

DAWSON, Y. T., MONDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1901

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PROPHY ON TRIAL

Arrested With Being Loose, Idle and Disorderly Individual

Visible Means of Support

Technicalities Regarding Black Jack

Day and Festive Game

Actions of Little Evidence Takes Much Time—No Verdict at 4:15 This Evening.

Brophy who was arrested weeks ago on suspicion of having been implicated in the Dominion and against whom the charge was a "loose, idle and disorderly" was later substituted, was before Magistrate Macaulay's court at which time the evidence in the case was all heard when the case was taken until 2:30 this afternoon when Crown Prosecution and Attorney Hagel, the defense, would submit their evidence.

First witness called was Thomas Smith, one of the proprietors of the Dominion club rooms. The witness knew Brophy for months during that time had given him a "loose, idle and disorderly" player at the tables. It was later substituted, was before Magistrate Macaulay's court at which time the evidence in the case was all heard when the case was taken until 2:30 this afternoon when Crown Prosecution and Attorney Hagel, the defense, would submit their evidence.

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black-jack game runs continuously (like a ten cent show in a New Orleans cellar) the time from 12 o'clock noon until 12 o'clock night is called the "spring shift." What the other 12 hours constitutes did not come out, but it is probably the fall or Yuletide shift. These are things that should be known.  
Jack Turner and Tom Beede testified to practically the same thing as Thos. Turner. Each was employed at the Dominion and each knew of Brophy having had a few days' work there, but neither knew of his ever having been otherwise employed.  
Edwin Harris who is a voluntary prisoner at the jail, being held on no specified charge but on a suspicion of having some knowledge of a Gold Run sluiceway robbery, also testified. He knew Brophy to be a good quartz miner and to be able to command a premium of 50 cents per day over common delvers after rock; witness had met Brophy on Gold Run last summer and had hired him to cut wood; had eaten with Brophy and slept in his cabin after coming to Dawson.  
Another witness, Frank Beckel, had known Brophy since '97 when he had worked with him in the Glacier mine near Juneau. Had known him as a good workman but did not like him as a man, Brophy having been disposed to run over witness for the reason that the latter was a foreigner.  
A. V. Buel was the next witness, it being the object of the crown to show by his testimony that Brophy was known at Nome in 1900 as having been a member of the "Soap" Smith gang in 1897 at Skagway. But as the question of character had not been brought up by the defense, objection to the introduction of Mr. Buel's testimony was made and sustained. This closed the prosecution's case.

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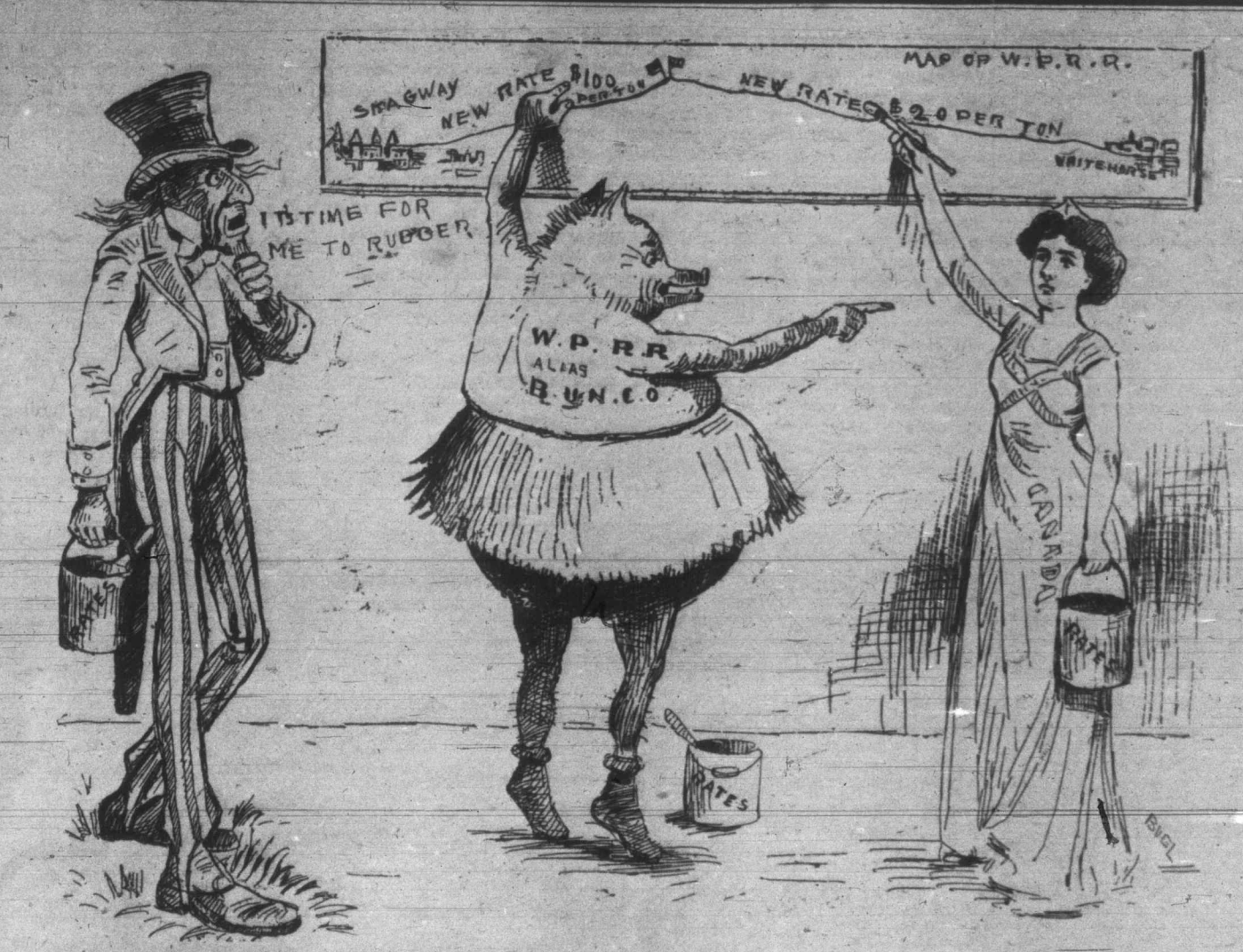
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UNCLE SAM'S HELP MAY BE REQUIRED.  
Late telegraphic advices state that unless the White Pass Railway is protected against competition, freight rates will be raised from Skagway to the Summit to offset the reductions demanded by the Canadian government.

Canada's First Cheap Postage.

We are most happy to announce that the result of the first month's trial of the cheap post system is entirely satisfactory, and realizes the expectations of the most sanguine in regard to it. The average letter postage under the old system was ninepence currency so that it required three times the amount of business to make the present rate produce a revenue equal to what it was before the change. The number of letters during the first month has more than doubled—so that the revenue is only about one-third reduced. Of course, this is the minimum, and every month will show an improvement.  
The great object of attainment is now cheap postage. When shall we have penny postage across the Atlantic?  
Fourteen new offices have just been established.—From the Toronto Globe of May 15, 1881.

A Strange Bird Visitor.

A swallow-tailed kite, the only one, so far as is known, that has been captured in Canada, was shot by a local taxidermist at Highland Creek Heights, near Port Union, on Tuesday. The kite proved to be a magnificent specimen, and will be enjoyed by all collectors. It measured 36 inches from the bill to the tip of its long forked tail, and about 40 inches from tip to tip of its huge wings. The kite is a bird of prey belonging to the hawk family, and it is thought that it was driven out of its course by the great storm which raged last week from Georgia north to Ontario. The only record of any previous appearance of a swallow-tailed kite in this Province is to be found in Mackleworth's "Birds of Ontario," in which it is stated that one was observed perching on a flagpole in the City of Ottawa. The bird shot at Highland Heights had a pure white head, black back with metallic reflections, a white breast, and pale pea green legs. Highland Creek Heights, being the highest bluff along the lake, is a favorite landing-place for birds which cross the lake, and is famous as a stopping-point for fish hawks. At the crest of the heights is a riven oak, which is evidently a landmark for the winged travelers.—Globe.

Punning Catches.

Little punning catches are appreciated by a good many people. Here is an old one that is good:  
"If a father gave one of his sons 19 cents and the other 6 cents, what time would it be?"  
"The answer is, 'Quarter to two.'"  
And here is one of more recent birth:  
"If a postmaster went to a messenger and was eaten by one of the wild beasts, what would be the hour?"  
"Perhaps you will have to think this over a little. Yet the answer is very simple. It is '8 p. m.' of course."  
And here is the latest yet:  
"If a guest at a restaurant ordered a lobster and ate it, and another guest did the same, what would the latter's telephone number be?"  
"It would be '8-1-3.'—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

The Largest Stock

Groceries, Provisions, Hay, Oats and Feed  
IN DAWSON.  
Lovers of high-grade goods in food products—not antique, but pure and fresh, will do well to call on us.  
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THE FINEST IN THE LAND

Meats  
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WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.  
Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Blustery Weather.

Although mercury still hovers around the zero mark and there are no indications of it going many degrees lower in the near future, this has been one of the most disagreeable days of the winter. Snow has fallen nearly all day and a strong north wind has made it extremely unpleasant traveling unless the pilgrim was heading southward.

Laras & Duclos.

Pioneer photos, regret to learn from many of our patrons the unsatisfactory flash light photo which occurred at the St. Andrew's ball. We execute all our work to the public satisfaction and promptly meet all appointments. Studio, opposite corner post.  
Send a copy of Goetzman's Souvenir to outside friends. A complete pictorial history of Klondike. For sale at all news stands. Price \$2.50.  
Toys and games—all kinds for the little ones.—Kilgore & Landahl's.  
Kelly & Co., Leading Druggists.

FOR SALE—A snap—3 pups, half Malamute, one year old, broke to work. Apply this office.

Candies, nuts, etc., for the holidays.—Kilgore & Landahl's.

THE Most Popular Movement

Ever inaugurated by a newspaper in the city of Dawson, was the reduction in the subscription price of the Daily Klondike Nugget, from \$4.00 to \$3.00 per month.

Nearly Two Hundred New Subscribers

Have been added since the reduction in price went into effect. There are still a few people in Dawson who are not on our lists. Our solicitors will call upon them in a few days and before Christmas we expect to have every newspaper reader in the city

A SUBSCRIBER TO THE NUGGET!

Without Waste of Words.  
Each of the bucksters had a wagon, load of "garden sass," and each wagon was drawn by a horse that had been better days.  
The first buckster was a man of strong vocal attainments. He belted forth the nature of his goods in a voice that penetrated between the pickets of the side gates and resounded clear around to the back door.  
It was a large, robust voice that left nobody in doubt as to the freshness of his vegetables and the ripeness of his berries.  
The second buckster, who followed the first at a discreet distance, was not gifted vocally. His mild voice, however, was far-reaching.  
"Po-ta-toes, keli-gens, onions, strawberries, rawshores, ripe currants!" shouted the first buckster.  
"Ve haf de same on dis yaggin!" cried the second buckster.  
And so they passed down the street.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

MISPLACED CONFIDENCE

Causes a Wood Hauler Some Extra Work.  
A man engaged in hauling wood down the old A. C. trail today with a single horse and sled was the victim of misplaced confidence which resulted in a general spill at the foot of the hill. The load was pulling pretty heavily and when near the bottom he committed the error of taking off his roughlock, thinking the horse could easily hold it. The break was no sooner off, however, than the load started down the hill like greased lightning. By doing a lively start the horse managed to keep out of the way and when the load on to King street was reached the load turned several somersaults finally landing bottom side up. The driver from a safe point of view on a side-hill gazed at the acrobatic feats with much complacency.  
Gerónimo to Fight.  
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The old man is angry because he has been dethroned as chief of the Apaches, which position he has held ever since he came to Fort Sill as a prisoner of war. The position of chief really amounts to nothing, but it is considered a great honor and has been a balm for his humiliation. He was raised out of office in his absence at the Pan-American Exposition. His successor is Naiche, a medicine man. The first thing Gerónimo did was to challenge Naiche to fight a duel. The latter ignored him. Gerónimo is now getting a few of his faithful friends together and threatens to make serious trouble for the new chief.  
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WOODBURN ELECTED

To Be First Mayor of the Village of Grand Forks.  
The first municipal election in the Yukon took place at Grand Forks Saturday evening with the result that Walter M. Woodburn is now mayor of that thriving village, his election being unanimous.  
His honor, the first and only mayor in the territory, is but 36 years of age. He is a native of Ottawa and came to the Yukon in '98. He engaged in business in Dawson for some time, being manager of the Opera House theater shortly before its destruction by fire in January of 1900. For nearly two years he has been engaged in the drug business at the Forks. He is also postmaster there. The fact that he was the choice of all the voters, about 40 in number, attests to his popularity as a man and to his fitness for the position.  
Women's Long Walk.  
Except for a short lift in a farmer's wagon, Agnes Jella walked the entire distance from New York to Toronto. Tired and covered with dust of her long journey she walked into No. 1 police station, Toronto, one night in the beginning of May, and accosted Sergeant Seymour with the object of getting a night's lodging. The woman was middle-aged, muscular, well built and apparently very respectable, and the sergeant sent for the matron. The wanderer said that she was a native of England, but came to America to get a situation as servant, working for a time in New York city. Not liking Gotham she determined to go back, but wanted to see more of this part of the world. Accordingly she set out on foot, having enough money to get food and lodging. Two nights she spent in the open being overtaken by darkness. In her journey she met several tramps, but was not molested.—Toronto Star.

DERELICT COMPLAINANT

When the case of Chas. Meier against J. F. Geismann for money alleged to be due was called in Magistrate Macaulay's court this morning neither of the parties was present. On learning that the complainant had fully understood that the case would be called this morning and that there could be no misunderstanding on his part, the case was dismissed at complainant's cost, his honor stating that no such trifling with his court will be tolerated.  
Undeveloped Wealth.  
A block of territory a thousand miles square; 2,640,000,000 consecutive acres of the richest pasture lands in the world, which yield on cultivation the strongest and best grain ever put on any market. Contiguous to, and underlying this immense area, are the largest coal fields that have ever yet been discovered; large enough to solve the fuel problem for an indefinite period; gold, silver and copper, are in abundance, and, above all, there is any quantity of water power.  
Such is Northwest Canada, as described at the Royal Colonial Institute recently by the Rev. John McDougall; and all this rich country is in touch with the home markets through British routes, no foreign power lying in between.  
"Let the British Government," urged Mr. McDougall, "take a practical interest in this great portion of our empire; turn the trend of emigration that way, people these immense areas, multiply the producing power of the nation, and thus secure to the home country a sure and certain food supply, as also an ever-increasing field for commercial enterprise, and in the investment of capital."—London Express.

Toronto Sculptor Succumbs.

The model for the statue to be erected in memory of Governor Simcoe has been selected by the committee appointed for that purpose, and the choice fell upon the model submitted by a Toronto sculptor.—Mr. Walter S. Allward—who designed the Northwest "volunteers' monument which stands in Queen's park. Nine designs were presented to the committee from competitors in France, Scotland, the United States and Canada, and Mr. Allward's model was chosen only after a long and careful scrutiny upon the part of the committee. The decision was arrived at by a process of elimination, and after some time the number of models under consideration was narrowed down to three. Mr. Allward's conception finally carrying off the prize.  
The figure of Governor Simcoe will be of bronze, and will be nine feet in height. The intention of the sculptor was to present Governor Simcoe in both his military and civic capacities, and the figure will be represented as clothed in a men's uniform. The model is of exceptional beauty, and both the originality of the conception and the treatment accorded it by Mr. Allward excited the greatest admiration.—Toronto Globe.

Next Best Thing.

A Scottish soldier at Montmartre was just recovering from an attack of enteric. One day he suggested to the doctor who called to see him that he would be grateful for a wee dragger. "No, no," said the doctor. "Do you know that your stomach is in such a wretched condition that a spoonful of whisky would kill you?"  
"Aweel, sir," replied the patient, "I must just do without it, but doctor, just come up close to me." The doctor obliged.  
"Ah, doctor," said the soldier, contentedly, "for breath's vera refreshing!"—Scottish-American.

Exonerated the Crowd.

"Somebody's got my pocketbook!" piped a shrill agonized voice in the crowded streetcar, and a hump shouldered, watery eyed man with a saddle colored beard on his chin jumped up and began cravallively clapping his hands on his various pockets.  
"Sit down, you fool!" exclaimed the portly resolute matron by his side, assisting him by a vigorous pull on his coat-tail. "I've got it. I knew you'd lose it if I didn't take it. You'd lose your head if it wasn't fastened on your shoulders."  
Meekly he sat down.  
Raising his head presently, he gave a comprehensive glance around the car and said in the same shrill voice: "I beg everybody's pardon."  
"For which voluntary acknowledgment that he no longer considered everybody in the car a pocketbook he was rewarded by the glare and unanimous stare."—Chicago Tribune.

Papa's Consent.

"She isn't it lovely?" Papa consents.  
"He—Does he, really?"  
"She—Yes. He wanted to know who you were, and I told him you were tape clerk at Scrimm & Co.'s, and he seemed real pleased."  
"He—I am delighted."  
"She—Yes, and he said we could be married just as soon as you were taken into the firm.—New York Weekly.

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THE CASKILL MOUNTAINS

Story of a House That Was Very Much Haunted

The Real Thing Was Much Worse than Any Ghost-Killed Thirteen People.

It was a charming old house at the foot of the Catskill Mountains, a number of an attractiveness almost unknown in the United States. I was on a sketching expedition when I found it. Attracted to this region by its much-vaunted picturesqueness, I had been disgusted by its waterfalls which falls on payment of twenty-five cents, by its new villas, and by many other features.

The house was old and gray, pre-revolutionary in period, untouched by the hand of the vandal, covered with moss and creeper. Who lived in it? I wished to know. Only an old woman caretaker, I learned. Its owner was a business man in Kingston. He rent-paying tenant cared to live in the house, for it was haunted!

"Here indeed is a discovery," I said myself. "A house ancient and beautiful and haunted. I will live in it."

The rest was almost nothing. While making my preparations to move in, I cultivated the friendship of the old caretaker, whom I promised to keep employed. From her I learned the story of the haunting. It was almost discouraging. It was more positive in character than the conventional haunting. Nevertheless I persisted in my intention to occupy the house.

The haunting, it appeared, was confined to the principal bedroom, situated in the southwest corner of the house. Thirteen persons who had occupied this room had been found dead in their beds. Six of these were men, three were young children. In every case they had been found dead in the morning. There were marks of pressure round their necks and all signs pointed to death by strangulation. Beyond this nothing could be discovered of the cause of death. Every inch of the house was searched, but in vain.

There were several vague legends attempting to explain why the house was haunted. One of these seemed promising than the others. During the Revolution a British colonel, on a spying expedition to Kingston, was captured by Dick Palen, a noted hunter and trapper, who then occupied the house. Palen was a man of a very revengeful nature and had previously quarreled with this colonel, who was fully the equal of his ferocity. The hunter looked up the room of his strong stone house there, it was reported, starved to death. The neighbors did not approve of this proceeding, but they had not the courage to interfere with a man of Palen's deadly temper. It was then the British colonel's spirit, according to report, which haunted the room in which he died and caused the death of those who occupied it. Palen himself vanished mysteriously.

Ten years after the Revolution was over a discharged officer of the Continental army came to live in the old house with his young bride. She did not use the haunted room. It had been thoroughly repaired the morning after they first occupied it. The young wife was found dead in bed. Whether the husband was anything of what killed her is not known, for he was a very mad man from that time until the day of his death.

This episode left the house unoccupied for another ten years. When the nineteenth century had dawned the owner of a famous New York states took the place for a summer not knowing its history. Her young children occupied the fatal

bedroom. They were found lifeless in bed on the third morning. Their mother, determined to learn at any cost, if possible, what had killed her children, slept in the same room. She kept a light and a pistol by her bedside the whole time. What happened no one could tell, but at the end of five days she, too, was found dead in bed.

The owner of the house then decided to have it pulled down, but a poor farmer begged for the privilege of occupying it at a low rent. He lived in it happily for three years, using the fatal bedroom only as a storeroom. Then, his family growing large and himself forgetful, he made his oldest daughter, a pretty young woman, occupy the southwest room. She died on the second night. In her case there were no signs of strangulation, but the usual constriction of the throat, small holes in the right forearm. After this tragedy the poor farmer continued to live in the house, but avoided the fatal room. Then, one very hot summer, his youngest daughter fell asleep in the room, which was the coolest place in the house, and she, too, perished.

Six more persons died at long intervals between this time and the opening of the civil war. During that tremendous upheaval its dreadful history seems to have been forgotten by most people. In 1870 a young artist from New York occupied it and perished in the old, mysterious way at the end of the month. From then until I found it, in the summer of 1885, the haunted house had been inhabited only by the caretaker, who lived on the ground floor. She was old and indifferent and had little fear of the ghost.

Before sleeping in the fatal room I examined its construction minutely. I satisfied myself that there were no unexplored closets, no trap doors, no mysterious corners. The only thing that disconcerted me somewhat was the great open fireplace, which stood within two feet of the head of the bed. It had a beautiful but singularly carved mantelpiece, on which appeared two gigantic snakes, each offering an apple to Eve, in the center. I explored the chimney up to the roof and found it devoid of any suspicious feature.

I began my encounter with the unknown. I slept with a lighted student's lamp, well filled with oil, on the table at the head of my bed. Alongside of it I kept a hunting knife and a six-shooter. For two nights excitement and curiosity kept me awake. On the third night I slept, and as I did so I had a curious dream. It seemed to me that one of snakes over the mantelpiece grew to life size and came down from its place toward me. I felt its body crawling over me, and pressing against me. I was too frightened to move. I could see nothing. I fancied I heard a gliding noise behind the mantelpiece, but that, I said, was merely morbid imagination.

On the following night I had the same dream, but this time I was too tired to wake up. In the morning I felt ill and I asked myself whether it was worth while to continue the quest. Yes, my pride said, I must keep it up.

And for the third time my dream was repeated. I slept with my right arm stretched out and my head resting on it. While I was between sleeping and waking, I was between whether it was a dream or reality. I felt something crushing my neck and arm. I awoke with a start. The light had gone out.

The thing was a reality. It crushed me with deadly ferocity. I leaped up and tried to struggle with it, using my one free arm. It bit at me like a mad dog and crushed me ever more tightly. I was strong and healthy and fairly brave, but I became mad with terror. I flung myself frantically toward the door, felt, struck something metallic and knew no more.

When I was picked up I was lying over the body of a gigantic black snake twelve feet in length and twice as thick as the strongest man's arm. I had killed it accidentally by hurling myself at full length on the very sharp iron bedstead. This creature, as

I reasoned it out afterward, was the ghost that had haunted the old house for a hundred years. Snakes, like other animals, as naturalists have observed, are liable to acquire individual habits not common to the species, and this one had acquired the hideous habit of approaching a person in bed, inserting his head in the space between the sleeper's neck, the pillow and the bed, and then strangling him or her to death. Women and children proved easier victims. The reptile lived in some adjacent rocks, climbed up into the house by the interior of the chimney and entered the bedroom from the fireplace. Blacksnakes, like many other reptiles, are capable of living to an indefinite age and grow to an enormous size if they obtain abundant nourishment. They are powerful constrictors, though not as dextrous as a man. Thus I shall never recover my health and strength after the ordeal of laying the ghost.—Horace Green.

MODERN ARTILLERY

Uncle Sam's Latest Production the Wonder of the World.

The much talked of Gathmann torpedo gun is ready to be officially tested at Sandy Hook. It is a weapon of-war will ever come into New York harbor. It is not necessary to hit a ship with the Gathmann projectile, if the enormous load of gun cotton explodes within a thousand feet of a war vessel it will shatter the ship. At an even greater distance it is claimed that the explosion will so twist things around on board a battleship that all machinery and guns will be thrown out of position.

It is no joke to test this new engine of war, with its muzzle big enough for a very fat man to crawl into. It costs a good deal to fire a shot from the gun, for it takes six bushels of gunpowder to start the projectile moving. Inside the projectile are the 600 pounds of gun cotton, and when this explodes it sounds and feels like a small earthquake for miles around. To find out just what this big 18-inch gun can do the government has constructed at the Brooklyn navy yard two of the largest and most formidable targets in the world.

Two gigantic pieces of Harveized armor plate, 8 by 16 feet, 11 1/2 inches in thickness, and weighing 26 tons, have been made at the Bethlehem Steel Company's plant for this test. These targets cost \$20,000. They are intended to represent a section of the armor plate of the port side of the battleship Iowa, one of the heaviest armored ships in the United States navy. For a month the targets have been in course of construction at the navy yard. The best skill and material have been utilized and they outlast all existing targets, both in design and resisting power.

Hitherto loose armor plates have been set up against a sand embankment and fired at. A feature in the new targets is their secure backing and bracing by a series of heavy beams behind these is a heavy bar of sand and earth. The total weight of each target is 50 tons. The forthcoming battle of the Gathmann torpedo shell against these seemingly impregnable barriers of steel is attracting widespread attention among ordnance experts all over the world. The test embraces two new features. First, 600 pounds of gun cotton—the largest ever fired from a piece of ordnance on earth—will be used to give this 600 pound shell its tremendous force and explosive qualities. Second, this will be the first heavy piece of improved process armor plate to be fired at by a large gun.

The great efficiency and penetrating power obtained by the latest modern guns demand a corresponding improvement in the resisting force of the armor plate. The two new targets to be fired at are considered the best products ever turned out in the armor plate line. The method of producing armor plate similar to that used in the targets requires considerable care, time and knowledge. The molten metal is tapped into ladles and poured into molds, where it is allowed to cool for 24 hours or more.

The first stage to leave for Whitehorse this year over the ice is advertised to take its departure Thursday, December 5, and it is expected to make the run through in ten days. Should open water be encountered a trail will be cut overland around such places.

First class music furnished—violin and harp—for balls, socials and receptions. Please address musician, this office, a few days before engagement.

Clothing cleaned, pressed, dyed and repaired—both men and women's.—H. I. GOLDBERG, tailor for Henschberg.

DECEMBER RATE ESTABLISHED

Drunks Quoted This Month at \$1 per and Costs.

If the December rate for a plain drunk was established in police court this morning—

"Pass around the bottle And we'll all take a drink."

Geo. Hall had looked long and frequently upon the double-distilled "hand-made valley tan" Saturday evening just as the curtains of night were being pinned down by the stars for the last time in November. A policeman came along and invited George three separate times to repair to his cabin. Being a man of formality George declined to go on verbal invitation with the result that he was taken to "Hote d'Stripe" and furnished with board and lodging until this morning when he was taken before Magistrate Macaulay. He "rocked" the charge was true, but as it was his first offense and as the "foot" indulged in had not been one of these "six-hoss-team-with-a-bull-dog-under-the-wagon" drunks the nominal fine of \$1 and costs was imposed.

MORE SNOW IS NEEDED

Valley Roads Remain in Very Bad Condition.

The snow that fell yesterday morning was a most welcome addition to that already on the ground, but it ceased too soon to be of a great deal of benefit. Trappers report the valley roads as being there again until there is but little left. The result is that in many places the roads are bare with deep holes, ridges and bumps, which render heavy freighting very difficult. Owing to the fact that the roads were very badly cut up when the freeze up came, nothing short of a foot of solid snow will put them in first class condition.

THE FIRST STAGE

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When taken out of the mold the castings are termed ingots. Several days are required to bring armor plate ingots to forging heat, the furnaces being of the regenerative, gas-fired type. After heating the ingot is placed under a 14,000-ton hydraulic forging press and forged to the required rough dimensions.

The press used for this purpose is the largest and most powerful in the world—Water is supplied to the two plungers for a pressure of 7000 pounds to the square inch, giving the press a maximum capacity of 14,000 tons. Before the plates are ready to machine to shape they pass through various secret treatments and tests. The finished weight of an armor plate represents about 40 per cent of the original weight of the ingot, owing to the discard from top and bottom and loss in machining.

The Gathmann is a high explosive shell-throwing weapon and is designed to be the most destructive engine of war in the world. It is claimed and scientifically certain that at a range of two sea miles—about the same distance at which the battles of Manila and Santiago were fought—a ship struck by one of the torpedo shells would be entirely obliterated and blown into fragments.

The approaching test will determine the final and most important problem—the relative efficiency of the weapon, or, in other words, its smashing ability.

The regular service gun, the 12-inch army rifle, and the new navy weapon of the same calibre, using an 850 pound projectile, with a muzzle velocity of 3000 feet, will be fired from the same range at a duplicate target of the same armor, in order that their striking energy may be compared with a Gathmann shell.

Ordnance experts agree that the aerial torpedo shell, carrying 600 pounds of high explosives, will have a striking energy almost too enormous to calculate. Lieutenant Meigs, ordnance expert of the Bethlehem Steel Company, has figured that one half million foot tons energy will result therefrom—that is the torpedo shell will have enough energy to lift a half million tons a foot in one second—nearly twice as fast as sound travels—may be gathered by supposing that 50 locomotives, going at full speed, suddenly strike an object.

The penetrating power of the shell, it has been calculated, is sufficient to drive the projectile through five blocks of Broadway structures, going through the walls of each building.

Here are some of the main constructive features of the new 18-inch torpedo gun recently completed at the Bethlehem Iron Works and now ready for the test at Sandy Hook. Total weight, 59.6 tons; total length, 44 feet; diameter over chamber, 13 1/2 inches; maximum tangent resistance, square inch, 40,000 pounds; powder charge 310 pounds; projectile, 1800 pounds; explosive charge of projectile, 630 pounds; pressure in powder chamber, 20,000 pounds; muzzle velocity 2100 foot seconds.

While the construction of this gun is somewhat similar to the regular service weapon, several new and secret features have been incorporated. Several of the important problems which have been successfully overcome are outlined by the inventor as follows: First, the insensitive high explosive incapable of detonation or explosion,

either from shot in a gun or heat of powder gases; second, a fuse which will insure with certainty the non-explosion of main shell or torpedo charge of high explosives until the torpedo has been discharged from the gun and struck a resisting target; third, a shell which will give a maximum carrying capacity of explosives for a given total weight and deliver the explosives in intimate contact with target.

These problems, it is believed, have been successfully solved in the big weapon now at Sandy Hook. At a preliminary trial held recently at the Bethlehem proving grounds, armor plate ten inches thick was repeatedly destroyed. The inventor is confident that with the 600-pound charge of explosives the most destructive results ever obtained from a shell will be demonstrated and a new world's record for foot tons of energy will be established.

Armed with a single 18-inch torpedo throwing gun having a range from 80 to 12 miles, an American battleship could easily destroy a hostile fleet in a short space of time. Ballistic engineers and ordnance experts here and abroad are awaiting the trial of this monster death-dealing machine with keen interest.

Not Born to Drown. Word has come to Dawson, not by mail for mail except from the lower river is now an unknown quantity; that "Kid" West, narrowly escaped drowning by falling through the ice into the river while musing along between Stewart and Selwyn. However, the report is that the intrepid "Kid" pulled himself together and at last accounts his portion of the star of empire was wending its way toward the south.

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CURLING WEDNESDAY

The Rink on the N. C. Dock Will Be Ready on That Date.

The Dawson Curling Club is now ready for the initial play, in fact next Wednesday will see the first game at the new rink on the N. C. dock.

There is more moral power in one of these instruments, so far as the slaveholders of Kansas are concerned, than in 100 Bibles.

LEFT SELKIRK THIS MORNING

Indications Are That Mail Will Arrive by Christmas.

At last there is a ray of hope that Dawson may have another mail in before Christmas. The consignment consisting of 800 pounds which left Whitehorse nearly two weeks ago and which it was reported was for several days cached at Mackays, left Selkirk this morning.

P. REKATE'S PROPERTY

Will Be Sold by Public Administrator Newlands.

Public Administrator Newlands is asking for the purchase of the mining property formerly owned by Fred Rekate who was a victim of the Islander disaster.

Literary Society.

The literary society which was recently organized will meet Thursday evening next in the lecture room of the M. E. church.

SHOWING MOST REMARKABLE

Over 80 per cent. of Dawson's Taxes Already Paid.

Tax Collector Smith this morning gave a representative of the Nugget the astounding information that out of \$135,000 in taxes assessed against the unincorporated town of Dawson, \$110,000 of that amount has already been paid in and that within only ten days during the last three days.

Entertainment Tonight.

An entertainment under the management of the free library board of control will be given at Pioneer hall tonight. Among those who will assist in making the occasion a pleasant one are Mrs. Dr. Thompson, Mrs. Rev. Featherington, Mrs. Dr. Macfarlane, Mr. Worlock, Mr. McPherson, Mr. Barwell, Chief Stewart and the ladies.

Too Much Postage.

"The old judge was one of the kindest of men," said an attorney of this city, speaking of a distinguished member of the local bar, who is now dead, "but his temper was as warm as his heart, and when momentarily exasperated he had a tongue like a razor.

Foxes That Eat Grapes

It is well known that several species of the dog family in North America to some extent feed on fruit. The domestic dog is of course accustomed to a mixed diet, of which flesh constitutes only a small part.

The Honest Rustic.

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Left for the Outside.

Captain J. H. White, chief engineer on the steamer Nora, W. H. White, his son, second engineer on the same boat, and John Kelly, steward of the Flora, left at 11 o'clock this morning with two dog teams for the outside. They expect to make Indian river tonight and hope to reach Whitehorse within ten days.

Hand in Your Bills.

All parties having accounts against the St. Andrew's society are requested to hand same at once to Jas. F. McDonald at the Empire hotel.

Give the boy a fine knife for Xmas.

See Shindler.

Some Scotch National Dishes. Hines Maguire Smith, a well-known civil engineer who has been engaged in important railroad and mining contracts, spent last winter in England to persuade some millions of pounds, shillings and pence to come here for investment.

A Tennessee bank cashier is responsible for the invention of these machines. His name is Fisher, and he lives at Athens. Some years ago, looking through a post office window, he noted a clerk canceling stamps with a hand stamp.

The machines were at first introduced into country offices in the South alone. Later a company with \$1,000,000 capital was formed in Cleveland, and now the large cities have been invaded.

The apparatus is a typewriter, with a basket upside down, set over a flat platen of sheet steel, which is covered with vulcanized rubber. Books, papers or anything to be written upon are easily placed upon this platen, properly clamped, and no matter what their thickness, easily adjusted to the work of the typewriter.

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Mechanical Bookkeepers. Chicago, Ill., Oct. 24.—The book-keeper is on the tologogian slide. The advance in labor-saving machinery has finally reached his sphere and warned him that he must seek other occupation.

The first machine, under the direction of an ordinary typewriterist, makes out a bill, copies the invoice permanently in a book, and makes a permanent sales sheet copy. The work is all done in typewriting and in permanent books.

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PRETTY DORA'S SKY PICTURE.

As Presented to Bashful John in the Moonlight.

He Said He Saw and Admired It But His Eyes Were on Something Lower Than the Elm Tops.

Whip-poor-will! Whip-poor-will! Susan, you tarry o'erlong. The bird in the tree, the youth by the stile, Both to their tryst came many a mile.

John carried the brimming pail of milk while Dora walked by his side in the twilight swinging her sunbonnet by the strings. Dora's cheeks were nearly as brown as John's, but her throat and the round neck, where the fair ringlets clustered, were whiter than the foaming fluid in the pail.

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against John's wildly palpitating heart. "Some people can see more than others in these sky pictures," said "Do you see anything more, John?"

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JUDGE DUGAS IN CHAMBERS

Disposes of a Few Minor Cases This Morning.

Several small matters came up in chambers this morning before Mr. Justice Dugas. In the case of Macford vs. Graf his lordship stated that a decision on account of the absence of the plaintiff from whom defendant alleges to have had permission to remove the cabins in question. In the sale of the ground upon which the buildings are situated defendant claims that the right to utilize the vacant and abandoned cabins as had been reserved, though such reservation was not made in writing.

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