

# THE SEMI-WEEKLY NUGGET.

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## KID WEST ON DECK

### He Causes Dispute to Arise Between Authorities and Jailors

AT VICTORIA, WHERE HE IS IN HOG

Was Put In for Two Days and Held Ten Weeks.

### INDIANA NEGRO LYNCHED.

#### Wyoming Coal Mine Disaster—Edward and William Sleigh Ride—Joe Martin to the Front.

From Saturday's Daily.  
Seattle, Feb. 26, via Skagway, March 2.—"Kid" West, wanted by the Dominion government as a witness in the case of Geo. O'Brien at Dawson, charged with the murder on Christmas day, 1899, of Clayson, Rette and Olsen, was landed over at this place to Mount-Ed Policeman James Seeley who took him to the Victoria, B. C., jail where the jailer was asked to retain him for two days. He has now been a prisoner there for ten weeks with no charge against him and no warrant for his retention. The prison authorities have now taken a firm stand that the prisoner must be removed, as they refuse to longer hold him in custody. It is expected that the matter will be settled by Seeley starting with West at once for Dawson.

### Lynching in Indiana.

Terre Haute, Ind., Feb. 26, via Skagway, March 2.—Miss Ida Finkelstein,

**Stetson Hats**  
In Latest Shapes

**Leather Shoes**  
All Styles and Sizes

**Spring Clothing**

**Sargent & Pinska**  
"The Corner Store"

**Change of Time Table**  
**Orr & Tukey's Stage Line**  
Telephone No. 8  
On and after Monday, Oct. 22, 1900, will run a **DOUBLE LINE OF STAGES TO & FROM GRAND FORKS**

Leave Dawson, Office A. C. Co.'s Building, 9:30 a. m.  
Returning, Leave Forks, Office, Op. Gold Hill Hotel, 3:30 p. m.

From Forks, Office Opposite Gold Hill Hotel, 9:00 a. m.  
Returning, Leave Dawson, Office A. C. Co.'s Building, 3:00 p. m.

**ROYAL MAIL**



**Over the Ice**  
Heavy Team and Light Buggy

**HARNESS**  
Cut Prices on Dog Harness and

**HORSE BLANKETS.**

All Kinds of Repairing at Lowest Prices

**McLennan, McFeely & Co.**

a school teacher, was murdered in a woods near this city yesterday. A body of heavily armed men gave the murderer a hot chase, capturing and lynching him. He was a negro by the name of George Ward.

### Another Mine Disaster.

Kemmerer, Wyo., Feb. 26, via Skagway, March 2.—A disastrous fire is now raging in the Diamondville coal mine where 50 men and 15 horses were at work when it broke out. Only one man escaped.

### Edward and William.

Cronberg, Germany, Feb. 26, via Skagway, March 2.—King Edward and Emperor William took a sleighride here this evening. The king spent a good part of the day at the bedside of his sister, the empress dowager, whose condition is much improved.

### B. C. Legislature Opens.

Victoria, B. C., Feb. 25, via Skagway, March 2.—The provincial legislature which opened this afternoon gives promise of being a long session. The speech from the throne drew particular attention to the demand for additional transportation facilities.

Joe Martin will lead the opposition.

### The Wrecked Mail Ship.

San Francisco, Feb. 26, via Skagway, March 2.—The wrecked Pacific mail steamer Rio de Janeiro lies in 13 fathoms of water, a depth at which divers can readily work. There are 190 tons of mail in the sunken ship. No more bodies have been recovered.

### Brick Machinery Coming.

Skagway, March 2.—The machinery for Dawson's brick yard arrived here on a late steamer. Louis Davis started Dawsonwards yesterday with 100 other mushers.

## CHARGE WITHDRAWN

### Wm. Kleinberg Was Not Brought to Trial.

In the police court yesterday afternoon, the date fixed for hearing the case of William Klineberg on the charge of vagrancy and of frequenting a house of ill-fame, the case did not come up for trial, the charge having been withdrawn.

A hunter by the name of Kennebeck had sold a quantity of ancient caribou meat to a local dealer and refused to make good the amount and was arrested on the charge of selling meat unfit for human food. A fine of \$5 and costs was imposed.

The case of the former electrician at the Standard theater against that company for wages alleged to be due for services rendered was on trial today.

Shoff, the Dawson Dog Doctor Pioneer Drug Store.

**Hotel McDonald**  
THE ONLY FIRST-CLASS HOTEL IN DAWSON.  
JOHN O. BOZORTH, Manager

**Cubular and Pipe Boilers**

Portable Forges, Shovels, Hydraulic Pipe, Steam Hose, Etc., GET OUR PRICES.

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## STAMPEDER GETS \$3,000

### Sam Bonfield's Party Locates Chief Gulch.

Sam Bonfield and James Mackison of the Gold Hill hotel at the Forks, led a party of thirteen stampeders on the night of the 25th and staked all of Chief gulch which was open for relocation. Chief gulch comes into Eldorado at 47 and is something over ten miles in length. No. 6 is owned by Billy Fitzpatrick, Billy Collins and other interested parties who worked the claim this winter, but owing to a dispute among themselves abandoned the property while awaiting settlement of their difference. McCutcheon one of the stampeders has sold to John Murray of the Bonanza saloon the lower half of No. 8 for \$3000. This deal was effected yesterday according to inside information, the transfer papers and money being turned over today.

It is expected some big developments may be heard of in reference to this property as information has leaked out which would imply that Chief gulch is rich in possibilities.

## COST OF SURVEY

### Of Quartz Claim Up to \$100 Now Allowed by Government.

An order dated Ottawa, January 21, allowing the cost of the survey of a quartz mining claim to the extent of \$100 to be applied on the representation work of the claim for the first year was received at the gold commissioner's office yesterday and will be of interest to all directly or indirectly connected with the development of the quartz mining industry of this country. It reads as follows:

Whereas, by clause 31 of the regulations for the disposal of quartz mining claims established by order in council of the 21st of March, 1898, it is provided that a free miner having duly located and recorded a mineral claim shall be entitled to hold it for the period of one year from the recording of the same and thence from year to year without the necessity of re-recording; provided, however, that during each year and each succeeding year such free miner shall do or cause to be done work on the claim to the value of \$100, and shall satisfy the mining recorder that such work has been done by an affidavit of the free miner and corroborated by two reliable and disinterested witnesses setting out a detailed statement of such work and shall obtain from the mining recorder a certificate of such work having been done.

Provided, also, that all work done outside of a mineral claim with intent to work the same shall, if such work had direct relation and be in direct proximity to the claim be deemed, if to the satisfaction of the mining recorder for the purpose of this section, to be work done on the claim.

And whereas, it has been represented to the minister of the interior that it would be advisable to allow the cost of the survey of a mining claim not to exceed a cost of \$100, however, to be counted as work done on the claim for that year.

Therefore, his excellency by and with the advice of the queen's privy council for Canada is pleased to order that when the survey of a mining claim has been made within one year from the date upon which the claim was recorded and such survey has been duly approved by the proper officer of the crown, the cost of such survey not to exceed \$100 may be allowed to be counted as work done on the claim for that year.

**A Dominion Party.**  
Mr. and Mrs. Yeager of 7 below lower on Dominion gave a very pleasant dancing party on Friday last. Splendid music was furnished and dainty refreshments served at a late hour. The party was voted a success in every particular by those who attended among whom were the following:  
Mr. and Mrs. Bosworth, Mr. and Mrs. Thornley, Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Colby, Mrs. Wilde, Mrs. Stott, Miss Caffery, Miss Margie Bosworth, Miss Marion Bosworth.  
Any kind of wine \$5 per bottle at the Regina Club hotel.  
When in want of laundry work call up phone 52. Cascade Laundry.  
Fresh turkeys at the Denver Market.

## COMING AND GOING.

H. H. Honnen delivered six tons of coal yesterday to Stanley and Worden's claim, 16 Eldorado.

Capt. D. B. Olson left for the Forks this morning on a short business trip.

H. Te Roller is up the creeks on business today.

J. Simers, a Portymile miner, is taking in the sights of the metropolis for a few days.

Another fine piece of ivory has been found on Eighty pup-Hunker, this one by A. Johnson. It is a mastodon tusk 13 feet in length and weighing in the neighborhood of 300 pounds. It is in an excellent state of preservation.

Mr. W. F. Wilcox, United States mail inspector for Alaska, arrived in Dawson by the last C. D. stage. He is on a tour of inspection of the various posts along the route, but his business this trip will only take him as far as Eagle City, for which place he left early this morning.

The Civil Service and Police teams will play hockey on the Dawson rink tonight at 8 o'clock.

The official thermometer registered 12 degrees below zero as the minimum temperature for the 24 hours preceding 9 o'clock this morning.

## EDWARD AS A BOY

### Wrote Letters Like Any Other Seven-Year Old.

The Nugget has a clipping from the Chicago Tribune of January 27th which contains an autograph letter written by King Edward when only 7 years old to his father on the occasion of the latter's birthday.

As will be noticed, the letter is devoid of punctuation and very similar to that which any other well advanced 7-year-old boy would write:

"My Dear Papa I hope you will accept my best wishes for many happy returns of your birthday May you live to see me grow up a good son and very grateful for all your kindness to me I will try and be a better boy and no give Mama and you so much trouble Again wishing you very many happy returns of the day my dear Papa am I your."

Regarding the above letter the Chicago Tribune says: Mrs. Fanny Thomson of 308 East Sixtieth street has in her possession a letter written by the Prince of Wales, now king of England, in 1849, when he was 7 years of age. The letter was considered too full of errors by Dr. Birch his tutor who made him write another. Dr. Birch gave it to Andrew Thomson, jr., teacher of Scotch dancing to the royal family, who gave it to Mrs. Thomson, his sister-in-law.

## JUST FROM WHITEHORSE

### Ross' Stage Arrives With Six Passengers This Afternoon.

Alex Ross' four-horse covered stage arrived at 2 o'clock this afternoon, eight days and two hours from Whitehorse, with six passengers, Mr. and Mrs. Murray Eads, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McRae, E. L. French of the C. D. Co. and J. G. Elliott of Gold Run. Aside from the passengers and their baggage but little else was brought. The party passed T. C. Healy at Lower Lebarge on his way in. Mr. Healy was coming along in a more leisure stage which is not expected to arrive before Monday.

Considering the number of hours traveled, Mr. Eads says his party broke the record for speedy travel this winter.

Mumm's, Pomeroy or Perinet champagnes \$5 per bottle at the Regina Club hotel.

Beef, chechako, 33c by the side, at P. O. Market, Third street.

Round steak 50c at P. O. Market.

## CHINESE STARVING

### Eating of Raw Human Flesh Is Not an Uncommon Incident.

### INSANE PARENTS KILL CHILDREN.

### Cold Weather Adds to the Misery of the People.

### COURT RETAINERS ARE FED

### At the Expense of Starving Multitudes—Emperor Anxious to Return to Peking.

Pekin, Feb. 14.—Reports received here from Singan Fu all agree that the famine in the provinces of Shan Si and Shen Si is one of the worst in the history of China. It is estimated that two-thirds of the people are without sufficient food or means of obtaining it. The weather is bitterly cold, and this adds to the misery of starvation. There is little fuel in either province, and the people are tearing out the wood-work of their houses to obtain fuel to keep themselves warm. Oxen, horses, dogs and other animals used by the farmers to aid them in their work in ordinary times have practically all been sacrificed to satisfy hunger.

For three years the crops have been failures in both provinces. There was more or less famine in previous seasons, and the people were in poverty when the winter began. Their condition has since been growing worse. Letters state that cannibalism is practiced to a considerable extent.

Li Hung Chang, in conversation with Mr. Conger, the American minister, stated that the people were reduced to eating human flesh, and many of them were selling their women and children to obtain money with which to buy food for the remaining members of their large families.

Infanticide is alarmingly common. Parents, driven insane by want and the cries of their children for food, which they are unable to provide, kill the little ones rather than listen to their sufferings.

One letter received here says: "In the towns men have become like ravenous kites. They snatched from your hand whatever you may be eating. Besides those who are every day thrown into the common pit I observe in the crowds invading the town many of those whose days are already numbered."

While the famine is said to be worse in Shan Si, it is almost as bad in Shen Si, which is particularly interesting because it is in that province that the court has taken refuge. The court is literally surrounded by these horrors. It is little wonder that the emperor and dowager empress are ready to sacrifice almost everything to bring about conditions that will enable them to return to Peking. The presence of the court in Shen Si aggravates matters.

There are 20,000 soldiers alone in the neighborhood of Singan Fu and 5000

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**We Offer to the Ladies**

Of Dawson and vicinity our entire stock of Dress Goods and Silks at exactly One-Half Price, among which will be found the following attractive values—

Colored Taffetas, per yard.....\$1.25...was \$2.50  
All Wool Tricot Cloth per yd.....50...was 1.00  
All Wool Ladies' Cloth per yd.....75...was 1.50

**Special Sale**

**Ames Mercantile Co.**

## RECEIVED BY WIRE. A FRIGHTFUL ACCIDENT

### Pacific Mail Steamer Rio de Janeiro Sinks in Golden Gate

#### CARRYING DOWN 122 PEOPLE TO WATERY GRAVES.

#### U. S Consul-General Wildman of Hong Kong and Family Are Lost.

**Steamer Struck on Hidden Rock Early Friday Morning and Sank Soon After—Among the Lost Were Many Mongolians—Steamer Was in Command of Pilot Jordan When She Struck—Captain Ward Went Down With His Vessel—Dense Fog Prevailed.**

From Thursday and Friday's Daily.

San Francisco, Feb. 22, via Skagway, Feb. 28.—The Pacific mail steamer Rio de Janeiro from Hong Kong, ran on a hidden rock while entering Golden Gate during a heavy fog early this morning. She sank a few minutes after striking.

As nearly as can be estimated 122 people were carried to the bottom with the sinking ship and drowned, many of them like rats in a hole, as but few passengers had arisen from their beds at the time the steamer struck.

It is impossible to determine the exact number lost as Purser John Rooney, who had the passenger list and roster of the crew, is among those lost.

The ship was in command of Pilot Frederick Jordan at the time the accident occurred. Jordan was saved. Capt. William Ward went down with his vessel.

The most prominent of the passengers

was Rounseville Wildman, United States consul at Hong Kong, who was accompanied by his wife and two children en route home on a visit. All are among the drowned.

At 5 o'clock this afternoon 10 bodies had been recovered, those of two white women, one white man and seven Chinese.

As near as can be learned there were 201 persons including passengers and crew on board the steamer, classified as follows: Cabin passengers, 29; steerage (Asiatic) 58; second cabin, 7; white officers of ship, 30; Asiatic crew, 77.

Those saved number 79, classed as follows: Cabin passengers, 12; white officers, 11; steerage passengers (Asiatic) 15; crew, 41.

The lost number 122, classed thus: First and second cabin passengers, 24; steerage, 43; officers, 19; crew, 36.

## SAMUEL DIS-COMFORT

### Will Be His Name for Next Four Months.

Samuel Comfort made the mistake of his life when he filled up on the obnoxious brand of hooch night before last for the reason that when he was arrested the charge of drunkenness was augmented by one of living off the avails of prostitution in that a Fourth avenue woman is his source of revenue. It was a sad day for Samuel yesterday afternoon when, instead of getting off in police court with a fine, he was sentenced to four months on the royal fuel reduction works. Four months of discomfort for Mr. Comfort—a winter of discontent just begun in the gladsome springtime when all nature is light and cheerful like "rooms to let." Samuel, you're up against the real thing now.

Last week Mabel Smith was held over to appear before the territorial court on the charge of knowingly receiving stolen goods. Yesterday afternoon Mrs. E. Day was in court on the charge of stealing canned goods, tea and coffee from Mabel. The case was a lengthy one, about three hours of Magistrate Rutledge's time being consumed in its hearing. When the evidence was all in there were no grounds, even coffee grounds, for conviction and the case was dismissed.

Constant Schell was up yesterday afternoon for pouring slops on the "banks of the Yukon, far away" in front of the city where, when the weather becomes warmer, there would probably be a constant smell if Constant Schell was permitted to continue to empty slops there. But Constant will not constantly do so, as a fine of \$5 and costs was imposed upon him.

This morning Mike Bartlett pleaded guilty to having last night assaulted Albert Pierce Hughes by "handing him a few." Bartlett said Hughes had been full and had used insulting language to him and had provoked him to the assault. Hughes denied having used any bad or insulting language and said the assault was wholly unprovoked. A fine of \$5 and costs was imposed.

Crawfordsville, Ind., Feb. 11.—Maurice Thompson, the author, is barely alive tonight.

## I. O. O. F. IN DAWSON.

### Little Club Scattering the Order's Principles.

To care for the sick, bury the dead and provide for the widows and orphans is the grand principle which has made Odd Fellowship popular throughout the civilized world, and while there is no organized lodge of the order here, there are many of its members and they have brought with them its grand principles which are even in this bleak land causing rays of sunshine to penetrate many a heart that would be otherwise cast down and forlorn. A little band of Odd Fellows, less than three dozen, formed a club here two months ago, since which time three unfortunate brothers have been given decent burial who would otherwise have found resting places in the pauper's field. A number of brothers have been and others are yet being aided at the hospitals where the little delicacies supplied greatly aid them on the road to recovery.

The Odd Fellows' Club meets on the second and fourth Wednesday nights of each month in Dr. Cassel's office in the A. C. building at which times and place all who have been to Jericho or traveled the "rocky road" are made welcome.

## MEETING TO BE HELD

### To Discuss Matter of In- corporating Dawson.

A pro-incorporation has been called for Monday night at the Orpheum theater. It is hoped to revive interest in the incorporation question by reason of the recent rigid orders which have been issued respecting gambling and the sale of liquor.

The opinion has been expressed by parties favorable to incorporation that the election of a city government with liberal ideas in regard to such matters would admit of overcoming the strict enforcement of the laws as is proposed at the present time.

On the other hand it is stated by the opponents of incorporation that the

gambling and saloon question would not be affected in any way by the election of a municipal government. The laws which apply in the premises are all federal statutes and no ordinances in conflict therewith could be passed by the local government. It is expected that all phases of the question will be dealt with on Monday night.

## RECEIVED BY WIRE. SKAGWAY'S EX-MAYOR

### Is Probably Dead as Re- sult of Accident.

Chicago, Feb. 22, via Skagway, Feb. 28.—While on his wedding tour and in attempting to board a moving train here today John Hislop slipped on the ice and fell, the train passing over him, severing his right leg and fracturing his skull. He married a Miss Young of St. Paul three weeks ago.

(John Hislop came to Skagway as first assistant chief engineer of the White Pass & Yukon Ry. in May of 1898 in company with Manager E. C. Hawkins, whose right hand man he has since been up to a few weeks ago, when he resigned to accept a position with a Valdes-Yukon company. He always took an active interest in the affairs of the city and district, and was twice in succession elected mayor of Skagway. He was very popular and that fact was due to the upright and honorable attitude which was always his on all matters and at all times. He was probably 40 or 42 years of age.)

### Valuable Mines.

New York, Feb. 22, via Skagway, Feb. 28.—A New York syndicate has offered \$2,000,000 for the Nowell quartz mines which are about 40 miles up Lynn canal from Juneau, Alaska.

A London syndicate has paid \$500,000 for five-sixth interest in the Vanada mine on Texada island, B. C.

### Trading in Steel Stocks.

Pittsburg, Feb. 11.—The Pittsburg stock exchange broke all records for heavy trading at the first session today. The opening was wild and prices were strong and high. The sales were over 20,000 shares, principally Crucible Steel, common and preferred, and Pittsburg and Monongahela Coal. Crucible Steel common advanced to 28 3/4 and the preferred to 82 1/2, against 26 3/4 and 80 on Saturday.

### Seeking Steel Plants.

Ironton, O., Feb. 11.—Col. E. J. Bird, jr., late superintendent of the Marting Iron and Steel Company, is representing J. P. Morgan for the purchase of the plant of the Hanging Rock Iron Company, the Belfont Iron and Steel Company, the Norton Iron Works Company and the Ashland Steel Company, Ashland, Ky.

### Schwab Not Accessible.

Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 11.—President Schwab, of the Carnegie company, was at his office today but was not accessible. It was reported that a conference of officials was in progress, but those seen stated that it was only the regular daily meeting of the heads of departments.

### A Gomez Triumph.

Havana, Feb. 11.—The followers of Gen. Maximo Gomez triumphed today in the Cuban constitutional convention. The clause making him eligible to the presidency of the republic was adopted by a vote of 15 to 14.

### Another Stampede.

Another stampede is in progress today, the objective point being a concession on Dominion creek near the mouth of Gold Run. The concession in question is open today for relocation and during last night and this morning nearly 200 men left Dawson with the expectation of securing a location. The gold commissioner's office will have another busy day tomorrow in consequence.

There was still a big crowd at the different windows this morning awaiting their turn to record claims staked on Tuesday last.

Very few records are given at first, applications only being accepted, which will be passed upon at a later date.

### Many People Traveling.

Nugget Carrier Bell stated today that on his trip down from the Forks this forenoon he met and saw more people on the trail than any day during the present winter. He also reports the creeks, Bonanza and Eldorado, as assuming new life.

## WHAT IS THOUGHT

### By Dawson Business Men of the Order Closing Up Gambling.

### BAD EFFECTS ARE ANTICIPATED

### By Men Who Have Business and Property Interests.

### THE CLAIM IS MADE BY MANY

### That First Avenue Property Will Depreciate in Value From 25 to 50 Per Cent.

From Thursday and Friday's Daily.

The principal topic of conversation for the last two or three days among all classes of men in the town is the enforcement of the order relative to the closing of the gambling and dance halls.

It is the general opinion that the rigid enforcement at the present time of the law as contemplated, will work a hardship on those immediately connected with the gambling houses and dance halls, and at the same time have a depressing effect on business generally for a time at least. A number of the leading business men were seen this morning by a Nugget representative and generally expressed their views on the subject.

Mr. Mizner, of the A. C. Co., expressed his opinion on the subject by 'phone from Gold Run, where he is making a short visit, as follows: "Such a movement at the present time would have a disastrous effect upon trade in general. I have seen a great many mining camps but never one that amounted to anything when run on such lines."

"Gambling is better run on the down floor and open than upstairs behind closed doors," said Mr. J. J. Delaney, of the N. A. T. & T. Co. "I think it will have a depressing effect on business for a while at least."

"The effects of any sudden radical change are so many that to express a hasty opinion would be rather unwise. The effect on certain property and business interests will be more far reaching than is apparent at first glance. The pros and cons should be carefully weighed on such a momentous question before a judgment is given," said L. R. Fulda of the A. E. Co.

Mr. Orr, of Orr & Tukey, has been in many mining camps. He has never seen it tried and has no idea what the result will be, but has known Major Wood for a number of years and has confidence in his understanding the situation and handling it to the best interests of all parties concerned.

Emil Stauf is out of town but expressed the opinion before when the subject was up for discussion that it would depreciate the value of real estate 25 to 50 per cent.

Mr. Gray, of the Ames Mercantile Co., said: "The enforcement of the law will be a good thing for the town eventually. The business men will stand a better chance of getting pay for goods sold on credit during the winter and the miners will be able to save money."

Mr. Mendham the jeweler does not think that gambling is right, but believes the enforcement of the law an infringement on human liberty.

Mr. McGowan, agent of the Harper & Ladue Townsite Co., said: "It will depreciate the value of First avenue real estate 60 to 75 per cent and will throw between 1500 and 2000 people helplessness upon the town. It should not be enforced until the opening of navigation."

"It will have a depressing effect on business for a time, but will be a good thing for the miner," said Roderick Chisholm, manager of McLennan, McFeely Co.

"It is the history of mining camps that when such a law is enforced it has hurt all lines of business, depreciated the value of real estate and instead of gambling being carried on in the open above board, thrown it into upstairs back rooms where, knowing it

to be against the law, the gamblers fleece and rob everybody that comes in," said Mr. Miller, of Holme, Miller & Co.

According to Dr. Shoff the town will be feeding on ice worms.

Rudy, the druggist, is very philosophical and said: "What must be, must be and we must abide the consequences."

Mr. H. T. Wills of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, believes that the effect of the order will be disastrous upon the business interests of the town. His opinion is that if gambling is to be stopped, sufficient notice should be given to permit those who have money invested in buildings in which gambling is carried on to withdraw their capital and find other investments. He thinks that the enforcement of the order will result in large sums being taken away from Dawson for investment outside.

All commercial and business interests would be affected directly or indirectly, for large sums of money find their way into local circulation through the gambling house.

This morning a telegram was addressed to the minister of the interior at Ottawa. It contained a protest against the enforcement of the order and was signed by the representatives of the local banks and the large commercial concerns. The effect of the telegram will be awaited in Dawson with great interest and by many with no little anxiety.

## FROM FORTYMILE

### E. G. Tennant and Wife Return Yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Tennant arrived yesterday evening from Fortymile where they have been for the past three months, Mr. Tennant being interested with Chas. Hansen and another partner in No. 7 above lower discovery, the banner claim on Jack Wade creek.

In conversation with a Nugget representative this morning Mr. Tennant said that on his claim 13 men are being regularly employed and that they anticipate a cleanup which will compare favorably with many of the best claims in the Klondike district. He says that altogether about 250 men are working on Jack Wade this winter and that the creek will yield a large amount of the yellow metal as the result of their labor.

Mr. and Mrs. Tennant will continue their journey in a day or two, not to the outside, but to Atlin, where they also have extensive mining and property interests. They travel by dog team, "Ted" who has grown a Kanse-crop on his face this winter, doing the mashing act between the handles.

## A GOOD INDICATION.

### March Came in Like a Lion: Fair Weather.

"The March that comes in like a lamb, goes but like a lion," and vice versa, is a saying that was probably brought to the hospitable shores of America in the Mayflower since which time it has lost none of its potency and force. It may be true or it may not be true, but it is a historical fact that a stormy, blustery first of March and until the ides, which, by Roman calendars, are said to begin on the 8th, invariably results in pleasant weather for the balance of the month, which means an early spring and a year of plenty.

So far as being stormy is concerned, the weather of today filled the bill very aptly, being as stormy as could have been desired even by weather connoisseurs. The groundhog has lived up to the traditional program arranged for him and if the program supposed to follow a blustery first of March is as faithfully carried out, fine weather is now not far away in the future.

### Railroad Centers.

The Philadelphia Record says: "One of the fond delusions cherished by New Yorkers is that the Grand Central station in their city is one of the greatest railroad terminals in the world and a scene of such bustle and activity as can be seen only in the metropolis. As a matter of fact, the travel through the station is much smaller than that which passes through stations in Philadelphia, Boston and St. Louis. It has only 162 trains each way a day, while the Broad street station in Philadelphia handles nearly 250 trains each way, and the Reading Terminal has 215 out and 212 in."—Ex.

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# ASSAY OFFICE

Will Be Immediately Established at Vancouver, British Columbia

AND GOLD WILL SELL AT FULL VALUE.

Preliminary Step to Locating Canadian Mint.

MITCHELL IS AGAIN SENATOR.

Few Drowned Bodies Will Be Recovered—Congress Helping St. Louis—Pat Crowe Hiding.

From Friday's Daily. Vancouver, Feb. 24, via Skagway, March 1.—The Dominion government has decided to open and operate an assay office here immediately. All gold will be purchased from miners at its full value, the same as is now done in Seattle. This action it is thought is the preliminary step to the locating of a Canadian mint.

Mitchell Again Elected. Salem, Or., Feb. 24, via Skagway, March 1.—John H. Mitchell has for the fourth time been elected to the United States senate, this time on the 25th ballot. His name was not placed in nomination until the 20th ballot.

The Golden Gate Wreck. San Francisco, Feb. 24, via Skagway, March 1.—It is now known that 128 persons were drowned by the sinking of the Pacific mail steamer Rio de Janeiro. Only 11 bodies have thus far been recovered, six white, four Chinese and one Jap. The ship lies in deep water where the tide currents are very swift, hence it is not believed that many of the bodies will be recovered.

For St. Louis Exposition. Washington, Feb. 24, via Skagway, March 1.—The senate has passed the bill appropriating \$3,000,000 for the St. Louis exposition which will be held in 1903.

Dewet's Reported Capture. London, Feb. 24, via Skagway, March 1.—It is rumored here that Dewet has been captured and that Botha is suing for peace.

Pat Crowe in Hiding. Kansas City, Feb. 24, via Skagway, March 1.—Pat Crowe is definitely known to be in hiding near Omaha. He is surrounded by officers who are preparing to make a raid on him in his lair. He is accompanied by five companions, all desperate men and all armed to the teeth. In all likelihood there will be a hard fought battle when the raid is made but if resistance is offered the gang will be shot down like dogs.

Many Klondikers. Skagway, March 1.—The steamer Dolphin which arrived last night brought 150 Klondike-bound passengers and a large freight cargo.

## TELEGRAM DIDN'T GO.

Merchants and Bankers' Appeal in Statu Quo.

The telegram which was stated in the Nugget of yesterday as having been sent by merchants and bankers of Dawson to Ottawa asking for a modification of the terms embraced in the recent order of the providing for the speedy closing of gambling houses in this city, was not

sent as per the arrangement agreed upon at the time the Nugget's information was obtained, nor had it been forwarded—at 2 o'clock this afternoon. While the parties above mentioned agree that strong objections should be at once registered against the enforcement of the order, it is not wholly agreed upon, as to the language in which the memorial setting forth the objections should be couched, hence the delay in sending the telegram. It would look that, with the several million words to be found in the English vocabulary to draw upon, a message could be formulated befitting the needs and demands of the occasion.

RECEIVED BY WIRE.

# LANGDON ACQUITTED

Of Charge of Killing Gambler Edward B. Shanks.

Seattle, Feb. 24, via Skagway, March 1.—Wm. E. Langdon was yesterday acquitted by a jury of the charge of killing Edward B. Shanks, a gambler.

(The killing of Shanks by Langdon occurred one night last fall in one of the notorious South of Vesler Way saloons. Shanks made an ante-mortem statement in which he said the shooting was unprovoked; that he had been sitting in a small card room just off the saloon and that Langdon had entered and asked him for a small loan; that he had refused to grant it and that Langdon then shot him. Another story told at the time was that Langdon had come to Seattle a stranger and that Shanks and some others of his stamp had robbed him of considerable money and that when Langdon saw Shanks in the saloon he recognized in him one of the men who had robbed him; that he invited him into the small room and demanded restitution of the money and was laughed at by Shanks, whom he then shot.)

## TO BEGIN WORK.

Hundreds of Men Left Dawson Recently.

This being the first day of March, work which will be continued through out the spring and summer was this morning instituted on hundreds of claims throughout the district as all of yesterday men by the score, armed with picks, shovels and other implements of work, were seen leaving the city and heading for the various creeks, where positions awaited them. Many small claim owners who do not operate machinery but who depend on the old process of fire thawing, are now beginning work and in the course of a very short time the aggregation of men who have been hanging around town all winter waiting for the advent of the working season will have dwindled down to the small army of "never-works" who would go hungry rather than deign perform one day's honest labor. All of today small parties of laborers have been starting out over the various trails. The exodus will continue tomorrow and Sunday and by the first of next week general work and activity will be seen throughout the entire district.

## IS UP TO SLAVIN.

Devine Offers a \$1,000 Side Bet on Rounds.

Billy Devine is on the war path. He claims that Slavin has made the assertion publicly that he (Slavin) could knock out Devine in three rounds. This caused the blood of Billy to boil in anger and he now comes forward with the retort courteous as follows: Editor Nugget:

Having learned that Frank Slavin is indulging in his usual windy assertions of physical prowess, claiming that he can put me to sleep in three rounds, I hereby offer to bet \$1000 that he cannot best me in seven rounds. This is an additional bet over the \$250 deposit money and the side bet of \$5000 on the result of our meeting. The money will be forthcoming immediately upon Slavin's forthcoming.

W. DEVINE. Feb. 28th.

Still Goes. There was rumor floating around this morning to the effect that an order to postpone the closing of the gambling houses until the first of July had been received but Major Wood says that no such order has been received and that the law will be enforced on the 16th of this month.

# COAL LANDS

May Now Be Purchased For Ten Dollars Per Acre.

NEW LAWS WERE RECEIVED TODAY.

Price Cut In Two But Royalty to Be Charged.

RATE TO BE FIXED LATER

By Special Order in Council—Other Minerals Reserved—Takes Immediate Effect.

From Friday's Daily. At the office of the crown timber and land agent an important order was received this morning covering the sale to individuals and companies of coal lands.

The order is sent from the department of the interior and is given from that department under date of February 8.

It provides that upon the recommendation of the commissioner of the Yukon territory public lands upon which the rate of \$20 an acre where anthracite coal is discovered and at \$10 per acre where all other classes of coal are concerned. These rates are exactly one-half the price formerly charged.

The entire price may be paid at the time the purchase is made or terms of one-quarter cash and the balance in three equal installments are offered.

A royalty to be determined hereafter by order in council is to be charged and all patents issued for coal lands are to be subject to the collection of royalty at whatever rate is determined upon. The royalty is to be collected upon the sworn statement of the patentee and default of payment works forfeiture of the ground.

The maximum area of ground which will be granted to any individual is limited to 320 acres and the minimum is left to the discretion of the commissioner.

Two years are given in which to develop land granted under the order and if such development does not occur the ground is forfeited.

All applications must be accompanied by a deposit of \$100 to cover cost of survey, etc.

In case other minerals aside from coal are discovered the said minerals are held subject to disposition by the crown. In the event that land granted for coal purposes becomes valuable as a townsite, one-third of the lots in such townsite become the property of the crown.

In no case coal lands are to be granted nearer than 100 feet to a navigable stream of water.

The new regulations supersede all previous laws governing coal lands and take effect immediately.

Nome Mail Arrives.

Tupper Hunt arrived here at noon today with five sacks of mail from Nome. He only came a short distance with it taking it in charged 20 miles below Eagle and making the balance of the trip in four days.

Dawson is not the only part of the country that affects dogs with rabies, for his leader, a fine black husky, was taken with rabies in a mild form when below Fortymile. He brought the dog to town and is going to have it doctored.

Five sacks of outside mail which came in last night and two sacks of local mail were started early this morning for Nome and way points.

Stages Are Crowded.

Both yesterday and today the stages operated between Dawson and Grand Forks by Orr & Tukey and H. H. Honen contained all the passengers both ways that they could comfortably seat. The increase in travel is in part due to the moderation in the weather, but principally to the fact that the busy season is opening when new life and vigor is apparent in all departments of business.

## NEW ORDER.

An order received at the office of the gold commissioner by the mail which arrived this morning throws open the entire country to stakers and further permits the holder of one license to stake a creek, bench and hillside claim on each creek in every district. The full text of the order will appear in tomorrow's paper.

## TOM DAVIES ARRIVES.

He Brings the Latest News From Outside.

Tom Davies, formerly with the C. D. Co., and later as acting manager of the Dawson & Whitehorse Navigation Company, arrived in Dawson early this morning. Mr. Davies left for the outside last fall and is back again on a flying trip to attend to some personal business after which he will make another trip to the outside, returning at the opening of navigation. To a Nugget reporter today he talked freely of his journeyings and said he was no longer connected with the steamboat company which he with several other well known local men had organized last summer.

In talking of the Lancaster mystery, Mr. Davies said:

"There is absolutely nothing new learned about the case. Pinkerton's detectives had worked assiduously on it and could find no trace at all of the missing man. His accounts were found to be all straight and whatever moneys he had with him prior to his disappearance had been used to pay off his bills which the firm had contracted. Something like \$20,000 was paid by him for that purpose, proving that his disappearance was not voluntary. He either met foul play or became mentally unbalanced and left without leaving a trace to show where he had gone. There is absolutely nothing in the story that he was confined in an asylum. I acted for Mrs. Lancaster as her financial agent while in Seattle, consequently I am thoroughly conversant with the Lancaster affair. The last seen or heard of him was when Owen Calderhead bid him good bye on James street in Seattle last fall. Last winter there was a half dozen similar cases reported to the police in that city and the affair never caused a passing interest except to those personally interested."

When asked if much freight was on the way down river Mr. Davies answered, "Not more than 50 tons all told, including that now starting from Whitehorse, and on the road. Simon Leiser & Co. are bringing in five tons which will arrive in a day or so. Ripstein is up against it on his oxen scheme. I don't think he can get in with his stuff in 30 days the way he is traveling. Robertson's stage is coming in with J. R. Howard, of the Electric Light Co., Judge Morford is also a passenger. Ross' stage is following. A man named Cohen was arrested on the trail near the cutoff for obstructing the road and interfering with the progress of the Royal mail. He was fined \$35 for the offense."

## ELDORADO CREEK

Is Now Enjoying a Brand New Stampede.

Last night a stampede took place to upper Eldorado. A number of claims toward the head of the creek were open today for relocation and they were the objective point of the stampede. Upper Eldorado has never turned out anything particularly good and that fact accounts for the claims in question being open for relocation.

The stampede, however, had faith that they would strike it rich where others had failed, and in consequence they went up last night and planted their stakes. It will not be long before \$100 pans will be taken out in the 80s and 90s on Eldorado.

# MEXICO DISASTER

A Terrific Dynamite Explosion Underground Wrecks Buildings

AND PLAYS HAVOC WITH THE MINE

Besides Killing 87 Men, Women and Children.

SNAKE INDIANS ARRESTED

And Their Property Confiscated but Will Be Restored if They Return to the Nation.

Chihuahua, Mexico, Feb. 8.—Word has reached here of one of the most terrible mining disasters that ever occurred in Mexico.

An explosion in the San Andres mine, situated in a remote locality of Sierra Madres, in the western part of the State of Durango, caused the death of 87 men, women and children, and injured many others.

The catastrophe was due to the explosion of hundreds of cases of dynamite stored in an underground chamber of the mine. Electric wires, connecting with the hoisting machinery, passed through the room in which the dynamite was stored, and it is supposed these wires became crossed, causing a fire which exploded the dynamite.

The killed and injured were on the surface, most of them occupying residences immediately above the underground workings of the mine. The explosion tore away the whole top of the mountain on which the village of mines was located, and men, women and children were blown into pieces. Among those who were killed was Herman Lustman the superintendent of the mine, and all the members of his family.

Summons were sent to neighboring camps for surgeons to attend the injured and it was some time before this was received.

The San Andres mine is the most celebrated silver mine in Mexico. It is valued at \$20,000,000, and has produced many millions of dollars' worth of ore.

Indians Arrested.

Muskogee, I. T., Feb. 8.—Marshal Bennett, who is in the field with deputies and federal troops near Eufaula, has arrested 21 more members of Crazy Snake's band, and is now on the way to Muskogee with them. This makes 50 arrests in this band.

The Choctaw, Chickasaw and several commissions, which has been several days making a treaty to the Atoka agreement, providing for closing the rolls on September 1st, finished its work last night, and the treaty was forwarded to Washington for ratification. This agreement provides for the laying out of new towns among the Nation, also that after September 1st all property shall descend to heirs in case of death, a change from the original treaties which provided that property should revert back to the Nation in case of death.

Curry Discharged.

John Curry, the young man who was arrested on the charge of having stolen a purse containing \$150, the property of Miss Walthers, at the Savoy theater a few nights ago, has been discharged, there not being a particle of evidence to show that Curry was the guilty person.

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And Small Packages can be sent to the Creeks by our carriers on the following days: Every Wednesday and Saturday to Eldorado, Bonanza, Hunter, Dominion, Gold Run, Sulphur, Quartz and Canyon.

SUNDAY, MARCH 3, 1901.

## From Saturday's Daily. INCORPORATION NOT A REMEDY.

An effort is now on foot to stampede the citizens of Dawson into a movement having for its object the organization of a municipal government. The same movement was attempted two months ago and resulted in a petition against incorporation, which petition bore the signatures of about ninety per cent of the property owners of the city. Investigation of the matter at that time developed the fact that incorporation meant an increase in the cost of local administration which would bring the total expenditure up to a figure almost twice as large as the amount required at the present time. Figures were brought forward by the advocates of incorporation themselves which served to condemn the movement in the eyes of every prospective taxpayer. The estimated expenditure required for new buildings, salaries of officials, maintenance of fire department, etc., etc., involved a sum extraordinarily large, which sum the promoters of the scheme vaguely intimated would be forthcoming from Ottawa or some other place—presumably the pockets of the taxpayers.

At the present time there is a strong feeling of opposition directed against the recent orders received from Ottawa under which public gambling is to be closed on the 15th of the present month. The order in question is undoubtedly arbitrary in its terms, and if enforced will work a hardship upon many interests. The notice given is extremely short and if carried out on the lines proposed will undoubtedly involve a number of people in heavy loss. This condition has been seized upon by the advocates of incorporation, who imagine they see in the general opposition to the gambling order an opportunity to carry their own pet plan into effect.

We are unable to see that the order from Ottawa respecting gambling has any bearing whatever upon the question of incorporation. If the town should assume the responsibility of municipal government tomorrow, the order against gambling would go into effect upon the date named above, unless, in the meantime, orders to the contrary should be received from Ottawa.

It is entirely a mistake to assume that a local government would be empowered to enact ordinances in conflict with existing federal laws. The Yukon council possesses now all the authority which would be vested in a municipal government, but the council is powerless to act in opposition to the orders which have been sent from Ottawa.

We are of the opinion that the order closing gambling is to be enforced altogether too suddenly and that the interests of justice would be served by a liberal extension of time—and this opinion, we understand, is shared by a majority of the officials. But we do not believe that incorporation would afford any remedy to the situation, and a few moments' consideration should bring everyone whose signature was

attached to the petition against incorporation, to the same conclusion. We have enough ills to bear without rushing blindly into others of which we have no knowledge.

## A CHANGE FOR THE "EXPLANATION EDITOR."

The News published an article in its issue of yesterday which must have taken the few people who still read the News very much with surprise. The title of the article was "Business Dead in Dawson."

The concluding paragraph of the article in question which summarizes the whole, reads as follows: "Two-thirds of the population will probably go down the river to Nome as soon as navigation opens. Steamers with a capacity of 2000 passengers are tied up and the transportation is already sold out."

If there is one thing more than another that interests the Dawson reading public it is to be told that the town is going to the dogs and that everyone is preparing to leave. There was something of a rush to Nome a year ago but we had not heard that anything of the kind was contemplated at the present time until we read it in the News last night. Here is another opportunity for the "explanation editor."

A party of scientists will soon be heading for Mount Fairweather, Alaska, for the purpose of viewing the "Silent City" which every year appears in the form of a mirage near the Big Glacier. It is hoped that the scientific men will be able to determine definitely what city it is that by an optical illusion is made to appear on Alaska's icy wastes. The opinion has been expressed that the city in question is Bristol, England.

With the receipt of the order mentioned of which was made in this paper yesterday and which is published in full in today's issue of the Nugget, the entire territory is thrown open for location. Now is the time for men who have not as yet secured claims to make use of their rights. The laws governing the placer mining industry are more liberal today than they ever have been before.

**His Excellency's Thanks.**  
Dawson, Y. T., Feb. 26, 1901.  
H. Te Roller, Esq., U. S. Vice-Consul, Dawson, Y. T.:

Sir—A telegram has been received from his excellency the governor general acknowledging the several messages of sympathy and condolence transmitted to him from the authorities and people of Dawson in which special mention is made to the message of the United States consul and the American citizens in Dawson. Therefore, I beg to convey to you on behalf of his excellency sincere thanks for the sympathy and good feeling extended on that sad occasion. Your message will be transmitted to his majesty the king. Will you be good enough to advise the members of the committee organized on that mournful occasion of the terms of this communication. Your obedient servant,  
WILLIAM OGILVIE,  
Commissioner.

**'Appy 'Arriet.**  
At a spiritualistic seance an old cockney was informed that the spirit present was that of his deceased wife. Thereupon the disunited couple conversed as follows:  
"Is that you, 'Arriet?"  
"Yes, its' me."  
"Are you 'appy, 'Arriet?"  
"Yes, very 'appy."  
" 'Appier than you was with me, 'Arriet?"  
"Yes, much 'appier."  
"Where are you, 'Arriet?"  
"In 'ell."  
Comment is superfluous.

**Name May Have Killed Him.**  
Swedish and Norwegian vice-consul T. Dufferin Pattullo is in receipt of a letter transmitted to him through the same consul at Toronto asking for information of Paul Kjegstad, who is supposed to have come to the Klondike, but who has not written to his relatives for many months. Anyone having any knowledge of the man will kindly report the same to Mr. Pattullo.

Fine fresh meats at Murphy Bros., Third street.  
Plenty choice fresh vegetables at Meeker's.  
Lined meal, 20c at Meeker's.  
Fresh cabbage at Denver Market.

## STROLLER'S COLUMN.

Everybody who was in Dawson a year ago will feadly remember Ed Holden and thinking of Ed will revive recollections of Rose Blumpkin, she who caused a divorce in the Holden family. From Dawson Edward and Rose journeyed to Nome where the former was relieved of some Klondike earned wealth by a theatrical venture. Last fall the pair journeyed southward to Seattle where Holden is now engaged in the saloon business and where the diamonds Rose displayed, in addition to the nugget belt, were the envy of the half-caste world. But one day the diamonds turned up missing and Edward was quick to note their absence. When questioned, Rose at first looked embarrassed and refused to tell the truth. Then, woman like, she threw herself on the Holden breast and Holden mercy and told all. She had been in urgent need of money and had "soaked" her flashers for \$1000. She was sorry; oh, so sorry for what she had done and now everybody who saw her sneered at her because she had no diamonds.

Ed's heart was touched and to cheer up the despondent Rose he asked her to take a walk with him. She consented, but they had walked but a short distance when her despondency over having to go out on dress parade without her diamonds overcame her and she boo-hoingly returned to their apartments. This act was more than Ed's tender heart could stand so he forthwith went down to the pawnshop and redeemed his idol's diamonds, paying \$1200 for their recovery. He carried them to his Rose and great was her joy and ardent her protestations of love on receiving them.  
"Now," said Edward, "dress up in the very best you have and we'll take a walk and show people that you can still wear the most elegant diamonds of any woman in Seattle. I will call for you in an hour."  
In an hour Ed called, but during his absence Rose had purchased a ticket and left Seattle for Salt Lake City.  
And that is how Rose raised \$1000.

In order to get some idea of public opinion regarding the recent mandate closing the dance halls and gambling houses of Dawson the Stroller made a tour of investigation yesterday. The first man interviewed was Sic Semper Maginnis who said: "See the top of that egg case? Well, I have just been figuring on it and find that this closing order will knock me out of \$523,671 this year. My scheme was this; I was going to build an aerial railroad up to Capt. Jack's pole for the purpose of hauling folks up to see the midnight sun. But now, I wont do it for the reason that I could not get my money out of it, and as far as I am concerned people who want to gaze on midnight suns can walk up. These figures tell me I am a ruined man. This is the only scheme I ever had for accumulating wealth, and this order has knocked it as dead as Dyea."

The next man interviewed was Carle Squareheadson. He was in tears when the Stroller entered his place of business and was wringing his hands and ever and anon exclaiming "Eet ba hale!" When asked his opinion of the order in question he broke out afresh but after some time became sufficiently possessed to say:  
"Ae not care bout da places vare da play kards, but closin' dance halls, eet hai ruined me. Only two weeks ago I send \$400 to my three sisters back east in Minnesota an' teale dem to come out and dance. Now da order eet baen made and ven da come Ae will hafe them all to support. Eet ba hale!"

The next man called upon was E. Pluribus Onions. "Plu," said the Stroller, as he slyly winked at Mrs. Onions, who had just dropped into her husband's office, "what do you think of the new order?"  
E. Pluribus was silent for a moment and then said:

"Well, I had not intended saying anything about my plans now that they are knocked out, but I might as well tell you what I had on foot. It was this: I had plans and specifications drawn for the most extensive hanging gardens this side of Egypt. My scheme was to stretch heavy cables from two convenient mountains and hang the gardens on massive platforms suspended from them. I had already written for a landscape gardener to lay out walks, lovers' retreats, arrange booths and other necessary features of a well-regulated garden resort. Access to the garden would have been by balloon and I intended to have one leave from the neighborhood of the postoffice every 40 seconds in the busy season in addition to many smaller balloons which would have called around at houses for family parties. I didn't have the money myself to do all this, but was getting a

London syndicate interested in the scheme, but this order makes it look now as though I had been building castles in the air."

Cholera Infantum was the next person interviewed. He was busily engaged with a tarred stick marking a board with the words: "Those property fer sail at 1/2 prise."

When asked the regulation question he stuck the tarred stick behind his ear and said:

"I was just over to the telegraph office where I paid \$206 to cancel orders I had sent outside for building material and to Swiftwater Bill. The material was for building a picnic barge 200x400 feet in dimensions. The wire was to Swiftwater to not bring the Lamore family in as this will be no place for them in the future."

And thus it was all along the line. Ore man had just cancelled a contract for building a seven story structure to be used as a union depot, slaughter house and Salvation Army barracks on the first floor, offices on the second, flats on the third, Y. M. C. A. hall and gymnasium on the fourth, asylum for indigents on the fifth, dog pound on the sixth and lodge rooms on the seventh. But the order has cooked his goose.

Another had saved up \$8 for a wedding supper but now that his girl is about to lose her job, all arrangements for domesticating were called off.

The most visibly affected person seen was a young man who two weeks ago had invested \$4 in a pair of dancing pumps which, when the Stroller saw him, he was trying to exchange at a saloon for a two-bit drink.

As the Stroller wandered wearily back to his office he could but ask himself the question: "What would Dawson not become but for this monstrous order?"

A few days ago a number of young men were out sleighing when the driver inadvertently collided his team with a bicycle rider, the fault lying probably with one as much as with the other. But little was thought of the matter at the time, and the driver continued on his way, put up his team and went to the messhouse for his dinner. A few minutes later a fellow boarder, who had heard of the collision and who is rather strong in the art of peddling, dropped in and without intimating that he had any knowledge of the parties concerned said:

"A most distressing accident occurred down the street a short time ago when a reckless driver ran down a bicycle rider. The latter was not supposed to be much hurt at first, but on my way up I heard that the poor fellow had just

died. I did not learn the names of either the driver or bicyclist."

On the opposite side from the speaker was a blanched face, a well-filled plate, but naught of an appetite which had wilted like a frost-bitten tomato vine. "I do not think I am hungry this evening," said the erstwhile driver as he dug back from the table and in a hazy manner ascended to his room from which he emerged ten minutes later with a few of his earthly possessions tied up in a bandana and a haunted look upon his face.

"Good bye, boys!" he said in a porcupine husky voice, "I am off down the river," and a large tear rolled down each cheek and stained the messhouse matting. In another minute he would have been on his way to Moosehide, but the practical joker, thinking he had gone sufficiently far, explained that it was a case of "con" for which there was no foundation.

The teamster endeavored to finish his meal, but it was noticed he spilt coffee all over himself, likewise the consommé and floating dog island pudding.

Robinson the tailor from Vancouver, will leave in a few days; order your spring suit and you will get up-to-date clothes. Room 10, Hotel McDonald.

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Hay, oats and chopped feed. Meeker.

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The Romance of Pretty Penelope Who Broke Many Hearts, But Was Not a Flirt.

From Saturday's Daily

"And where have you been, my Mary, and where have you been from me?" "I've been to the top of the Caledon-Low. The mid-summer night to see!"

I pity any child that disbelieves in fairies. I sincerely believed in them when I was a wee girl reading fairy tales, and as I grew older they kept moving farther and farther off. I think it matters very little whether the things we believe be true or not, so long as they make us good and happy.

The world seems greatly changed since the time I sat at mother's knee listening to pretty tales about fairy folks. Alas! I have no mamma now, and the fairies themselves have moved away. Babyhood is itself a fairly world, and it is little wonder if real fairies sometimes part the curtains and peep in. I hope I may never be so wicked as to assist, by unbelief, in destroying a race of little people that never did me any harm, but a great deal of good. I think they are by far the prettiest creation that ever was—prettier even than the flowers and butterflies. They seem to possess all our virtues without our failings. They are the best natured people in the world, and laugh a great deal at very little. I've been told they will laugh themselves to tears at a joke that we would fail to see the point of. It takes very little to make them very happy. A diamond broken up into small pieces would make thousands of little ladies happy on their wedding day. They laugh a great deal at our geography and geology and our pictures on the globes, but, you know, dear Pharo, ignorance sometimes is "bliss," and that is where they have the advantage of us. Perhaps if they believed as we do about the hollowness of the earth and fire inside they would rest less easily on their little beds of thistledown. Or, if every time the western sky became purple-red with the setting sun they apprehended the judgment day, they would be saying their little prayers out of church oftener than they do now. The world seems to them a very big place, but that is because they take such short steps and have no railroads or telegraphs. How could they be expected to take in our geography when the lifetime of a family is spent under a briar bush in a flower garden. They are fonder of children than they are of old people, and when the house is still will stretch themselves upon tip-toe and peep into the babies' cradles.

If some old people believe in fairies at all, it is only that they may blame them for what goes wrong. I once knew an old grandpa who accused them of having hidden his spectacles, and after searching for them a whole half day, in all the old Bibles in the house, found them on the top of his head, looking up at the ceiling. He ought to have apologized to the fairies, but did he?

My little sister Clara is as firm a believer in fairies as I ever was, and has wonderful stories to tell about them, and when facts fail her a fertile imagination is a great help to her. One day last summer, while gathering flowers in the great woods in front of our house, she had the misfortune to lose her way, and was missing for several hours. In great alarm, we searched the woods, shouting her pet name as we went; but without our help she reached home at sundown. She attributed her rescue to a certain fairy who met her in a dark ravine and led her out of the woods! Since that I have kept a closer watch on little Clara's movements, not caring to trust too much to the good disposition of fairies, though doubting not, if there was a kindness they could do to one in heart so like themselves, they would do it.

Clara, unfortunately, has got the taste for drawing, without the talent. Some time ago she drew a portrait of papa, and was a little disappointed at his failure to feel complimented. She labored hard explaining to him the points of likeness, which only made matters worse. Ever after that she has failed to obtain a model within the family circle. We all dread Clara's portraits worse than a comic paper!

The other night she drew what bore some distant resemblance to a goose, and when asked to draw a cow, hurriedly added two more legs to the goose and held up her paper in triumph. Her

most polished efforts are a gross libel on natural history.

Once upon a time there lived a family of fairy folks in a secluded valley, a mile or two from this town. The cedars and birches met overhead, shutting out the blue sky and hot sun. They were happy and contented up to the time when my story commences. In perfect contentment, the old granies sat knitting stockings and talking gossip, while the men engaged in manly pursuits. The belle of the village was a certain pretty young lady by the name of Penelope, who persisted in remaining single, in spite of many offers received daily. The disappointed lovers went off saying they would hang themselves; which they always did, till the boughs overhead began to bend, and Penelope could detect a strange, imported fragrance that made her nervous. The granies scolded her in their highest keys, and the gruff old mayor, glancing up at the tree tops, sniffed two or three times and then gloomed at poor Penelope, muttering something about "unsanitary conditions."

What was the poor girl to do? She was as far from being a flirt as anybody, and it pained her tender, honest heart to think she was the innocent cause of so much misery to her kindred. She felt that little fingers of scorn were pointing at her from the four points of the compass, and resolved to accept the next offer that was not wholly repulsive.

Several weeks passed off as before. The old ladies screamed and the mayor turned blue and bluer, when there came a rap at her door with a gold-headed cane, and a man presented himself and was accepted out of sheer despair of ever doing better. He was a queer, old fashioned self-possessed little fairy, with a head three-quarters bald and polished, and testimonials of good moral character written all over his person. He wore a blue swallow tail and stand-up collar, and had his ten little toes hidden away in a monstrous pair of tan colored gaiters! Poor Penelope laughed at him, and then accepted him. After all she might have done worse, for, although he came to life a little earlier in the nineteenth century than she did, he possessed an educated mind, having lived long enough to learn the uses of the pocket handkerchief and door mat. There would be no fear of his disgracing her in high society by drinking tea from his saucer, or nosing the table cutlery, or coughing a mouthful of bread crumbs in the faces of the guests in a fit of uncontrollable, vulgar laughter, provoked by some pointless joke of his own; or, worse still, by blowing his nose haphazard and, then wiping it on his coat sleeve.

It is needless to say the nuptials were speedily celebrated, with the assistance of the mayor and council. At the conclusion of the ceremony it was all the happy couple could do to dodge old shoes and rice that came flying at them from all directions. But before starting on their wedding tour they set about giving decent burial to the bodies on the trees. Through all poor Penelope was bathed in tears, but her husband worked away, dry eyed, and when done had managed to save twine enough to fly all the little paper kites in fairyland.

But, dear Pharo, this chapter is getting lengthy; and the curtain must drop, just when I am beginning to love Penelope a little and discover amiable qualities in her husband.

Years after the incident above related a little old fairy grandmother sat knitting away at a shroud for herself, while the big tears ran down her cheeks, and fell, drop after drop, on poor, thin hands. The yellow autumn sunshine lay on the floor at her feet, and every now and then chubby faces looked in at the open door and whispered, "Poor Grandmamma Penelope." She was lonely now, for her dear old companion was dead. One morning he did not waken, nor the next, nor the next, and then they made him a little grave in a cozy corner, where the forget-me-nots grow thickest, and after a while poor, heart broken Penelope was laid there too!—Christina Gill in Toronto Globe.

**Over the Ice.**  
Mrs. C. Lueters left San Francisco with an immense stock of select and up-to-date ladies' hair goods imported from Paris. She expects to be here about the first of March. She says it is the biggest and finest assortment that ever came to Dawson.

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For choice meats go to the Denver Market.

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Mrs. Thompson has received new ladies' furnishings over the ice. 2d st.

## THE GOV. GENERAL'S SPEECH

On Opening of the Dominion Parliament.

Was Most Able, Complete and Comprehensive—Congratulated Canada on Her Great Prosperity.

Ottawa Feb. 7.—Owing to national mourning the ceremonies connected with the formal opening of parliament by Lord Minto today were of a quiet and unpretentious character. There was of course the usual escort and guard of honor, but crape drapings and emblems of mourning everywhere apparent threw a damper on the whole proceedings.

The galleries of the senate were filled, but there were very few on the floor of the chamber when his excellency the governor general delivered the following speech from the throne: Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate, Gentlemen of the House of Commons: Since our last meeting the empire has been called on to lament the demise of her late Majesty Queen Victoria. The universal regret and sympathy with which the tidings of her decease have been received through the entire civilized world afford the best testimony to the manner in which she has at all times discharged her duties, both as a woman and as a sovereign throughout her unprecedentedly long and glorious reign, and I will venture to add that in no portion of her vast territory were these sentiments more profoundly felt than in the Dominion of Canada.

You will, I am sure, take every action to express your sympathy with the royal family in their bereavement and your loyalty to the new sovereign.

The Canadian contingents in South Africa have nearly all returned, and it affords me a very great gratification to be able to assure you that the valor and good conduct of our Canadian soldiers have called forth the highest encomiums from the several commanders under whom they have served during the arduous contest.

The union of the several provinces of Australia into one confederation upon lines closely resembling those on which our own Dominion has been established, marks another important step towards the consolidation of the empire, and, I am well assured, will call forth your most sincere congratulations to the new commonwealth.

Acting on the advice of my ministers, I had, previously to the great grief which has fallen upon the nation, tendered an invitation on your behalf, to his royal highness the Duke of Cornwall and York to conclude his intended visit to Australia by one to the Dominion of Canada, and I am glad to be able to inform you that his royal highness has been pleased to signify his acceptance of the same. I still hope that that visit may not be considered impossible. I have no doubt of the warmth of the welcome with which he will be received.

My government has learned with great satisfaction of the progress being made with the Pacific cable scheme, and I trust that nothing may occur to delay its early completion.

Last summer I made a tour through Canada as far as Dawson City, and was everywhere received with unequalled proofs of devotion and loyalty. During my journey I was, from personal observation, much impressed with the great activity displayed in the development of the mining and agricultural industries of the country and with the substantial increase in its population. The thrift, energy and law-abiding character of the immigrants are the subject of much congratulation, and afford ample proof of their usefulness as citizens of the Dominion.

It gives me great pleasure to note the excellent display made by Canada at the universal exposition in Paris. The fine quality and varied character of Canadian natural and industrial products is evidenced by the number of awards won in nearly every class of the competition. It is a remarkable testimony to the effectiveness of our cold storage transportation facilities that fresh fruit grown in Canada secured a large number of the highest awards. It is extremely gratifying to observe that, as a result of the display of Canadian resources, considerable foreign capital has found its way to Canada for investment, and that large orders from foreign countries have been received for Canadian goods.

The improvement of the St. Lawrence route continues to engage the very careful attention of my government. During the past year the ship channels

have been widened and deepened, additional lights and buoys have been provided, and in a short time there will be telegraph and cable communication with Belle Isle. These additional securities will tend to make safer and more efficient than ever our great waterways between the lakes and the Atlantic.

I am glad to observe that the revenue and the general volume of trade continue undiminished, and even show a moderate increase over the very large figures attained during the past year. Measures will be submitted to you for the better supervision of the export trade in food products, and also in connection with the postoffice, the Pacific cable and various other subjects.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons: The accounts of the past year will be laid before you, and the estimate for the succeeding year will likewise be placed upon the table at an early date. Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate, Gentlemen of the House of Commons: I commend to your earnest consideration the measures to be submitted to you, invoking Divine blessings upon the important labors on which you are again entering.

When the house met today R.L. Borden took his seat as leader of the party. He has Sir Charles' old seat and beside him Sir Hibbert Tupper. There were Conservative cheers and cries from Nova Scotia members of "Nova Scotia forever." The house then proceeded to the senate to hear the governor general deliver the speech from the throne.

On returning to the commons, Sir Wilfrid Laurier congratulated Mr. Borden on his election to the leadership. Mr. Borden thanking him in reply. An address will be passed to his majesty the king tomorrow, after which the debate on the address in reply to the speech from the throne will be proceeded with.

At the present rate of consumption, the white fish the Pacific Cold Storage Co. brought in for the lenten season will all be gone long before Easter.

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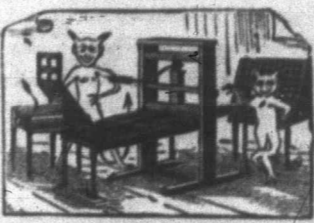
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THE PREMIER COMING.

From reports which have come to Dawson from the outside recently it is quite likely that Sir Wilfrid Laurier will pay a visit to Dawson during the approaching summer.

Beyond question great and lasting good came to the territory from the governor general's trip into Dawson last summer. It will be remembered that almost immediately after Lord Minto's return many of the concessions which had so long been sought from the government were granted.

A visit from the premier will be attended with results of equal importance. Sir Wilfrid Laurier has just been returned to power for another period of five years and in his speeches as well as in his public acts he has demonstrated quite clearly that he is in sympathy with every effort made along the line of developing the splendid resources of the Dominion.

In spite of all that has been written and said of the Yukon territory, this northern country is still largely an unknown quantity to Eastern Canada. For the most part the people of the east are engaged in pursuits entirely different from the occupation which engages our population.

It is, therefore, highly advantageous that members of the government should be urged to come into Dawson, not only for the direct assistance which they may be able to give in furthering the interests of the territory but also for the indirect good which will result from the information which they carry away with them.

FEDERAL STATUTES GOVERN.

The inducement held out that incorporation of Dawson into a municipality will give the local government control of gambling is not based upon facts. The entire matter is covered by federal statutes which may be enforced at any moment in spite of any local ordinance which could be passed to the contrary.

It would make no difference what views were entertained by the elected municipal council, the general laws applying in the premises could be brought into effect at any moment.

We are unable to see that the merits of the incorporation question are in any respect affected by the announcement that gambling is to be closed down. Unless revocation or modification of the order is received from Ottawa direct, the order will be enforced beyond question.

SHOULD COME TO DAWSON.

A telegram today conveys the information that the Dominion government has determined to establish an assay office at Vancouver. This action will be of valuable assistance to the latter city in securing a hold upon the Klondike trade, but will not prove of any immediate advantage to Dawson.

The sovereign has less to do with such matters than would the chief executive of the United States under similar circumstances. San Francisco supports a regular slave market, in which the merchandise offered for sale consists of Chinese girls.

The service given by the telephone company has proven an undisputed blessing. Dawson is now connected with all the creeks by phone, and local business concerns are fast coming to realize that a phone is one of the necessary fixtures of store or office.

The allied powers now represented by armed forces in China have a splendid opportunity to demonstrate to what extent they possess the virtue of patience. The Chinese potentates have been sending a continuous stream of notes to the powers which have served no purpose other than to keep the latter guessing.

When the steamers now under construction on the outside are added to the already large fleet of boats on the Yukon, the service during the summer between Dawson and Whitehorse will be unsurpassed. Evidently the railroad company has perfect confidence in the future of the territory.

The scene around the Gold Commissioner's office during the last few days recalls the famous summer of '98, when for weeks at a time, a line of men could always be found in front of the office, night or day.

The disaster which overtook the steamer Rio de Janeiro when almost in sight of the Golden Gate is one of the saddest events that have been recorded for some time. The fact that the passenger lists were lost adds to the horror of the calamity for it leaves an element of uncertainty respecting the identity of the lost which may never be entirely removed.

Dawson's legal talent is not feeling any particular amount of regret over the results of the late stampede. There are scores of properties which six to a dozen men claimed to have staked at one second after twelve o'clock on Monday night.

The new customs regulation covering personal baggage of parties bound to Dawson from the outside will prove a very satisfactory. Instead of examining baggage at the boundary, trunks, valises, etc., are to be corded and sealed at Skagway, and no examination will take place until after arrival in Dawson.

The death of the queen has renewed hope among the Boers. What effect they imagine that event will have upon England's war policy is difficult to see.

The ladies' night entertainments inaugurated by a local theater are meeting with deserved patronage. The opinion expressed many times in these columns that Dawson would support such an undertaking seems to be pretty well borne out by results.

One hundred and fifty people en route to Dawson landed from one steamer at Skagway yesterday. From this time on the tide of travel will turn in this direction and will steadily increase as long as the trails continue in good condition.

Echoes from the Nugget's Bryan souvenir still continue to come in. If all the comment of the outside press were published in the Nugget they would fill the columns of the paper many times over.

Emperor William has stated publicly that he loves France very much and will never allow any injury to come to her. William's self-constituted guardianship is not likely to prove popular in France.

March has come in upon us with certain "leonine" accompaniments which must be accepted as foretelling weather of lamblike quality toward the end of the month.

The poundmaster is out on his rounds and the wail of "dog gone" is heard from many a cabin.

And still the stampedes continue. Happens Every Day. Everybody has troubles. But there are a certain class of people who do not consider that, but take a particular delight in aggravating to the largest extent the troubles of others.

Yesterday morning a merry faced individual stepped to the window and the following conversation occurred: "Do you know where the mail is?" "It left Stewart river this morning."

The income tax principle alone is worth a small sized revolution, if it could be got at no cheaper price. The man is wise who in business, or legislation or government, keeps in mind the fact that the instinct of revolution is indescribable in all human beings.

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PINGREE VS. JEFFERSON.

One Fears, the Other Encouraged Revolutions.

The Former Statesman Had a Shade the Best of the Question—Bloodless Revolution Preferred.

The Hon. Mr. Pingree—a very good, very brave and very useful man, declares his belief that it conditions are not bettered America will witness a bloody revolution.

Mr. Pingree was perhaps a little too dramatic in his utterance. But what is the use of getting to excited when one mentions a revolution? This country is based on a revolution and the only other republic of any importance is also based on a revolution—the very bloody French revolution.

It is cheap and easy to rail at Pingree, because he happens to be among plutocrats, that queer bird, a real republican.

Let us take some other authority to avoid prejudice.

How would Thomas Jefferson do? He was a good man, was he not? The writer of the Declaration of Independence should have a word to say about future events. He was quite enthusiastic on the subject of revolutions.

What would you say if Pingree spoke as did Jefferson after Shay's rebellion in Massachusetts? That rebellion was really an attempt at revolution, and it was aimed at the plutocrat class that had already done some very fine work in our land.

He thought the revolutionary feeling a medicine good for the health of government. Listen to this and forget Pingree: "God forbid that we should be twenty years without such a rebellion—what signified a few lives lost in a century or two. The tree of liberty must be refreshed from time to time with the blood of patriots and tyrants; it was its natural manure."

Our personal opinion, perhaps too optimistic, is that the world may have seen the end of "bloody revolutions."

But, better a bloody revolution or two, or forty, than political stagnation, and continued grinding of the lower by the upper classes.

There are millions of men without a decent chance in life. There are classes that die of too much rich food and classes that die of too little food of any kind.

There are hundreds of thousands of children uneducated, or doomed to an unfair chance if they are educated. There are scores of millions paying with blood and sweat and the thin money of poverty all the government expenses, that a few preposterously rich shirkers and perjurers may go free.

If these things could only be got rid of at the price of a bloody revolution, the price would be cheap. We should advocate "refreshing the tree of liberty" exclusively with the blood of tyrants, and not at all with that of patriots; otherwise we have no objection to Mr. Jefferson's program.

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But we believe that the time has come for revolutions that shall be bloodless, free form force, gradual. In the old days of surgery, when a leg had to come off, it came off in bloody and painful fashion.

But now, anaesthetics, antiseptics, intelligent control of veins and arteries, make of a leg amputation an affair less serious than an old time tooth pulling.

Political science should be able to do for political operations what medical science has done for amputations.

We need some serious operations and must have them. But they could be made bloodless.

At the bottom of the whole question lies ignorance—or knowledge—which ever way you choose to put it.

The people of the land possess the power to rule absolutely. But they are ruled absolutely by a few interests at the top.

It is not at all sure, unfortunately, that they would know how to rule themselves if they undertook the task. A second sad thought is that they apparently do not even know enough to try to use their power.

In olden days the ignorant lower masses stood imposition as long as they could. Then came a revolution, big or little. But it was always bloody, and "the tree of liberty" was always plentifully "refreshed" in the Jeffersonian way.

Patriots and tyrants fought and died, and some good was always done.

More tyrants would show their heads above the surface. But they were always wiser tyrants than the last batch, and they always gave the under dog a little better chance.

It remains to be seen whether in this land we shall see the people with education learning to use their ballots and developing leaders of a class that will not be bought out or unconsciously corrupted when they get power.

Unless the people learn to vote and manage to produce men of their own able to govern, Mr. Jefferson's favorite tree will undoubtedly be watered sooner or later.

But we are hopeful of constantly growing wisdom both at the top and bottom of the social scale. We believe that liberty is at last born on earth and that the birth pains are over.

Please think of this comparison and judge its truth.

Every child born on earth is desirable and welcome. Yet, every birth, carrying the being from the pre-natal condition to this life, is a bloody revolution.

Terrible suffering accompanies every birth, and like that often caused by revolutions in politics, the suffering is borne by the innocent—by the innocent mother.

Let us hope that liberty is really born here at last and that its progress hereafter is to be bloodless. Let us hope that, like the child once born, its career will proceed along lines of education, and that the days foreshadowed by Pingree and prized by Jefferson are over. ARTHUR BRISBANE.

Obeys As Wife Only.

The Hague, Feb. 8.—The Queen and Prince Heinrich have bound themselves by the marriage contract, in accordance with the statutes, to recognize the husband as the head of the matrimonial union and to provide for and educate the children of the union. The husband assumes responsibility of representing the wife in all civil actions. The wife promises to obey the husband, but by a special recent act of the Dutch parliament, she is exempted from the usual promises "to dwell with him wherever he deems it best to live."

The contract also provides that the Queen shall allow the husband interest on 50,000,000 guilders and that he shall receive no income from the state except in the case of the queen's death. It is further provided that the queen shall yield obedience to the husband as wife, but not as queen, and husband relinquishes the right to administer the wife's property.

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### MUST CLOSE BY MARCH 17

Late Ottawa Order Promulgated by Local Officers.

#### All Gambling Must Cease—Privileges of Theatre Women Much Curtailed.

From Thursday and Friday's Daily. The recent order received by Major Wood from Ottawa was yesterday transmitted to the officer commanding in the police service, Capt. Starnes and by him it will be passed on to the patrol force which in turn will notify all proprietors of gambling houses and dance halls not only in Dawson but in the Yukon district that their doors must not be open for a continuation of their present line of business after midnight of March 16th.

Capt. Starnes reiterates the former statement of Major Wood that the law will be strictly and rigidly enforced and any violations of it will meet with swift and certain punishment.

At theaters women will still be permitted to take part in the performances insofar as the latter are respectable and free from obscenity; but no women will be permitted to drink at the bar, in boxes or any place around theaters, neither will they be permitted to induce or solicit men to drink.

Legitimate plays, farces, comedy and all entertainment not obscene will not in any way be molested.

The above is virtually the substance of the orders that will be enforced when 16 more days shall have been rolled to gether on the scroll of time and laid away on the shelf of eternity. Explicit orders to close the class of houses referred to have been given and they will be closed. The officers whose duty it is to enforce the orders issued from Ottawa have no option but to obey, and any and all hope entertained that leniency will or can be extended at the option of the local authorities are wholly and entirely without foundation.

Any relaxation from rigidity of the order as it now exists must come from the Dominion capital.

There was talk last night of having those interested in commercial and industrial pursuits take the matter up and telegraph to Ottawa a memorial setting forth the facts as the committee might believe them to exist, but in which general belief there is a wide diversity of opinion. It goes without saying that a petition forwarded by those directly interested in the branches of business effected would be without a tittle of weight after it would reach Ottawa, and it is very doubtful if a memorial from every man in Dawson would in any way serve to alter the mandate as uttered.

### BOUND FOR NOME

Three Men Arrive Last Night For That Place.

A party of three men, Judge Cardwell, formerly of Portland, H. Raymond, of North Dakota, and Eddie Cowley, arrived last night from Whitehorse and will, after a rest of a few days, proceed on down the Yukon en route to Nome, at which place they passed the winter a year ago, going below on a late steamer last fall. Raymond spent five years on the Yukon prior to going to Nome in '99. He was at and near Circle considerable of the time. In speaking today with a Nugget representative at the Regina where Tom Kirkpatrick was making himself a good fellow, Mr. Raymond expressed himself as impressed with the belief that Nome with her surrounding districts, will constitute a first-class country for men with money this season. He says there is no doubt about the richness of a large part of that country and a large amount of gold will be mined this year.

The party had a horse and sled on the trip from Whitehorse but will buy a good dog team here, discarding the horse. They expect to overtake Billy Leak and his party who left yesterday afternoon with four dog teams. Messrs Cardwell, Raymond and Cowley travel light, carrying nothing but provisions and bedding.

**Must Get or Work.** On Monday of this week the police at Grand Forks made a round-up of the "toll nots" of that town and later they were taken before Magistrate McDonnell who dealt with them in his usual clear and sensible way. The fellows to the

number of eight or ten were charged with living on the avails of prostitution and of vagrancy. They were given from three to seven days, as the urgency of the case was apparent, in which to pack their odd sock and mustache wax and shake the pulverized snow of the Forks from their pedal extremities. A reception committee will meet them on their arrival in Dawson and the warning "get or work" will be repeated.

### HIS LIFE IN DANGER

Horrible Example Set by a Wood Sawyer.

Yesterday afternoon two men were engaged at sawing wood on the street in front of the jewelry store of J. L. Sale & Co., when one of them had occasion to leave his work for 20 minutes or half an hour. But that fact did not in any way clog the wheels of progress for the reason that the other partner picked up the discarded saw and for the next few minutes two sticks instead of one fell from the big log on the saw horse with the regularity of clock work. With a pivotal heel motion the man operated both saws and while one was being pushed the other was being pulled with a regularity that will not be excelled when the great secret of perpetual motion is solved. A large crowd soon gathered to witness the physical feat and one man was heard to say: "Dat guy orter be murdered, fer some of dem barracks fellers'll come erlong an' see 'im, den de next time I gets on der woodpile I'll have ter buck two saws 'stead o' one."

Later in the evening a meeting of the "vag" element was held when a committee was appointed to wait on the double action sawyer and warn him on penalty of being hot-potted to never again operate two saws where there is any likelihood of his being seen by custodians of the royal fuel factory.

#### New B. C. Industry.

Vancouver, B.C. Feb. 11.—A wealthy English company, of which Evans, Coleman & Evans, of Vancouver, are representatives in this province, has just completed a deal for the purchase of a large cement and marble property in Washington state. The deposit of cement and marble is nine miles from Sumas, on the Washington side of the boundary line, and is on the direct route of the Bellingham Bay & British Columbia railway extension and within easy reach of the Great Northern and Canadian Pacific railways. A large expenditure has already been made in the undertaking, and an extensive body of suitable material has been fully tested by manufacturers in the United States as well as England and Germany, and the result is that works that will cost in the vicinity of \$500,000 will be commenced almost immediately.

For the last nine months a German specialist has been making thorough tests of several properties in that vicinity, but it was only during the last week that the deal was put through. The deposit is a very large one—over 600 feet high, and shows a uniform bearing of the necessary ingredients for the manufacture of lime and cement. The rock, when quarried and polished, is said to be one of the finest to be found anywhere on the Coast. It consists of 98.3 per cent pure lime, and when ground and mixed with other material found close at hand, makes an excellent cement. The lime kilns which will be established at the property itself will have a capacity of 300 barrels per day. It is probable that the cement works will be constructed on this side of the line and somewhere on the Fraser river.

The works will have a capacity for the present of 300 barrels per day, which is larger than any other present works on the Coast, and will be constructed with a view to doubling that capacity within a year. The buildings and plant required for this work alone will cost in the vicinity of \$200,000, while the cost of installing the quarrying and marble polishing plant, lime kilns and other equipment for the operation of the property, will involve the expenditure of a quarter of a million dollars more. This latter amount will all be on the American side of the boundary line.

A tender has been entered for supplying 20,000 feet of the polished marble to the new postoffice building at Salem, Or. On Puget sound as well as in Vancouver there is a good market for the product. It is expected that the Hawaiian islands will also be large consumers, and a trade will likewise be worked up in Australia and the Orient. The purchase of the property has caused quite a stir in other property values in the surrounding district.

### CARLYLE WAS A GRUMBLER

And Saw No Happiness in the Average Life.

Says Max O'Rell, Whose Greatest Enemy Is Mrs. Grundy—French Are Happy Race.

Pleasure is a passing sensation. What the soul craves for is a permanent state. Pleasure is the satisfaction of the moment; happiness is the security of the morrow. Not but happiness gives satisfaction to the soul.

Thomas Carlyle spent his life in scolding the human race for trying to be happy. His diatribes should have been aimed only at those who are foolish enough to try to find happiness in pleasure.

Happiness is to be found in congenial work, in a regular and well spent life, in obscurity and retirement, in sound and true friendship, and especially in the love of a man and a woman who thoroughly appreciate each other.

For instance, Carlyle abused money making, that chief occupation of modern life, which most people pursue in order to attain the great end, happiness. But men may find pleasure in money grabbing, not happiness. Carlyle mistook pleasure for happiness. His dyspeptic state prevented him from enjoying any pleasure, and his sour disposition any happiness, and, like a man who cannot eat a dinner loves to lecture another who enjoys a good digestion, he scolded and snarled. Now, mankind has never been improved by scolding and that is why the writings have passed over the heads of the human race and done no good. Man has ever been, is and ever will be in search of the solution of the great, the only problem of life—happiness—and what he wants is thinkers and writers who will help him to find it.

Carlyle treated the human race very much as he treated his wife. He wrote beautiful love letters to her, but never said a kind or sweet word to her, which might have helped to make her happy. There is something very unsatisfactory, inconclusive about a blind man discoursing on color, and a dyspeptic one on pleasure and happiness. No doubt the greatest source of happiness in this world is to be found in the love and devotion of a man and a woman. You may find it in every sphere of life, but more particularly in that little cottage covered with ivy, jessamine and honeysuckle which seldom attracts the attention of the passer-by. Happy the one whose nest is hidden from the crowd.

Now, what will especially help a man and a woman to find happiness in love? Many, many things will help, but most especially the artistic temperament, that temperament which can be cultivated and developed, and which will cause the man and the woman to always look for the beautiful, for the enjoyment of the soul and the heart at the same time as that of the body.

Love is the poetry of the senses. It reveals its secrets and ecstasies only to those who can so mingle their thoughts, their hearts, their souls as to transform two beings into one; only to people of refinement and of artistic disposition. Nations are not better or worse than others; they are different, that's all. The French, for example, are neither more moral nor more immoral than the English or the Americans; they are different in their morality, they are different in their immorality, as they are in their tastes, customs and habits. But what I am perfectly sure of is that they are the happiest people on earth, simply because of their artistic temperament, which makes them take all their pleasures in discreet moderation, like epicures, and, by making the companionship of man and woman most pleasant and attractive, enables them to enjoy love in all its beautiful fullness.

But, some people will say, is not an artistic temperament conducive to unfaithfulness? Will not a man with an artistic temperament, for instance, constantly have artistic aspirations and constantly fall in love with beauty? Not at all necessarily. If you will allow me to repeat a saying that I have used in one of these articles, a saying of which I cannot say I am particularly proud, but the truth of which I insist on, that woman is a beautiful instrument and man a good or a bad instrumentalist, I will answer: No, not at all necessarily. I am not aware that Sarasate and Joachim require more than one violin to give their marvelous performances on, and I know that when Paderewski goes on a tour he insists on always playing on the same piano, which follows him everywhere.

And, on this subject, another question might be put: Should a woman prefer to marry a man to whom woman is an enigma? I know that most people who belong to the retinue of Mrs. Grundy will at once exclaim: Most decidedly, a woman should expect to find the man as he expects to find her. And there goes again the old saying: What is good for the goose should be good for the gander. Well, there is something in that; but when I consider that the whole happiness of a married life may depend on the start, I would fain reply: A woman ought not to care for such a man any more than a Stradivarius should care to be played upon by a youngster who would try on it his first attempt at a simple scale in C major. Young girls at school are constantly reminded that they should prepare to become good wives and good mothers. What a pity it is that boys are never told that they might now and then think of preparing to become decent husbands and tolerable fathers.

As for Mrs. Grundy, she is a very moral person, for whom I cannot help feeling some respect; but she is the cause of a great deal of happiness being missed in Anglo-Saxon lands. My greatest grudge against that lady is that she is the bitter, implacable enemy of the artistic, the beautiful and the truthful, of which she has succeeded in denuding art, literature, and life itself. Anglo-Saxon intelligence, the "intellectuals," as we call them in France, are dead against her, but the masses of the people are crawling on their knees before her. All the conventionalities of English life have been invented to suit her taste, and to please her the most innocent pleasures have had to be transformed into funeral functions. Everything suggests impropriety or indecency to her distorted mind, and she is the cause that, in England, and also to some extent in America, art, literature and life have to lie to avoid running the risk of deserving her frowns.

Personally I avoid Mrs. Grundy, having made up my mind never to have anything to do with angels—this side of the grave.

**Views of An Authoress.** If I were talking to a daughter regarding her future life partner, I think I should say:

"An extravagant young man is to be avoided, yet one of the best husbands I ever saw was a spendthrift until he married the wise little maid who taught him economy.

"A man of the world who has 'seen life' is to be kept at a safe distance by a prudent girl, yet the best husband I ever saw was that sort of man until he met the woman with whom he began a new and beautiful life.

"A hasty tempered man is a most dangerous suitor to encourage, yet I have seen one become a lamb of docility when associated with the girl who knew how to laugh his tempers away.

"A too ardent and impetuous lover is to be looked upon with suspicion and doubt, still I have known a couple to be superlatively happy for a score of years who were engaged after their second meeting and married shortly afterward."

I should give a son similar wise council, and neither would be in the least influenced by what I said, for marriage, like birth and death, are personal experiments, and must be experienced individually.

**The Lease Divorce.** Mary Elizabeth Lease is under suspicion of bringing her divorce suit as an advertising dodge.

Of course, the Hon. Mary Elizabeth Lease will not object to paying Mr. Elizabeth Lease a fair amount of alimony. Right is right.—Kansas City Journal.

As Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Lease alleges "failure to provide" as a ground for divorce, Mr. Mary Elizabeth Lease might allege failure to keep house as a counter-charge.

Mrs. Lease's case is merely one illustration of the fact that public careers for women who have domestic responsibilities are extremely likely to promote domestic discord. One career may be all right for a woman, but two careers are usually one too many.

Mrs. Mary Ellen Lease now wants a divorce from her husband. The announcement that Mr. Lease will not contest the suit comes as no surprise, for he long since expressed weariness at being known as "the husband of Mrs. Lease."

**Eagles Sunday Night.** The Eagles will hold a specially interesting meeting on Sunday night. A particularly interesting program will be carried out and refreshment will be served in honor of Leroy Tozier, whose recovery from his recent illness is hailed with much pleasure by all his friends. Eagles and visiting Eagles are invited to be present.

### MERCHANT W. M. MATHEW

From Barlow City, Is in Dawson For a Few Days.

He Thinks the Clear Creek District Will Turn Out All Right—Will Be Lively This Season.

W. M. Mathew, manager of the T. & E. Co.'s branch store at Barlow City, is in Dawson for a few days on business. In conversation with a Nugget representative this morning, he said:

"There are about 50 people at work in the vicinity on Barlow and Clear creeks and from the prospects in sight everybody seems satisfied that the district will be a large producer. The samples of gold brought in are of a flat, flaky character, but of good quality and will make a good showing when assayed. It is more fitted for summer diggings and work will be done on quite an extensive scale there this summer."

"Mr. Young, the mining recorder for the district, is located at Barlow City, but will have to move to the mouth of the McQueen before the opening of navigation, as it will be a difficult matter to get to Barlow when the river opens. Negotiations for a postoffice and a regular mail service are being carried on, and it is hoped to see it established soon."

"Several parties have recently run up to the headwaters of the McQueen prospecting, Haggard creek 100 miles up being the main objective point and good reports are expected from them upon their return."

"The trail, with the exception of about eight or nine miles on the Arkansas divide where it is sidling and rough, is in fine condition and traveling is very easy. There have been several rumors of quartz ledges being located but nothing definite about them has been learned."

"I think," he said in conclusion, "the country has a great future before it and will demonstrate it in time."

He leaves on his return trip in a few days carrying with him the government mail.

### PREPARING FOR TANANA

A Few Dawsonites Will Go in This Month.

It is probable that 100 people will leave Dawson during the present month for the Tanana country and that probably another 100 will leave shortly after the opening of navigation and that will about comprise the delegation of miners and prospectors which Dawson will contribute to that district this year unless discoveries much more rich than have thus far been made are reported. Those who will go over the ice are mostly people who were there last year and secured locations and are now going in with provisions which can be readily hauled over the snow for the purpose of beginning the work of development. Those who will await the opening of navigation have not yet secured claims and are not desirous of getting on the ground until the snow is gone. The reports from Tanana are by no means of a stamped encouraging nature. There is doubtless plenty of gold there, but the portion that has been seen is decidedly meagre.

### A COSTLY BLAZE

Cosgrove & Co. Lose Their Store and Stock.

Last night at 11:30 o'clock a serious fire occurred at the lower ferry which resulted in the total destruction of the store, both building and contents, of Cosgrove & Co., at that place. The proprietor in charge had locked up and left the store a few minutes previous to the time mentioned and there were no evidences of fire at that time. A spark from the stove is supposed to have fallen into the woodbox or among some trash near the stove. Of the contents of the building only one pair of blankets were saved. Cosgrove & Co. estimated their loss at \$2000.

Mr. Rene Lepreux, who has been for some years past connected with the Kelly Drug Co., returned to Dawson recently from an extended visit through the east. His wife returned with him.

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### IMPORTANT ORDER ISSUED

#### At Ottawa Relating to Matters of Claim Staking.

#### Most Liberal Measure Yet Promulgated—Abandoning Worthless Claim Does Not Forfeit Right.

From Saturday's Daily. As stated in the Nugget yesterday an order was received at the gold commissioner's office, giving to the free miner the right to abandon a claim for which he has received entry and stake and record another claim on the same creek, river or gulch, providing he can produce evidence and show by work performed that the abandoned claim will not pay to work. The order is dated at Ottawa, the 21st of January and is as follows:

Whereas it is represented that it would be in the public interest to permit a free miner to abandon a placer mining claim for which he has received entry under the regulations governing placer mining in the Yukon territory and to obtain entry for another claim on the same river, gulch or creek.

Whereas, section 35 of the same regulations provides that no free miner shall receive a grant for more than one placer mining claim in a mining district, the boundaries of which shall be defined by the mining recorder, but the same miner may also hold a bill claim acquired by him under the regulations in connection with the river, creek, or gulch claim and may hold any number of claims by purchase.

Therefore, his excellency by and with the advice of the queen's privy council for Canada is pleased to order and it is hereby ordered that a free miner may at any time abandon a placer mining claim for which he has received entry, by giving notice of his intentions to do so to the mining recorder provided he can show by his own evidence, corroborated by the mining inspector that sufficient work has been done on the claim to prove that the ground which he wishes to abandon cannot be profitably worked by the ordinary placer mining methods. These conditions complied with he may obtain entry for another claim on the same river, creek or gulch.

His excellency is further pleased, with the view of encouraging prospecting, that new discoveries may be made, to order that the said section 35 is rescinded and the following substituted: "No free miner shall receive a grant of more than one mining claim on each separate river, creek, or gulch, except a hill claim by purchase, as provided by section 34 of these regulations or unless he has abandoned the claim for which he has received entry and such abandonment has been duly recorded. A free miner may hold any number of claims by purchase."

### FEBRUARY WEATHER

#### This Year Was Much Colder Than That of Last.

During the months of January and February just passed Dawson experienced the severest weather ever recorded in this part of the country.

### The Nugget

The Nugget reaches the people in town and out of town; on every creek and every claim; in season and out of season. If you wish to reach the public you will do well to bear this in mind. . . . .

Our circulation is general; we cater to no class—unless it be the one that demands a live, unprejudiced and readable newspaper

ed in this part of the country. The comparative table for the month of January of this year and last published last month, showed a difference on the 15th, the coldest day of each year, of 11 degrees, and the degrees below zero added together for each month shows January, 1900, to be 82 and January, 1901, to be 100, giving January, 1901, 180 degrees more of cold than the same month of last, with an average degree for January, 1900, of 26.5 and this year 32.3.

February averages .01 of a degree colder than January being 32.4, while for last year February was comparatively mild, with the exception of a few days when the thermometer went as low as 45, but the average was only 19.5.

The degrees below zero added together gives February of this year 907 degrees and of last year 573 degrees. Several days last year the thermometer went above zero and taking the sum of the degrees above away from the degrees below brings the degrees below to 550, giving February of this year 357 degrees more than last year. The comparative table for February of 1900 and 1901 is as follows:

Feb. 1901.	Be.	Feb. 1900.	Ab.	Be.
1	29	1	4	4
2	27	2	2	2
3	24	3	4	4
4	18	4	5	5
5	2.5	5	3.5	3.5
6	8.5	6	17	17
7	1	7	3	3
8	1.5	8	4.5	4.5
9	4.5	9	2.5	2.5
10	4.5	10	18.5	18.5
11	4.5	11	25	25
12	4.5	12	25	25
13	4.5	13	28	28
14	4.5	14	28	28
15	4.5	15	41	41
16	4.5	16	41	41
17	4.5	17	41	41
18	4.5	18	38	38
19	4.5	19	41	41
20	38	20	45	45
21	38.5	21	44.5	44.5
22	34.5	22	42.5	42.5
23	28	23	29	29
24	33	24	2	2
25	34	25	3	3
26	21	26	6	6
27	17	27	28	28
28	17	28	38	38

### IT WAS A DRAW.

#### Al Smith and Colorado Kid Scrap Ten Rounds.

Al Smith and the Colorado Kid met in the roped arena at the Club gymnasium last night in a ten-round go. Slavín acted as referee. The bout was to be judged by agreement of the principals upon the showing made by the men, a decision to be given accordingly should both men stay in the ring until the end of the tenth. Smith when stripped for the fray showed up fully 20 pounds lighter than his dusky opponent.

As call of time both men went to work, Smith keeping out of the way of the colored boy by quick drops and side steps, but receiving some jarring blows, one of which brought him to the floor in the first round. In the second Colorado, thinking he could finish his man rushed from the call of time, landing heavily but getting severely jolted by straight arm blows from Smith whose rapid work elicited hearty applause from the onlookers. It soon became apparent, however, that Smith was outclassed, he evidently realizing the same, as in subsequent rounds he continually dropped to the floor to escape punishment, but in doing so took advantage of every opening to get in his work with right and left and occasionally with both together.

By these tactics he was enabled to stay the full ten rounds, at the end of which time Slavín declared the go a draw, stating that while the Colorado Kid had the best of the go, with weight in his favor, the other man showed superior skill. During the course of the bout the Colorado Kid challenged Caribou Sinclair, saying that he would meet him for \$500 a side. It is expected a match will be pulled off between the men.

### GARBLED REPORT.

#### Police Court Demoralized by a "Mixologist."

The police court report as published in an unreliable sheet yesterday evening was worthy of a place in the public museum.

The report started in with Samuel Comfort up on the charge of assaulting C. Crosby, a sun burned female resident of Fourth avenue, with a razor, and a few lines further on it had the same dusky damsel under the name of "Captain Crosby" in the magistrate's chair dispensing justice.

The statement was also made by the Evening Unreliable that "Constable

Schnell" had been fined \$5 for dumping garbage on the river bank when the man fined for that act was Constant Schmell. The statement is a great injustice to Constable Schnell who was here last year, but who is now on the outside.

As this news was all published in the Nugget of Thursday, it would seem that with that paper in addition to the police court records from which to copy, the always-a-day-behind-sheet would get things straight. Its police court reporter should apply for a job as mixologist at some oil of joy store.

#### Mr. Mizner Returns.

Edgar A. Mizner, manager of the A.C. Co., returned last evening from a trip over the creeks in the interests of the company. He covered Bonanza, Eldorado, Dominion and Gold Run in his travels, on all of which creeks he reports that extensive operations are under way. Mr. Mizner is particularly well pleased with the condition of affairs on Gold Run, which creek he is satisfied will be numbered among the banner producers of the year.

### CHINESE STARVING.

(Continued from Page 1.) is a small estimate of the number of official retainers who are with the court. Of course great quantities of provisions have been sent from other provinces for the use of the court, but these have been insufficient for the 25,000 persons, all of whom get full rations at the expense of the starving people.

The government has been doing what it could to relieve the sufferings but its efforts have been marked by little success, because food in sufficient quantities for distribution cannot be obtained. The population of Shan Si is 12,000,000 and Shens Si 9,000,000.

#### Art is Life.

Art is air to man. If he had not it he would die but after years of false learning gained harshly he asks often: "Of what use is art?" And then the only reply that one may wish to make to him is "Nothing. Art has the charm of inutility." Now, may not one try to be without the sophistry that is in a reply like that? Art is to a young mother that I know the only useful thing in the world.

When one asks her son's age, she looks at his face as one looks at a clock to see the time, and says, "Four years," demurely. Demurely because the child is a prodigy. His little friends have not his memory. He assembles ideas with great ease, finds an entire alphabet in a box of blocks and sets in order and a light in his eyes and a flush that tell his ardor to study books and pictures.

His mother wishes that he were similar to the cobbler's little boy, with china blue eyes, a mouth lost in cheeks and the appearance of the stupidist health. Her son makes the physician assume the gravest attitude and say: "He should not see pictures nor books. He should not think. He has too many ideas already. Can't you bring him up as if he were a little Newfoundland dog?"

The physician thinks this is easy to do. He has no idea of the psychology of a 4-year-old boy. And then he is not very learned about Newfoundland dogs. I knew one who, at five months of age dreamed all night and passed from laughter to tears with painful swiftness. He filled my room with expressions of the wildest thoughts. Is this the way in which the 4-year-old boy should be reared?

Manhattan does not become him. He enjoys it too much. There are too many forms and colors, too many things to be understood. Manhattan turns his brain. In July his mother brought him to the interior of the state, in a warm valley where he saw only grass and cows. He drank milk and relished the spectacle of the aromatic herbs that made it. In November, on his return here, he was brown and almost chubby. He had the color of a 29-cent doll. But it did not last longer than a week. Manhattan regained its influence over him. He became again nervous, delicate, too refined. Mental Manhattan impelled him as it impels all men, to think and to work. He would not sleep nor eat. The physician said, "He has nothing. Make him eat, make him eat!" His mother tried in vain.

Santa Claus brought to him a big box of soldiers. They excited him extremely. He had in playing with them near the window that he selected in order that the sun of Austerlitz might illuminate their maneuvers, the forehead and the pose of a little Napoleon. His mother said that they were capable of leading him into a battle and hid them one evening in her cedar closet. In their place, near his bed, she substituted a 59-cent farm house. There were sheep, cows, horses, curly headed trees. There were the farmer and his wife. The farmer carried a sickle and

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his wife a rake. She wore a straw hat and a red skirt. The little boy saw her when he opened his eyes and kissed her. He saw the house, so small that the farmer's wife could not have stood in it. But it had a door by which the little boy knew that it was a house.

He pressed the wooden figures with his little fists, smeared the paint that is on them with his kisses, called them both their names, said that the trees were pines, to the great astonishment of his mother, who realized that cone-shaped trees must necessarily be pines and called him "treasure" for having discovered that, and finally he remembered the grass and the cows of the valley in July to November. He asked for milk and drank it. He was yesterday almost chubby, with rosy cheeks and an insatiable appetite. His mother said: "I conceded that art is the only useful thing in the world, since it has made my pale little boy similar to a 29-cent doll."

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SOUTH—Leave Whitehorse daily, except Sundays, 8:00 a. m. Bennett 1:25 p. m. Arrive at Skagway, 4:40 p. m.

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