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THE LUMBER SITUATION.

An interesting talk has been recently had with Messrs. Hobbs & Smith regarding the lumber situation which should be well digested by our citizens. The gentlemen are erecting a sawmill in conjunction with their woodworking plant and expect to have it in operation at once. They have every opportunity of being posted in the matter of the supply of building material, Mr. Hobbs especially, for he was the first white man to ever pass over the Skagaway trail, and he also has the distinction of being the first to come in over the ice.

It is their opinion as well as the judgment of all old-timers we have seen on the subject, that the advent of winter is going to find possibly as many as half of the inhabitants of Dawson without adequate shelter or means of providing it. It is the unanimous conviction of those who ought to know that all the mills present and prospective for this summer, cannot possibly cut but a portion of the lumber or building logs necessary for the comfort and safety of Dawson's next winter's population. More than that, in the effort to keep the supply of building material somewhere in sight of the demand the mills are having to do what they know to be injurious to the mining industry by which they all live. The miners up the gulch must needs use every spring, miles upon miles of sluice boxes and water ways. Every foot of the lumber must be of the widest dimensions and best quality. Only the pick of the logs arriving in Dawson during the summer months can be used for sluice box lumber. If the large logs were all sawed for this purpose there would not be too many, yet "needs must where the devil drives" and everything must go to satisfy the demand for building material.

Mr. Hobbs deplors such a condition of affairs from the standpoint of an old-timer, while the benevolent Father Judge is just as concerned about it from the point of view of a humanitarian. He has spent so many years in Alaska and the Northwest Territory that he views with alarm the approach of winter with the thousands and thousands of newcomers totally unprovided with anything but canvas shelter. It is conceded on all sides that the supply of building material is entirely inadequate. Rows of buildings of the flimsiest construction are being erected. Even the frame structures are of a temporary nature and will require as much again lumber as has already been used to render them habitable. In the absence of lots of good building and wall paper, experience has shown that the only way in which a frame building can be built suitable for Klondike winter temperature is to build it with double walls and to fill in the intervening space with sawdust or packed moss—like a refrigerator for illustration. What will keep out heat will also keep it in. With fuel at sixty to seventy dollars a cord great roaring fires cannot be maintained night and day, so that to retain even a merely livable temperature the thickest of walls and snugest of cabins are required.

The recent order from Ottawa forbidding the issuing of any more permits to cut either house logs or cordwood is thought to be an unwise measure by many of our people. The restricted issue of the permits would have brought

to Dawson an abundance of the very material which it is conceded is going to be scarce. Under the present orders if you wish to cut for sale either house logs or firewood, one must first hunt up somebody who is already in possession of a permit and must pay a good royalty to that individual for the use of it. Would-be lumbermen are on our streets by thousands yet are unable to throw themselves into the breach and supply us with an actual necessity. There are those among our best people who even doubt the wisdom of closing our sawmills one day in seven. There are mills all the way from Dawson to the head of Lake Linderman; but their output will never perceptibly swell the stock in Dawson's depleted lumber yards. Their limited product either reaches here in the form of boats or is being used up in the immediate vicinity of the mills themselves. The supply of cabins at this very moment is unequal to the demand, even with summer breezes rendering them a luxury rather than a necessity. Scarcity regulates prices, and only the other day a man was heard asking a hundred and fifty dollars a month rent for his cabin on the hillside back of Dawson. If such is the condition in July how many of our new citizens will be able to afford a house in December? Would anyone be really injured by the issue of enough permits to bring down cabin material to living Dawson prices?

OUR SATURDAY SPECIAL.

The special edition of THE NUGGET issued Saturday afternoon went like hot cakes. The hand press on which it was printed could not be operated fast enough to supply the demand, for awhile, and it sold all night and all day Sunday. It contained facts the people were after. This paper does not desire to be sensational, but the facts presented in that issue were of a decidedly sensational character. The people have known for a long time there was "something rotten in Denmark," but that special conveyed surprising information. Our regular Saturday paper was on the press Friday night. The vigilant NUGGET man was on the streets with eyes and ears open. The stamper attracted his attention and the management of the paper was consulted. All hands turned to, with the result that after a night of vigilant search and watching, the details were arrived at and copy for the special prepared. Every fact stated was verified, and many charges which would have been more sensational and implicated one or two officials outside of the gold commissioner's office were omitted, not because we could not prove them, but because the truth is too often a libel under Canadian law.

In addition to what was published, two special correspondents were dispatched to Dominion creek with the stamper, to watch movements there and see if the crooked work is continued.

Not one word, except of approbation, of THE NUGGET's course has been heard from any quarter from the time the first special appeared on the streets up to this writing.

That special gave direct evidence in all its statements. It went farther, and made specific charges of incompetency in the handling of the business of one of the most important public offices in the district. The people have known this for some time but have had to submit. With this last outrage heaped upon the many others they now demand that something be done, and that quickly.

The Toronto Mail and Empire of June 16 contains a dispatch from Ottawa to the effect that the Hon. Wm. Ogilvie will leave in a few weeks. The dispatch states it is believed he goes to take the place of Major Walsh as administrator. If this is a fact, it will not be welcome news for the people of this district. A great many here who have secured nothing whatever came here because of Mr. Ogilvie's glowing accounts of the wealth of the country. The pernicious laws now enforced here are a direct result of his highly colored reports. He will not be kindly received here as an administrator, and we sincerely hope there is no foundation in truth in the report.

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UNJUST LEGISLATION CONDEMNED.

A Vigorous Protest Entered Against Existing Laws.

Three Thousand Men Assembled in Mass Meeting Call Upon the Government for Redress - The Meeting an Orderly One.

About three thousand people gathered in front of the N. A. T. Co.'s store, as per handbills, on Saturday night, to hear the report of the committee appointed at the miners' meeting on Wednesday last. I. F. Suggie called the meeting to order in a little speech in which he said he wanted it understood that this movement was not an attack on the government. No one denied the richness of the country, but we had been driven by taxes which we could not pay to take constitutional means for redress. He said the excuse was made that the district must be made to pay its own expenses at least, and then asked if ever before a new country had been required to pay its own way during that period of opening up and organizing which we were now going through. The country was only in its infancy yet, and within five or six years would, under proper legislation and encouragement, prove to be the richest portion of Canada. Instead of encouragement all enterprise had been throttled, mining rendered unprofitable and prospecting was being driven from the country. He then introduced Commissioner Warburton to read the resolutions, but after repeated calls of "louder! louder!" concluded to read them himself, as being possessed of a stronger voice.

RESOLUTIONS.

WHEREAS, It is evident that the memorial presented by the deputation sent out last winter by the Miners of the Yukon District failed to impress upon the government the necessity of amending the regulations governing the mining industry, and

WHEREAS, It cannot be disputed that the application of the present laws has had the effect of almost paralyzing the industry and that a continuance of the present regulations will result in the most disastrous effects next winter, proven by the fact that a large majority of the best claims in the district were either worked at very small profit, or many cases at a loss, and that after that experience most of the mine owners have decided to suspend all operations on their claims other than those necessary to hold them, and

WHEREAS, The sentiment of the public is unanimous that an immediate change in the regulations is necessary.

1. That no timber limit be issued to any individual or company on a creek where the timber may be necessary for the use and development of mines.

2. That should a free miner lose his certificate he should be able to substitute the same at any office that may hereafter be established in the Yukon.

3. That placer creek claims be enlarged in length to 500 feet as heretofore, and that the limitation of breadth be that of a line run along rim rock parallel to the general course of the stream and which at every point is four feet above high water mark of the stream.

4. That to clause 45 of the mining laws be added the words "and number of certificates."

utions, which certainly is a very promising list of old-time miners. The committee is as follows:

Skiff Mitchell, who has been in this corner of the world thirteen years; Floyd Wilson, who numbers eight winters on the Yukon; Alex. McDonald, at least four years; Messrs. Warburton, Matlock, Lloyd and McLaren have dug for from nine to eleven years in the frozen ground of the North. Other well-known names are Marshal Bond, Walter McDonald, John Erickson, Sam Stanley, Geo. Kenney, Jack McQuesten, E. Debnay, J. F. Suggie, Dr. Richardson and Mr. Eschwege. Most of the committee belong to the Yukon Order of Pioneers.

Chairman Suggie stated further that "this meeting was called by this committee to pass these resolutions, and they were going to be passed. Others could call their own meetings and pass what resolutions they liked. Without more ado, and with an amusing disregard of parliamentary precedents the gentleman in charge called for a show of hands on the resolutions and finding but two or three dissentients, declared them carried, thanked the people present, grabbed the box he had been standing on and started away almost before Frank Dunleavy could propose, and put a vote of thanks for his services as chairman.

The crowd refused for some time to disperse and calls on a number of speakers were made. An old Yorkshire man, named George Whitehead, who has mined in Australia for many years, was encouraged to take the stand and express his views. He thought the recorder's office ought to be abolished in toto; that it had proved itself but a source of mischief and injustice to the miners. In Australia a prospector walked onto a piece of ground and "pegged it" and then proceeded to work it. After working it out or finding it no good, he simply moved on and "pegged out" a little more ground; he held the ground simply by working it. Here you went out and found everything pegged, and must walk in to the recorder's office to see if it was recorded. Finding it recorded you must then enter into an agreement with the owner to pay him what was practically a royalty of fifty per cent. What was the use of raising all this fuss about a royalty of ten per cent when miners were being "worked" for half they dug by the "lay" system with the aid of the recorder's office. Much more was said on the same line, and the informal meeting was dispersed, after hand-clapping for the NUGGET for the bold stand it had taken for the protection of the miner.

NEWS FROM SULPHUR CREEK.

Sponsor Done Up By His Partner - Rich Strike Along the Creek.

J. Sponsor, a prospector and claim owner, is quite indignant at the action of a partner. They outfit together at Seattle last August, and arrived at Dawson last fall. A cabin was erected at the mouth of Bonanza in which was placed all their Yukon valuables in the shape of grub and hardware. The partners divided and Sponsor came back to the cabin yesterday to find that his partner had left for down river and had left him but two sacks of flour and twenty pounds of beans with which to commence the winter. He reports the loss of his medicine chest and all of his hardware and camp outfit.

Sponsor has been gone three months on Hunker and Sulphur creeks. He reports good strikes on the line of 51 and 56 below discovery on Sulphur. Five to eight dollars to the pan on bedrock is claimed with an abundance of pay gravel.

On 23 above, on the same stream, a glacier is making trouble. In winter sinking the glacier was struck a number of feet from bed rock. The shaft filled with water during the summer, and, curiously enough, froze solid, to the height of the glacier. A prospective buyer appears upon the scene and the pumps out of the water reveals the ice. Hot rocks are being used to thaw the ice, for a sale at \$30,000 depends upon the bedrock prospecting.

On claim 27 below, same stream, a workman named Harris was raised to the surface one day last week apparently dead. He had been in the drift some time when he found himself being overcooled. Harris had just time to pass a rope around his body and signal the hoister when he was overcooled and became unconscious. He was hoisted to the surface immediately, yet it was a half a day before he could be recovered and declared saved.

Three moose were killed on Sulphur creek within ten days, and the miners are jubilant over such an unusual supply of fresh meat. The forty-mile trail to Sulphur is reported in very fair condition, as trails go, and is being much used.

On claim 23 below Jim Evans was driven out of the drift last week by foul gas, and the shaft cannot be cleared nor work resumed until a canvas air shaft has been constructed and passed in position. By the simple dividing of the shaft by canvas, lumber the foul gasses could usually be overcome and driven out.

THE HOSPITAL AT LAST BELIEVED.

Several Thousand Dollars Raised For a Worthy Cause.

A Budget of Local News - Papers of June 29th and 30th Arrive - Dawson to Have More Police Protection.

THE NUGGET has been hammering away in several issues at the necessity of something being done for that deserving institution being run by the good father Judge. We are very pleased to have occasion to chronicle the fact that the government has come forward with a donation of \$5,000.

The gaming rooms in town, as being a class neither taxed nor paying royalty, have also been assessed \$500 each for the same benevolent purpose. A fund of several thousand dollars has already been raised in this way, with many times that amount still to come. Subscriptions from private parties can be sent direct to Father Judge and no guarantee is required wherever that name is known of the good use to which it will be put. By reason of excessive charitable work the hospital has gone behind in its books not much short of \$30,000.

How We Got the News.

On Sunday a brother of the Bartlett Bros. arrived in Dawson direct from Bennett. In his pockets he had outside papers as late as June 20th, and would have had one of July 1st, but for a storm on the way in which it was destroyed. Mr. Bartlett immediately became the center of an eager, inquiring throng without time for anything but answering questions. One enterprising individual offered \$50 for the papers, intending to hire a hall and charge admission to hear them read. The owner, however, was more public spirited and turned them over to be read in mass meeting at the Mining Exchange. The readers chosen for the occasion were Messrs. Miller, Frazier and Courtney, who were listened to with bated breath by about twelve hundred men - mostly Americans. The good news was heartily cheered and the bad news taken in silence.

After the conclusion of the reading Mr. Geo. Cora was introduced by his partner, E. Leroy Heblinger, as a gentleman whose reminiscences of Cuba would be quite instructive. Mr. Cora was for years the right-hand man of the consul-general, General Baddeau, and his recollections of Spanish customs, habits and places was very entertaining.

More Police Coming.

An estimate has been given of the cost of the administration of justice for the Yukon district for the coming year. Three hundred and ninety-six thousand dollars is the cost of the present police protection, which is well worth double the sum. But this does not include all of the probable expenses to the Dominion of this new district. Anticipating a much larger rush of people than has materialized, the Dominion government made another estimate of an equal sum to cover the expenses of a body of two hundred and fifty Winnipeg special policemen who are now on their way here. This was all the police that could be spared, and even that number will be superfluous. The present force is ample, and is effectually and satisfactorily policing the district without any addition to their numbers.

Corporal Green and Constables Carter and Dundas left last Saturday on the steamer Willie trying to form a detachment on the Stewart river. They will distribute and receive mail, and, in fact, establish a post similar to those up and down the Yukon.

Incidents of the Recent Freshet.

The sudden flooding of the sand bar in front of Dawson on Thursday which was occupied at the time by at least twelve hundred campers was productive of much that was amusing as well as pathetic. In preparation for the Fourth of July celebration the committee of arrangements had secured permission to temporarily clear of campers a certain point of the bar which had been ordered not to be so in the first place.

"Now" replied the camper on a request being made that he move aside. "I don't move a inch until I go for good."

On the afternoon of the flood he was seen up to his waist in water as busy a man as could possibly be. The command man hollered out to him from the bank: "I thought you wouldn't move till you got ready. You seemed to get ready in a hurry and -"

A volley of oaths and mud put a stop to the conversation. A gentleman in black Prince Albert coat had seen his boat being dry at noon and sauntered leisurely down in the evening to see how it still fared. He found he must needs wade through a half-mile of water at least a foot deep. Bravely tucking up his unmentionables he picked out what he supposed to be the trail and boldly stepped into the flood. His first step took him into muddy water, waist deep and then some brush tangled up his feet and he fell flat. The crowd on the bank roared with delight and one heartless wretch hollered "Say, Mister, won't you do that again? I didn't see it that time."

Another man was seen lying on his stomach in the bow of his boat. All his worldly possessions were afloat in the boat, and he lay stretched over everything. He had lost or laid his oars and was leaning over the side trying to paddle the boat in the still water over the bar, with a piece of a cigar box. When hailed by the Stovepot man, he tried to get off that chestnut "I'm drinking water, water everywhere and not a drop to drink," but just at that moment he toppled over the side and disappeared beneath the surface. When he came up he had in his mouth two tent pegs, a boat stake and a bank of moss, being the screenings of about two gallons of water he had involuntarily swallowed.

Bitten By a Dog.

Elery Pulliam, a boy of about twelve years was badly mauled on Monday afternoon by a neighbor's big St. Bernard dog. The big brute took him by the right arm, between the elbow and shoulder, and shook him, as he would have shaken a rat. A large crowd was afterward gathered by the boy hounding the dog with a rifle. The dog was corralled between two buildings; but, owing to the proximity of a number of ladies, the boy, with a wisdom beyond his years, refrained from shooting. The police were appealed to, and probably on investigation of the dog's record - which is a bad one in biting people - will order him shot, so as to make him a good dog hereafter.

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HOW AND WHY THEY STAMPEDED

Horses Killed and Many Men Injured in the Mad Rush for Claims.

A Medley of Local Items for the Week—Police Court Notes—Many Other Matters of Interest.

The stampede to Dominion creek last week was positively dangerous to horses and men alike. The knowledge of the gold commissioners proposed action in annulling his proclamation of keeping the creek closed until July 15th was in the hands of a select few at first, and they very quietly and unobtrusively wended their way over the hills, endeavoring to avoid attracting attention as much as possible.

Campers on Dominion creek were aroused late on Friday evening by a noise like the mad stampeding of a herd of wild cattle. The underbrush is stout and dense, and the hills precipitous and nothing could be seen but the brush waving in the distance caused by some large crevasses forcing their way underneath. With a feeling of expectant uncertainty everyone caught up a rifle and sought a convenient opening in the bushes to meet the oncoming disturbers of this mountain solitude. Several rifles were actually cocked for instant service when there broke from beneath the scrubby trees the worst lot of ragged old horses and horsemen that can be imagined. Nearly all the men held aloft stakes for the instant taking up of claims and some of them knew just exactly where they wanted to put them; but the majority simply knew they were on Dominion creek and wanted to stake opposite 12, 13, 21, or some other number when they could find it. Rapid questions were fired at everybody in sight, stakes were stuck in the ground, and then the mad rush began again, only in an opposite direction. Some men were left afoot; their horses having fallen beneath them. One man left a horse dead on the trail, and thinks two more will die. The poor animals had been forced for forty miles through brush and over hill and trail and put to the limit of their speed until they were completely exhausted. The first comers were met by at least two thousand late arrivals, who, though straining every nerve and muscle were left badly in the rear by reason of being afoot.

A full account of the stampede and its accidents is not yet available, though on Monday morning a new office had to be opened by the recorder to accommodate the hundreds of applicants for entry from Dominion creek.

John A. Simon broke a leg by his horse falling on descending the side of the divide.

B. Thomas, F. Williams and A. B. Tupman were forced to leave the ranks of the stampede by sprained ankles.

A hundred or more men were compelled to leave the trail from exhaustion.

John B. Aleck was knocked from a horse by the overhanging limb of a tree and laid for hours unconscious.

A full account will never be obtained, and every returning miner is much too busy at the recording office and too tired to be able yet to give a connected account of the trip.

Police Court News. The police court has been very quiet the past week, there being but few cases of interest to chronicle and but eight drunks or disorderlies.

V. C. Schaefer was charged by E. A. Lyards with inflicting actual bodily injury and fined \$20 and costs.

The case of D. Donovan, charged with aggravated assault by Wright Carter, was continued as was the case of non-payment of wages preferred by C. Westerlund against P. D. Wells.

E. W. River preferred a charge of theft against S. Shoemaker but the charge was not substantiated and was dismissed.

C. S. Winstead was accused of defrauding Her Majesty's customs. He was fined \$50 and the whiskey was all confiscated.

E. G. Tennant was found guilty of keeping a disorderly house and was fined \$15 and costs.

Wanted Them Real Bad. It sometimes bothers one in this land of frocks to properly estimate the price he ought to pay to get for the many articles being bought and sold daily upon our streets. As an illustration we give the case of Mr. Newman. He wanted four flatirons for his wife. P. Olsson had them for sale. Newman had tried so long and unsuccessfully to get flatirons that he immediately jumped forward with—

"I will give you \$30 apiece for the flatirons." Olsson shook his head positively and told him he could not have them. Newman strode around disconsolately for a while and finally saw a lady approaching with her eyes on the much coveted irons. His astonishment almost caused him to sink to his knees in the mud when he heard her price the irons and the owner quoted them to her at \$2 apiece. Newman sprang forward with—

"You talk I be fool? By Yudas, I sell dem things for two dollar or dey go bad on mine hands. You give me two dollar each war and you get him one hour ago."

The lady got the irons.

Another Mass Meeting for Dawsonites. Mr. F. J. Dunleavy, who spoke quite strongly on existing conditions last Saturday, has been requested to call another mass meeting for Wednesday evening at the same time and place as the former one. Mr. Dunleavy called at the Nugget office and stated that it was the feelings of a great many people who were present Saturday that the heart of the matter had

not even been touched upon; that there was a condition here of which the whole of Canada should be informed. He has been in Johannesburg, Praetoria and the mining camps of Australia and is a well posted and very interesting talker on mines and mining regulations. He says he is "a man with a grievance" the same as thousands of others and wants to see it before he goes out. He says: "When I get back to Canada I want to show people when I make my talk that I am only expressing the sentiments of a good many thousands of people on the Yukon. If people want a chance to frame resolutions for themselves now is their opportunity." Mr. Dunleavy is quite warm at what he has seen and heard since arriving at Dawson and his talk ought to be most interesting.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

The wrestling contest on the evening of July 4th, at the Pavilion, was decided a draw.

Stewart Bros had two scows wrecked on Thirty-mile last week, but saved a part of the outfit.

French Pete will, within a few days start a restaurant the success of which is fully assured from his past record as a market man.

Yining & Wilkes, an old Seattle firm, have established a branch house in Dawson. They carry a complete line of ladies' and men's furnishings.

Beef cattle are accumulating hereabouts. Several hundred head are to be seen on the prairie along the sides of Klondike, where moose and deer feed supreme sway a couple of years ago.

Charlie Warden and Sam Stanley are erecting a three story building on First Avenue near The Green Tree. When completed it will be occupied as a first class hotel and the popularity of the proprietors insures a well-deserved patronage.

Fish are becoming more plentiful and Charles Fowler reports them to be rising to fly fishers quite readily on the Klondike river. He also reports a plentiful crop of ripe berries of various kinds on the same stream.

A large lumber raft went down the river Sunday, having aboard a small cabin, but without a single man to steer or row. An effort was made to catch it at the lower mills and finally it was brought to shore just below town.

H. S. Hyde, who is largely interested in mining, has decided to devote his entire time to looking after his interests in this respect and has disposed of his business to H. Bourgeois and J. B. Wirth, well-known laundermen of San Francisco.

A little bird got into the hood of the Alice's smokstack and attracted considerable attention by his efforts to avoid the smoke after the fires were started. It was several hours before it became exhausted and fell back into the furnace below.

A crowd of newcomers was gathered in front of the Northern saloon on Sunday watching the antics of some boys. They were busily engaged in gathering into boxes the sweet-out sawdust and rubbish from the saloon and had already panned out \$700 in gold dust.

The sailboat Newboy left Dawson for San Francisco on Sunday last. Messrs. Christensen and Johnson who composed the crew, expressed their utmost conviction in being able to reach their destination in safety. Messrs. McConnell and Parker contributed water cans to help equip the boat for the voyage.

For the benefit of our many outside readers we mention the fact that up to date, the much talked of mosquito has failed to materialize at Dawson. The Alaskan mosquito has received as much notice almost as Alaskan gold in our side newspapers, and yet here we are entirely free of the vicious little pest. However, the little "devil" is about as bad as pained.

A reader wants to know what would a poor foolish chicken do for sleep in Dawson in the summer months if he or she were allowed to live long enough to try the experiment. Human beings find themselves doing with less sleep than ever before in a climate where there is no darkness. A friend suggests that probably a photographer's dark room might save the poor thing for a while.

Old hunters tell us that we must not judge moose meat by what we are getting now. They say it is only breeding cows which are being shot when they come down to the river with their calves for water. At this season of the year the cows are in comparatively poor condition while the set aways bulls are fat as butter. Moose meat is getting quite plentiful in the city and from the outside gulches comes the story of many a killing being made.

A gentleman called at the Nugget office Monday evening for a redress of grievances, which class we cannot redress. He had stood in line at the post office from one o'clock in the afternoon until five in the evening and the closing of the doors on him still number thirty-five from that passageway. We say he is a high official, the gentleman out to assure him that Inspector Harper is doing his utmost to facilitate matters and that there will shortly be a new post office building with new windows and more post boxes, etc., in which it is hoped the crowd can be handled more successfully.

Recent arrivals from Bennett state that there is no disturbance in the number of daily wrecks on Thirty-mile river. On Thursday last there were nineteen wrecks on one rock, the last one being a party of four in a scow, including the wife of one of them. Mrs. J. Gordon was left on the rock and the rest went ashore on wreckage.

After nearly an hour of anxious effort to get a rope out to the distressed lady the husband made a most gallant rescue in a Peterborough canoe. In order to get close enough to land her a rope the canoe must needs be guided by the swiftest of the boiling water and so close to the rock that it would be a marvel if there were not two wrecks in place of one. The rescue was effected by a narrow shave, but without accident, and amid cheering cheers from the bank where a number of boats had landed to lend aid and encouragement to the rescued party.

A Night W' Burns.

On Monday evening, at Tom Christholm's hall, the Rev. Dr. McDonald favored a number of admirers of "Bobby" Burns with his well and favorably known lecture on that remarkable man. The life and works of him whose harp "played with a thousand strings" proved of absorbing interest in the hands of Dr. McDonald and many would like to hear the lecturer on other subjects.

Death of Geo. P. Hunt.

George P. Hunt, of Seattle, died at the hospital on the evening of the 10th inst. Mr. Hunt arrived in Dawson last fall in company with Dr. Faulkner and party. During the winter he worked in the mines and also located a claim on the disputed part of Dominion title, to which is still in dispute. About six weeks ago he was attacked with dysentery, as a result of which he died as above stated. Everything

possible was done by his friends to relieve him but without avail. The funeral occurred on the 12th inst from the hospital. The following named gentlemen acted as pall-bearers: C. K. Zilly, Johnny Gowat, T. A. Davies, Ira Ranke, W. D. Cover and Nels Emerson. The first three named were members of the National Guard of Washington, in which Mr. Hunt held the office of corporal.

The Timber Reserve.

The NUGGET has been repeatedly asked for particulars regarding the six-mile timber reserve around Dawson, a matter treated in a recent issue. As stated by Timber Agent Willson the object of the reserve is to protect the people of Dawson from exorbitant prices on fuel and house logs. No permits or timber berths are to be granted at any time within that six-mile limit, but all free miners can cut anywhere on the reserve for their own use, provided they keep off berths already granted by Mr. Willson's predecessor.

2 Also all timber on Indian and Klondike rivers is reserved for actual miners. Mr. Willson takes the ground that in issuing 35,000 miners' licenses the government has entered into a contract with 35,000 men to hold for them the necessary fuel to work their claims.

At the Dawson City Wharves. The A. C. Company's steamer Margaret, Captain Anderson, arrived Saturday with about three hundred tons of freight. She wintered in the canal, just this side of St. Michaels, and got an early start with her freight for Dawson. She brings no passengers, being simply a freight boat.

The steamer Victoria arrived from her trip down river on Saturday. She went down to get the balance of the Alice's freight, left on her last trip up. After being lightened the Alice made a good trip up and is already well on her way to St. Michaels.

The John J. Healy arrived Friday. She is an N. A. T. Co. boat, and brings up 320 tons of freight and about eight passengers who walked in the canal, just this side of St. Michaels, and got an early start with her freight for Dawson. She brings no passengers, being simply a freight boat.

The pert little steamer Ore returned Monday from her trip up the river to White Horse rapids. She was built at Bennett this spring and in the first steamer that ascended the Five Finger rapids. Each of us who have shot the rapids in our staunch self-built little craft realize what it means to ascend these seething waters with a steambot. Many said it was impossible, but within an hour and a half of her landing of the first line, she was above the rapids and safely on her way to White Horse. She took the right hand passage, going up and kept to the right again coming down. She rode the waves buoyantly and did not ship water at any point. She made the trip from Dawson to White Horse rapids in five days and eighteen hours.

The first steamer to leave Seattle for Dawson this season is the Roanoke which left Yesterday at June 11th with 211 passengers. Among the passengers aboard the Roanoke were J. L. McCook of Philadelphia, first United States consul to Dawson, N. W. T., and acting vice-consul, W. H. Burke, also of the Quaker city. Mr. McCook said prior to the departure of the Roanoke that one of his principal duties, and of their world-wide importance, was to see that wherever and whereabout of all American citizens who may stop at Dawson. Consul McCook will also take pains to see that all Americans will, upon leaving Dawson for any other part of Alaska, notify either the consul or acting vice-consul of their proposed destination, so that relatives or friends who may make inquiry through this office for missing ones can be furnished with information in an intelligent manner.

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