they can be used without too great a risk. The police will have their hands full to protect the miner next summer.

The present cold spell has come on rather unexpectedly. Special care should be taken by every one during the continuance of the cold spell to avoid the danger of fire. With the thermometer at 50 degrees below zero there is a very considerable increase in the chances for fires to break out, owing to the fact that stoves must in many cases be kept red hot in order to furnish sufficient heat to keep a building warm. At the very same time it should be remembered that it is far more difficult to extinguish a fire during the prevalence of such weather than under ordinary circumstances. The utmost care must be taken if last Wednesday's disaster is not repeated.

The London Times, which is probably the most accurate reflex of British public opinion, expresses the view that the conditions which confront the empire in South Africa involves the most serious problem that the mistress of the seas has been called upon to solve since the days of the Indian mutiny. The tremendous efforts which are now being put forward to hurl an overwhelming force against the Boers proves both that the serious nature of the situation is fully realized and that it is being met in a masterly manner.

A man in Dawson who happens to be possessed of a pair of wooden legs is in big luck. He has no need to fear any discomfort resulting from cold feet.

THE STROLLER'S COLUMN.

"But for one thing I would have had a force of men at work cleaning the rubbish off my lot the day after the fire, preparatory to the erection of a good business structure," remarked a man who was burned out last week to the Stroller Saturday night. "But of what use is it to spend money and a whole lot of it in improving property by the erection of buildings which are liable to be burned up before they are even completed? Previous to the late fire there were no less than 150 stove pipes, perhaps more, sticking through roofs into the air in the block which was partially destroyed. And say, did you ever notice the material from which stove pipes are made here? No! Well then I'll tell you. They are made in many cases of sheet iron—sheet iron which is but little heavier than tinplate and such stove pipes are sure to become sieves after being used a few months and I sometimes feel that it is either providential protection or bull luck that prevents many more fires than we have. Think of it; a stove as big as a ten bushel box, crammed full of dry wood and one measly old stove pipe conducting the smoke, fire and heat up through perhaps two floors and a dry roof. I do not blame the stove dealers for furnishing such flimsy pipes for the reason that the material is as it is received by them from the outside. It is of inferior quality and being light, the freight on it is less than on heavier material. But even pipes from the best sheet iron ever rolled are not fit or safe to be used as flues, and until some action is taken by the council to compel every property owner within the fire limits to put up brick flues, even terra cotta is not safe. I will take no steps towards improving my now bare lot. Of course, I do not expect people to build chimneys at this season of the year, but let them be required to do it within six or eight months so as to insure some degree of safety for property before time for the next annual fire rolls around. If I am given the assurance that such an ordinance will be passed and rigidly enforced I will start men to work at once."

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"I wish I was running a newspaper in this town," remarked a business man to the Stroller a few days ago, "you bet I'd make things hum. Why a fellow came into my store a few days ago and was kicking to me about some little innocent item that had appeared in a paper. He said he didn't care about the people in here, but that if a copy of that paper ever got outside here—I would be to pay. I asked him if he meant to insinuate that there were not just as respectable people in Dawson as on the outside, and he said yes, but everything goes here. Now, if I was running a paper I would just show people of that stamp that everything don't go here and that the strong arm of decency and morality is long enough to embrace the people of Dawson just the same as it does in other places. As a general rule the class of people who say everything goes in Dawson are certainly not good patrons of the papers. The man who was kicking to me acknowledged that he had been here over a year and not spent as much as one dollar with the local newspapers in that time. Yet he thinks the newspapers should shield him in every little matter that he may prefer to not have published. If I was strolling for a paper there are several evils existing in Dawson which would be abated; the number of Yukon marriages would be lessened; the names of several men whom I know to have been offered work this winter and who declined it and are now sleeping in bar rooms (look over there behind the stove where some of them have been asleep over eight hours) would be given to the police and they would be pulled for vagrancy; I would roast the ultra sanctimonious law that closes a theater 15 minutes before

the last curtain on a decent family entertainment that people have paid to see, merely because 12 o'clock Saturday night chances to pass the grandstand half a neck ahead of the play."

"That kind of journalism is all right," ventured the Stroller, "but may be you would get licked for it."

"Licked," roared the business man, "well I guess the fellow that ever tried that would curse the day he was born. Why, I would rake up everything known about him, publish his pedigree and see to it that the paper went outside. Oh, no, nobody would want to lick me but once. I knew a paper man back in Arkansas and a fellow—What must you go? Well, s'long."

SECRET SOCIETIES.

Arctic Brotherhood.

At the meeting of the Arctic Brotherhood Friday night, Messrs. E. B. Condon, Leroy Tozier and D. A. Shindler surmounted the obstacles which beset the trail and were allowed to nibble of the fraternal cracker. The Arctic Brotherhood is gathering into its ranks the very best men in the city. The camp now has a membership of upwards of 60 and additional applications are being received at every meeting.

The Eagles.

One of the best meetings in the history of Dawson Eagledom was held Sunday night. Nearly all the members of the club were present and mirth jollity and good fellowship was the order of the occasion. The charter authorizing the organization of a regular aerie of Eagles is expected by every mail. There are already upwards of 50 members of the order in this place, and three times that number wish to become members on the arrival of the expected charter. Although a new order, the Eagles is one of the strongest on the Pacific coast.

There is some talk of organizing an Odd Fellows club in Dawson, there being several hundred members of the order here. In matters humane and in care of the sick, orphans and widows Odd Fellowship ranks first in the category of secret orders. No man who is an odd Fellow ever knows what when surrounded by his brothers. The "chain gang's" long suit is fraternalism.

NOTICE.

Parties having Laundry at the Palace Barber Shop can get same by calling at Ruth Howard's cabin in rear of Hobb's sawmill.

Sour Dough Letter Heads for sale at the Nugget office.

A Small Blaze.

At 10 o'clock this morning, a small blaze in a cabin to the rear of the Cafe Royal called out the fire department. No trouble was experienced in quenching the fire. The cabin is owned and occupied by Jerry Lawson. The fire was caused by a defective flue. No considerable damage resulted to the cabin nor its contents.

Bargains—Watches and diamonds at reduced prices. Uncle Hoffman.

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EXPRESSED BY A CANADIAN.

T. D. McFarlane, of Dawson, Talks in Ottawa.

Says More Capital Is Needed Here—Thinks the Royalty Law Works Hardship.

A late issue of an Ottawa paper contains a long interview held with T. D. McFarlane of this city, who is visiting on the outside. Mr. McFarlane is a mine owner and speaks plainly of the conditions as they exist here. On speaking of Dawson's needs, the Ottawa paper reports Mr. McFarlane as saying:

"This matter of capital was one which was of the greatest importance to the Yukon. At the present time it was a peculiar but none the less well known fact that English capitalists were much more disposed to invest in British Columbia properties than they were in the Yukon. This, too, was, notwithstanding the striking contrast shown by the figures of the output from the two districts, British Columbia showing an output last year of only \$3,000,000, as against the \$10,000,000 of the Canadian Yukon.

The explanation, however, was not difficult to find. Apart from the exaggerated stories of hardships told of the latter, there had been the swindles perpetrated on English investors by a few sharp Yankee operators. These had succeeded in floating in London several worthless claims which they had staked off, and secured the right to, in districts where there had never been any gold found at all.

"These swindles had scared off the average English investor from Klondike enterprises, and he had preferred to take up the better known, if less rich offerings, in British Columbia, where, from the greater accessibility of the country, and the absence of 'boom,' he felt a security that the Klondike experiences referred to had shaken as regards the latter country.

"Speaking of the royalty of 10 per cent which the Dominion government has imposed on all the gold mined in the Canadian Yukon (with the exception of the first \$5000, which is left exempt), Mr. Macfarlane said there was no doubt in his mind that the amount of the royalty was excessive, and that a real grievance had been created by its imposition.

"He was willing to admit that the principle of a royalty on the output was beyond question. He believed that the Yukon should pay for the Yukon, and that as a great deal of the gold mined there was taken out by United States citizens, in fact, the great bulk of it was—a royalty was the more justified on this further score.

"But a 10 per cent royalty on the output was too high. It did not, in fact, represent only 10 per cent that the government was getting out of the transaction, but 400 per cent. In order to mine the gold on which the royalty was collected, the miner had to employ labor, which he paid for at very high prices. The cost of this labor entered as much into the output of the claim as did the claim itself, and in collecting a 10 per cent royalty on the output the government was virtually imposing a tax on labor, and the 10 per cent levy became a matter of something like 40 per cent. If the royalty on the other hand, were exacted only on the profits, then there could be no objection taken to it.

"Mr. Macfarlane said that the opposition to the 10 per cent royalty had been so keen and so forcibly expressed by the mining community that he considered it not improbable that the government would decide to remove the grievance by the substitution of some other method which would still give it an equitable revenue from the gold output.

"Recently the old 90-day regulation, according to which the prospector had

to settle on a claim for a term of 90 days before he could obtain his certificate, had been done away with, and in its stead a \$200 fee was charged, on payment of which the finder of the claim secured ownership of the property for one year.

"This arrangement found much more favor with mining men than the previous regulations, and a large number of \$200 payments had already been made. Mr. Macfarlane thought that when the government found that a good revenue was assured from this source they would abolish the unpopular royalty.

"Speaking of the reported recent large discoveries of gold in the Cape Nome district, Mr. Macfarlane said that he did not anticipate that they would in any way divert gold seekers from the Canadian Yukon. The only advantages which he had heard claimed for Cape Nome over the latter was in the greater freedom enjoyed by the saloon-keepers and the gambling element, and that was certainly a fragile foundation on which to build enthusiastic expectations for the wealth of the district.

"Reverting to the question of the 10 per cent royalty now exacted by the Canadian government on the output of Yukon, Mr. Macfarlane said he strongly favored the establishment of a Canadian government mint in that country. The government, he thought, ought to take over all the gold and issue scrip in its place. In this way the gold could be largely retained in the Dominion, instead of being taken out in immense quantities, as is now the case. There would, moreover, be the profit of mintage to the government, and he believed the matter was one which should be acted upon by the present ministry without delay.

"Mr. Macfarlane will return to Dawson City early in March. Before going back he may make a short business trip to England in connection with a number of hydraulic concessions which he is interested in.

"Mr. R. R. Macfarlane, a brother of Dr. Macfarlane's, who has charge of St. Mary's hospital at Dawson City, came out with Mr. Macfarlane and sailed on the Dominion line steamship Dominion for Liverpool, accompanied by Mr. Macfarlane. He will be absent most of the winter, returning to Dawson in the spring.

Record of Transfers.

E. Davis to W. G. Brien et al, two-thirds upper half 76 above, Sulphur.

W. J. Skynner to L. Netland quarter 1a above Kedford's, Quartz.

H. A. Goheen to T. J. King et al, all bench, 2d tier, left limit, 32-33 below, Bonanza.

H. A. Goheen to T. J. King, half hillside, left limit, 32-33 below, Bonanza.

R. W. Ingaerthe to J. Pearson, et al, half 16 below, Canon.

W. H. P. Clement to G. Delhi, all hill, lower half, left limit, 69 below, Bonanza.

O. Benson to V. Heywood, half bench, right limit, Indian river, 10th up stream from O'Rourke's.

O. McMahon to V. W. Heywood, half bench, right limit, Indian river, 6th up stream from O'Rourke's.

W. C. Finley to V. W. Heywood, half bench, right limit, Indian river, 9th up stream from O'Rourke's.

P. Keys to J. L. Phiscater, quarter on up at 15 below upper, Dominion.

"In Times of Peace."

A painful commentary on one of the prevailing tendencies of mankind, even in this day of peace conferences, is afforded in the fact that one of the first questions arising in connection with any new and notable invention is, what use can be made of it in war? Thus it was with wireless telegraphy and thus it is with the automobile. Plans for the use of the horseless carriage in war have taken definite shape in the construction of a "motor scout," equipped with a light rapid fire gun, and capable of making a speed of 18 miles an hour for 125 miles. Another war motor is proposed, equipped with two rapid fire guns in two revolving turrets, and a search light. All this goes to support M. von Bloch's argument that the wars of the future will have so many terrors unknown to the wars of the past that

the only thing for the race to do to save itself from self-annihilation is to vow eternal peace.—Ex.

Good Financiering.

The Dominion government has done well with its telegraph line from Bennett to Dawson. In the first place, it was economical in the construction of the line, which was completed for the 740 miles at a cost of \$137,000, or \$180 per mile, whereas the estimates if the C. P. R. Telegraph Co. for the work was \$350 and of the G. N. W. Telegraph Co. \$400 per mile respectively. The government has not only constructed the line economically, but is operating it at a profit. Thirteen thousand dollars in tolls for a single month's business is fairly good earnings for a telegraph line employing 25 operators and running through a district whose total population is approximately estimated at 15,000.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

At 1 o'clock today the barometer registered 51 degrees below zero.

Charlie Delone assumed charge of the gambling games, this morning, in the New Pavilion saloon.

A picture of the apparatus and firemen was taken by L. R. and Duclou at station No. 2 this afternoon.

A moccasin full of rocks has been hung up for a bicycle race between Humboldt Gates and Fritz Kloke.

The new Hoffman grill room has sprung high into popular favor already. The bill of fare contains everything to please the most fastidious, while popular prices are the rule.

Tom O'Brien is busily engaged in clearing his property of debris occasioned by the fire. This morning he started to lay the sills for his new building, which he expects to open within two weeks.

The big safe which was used by the Canadian Bank of Commerce in the downtown office has been moved to the brick warehouse on Third street, where it will be stored until the downtown office is reopened.

No. 1 fire hall is having a drop harness made for the two horses which draw the chemical engine. When arrangements are completed, a lever will drop the harness upon the horses and open the hall doors.

The A. C. Co.'s light plant whistle will hereafter announce the discovery of fire in its immediate vicinity in the Third ward, by blowing three long blasts three times. Should the fire assume a serious aspect this will be repeated.

A quiet little banquet was given by Luther Schooling to a few friends this morning about 3 a. m. The spread consisted of a pie taken from the mess room of the A. C. Co., which is against the rules, and we were asked not to mention it.

Beginning Saturday evening there was a steady decline in mercury. Sunday morning it was down to 48 below, and at 8 o'clock this morning the thermometer kept by Cribbs & Rogers, and reckoned to be one of the most reliable in Dawson, marked 58 below. At other points and by other instruments 62 and 63 were recorded.

It is but justice to state that Musical Bailey, of whom mention was made recently as having been interested in the late Maud Lloyd, was, with many other kindly disposed people who had known her on the outside, solicitous for her care and comfort during her illness. But further than the prompting of a kind heart, Mr. Bailey had no greater interest in her welfare.

Health officer Dr. Goode, whose office was formerly in the Board of Trade building, is now located in Mrs. West's building opposite Nigger Jim's pavilion. The doctor's services are in frequent demand these days. As in all places, so in Dawson. People will go to a free doctor for treatment of a gum-bol on a toe or any such trifling complaint, when, if they had to foot their own bills, they would never think of consulting a doctor.

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MINING INFORMATION.

From Gold Hill, Bonanza and Eldorado Creeks.

Extensive Operations Being Conducted This Season—More Men Employed Than a Year Ago.

Large dumps evidence operations on Bonanza, Gold Hill and Eldorado. On lower Bonanza, more dirt has been taken out during the past three months than was washed through the sluice boxes last spring. Of course, this increase in the output is due to the operation of machinery on most of the claims. The creek claims, which have given any prospects, are being worked with full forces of men; and it is unquestionably true that more miners are now employed than there have been during any previous year. Numerous properties on the hillsides and benches are conducting operations, and the gravel from a number of such claims is taken directly to the creek bottom in cars operated by a wire cable.

On upper Bonanza, water is troubling the miners, and owners are engaged in overcoming this difficulty. On No. 14 above, John Trembley has succeeded in ridding his claim of water, and for the past ten days very fine pay dirt has been hoisted. Operations on the hillsides and benches on this portion of the creek are not nearly so active as they are below discovery.

The claim owners on Gold Hill are doing some extensive and deep mining this winter. Most of the properties have larger dumps now than they did a year ago. The great expense which has heretofore attached to the extraction of gold from the gravel may be obviated to some extent by most of the claim owners next spring. Costly preparations are being made to catch the water on the back of the hill, and to hold it for sluicing purposes. If this scheme is successful some of the properties will have immense earnings. At least 1000 men are engaged in mining on Gold Hill, and the wages average a little higher than they do on Bonanza. The owners have no trouble in increasing their dumps, for the ground is remarkably dry; but the profits of their exertions will be determined by the water supply in the spring.

All the claims on this creek are being worked. Some few, however, are doing nothing more than enough to represent; such as these are using their property for ground sluicing during the summer. The most busy place on the creek is in the vicinity of No. 17.

There are several road houses and saloons in this locality, all of which are doing a flourishing business.

On No. 16, Putrow is working about 40 men, and he is willing to wager \$5000 that he has more dirt in his dumps than any claim in the territory. He is operating a steam hoist. Recently he purchased a new boiler to take the place of the smaller one which had become useless. There are a number of holes on the claim, which are being worked with windlasses.

On 17, Tom Loyd is working 50 men; he has the most complete set of machinery in the Yukon, and operations are being conducted in a most satisfactory manner. At present there is three times as much dirt in the dumps as was washed last spring. At the clean up a year ago, over 100 men were engaged in shoveling in the sluice boxes, and it is contemplated that at least 300 men will be required to handle the dirt at this season's washup.

On No. 20, the N. A. T. & T. Co. are doing a great deal of work. The wages on this claim are \$4 per day and board for outside work, and \$5 per day and board for underground miners. About 30 men are employed at the present time, but the management expect to increase the force within the next few days.

If there is no scarcity of water for the sluicing next spring, the output of Eldorado will exceed that of any previous year.

New Mail Arrives.

A large mail consisting of 22 sacks, weighing 678 pounds arrived Saturday night. It was about equal Canadian and American mail. That Postmaster Hartman believes in dispatch is shown by the fact that the American mail departed for down river at 7 a. m. yesterday. It consisted of four through sacks and two sacks made up in Dawson. The arriving mail was ready for the public at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

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The Down Town Bank.

The business of the down town branch of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, will until further notice, be transacted at the main office near the barracks. The books and records of the branch were removed to the main office before the fire.

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The Hospitals.

Record of the received and discharged patients at St. Mary's and Good Samaritan hospitals. In the week ending Jan. 13, St. Mary's received, H. M. Gregory, J. Clune, F. Cardinal, Tom Wilson, Frank Hudson, J. Vallee, Alex Beaumier; discharged, C. O. Fark, A. Trittin, N. Couture, F. Aagrt, R. Luson; died, Maud Lloyd.

Good Samaritan, received M. A. Probst, R. J. McMillan, A. M. Baber, S. Buscalla; discharged, J. A. Davidson, A. M. Baber, J. H. Fletcher.

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Palace Grand Re-Opens.

On last Saturday evening the Palace Grand theater reopened under the management of Eddie O'Brien. A very creditable entertainment was given but the performance was so long that the last act of the comedy, "Joshua Whitcomb," had to be eliminated in order to comply with the Sunday closing law.

The curtain rose on Mullen's comedy entitled "Deaf as a Post," in which the four character roles were assumed by Lucy Lovell, Mullen, Hillier and Leo. The O'Brien family appeared in one of their boxing turns, at the conclusion of which Annie O'Brien gave a dancing specialty. Conchita had such a bad cold that she was unable to appear in her specialty act.

The comedy, "Joshua Whitcomb," with Leo Shaw in the title role, occupied the remainder of the evening.

A crowded house greeted the players. Tonight the bar will open for business under the management of Arizona Charlie.

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Notice.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at its next session for an act to incorporate a company with power to construct and operate a line of railway from a point at or near Pyramid Harbour, on the Chilkoot Inlet near the head of Lynn Canal, or from the International Boundary line at or near the village of Kluckwan, northerly to Dalton's Post on the Dalton trail, and following the Dalton trail to Fort Selkirk, thence continuing by the most feasible route to Dawson City; with powers to construct and operate telegraph and telephone lines; to mine and deal in mines; to crush, smelt and work ores and minerals of all descriptions; erect smelters and other works and carry on a general mining business; to construct roads, tramways, wharves, mills and all necessary works; to own and operate steam and other vessels in the Yukon and all its tributaries and upon all inland waters in the Yukon district; to erect and operate all electrical works for the use and transmission of electrical power and to acquire and use water power for that purpose. Also to erect and maintain trading posts and carry on a general trading business in all merchandise in the Territory, and to acquire, all other necessary rights and privileges, and to do all necessary things in connection with the business of the company.

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