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CONGRESS ADJOURNS

After Completing Much Important Legislation

Alaska's Hope of Securing Representation Killed at Last Moment.

Special to the Daily Nugget. Washington, March 4.—Congress adjourned today after rushing to completion most of the important bills which were up for passage.

Alaska's delegate bill died a natural death.

SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES

Out in Search of Famous Jail Breaker

Made His Escape After Shooting Deputy Sheriff Morrell.

Special to the Daily Nugget. Olympia, Wash., March 4.—Sheriff's deputies are out in hundreds around Olympia searching for Cris Benson, who escaped from jail after killing deputy Sheriff Dave Morrell.

TROOPS DEFEATED

Macedonians Drive Back Turkish Forces

Special to the Daily Nugget. Constantinople, March 3.—Turkish troops have been beaten back in an engagement with Macedonians. Thirty-two dead and wounded have been found.

Tagiers, March 3.—It is reported that the Sultan's troops lost a battle in Ceta, Morocco, and that War Minister Menebihi was killed.

The Mail

The White Pass stage arrived last night with 3 sacks of mail, all Canadian, and the following passengers: H. T. Wills, Dr. Wills, Mr. Chute and one other.

The next stage is due Thursday or Friday.

Aimed the sheet and pillow case dance Friday night.

AUDITORIUM THEATRE

Monday and Tuesday, March 9-10

In aid of St. Mary's and the Good Samaritan Hospitals.

SHE STOOPS TO CONQUER

By the following cast: Mr. White-Fraser as Sir Charles Harlow.

Mr. Carnegie as Young Marlow.

Mr. F. S. Long as Hardcastle.

Mr. D. M. Sanson as Hastings.

Mr. R. P. Wilson as Tony Lumpkin.

Mr. E. W. Ward as Landlord Stingo.

Mr. F. N. Atwood as Jeremy.

TRAFFIC AFFAIRS

Of the Gould System Have Been Amalgamated

Special to the Daily Nugget. New York, March 4.—Traffic affairs of the Gould railway systems have been amalgamated under the direction of A. C. Bird, of Chicago.

COMMERCIAL ORGANIZATION

Takes Action on the Water Question

Committees Will Endeavor to Formulate a Plan on Thursday.

A well attended meeting of Dawson's newly organized board of trade was held at the rooms in the Macaulay building last night.

The principal discussion of the evening was on a resolution introduced by J. L. Timmins, calling for government aid in the establishment of a public water system for the use of the mining district. It was pointed out that the whole territory would be greatly benefited by the proposed undertaking which was described in the resolution as the most important problem before the people.

It was the unanimous opinion that the matter should be pressed upon the attention of the government without delay and to that end it was referred to the board of councillors and the committee on mines and mining. A meeting will be held on Thursday evening at which time the question will be gone into exhaustively and it is anticipated that practical plans will be offered for furthering the project.

The board is now thoroughly organized with full complement of officers and committees which are made up as follows:

President—H. C. Macaulay. Vice-President—R. H. S. Cresswell. Secy.—Freas.—John Cornack.

Board of Councillors—J. L. Timmins, Thos. Adair, T. G. Wilson, W. H. Fairbanks, M. Ryan, J. P. McLennan, M. DesBrisay, H. Hershberg.

Transportation—M. H. Jones, J. P. McLennan, R. Chisholm, H. W. Butler, M. DesBrisay.

Mines and Mining—J. L. Timmins, Dan McGilvray, Joseph McGilvray, John Cornack, Dr. T. B. Cooke, A. H. Chute.

Commerce and Manufacturing—C. E. McKee, J. E. Daugherty, J. L. Timmins, M. H. Jones, R. P. McLennan.

Finance and Insurance—Thos. Adair, M. H. Jones, M. DesBrisay.

Public Works—T. W. O'Brien, R. Chisholm, T. G. Wilson, W. H. Fairbanks, R. H. S. Cresswell, R. P. McLennan.

WEATHER REPORT

Mildest Day Experienced this Season.

Today is the warmest day of the present season. For awhile this morning the thermometer registered one degree above thawing and water could be heard dripping off the roofs of buildings on all sides.

A strong wind has been blowing in fitful gusts at various times of the day and causes a small variation of the thermometer. The highest recorded at the barracks before 12 o'clock this noon was 33 above, but it dropped back to 28 and has varied 25 and 30 for the greater part of the afternoon.

The report from the river points show that the temperature is a little variable today although with the exception of Tagish it is quite mild considering the time of year. The report is as follows:

Atlin—clear, calm, 10 above.

Tagish—clear, calm, 10 below.

Hootalinqua—cloudy, calm, 12 above.

Big Salmon—cloudy, calm, 10 above.

Yukon Crossing—cloudy, calm, 13 above.

Selkirk—snowing, calm, 20 above.

FLOTATION SUCCESSFULLY ACCOMPLISHED

Sale of Chute & Will's Properties on Gold Run Creek is Consummated—Dr. Wills is General Manager of the Company and Will Proceed Immediately to Open Up Ground on a Very Large Scale.

By far the largest and most important flotation of Klondike mining properties yet consummated is the sale of the Chute & Will's Gold Run claims.

Some time ago the information was given exclusively in the Nugget that a deal for flotation of the properties had been made in Paris and today the news is corroborated by the parties who are most directly concerned in the deal.

Chief H. T. Wills of the Bank of Commerce and his brother Dr. A. E. Wills who with C. E. Carboneau have engineered the enterprise arrived in Dawson last night on the White Pass stage, making the trip, it may be incidentally remarked, in the record time of three days and 4 hours.

This morning the chief and the doctor were found by a Nugget representative at the Fairview hotel surrounded by a number of friends who had called to welcome them back to Dawson.

Naturally the first question asked was in regard to the famous deal for the Gold Run properties.

Your information is correct," said the chief. "The Gold Run properties have been floated to a syndicate corporation, principally in Paris but also having many stockholders in London. The official name of the company is the Gold Run (Klondike) Mining Co., Ltd.

"The capital stock of the company has been placed at \$400,000, which has been practically all subscribed.

"Dr. Wills is the general manager of the company and will be in charge of local operations. The offices of the

secretary will be in London which is the company's general headquarters." The property involved in the flotation includes in all 27 claims on Gold Run or about one and one-half miles of the richest section of that creek. For the most part the ground included in the deal is made up of consecutive claims, there being only one or two small properties not held by the company.

The company will go ahead immediately with the development of the ground and operations will be conducted upon an unprecedentedly large scale. There is already a vast amount of machinery on the claims and a large crew of men has been engaged all winter in hauling wood for use during the present season's operations.

In addition to the machinery already on the ground, Dr. Wills has purchased several large plants including the very latest devices for prosecuting extensive and economical placer-mining operations.

This new machinery is now en route and will be delivered in Dawson upon the opening of navigation.

With reference to adverse reports published in the B. C. Review concerning the Chute & Will's property, the chief stated that the publication in question as also several other similar concerns had essayed to blackmail the promoters of the flotation, and failing to succeed had endeavored to block the deal.

A paper called the Tobaru was started in Paris for a similar purpose. Its office of publication was given as No. 28 on a certain street

upon which the buildings were numbered only up to twenty. No attention was paid to any of them and the flotation was accomplished without the slightest difficulty.

The successful outcome of the enterprise will undoubtedly exert an important influence in re-enlisting capital in Klondike properties. The Gold Run company's properties are among the best in the district and are certain to prove highly remunerative to shareholders. The ground has been thoroughly prospected and its value is well understood so that the element of experimentation is entirely wanting. The company will employ a large number of men and will prove a strong factor in the future growth and development of the district. Chief Wills and his brother spent most of the winter between Toronto, London and Paris in which latter city they left Mr. C. E. Carboneau, who is also interested in the company.

Left for Duncan

Assistant Gold Commissioner Gossett left for Duncan yesterday to investigate the charges against Messrs. Young and Hinton. In his absence Clerk O. S. Finnie has charge of the office. J. E. Holdue takes the place of McLagan, who accompanies Mr. Gossett, and Alpe Dugas will be at the mining certificate window in the place of Mr. Bolduc.

The A. R.'s are sparing no pains to make the sheet and pillow case dance a complete success.

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WON'T BUDGE.

Roosevelt Remains Firm on Negro Question

Special to the Daily Nugget. Washington, March 4.—President Roosevelt says he won't budge an inch from his attitude on the race question in the south.

GENERAL MANAGER

Of Great Northern Indulged in Fist Fight

Facts Develop Which Explain the Resignation of John F. Stevens.

Special to the Daily Nugget. Seattle, March 4.—It has developed that a fist fight between John F. Stevens and Louis W. Hill closed the career of the former as general manager of the Great Northern. Frank Ward succeeds Stevens.

POLITICAL REASONS

Did Not Enter into Shaw's Actions

Special to the Daily Nugget. Washington, March 4.—Secretary Shaw says the dismissal of a number of customs officers at New York was not for political reasons but for efficiency. More money is lost to the government through the latter cause than through fraud.

CONTRACT LET

Great Northern Will Build New Cut Off.

Special to the Daily Nugget. Seattle, March 4.—The Great Northern has let the contract for the Kalispell, Mont., cut-off. It promises to be one of the largest railway undertakings of the west.

COLLISION

Results in the Death of Seven People

Special to the Daily Nugget. Brooklyn, March 4.—Seven persons were killed in a rear-end collision on the elevated railway this morning.

Relocation Recorder A. J. Boyes who for nearly three years has been steadily employed in the gold commissioner's office without a day's interruption will leave in the morning by the stage for Dominion on a short vacation. Mr. Boyes will be absent but three days but in that time hopes to be able to absorb sufficient healthy and invigorating tone to last him another year or two.

Special Lenten services will be held this evening at 8 o'clock in St. Paul's church which all communicants of the church as well as others who may so desire are earnestly requested to attend. The services will be that of evensong somewhat shortened together with a short address by the rector and prayers specially adapted for the Lenten season.

Views Distributed

Purchase Made by Yukon Council Being Mailed

With the departure of the next mail to the outside will go a large proportion of the 1000 copies of the lithographed bird's eye view of Dawson that were purchased by the Yukon council for distribution throughout Canada and the United States. The pictures are mounted on a small wooden roll about a half inch in diameter and are so wrapped that they can be transported any distance without damage. Those who are being favored with the compliments of the territorial body of law makers are the members of parliament, mayors of the principal cities, editors of the leading newspapers, politicians and other prominent people throughout the Dominion. The lists to whom the views are being mailed are supplied by the members of the council and are most extensive as to the country covered. Many are being sent abroad and nearly all the prominent fire insurance companies both in the States and Canada are being remembered.

The finest of office stationery may be secured at the Nugget printery at reasonable prices.

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SENATOR TURNER

Will Shortly Visit Pacific Coast

Says Opposition to His Appointment is Confined to the Newspapers.

Special to the Daily Nugget. Seattle, March 4.—Ex-Senator Turner is coming west before going to London to attend the Alaska commission. He claims that officials of Canada are not against him. The opposition is confined to newspapers, according to the senator's view.

TWO YEARS SENTENCE

George Dick to Pay the Criminal's Penalty

Prisoner Was Unmoved and Hung His Head in Shame as Words Were Pronounced.

There was quite a crowd in court this morning when George Dick came up for sentence, many being attracted by idle curiosity and others being in attendance in trials yet to be heard. Yesterday afternoon there was considerable speculation about town as to the length of sentence Dick would receive, the conjectures ranging from two to seven years. The fact that he had been up once before on the charge of theft and had narrowly escaped conviction seemed to instigate against him in the eyes of the public and it was most generally thought he would receive a severe sentence.

Upon being told to stand up for sentence his lordship informed the prisoner that he had carefully considered the argument made by his learned counsel for leniency and he could see no reason why he should change the views he had already formed as to the prisoner's guilt. The object of imposing a sentence on a prisoner found guilty of having committed a crime was 'two fold in its nature, first the protection of the public and second the punishment of the offender. "It was my original intention to give you a long punishment," continued his lordship, "as the crime of which you have been convicted was most detestable, that of sneak burglary. I have concluded, however, to give you a short sentence, that is a short sentence in comparison with what you might have received—sixteen years. You are a young man in the prime of life and I shall give you one more chance to redeem yourself and become a man. The sentence of the court is that you shall be confined in the common jail at Dawson at hard labor for a period of two years."

During the remarks of his lordship and the passing of the sentence, Dick stood erect in the box with his eyes cast down and never moving a muscle. He was very pale, had nothing to say and immediately after the words were pronounced commencing him to two years at penal servitude he was removed to the jail. There his clothing was changed, an inventory of his effects was taken, his head was shaved and his mustache sacrificed; his picture taken and in short that an host he had begun the service of his sentence.

Leave the Force.

Capitain "Crooked" Wright, the crack point of the D.A.A.A. hockey team, completed his five years' service as a member of the N.W.M.P. yesterday and received an honorable discharge. He has not decided as to the future and is wavering between a trip to the outside and joining in the stampede to the Tanana. Constable W. B. Lutz has also left the force, having bought his discharge. He will remain in Dawson but a few days and will then migrate to the creek where he has a good piece of mining property.

See the opera "Pirates of Penzance" at Auditorium on Thursday, March 5th. Price of admission—Boxes, \$2 per seat; balcony, \$1.50 and \$1, stalls, \$1; general admission, 50 cents. ONE NIGHT ONLY.

The Nugget's stock of job printing materials is the best that ever came to Dawson.

WILL PLAY AGAIN.

Civil Service Team Will Complete the Schedule of Games

To avoid any possible quibbling as to which is the champion hockey team of the Yukon, the Civil Service team has reconsidered its determination to disband and play no more this season. They still have three games of the newly arranged schedule to play and these will be played on the dates upon which they fall. The Civil Service has played nine games and won every one of them and say that in order to prove that they are good fellows they propose to win the other three rather than that the charm should be broken. Their next game is scheduled for Saturday night with the City Eagles, though there appears to be some doubt as to whether the latter will play. Keenan is laid up with water on the knee and if the game is pulled off Hector Smith, who is said to be a whirlwind on skates, will probably play in his place. At the conclusion of the games arranged by the league it is not at all unlikely that the Civil Service will issue a challenge to any team of picked players that can be gotten together in the territory, best two games out of three. In the event of the City Eagles not playing on Saturday night the Civil Service will take the ice and claim the game by default.

FAT MEN'S MATCH

Will Certainly be Pulled Off in a Week or Ten Days

The fat men's hockey match about which there was so much ado a few weeks ago before the last cold snap is again being agitated and it is stated as a positive certainty that the big thing will be pulled off within the next week or ten days. Joe Boyle has interested himself in the matter which is equivalent to saying that it will be a success. The personnel of the two teams has not been completed, but the assurance is given that no man will be on the team who can not tip the scales at 210 pounds or better. Willie Bittner, the midge actor, has promised to take a stick if the illness with which Mrs. Bittner is now afflicted does not prevent him doing so. There will be also in addition to Mr. Boyle, who is in the heavyweight class, Dick Cowan, Corporal Bell, Constable Burns, Constable Winters, and several others who are yet to be seen before it is known positively whether they will play or not. The amount of amusement that will be extracted from such a match is almost beyond conception and as a drawing card it should prove one of the strangest attractions that the rink has yet had to offer.

MUSICAL TREAT.

Library Concert Last Night a Great Success.

The concert given at the Dawson Free Library building last evening was a pronounced success from every point of view. The hall was well filled with a most appreciative audience and each number of the program was excellently rendered and heartily applauded.

Mr. R. W. Shannon, president of the board of managers, presided and announced the program.

The program consisted of vocal and instrumental music and was under the direction of Mr. Arthur Boyle. Those participating were: Mrs. P. R. Ritchie, Mrs. Dr. Thompson, Mrs. Walker, Messrs. Betts, Povah, McPherson, Finnie, Welch, Miss Larsen and Alderman Johnson.

Mr. Johnson made the bit of the evening in reciting in his own inimitable style three of Drummmond's French Canadian poems, much to the amusement of the audience.

A collection was taken after the concert and amounted to \$25.

It has been decided by the board of control to give similar concerts from time to time during the balance of the season. Announcements of dates will be made later.

CRACKERJACK GAME

Brimstone Defeats Long at Hand Ball

Hand ball enthusiasts who happened at the gym last night were treated to the best game that has ever been played on any court in Dawson. The contestants were F. S. Long and George Brimstone and the game was merely a scratch and not in progress. Both are excellent at hand ball though Long has always been considered a trifle the superior of Brimstone, the latter receiving a handicap of four in the tournament, while Long is a scratch man. The game was devoid of anything of particular interest until it was well toward the finish. The score was then 19 to 14 in favor of Long when by a series of excellent plays on the part of Brimstone and a corresponding run of hard luck by Long, the former crept up until the score was a tie. Then Long scored and it was 20 to 19 in his favor with but another point to make. Brimstone again tied the score and finally made the last point defeating even up one of the scratch men in the tournament. Quite a few witnessed the game and generously applauded the winner at the conclusion.

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And Small Packages can be sent to the Creeks by our carriers on the following days: Every Tuesday and Friday to Eldorado, Bonanza, Hunker, Dominion, Gold Run, Sulphur.

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KLONDIKE NUGGET.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 1903.

AGRICULTURAL PROSPECTS.

It has been the custom usually to consider placer mining as the only industry which engages the people of this territory. On the outside there has been manifest a disposition to regard this northern district as capable of producing little or nothing aside from ice, snow and gold, and the possibilities of the territory from other points of view have received scant attention.

The facts of the case are that a considerable number of people are already engaged in productive industries not in any way associated with mining and what is more to the point such industries have proven and are proving satisfactorily profitable. The amount of acreage under cultivation last summer in the immediate vicinity of Dawson is absolutely surprising. Sufficient quantities of garden vegetables were produced to supply the local market for the summer months and it needs only an extension of the cultivated area to furnish the creeks as well as the town.

Of the harder growths, such as potatoes, rutabagas, carrots, turnips and onions—which are imported in immense quantities every fall for consumption during the winter—it may be said that the time is not distant when all these will be produced in the immediate vicinity of Dawson sufficiently to supply the market during the entire year.

The great advantage to be derived from home production lies in the fact that it contributes materially toward keeping money in local circulation. In previous years the settlement of Dawson's vegetable bill with outside concerns has required several hundreds of thousands of dollars. That money may just as well be left at home and from present indications the time will soon come when it will be.

The islands and low lands near this city possess a remarkable fertile soil and the quality of vegetables produced will easily bear comparison with the average imported article.

There is also to be considered the market that is offered in the district for hay and oats, both of which, as has already been demonstrated—particularly along the Stewart river—can be produced with splendid results. Several thousand tons of hay are consumed every season and a vast quantity of oats, all of which should be supplied from local farms.

Briefly summed up it may be said that the agricultural outlook for this district is most promising and offers exceptionally promising inducements for men of experience and practical knowledge. There will never be over-production as long as heavy importations continue, and to supply the entire demand of the market means lucrative employment for a large number of men.

While very little has appeared in the newspapers of late regarding the progress of quartz development it is a fact none the less that substantial work has been done in that direction. Prospecting has been done on a number of properties of sufficient extent to indicate that under favorable conditions operations on a large scale would result profitably. The review of the quartz situation as published in the Nugget of yesterday furnishes a valuable fund of information which withal may be regarded as of a conservative character. A quartz camp cannot be established in a day, nor a

year. Time and money are required as also patience and indomitable perseverance—but a combination of these will in time accomplish results. Dawson will yet become the centre of extensive quartz operations.

The Northwest territories are rapidly filling up with immigrants from the States and England. With suitable legislation secured for Yukon, this territory would be in a position to absorb a greatly increased population. The trend of events must be followed closely to the end that the interests of this district shall not suffer. The making of a great commonwealth lies dormant within the boundaries of Yukon, but assistance is absolutely required. The Dominion government will never expend money more judiciously than by investing a few millions in aiding Yukon development.

Carrie Nation has once more been placed under arrest at the ruthless hands of a policeman. Alas, poor Carrie. She who started out to reform the world bids fair, like other martyrs who have gone before her, to live and die unappreciated. Centuries hence Carrie may be rated among the notables of history. Just at present, however, she merely takes rank among common law breakers.

Yukon interests will be given a front place during the present session of parliament. There are vital questions which demand attention, and the action of the federal legislative body in connection with them will be eagerly awaited.

Operas Are Costly

Dear Sir,—I have frequently been asked why the receipts from the performances given by the Amateur Operatic Society do not meet the cost of production. The society feels very grateful indeed for the liberal patronage it has received for all the productions and in fact it could not expect to receive more support, but there remains the fact that in the last two productions the society did not receive sufficient amount in admissions to defray the expenses and I ask you to publish the following statement of receipts and expenditures for the production of the Pirates of Penzance with the view above stated:

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Rent of theatre \$475.00, Stage manager 150.00, Advertising 125.00, Sundries (make-up, etc.) 50.00, Rent St. Andrew's hall 160.00, Painting of scenery 75.00, Orchestra 420.00, Wardrobe 100.00, Royalty 55.00.

Total \$1610.00, Deficit Bohemian Girl 130.00, Total receipts from Pirates of Penzance \$1868.00.

The above does not provide for any remuneration for the conductor. The society is also indebted to Mr. Searle for a large amount of money which he was instructed to expend for costumes, scores, decorations, etc. In San Francisco, none of which has as yet been repaid. It will therefore be obvious that the society finds it necessary to repeat the performance of the Pirates of Penzance which will of course not bring in enough funds to clear the society's indebtedness but which we hope will materially help.

Yours very sincerely, C. W. MACPHERSON, Secy-Treas. D.A.O.S.

Out on Point of Order

Washington, Feb. 19.—Representative Cushman today argued in favor of his amendment to the naval bill restoring the 1 per cent. differential in favor of ship builders on the Pacific coast. Representative Jones also addressed the house in favor of the amendment, but the provision was ruled out on a point of order. It is hoped that the amendment may be introduced and passed by the senate and retained in the bill by the conference committee. Mr. Cushman and Mr. Jones argued today that the Moran Bros. Company was the only plant on the Pacific coast not included in the ship building combine, and that the company ought to be encouraged to build war ships.

Power of Attorney blanks for the Tanana-Nugget Office.

Advertisement for J. P. McLennan, Standard Patterns, Best Fitting, Popular Prices, Patterns and Fashion Sheets for March, 233 Front St, Phone 101-B.

SIR JAMES AT THE BAT

Informing Victorians of Affairs in the Northland.

J. H. Falconer, of the government secret service of the Yukon territory, who came down from the north on the steamer Amur on Thursday, landing a lunatic by the name of Van Dall at Vancouver, is now in the city. Mr. Falconer is well known to Victorians, having long been in business in this city. He left Dawson on the 31st of January, making the trip to Whitehorse in six days by means of the excellent stage-service now provided between those two points. Relays of four horses are furnished every twenty-two miles, and passengers come along without interruption some days traveling eighty miles, a performance which was impossible in old days, but which is now rendered possible by means of the splendid road which the Dominion government built to the Yukon metropolis last year. Mr. Falconer says the service at the road house en route is giving every satisfaction and comfort to the travelers. The insane man whom Mr. Falconer took from the north has been transferred to the New Westminster asylum, and in his removal to that institution Mr. Falconer was afforded an opportunity of going through that institution, as also the provincial penitentiary. Having previously inspected the big penitentiary at Kingston, Mr. Falconer was naturally in a position to make comparisons, and he was delighted to find both institutions so thoroughly up-to-date in the matter of equipment and management. The places are models of cleanliness, and in both institutions Mr. Falconer states that the governments have just cause for congratulation. In the jail there were 91 prisoners, and in the asylum 300 patients were confined.

Referring to the mining operations in the north, Mr. Falconer tells of a new country which has been attracting much attention. This is that known as Duncan creek, in the Stewart district, about 175 miles from Dawson. The country is reached by two routes, the most popular of which is via Dominion and Gold Run creeks, thence to Mayo creek. The summer route, however, will undoubtedly be up the Stewart river two hundred miles to Gordon landing, and thence overland 70 to 75 miles. The country is known already to contain pay gravel for 33 miles, and to be in some places as wide as two hundred feet, the depth of the gravel being from 18 to 20 feet. This carries on the average from five to twenty cents to the pan, and as high as \$1.25 to the pan has been found. The general statement made by miners of the district is that the country will equal in extent and value the original discoveries around Dawson city. A very large number of the miners in this district are British Columbians, and are on the ground floor. Mr. Brockington, acting for British and American capitalists, has already purchased from fifty to sixty unprospected properties, and is still buying enthusiastically. The prices for the claims range all the way from \$300 to \$3000 apiece. The French-Canadians who own No. 2 below have refused \$15,000 for their claim, preferring to work the property themselves, which they are doing. A large hotel is conducted there at present by Barnett Brothers, of Dawson; Isaac Burpee, of Ottawa, has a general store, and other places of business are being established. That the district is growing very rapidly is evidenced by the fact that a few months prior to the election in the Yukon territory the place was hardly known, while at the time of the election there were over 300 votes cast. Many people, however, had to leave on account of the real cold weather when it set in because of the limited supply of provisions in stock. The day or so before Mr. Falconer left Dawson three boilers had been shipped over the mountains from Dawson to Duncan. In the spring a very large exodus to that district is expected, and a town the size of Grand Forks near Dawson is predicted by next fall. Being alive to the growing importance of the place, the government will build a road from Dawson, and have completed arrangements for the establishment of a mining office there. Thomas Hinton, formerly of the comptroller's office, has been appointed recorder. The country is the same in which a party of Swedes are said to have made something like \$15,000 or \$25,000, escaping out of the country a couple of years ago without paying the royalty. They had worked two seasons, and their big success had created widespread attention at the time. Mr. Falconer reports that the new

Yukon council had been summoned to meet at the administrative building today. Acting Commissioner Major Wood will preside. F. T. Congdon, who has received the commission-ship of the Yukon territory, is a most popular appointment. Previously Mr. Congdon was crown prosecutor and his promotion met with the general approval of all. Since the advent of Hon. J. H. Ross into the territory, first as commissioner and afterwards as member of the government, the prosperity of the country has been marked and continuous.

As a former business man of this city, Mr. Falconer advises that the merchants of Victoria and Vancouver should cater more extensively to the needs of the northern country than they have in the past. He would suggest that a business man's excursion be organized and that during the coming year a visit to the northern country be made. The boards of trade well could manage this, and the result would be far reaching. A movement of this kind, Mr. Falconer points out, would appeal to the rapidly growing sentiment. At the last election he says there were over 900 Americans naturalized as British subjects.

A few days before leaving Dawson Mr. Falconer witnessed the hanging of Fournier and LaBelle.

On the Amur there were 200 tons of ore from the Grater mine, Whitehorse, for treatment at Crofton. Mr. Lowe, who was elected a member of the Yukon council a short time ago, told Mr. Falconer in conversation before leaving the north that the present difficulty in shipping was the shortage of sacks. Next summer, however, part of the trouble now experienced would be obviated. The company intended to build a tramway from the mine to Whitehorse, a distance of eight miles, thus doing away with the teaming now done, which is a slower and more expensive mode of doing work than the plan proposed.

As for the mining properties about Dawson, not so much work is being done now as last year, but next summer would see more accomplished than in any previous year. Labor would also then be in great demand.—Victoria Times, Feb. 17.

Matter of Irrigation.

Olympia, Feb. 19.—Rival interests were represented in a contest before the house irrigation committee tonight. It is proposed to grant legislative authority for the condemnation of land to be used in the construction of reservoirs, and to this plan, in the abstract, both factions agree. The Washington Irrigation Company is interested in a bill which opponents of the company declare would enable it to secure most of the water available for irrigation purposes in Yakima and Kittitas counties. The company insisted their bill was general in its terms, and would meet all conditions. The outcome was a decision on the part of the committee to empower Chairman Dunn to name a subcommittee to draft a satisfactory compromise bill.

Dunn's bill authorizing the expenditure of \$1000 by the experimental station authorities—a branch of the agricultural college—in an irrigation investigation was indorsed; a second bill directing the county commissioners to name a water commissioner, whenever ten farmers petition for the same, will be recommended.

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NOT GAMBLING

Draw Poker is a Game of Science.

Victoria, Feb. 26.—The first meeting of the newly appointed board of police commissioners was held yesterday afternoon in the committee room at the city hall. The principal business transacted was the reception of the report of the Chief of Police, with the supplementary report of the Detective Sergeant, both of which showed a gratifying decrease in crime during 1902. The question of gambling was introduced, and Mayor McCandless assured the board that public or "open" gambling had been suppressed under his instructions. In course of the brief discussion which followed, it was made plain that the commissioners do not claim to have put a stop to gaming in the city. It was pointed out that private card parties in private rooms of public houses might still be in progress without the knowledge of the police, and that it was difficult for the authorities to reach the offenders in such cases. Indeed the opinion was expressed that the game of draw poker did not come within the law as a gambling game, as it was a game of skill, in which each player had an equal chance. With regard to nickel-in-the-slot machines, played for money, that all machines played for money had been ordered out, and that those which were permitted were of the kind the winnings of which are represented by drinks or cigars.

In Grave Danger

Washington, Feb. 19.—Both the Alaska homestead bill and the Alaska delegate bill are in grave danger of failure unless substantial concessions are made by persons who are opposed to certain features in both measures. Representative Lacey, chairman of the house committee on public lands, declares he will defeat the homestead bill unless the senate conferees abandon the senate amendment prohibiting the entry of soldiers' scrip under the provisions of the pending measure. He declares that it would be a great injustice to allow the senate provision to stand, and that he will see the whole bill defeated before he will yield this point.

The senate committee on territories held a meeting today to discuss the delegate bill. It developed during the meeting that nearly every member is opposed to the method of holding elections in Alaska, as provided by both the Cushman bill and the Beveridge bill. Had it not been for the absence of two or three senators definite action would have been taken on the bill today. This action will probably be the reporting of an amendment to the Cushman bill striking out almost everything except the enacting clause and providing for the appointment of the delegate by a committee instead of his election by the people. The proposed committee is to consist of the governor of Alaska, the surveyor general, who is secretary of the territory ex officio, and the judges of the three federal district courts. It looks as if this action would be taken at the next meeting of the committee.

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Peking, Feb. 1.—On the Great Ha Ta Men street, half a mile or so from the gate of that name, towers the tremendous scaffolding that encloses the stone "Pai-hon" or archway that is being erected to the memory of Baron Von Kettler. The Chinese government, acting under the first article of the Peace Protocol signed in the fall of 1900, has been working steadily on the monument for over a year and a half. It is to be raised in the spot where the German minister was killed by Chinese soldiers just before the Boxer uprising and will be a constant warning to the people against future outrages of a similar nature.

For many months a great space has been cleared off in the center of the Ha Ta Men street, and here the stone-carvers have been constantly at work upon the great blocks of white marble. The component parts of the shafts and caps were there hewn as they lay upon the ground to be finished in full detail when they had finally been put into place.

Along in the latter part of September, when the foundation piles had been driven and all was ready for the masonry, a mammoth scaffolding was erected, which now towers above all the neighboring buildings. The wanderer in any part of the Tartar city can turn to its wooden bulk as a landmark.

The construction is marvelous. A great mass of long fir poles, bound together by hempen rope, the huge legs and uprights being formed by bundles of these sticks, no single one of them more than eight or ten inches in diameter and varying from twenty to fifty feet in length; this is the framework. The most wonderful part of all is that in the whole structure not a nail has been used. It is a triumph of patient manual labor.

More than 150 feet high, it is so immense that it will be strange if the real stone archway underneath does not seem an anti-climax when this giant wooden veil is drawn aside for good and all.

From the upper beams dangle the great ropes, which with a series of winches are used in raising the blocks of stone, some of them weighing many tons, to their final positions on the shafts. The labor is all performed by coolies, whose songs rise, weird and strident, the liveliest day, from 4 in the morning till 5 at night.

There are great lines of men tugging at the ropes, pulling, slipping, bracing, straining, lifting the marble, inch by inch, slowly upwards.

The two side wings stretch out in alleyways and courtyards over a hundred feet back from the street, coming down like the legs of a great centipede into the neighborhood. All the traffic of this busy portion of the city, carts, large and small, camel trains and pack mules, donkeys, rickshaws and wheelbarrows, not to mention the tremendous streams of humanity, all have to pass through little dark passageways between the outside of the great pillars and the live shop fronts on either side of the street.

BEEF CUTS

Where to Find the Most Choice Portions

Most housewives do not understand the terms used by the butcher to describe the various cuts into which a carcass of beef is divided. Therefore, they do not always know what they are buying. Here is some information on the subject.

The whole beef is split into halves, following the centre of the backbone or vertebral column from tail to neck. Each half contains a hind and a forequarter.

The forequarter is then cut from the hindquarter. These are the processes of the wholesaler. The "fores" and "hinds," as they are called, are now ready for the retailer.

The forequarter is cut into two parts—the rack, consisting of a set of ribs, and the chuck, or shoulder proper up to and including the eighth rib.

The eighth rib cut shows the blade gristle only on one side. The ninth rib is usually called a chuck roast.

The rack is cut into prime rib, standing or rolled roasts.

The chuck is a complicated piece of meat when cut into kitchen pieces by the butcher. Its anatomy yields the following pieces for cooking: Oven and pot roasts, boneless chuck steaks and chuck roasts cut free of bone and metamorphosed into top and lower Saratoga roasts. The lower cut is the more tender. It has the eye piece which somewhat resembles the eye of a porterhouse rolled roast.

The chuck yields still more cuts to the wizard of the cleaver. There are the soup and stewing pieces, plate, navel and brisket pieces for corning, oven and pot roasts, made by removing the flesh from the shoulder bones, and chuck steaks cut from the cross ribs. In the above disguises the word "chuck" loses all of its plebeian character.

The hindquarter is less complicated, but its dissection is interesting to the culinary economist. This part of the beef carcass is cut in two; the loin of the beef and the round, consisting of the leg, top and bottom round, rump and flank.

Now comes a steak rollcall. The loin of beef is cut by the butcher into top sirloin steaks and roasts, short sirloins, roundbone sirloins, flatbone steaks, hipbone steaks, boneless sirloin steaks, porterhouse steaks and roasts. Then there are a la mode top round cuts, bottom round cuts for pot roasts and corned beef. The rump goes into steaks and corning pieces, flank steaks and rolled flank pot roasts or corning pieces.

If the housekeeper is mystified by the shop vernacular it is because she has not learned the "geography of the beef cuts" as a Boston culinary student puts it. By not knowing her alphabet the purchaser is often imposed upon and made to pay a higher price for an artistically arranged piece of very cheap meat.

New York, Feb. 16.—The Standard Oil Company has declared a dividend of \$20 a share, payable March 16th. This is \$10 more than the last dividend declared, but is the same as the one declared at this time last year.

WANTED—Clean rags at Nugget office for wiping machinery.

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'PHONES IN ENGINE CABS

An officer of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, commenting on the disaster at Westfield, told a reporter about a safety device for railroads, which has been tested in Germany recently with gratifying results.

"It is the joint invention of Messrs. Hubert Pfirrmann and Max Wendorf," said he. "Midway between the rails is laid a light third rail of the ordinary T pattern, the joints of which are so connected as to form a continuous conductor." With this initial statement the nature and operation of the device are described as follows:

"Midway under the forward part of the engine is hung the working instrument, an electrical apparatus enclosed in a square case or jacket occupying a cubic foot of space. The instrument is connected with a contact rail, which slides along the third rail, and by wires with a telephone and electric alarm-bell in the cab of the engine and a red incandescent lamp, which is lighted by the same impulse that rouses the alarm bell into action. A further improvement of the device sets the electric brakes on the engine or entire train simultaneously with the alarm signal which sounds the bell and lights the lamp. The apparatus is adjusted and arranged that the engineer can at any moment, by touching a lever, satisfy himself that it is in full working condition.

"The tests recently were conducted on the main line from Frankfort to Hanau, between the stations Sachsenhausen and Goldstein, and a translation of the official report will illustrate concisely the working of the apparatus. Two locomotives, numbered respectively 290 and 1420, had been equipped with the new device and the experiments proceeded as follows: Engine 290, drawing a special train and approaching Sachsenhausen at full speed, received the danger signal and came to a full stop; the engineer of 290 then asked by telephone the cause of the signal and received from the keeper of a grade crossing a half-mile in front, word that a wagon had broken down in crossing the track and obstructed the line. After ten minutes' wait, the engineer of 290 received word by telephone that the obstruction had been cleared away and thereupon resumed his trip.

"A mile further on, the signal on 290 again sounded, and the engineer

was informed, by telephone as before, that the semaphore round a curve and more than half a mile distant was set at 'halt.' Thereupon engine 290 slowed down and proceeded cautiously, sounding its whistle at short intervals, the telephone bell in the cab ringing continuously until the curve was rounded, when the ringing ceased, notifying the engineer that the semaphore had changed to 'track clear.' Thereupon 290 resumed full speed.

"In the tests to prevent collision, engine 1420 came up rapidly from behind and on the same track as 290, which had slowed down and was proceeding cautiously, in consequence of reported danger in front. The moment that 1420 came within 1,000 metres (1,093 yards) of 290, the signal on both engines began to ring and their red lights to glow. Thereupon 1420 halted, the engineer inquired of 290 in front the cause of the alarm, and a complete understanding between the two trains was immediately established.

"An important point in this connection is that in practice the same warning signal is sounded upon every engine equipped with the apparatus, which is on the same track, and within the prescribed radius—a kilometer or a mile, as the case may be—from the engine and train which cause the obstruction. If a semaphore be falsely set at safety, the train may run past it into a block in which another engine is halted or moving with perfect security that warning will be given in ample time to prevent a collision under any and all conditions of darkness, fog, storm or mistaken instructions.

"The invention has other minor points of usefulness, but the foregoing will be sufficient to indicate the general method of its operation and the measure of its efficiency. In effect, it puts the engineer of every train into instantaneous touch with other trains switchmen and station and crossing keepers in his neighborhood and keeps ever before his eye and ear an automatic and infallible signal which springs into activity the moment that his locomotive, whether running forward or backward, comes within the radius of danger from collision.

"The German government has directed that a section of track be equipped with the apparatus for careful, practical experiments, and it is reported that the government of Russia has obtained license to test it in actual service on its new military lines now under construction in Siberia."

A Successful Liar

Wilson was out of health and out of spirits, and his physician advised him to go away. When he asked where, the physician waved his hand, meaning anywhere. So Wilson went into the orchard region of the south-west, riding an easy-looking horse that he might loiter along the way and breathe the scent of the apple bloom. Inquiry brought him to a restful place among the hills, a small, home-like tavern, an ancient house built of logs, and moss-covered on the north side. Here he sat down to rest, and it was restful, the soft air, the mysterious woods and a great spring of white water that burst with passion from under a rock. This was all charming enough, but to one of Wilson's sensitiveness, the people were annoying. The fewness of strangers rendered the natives inquisitive, and immediately upon the arrival of a visitor they at once set about to discover his business and the source of his income.

Shortly after his arrival he was sitting in the "best room," in the presence of several mountaineers who hemmed and hawed at him and glanced at one another. Presently a tall, gaunt fellow, with beard streaked with sunlight and shadow, looked up and said: "Don't reckon it's much use to ask you if you are a stranger in these here parts?"

"Not much," replied Wilson. "Must have come from a pretty good distance?" "Yes." "Well, about how far?" "See that blue hill off yonder?" "Yes; it's plain enough." "Well, I came from further than that."

A silence fell and the hill men chewed their tobacco and spat into the great fireplace, and after a time another one, holding the importance of a reserve force, spoke up: "I take it that you ain't a farmer." "Whenever you feel like taking help yourself," said Wilson, and the reserve force cleared his throat. But he knew the duties of his position and was not ready to retire.

"Of course," said he, "it is necessary, or leastwise we think so, for a man to have some sort of business. Don't you think so?"

"Either that or he ought to be a pretty skillful thief," said Wilson. "Yes, that's what we think. And you have some sort of business, eh?" "Yes, a very flourishing business." "May I ask what it is?" "Certainly. I am—am traveling for a factory that makes cork legs and arms."

They chewed their tobacco and glanced at one another, and Wilson, looking around, saw a girl standing near the door. He had caught sight of her once before, as she swept like

a vision from the dairy-house across the yard. She did not shrink as he looked at her now; her brown eyes met his, and he felt that his starving nerves were feasting as he gazed upon her.

"And I reckon you have come here to take orders," said the reserve force.

"Yes, that's my business." The hill men filed out, leaving Wilson alone, no, with the girl who still stood near the door; and when they were gone, she came forward, not timidly but with a sweep, a dart like the strike of a black bass, and she stood at his elbow. "My father lives over on the hill," she said, and then halted to gaze into "his eyes." "He owns this place but lets mother and me run it, because he can't get about very well and don't want to be in anybody's way. He lost a leg in the army, and I want you to have him one made and brought up here."

She was so earnest that Wilson had not the heart to tell her that he was a liar, that he had never seen a cork leg, so he replied: "Yes, I will go over and see him—with you."

They went over and talked with the old fellow, and while they were there up stumped the owner of an orchard whose fruit brought a good price, and said that he wanted a leg, and before long a man named Weiss obtained a right arm for himself and a left arm for his brother.

Wilson had now gone too far to retreat. The girl led him into a buggy with him and drove him into another neighborhood where he took orders for six legs and four arms; and then they drove down the creek and took more orders. And he found an interest in the work. Sometimes his conscience would reproach him, but the sweetness of the girl's face and the brightness of her eyes made him forget his perfidy, and so the time grew, like the mellowing of an apple, and at last he found that he must return to the great wilderness called a city.

He told her good-by, at night, the moon in her eyes, and he kissed her and without a word hastened away with a sweet sadness in his heart. The weeks passed and he sat in an office, a miserable employment obtained for him by influential friends, and his hands were at work but his mind was among the hills, and down in his heart he saw a girl with the moon in her eyes. But he could not return to the hills—he had deceived those simple people. Was there no way to put himself right? He sprang out of his chair. Why couldn't he fill those orders? There must be a cork leg factory somewhere in the city. He would investigate. He found a place, quite a large establishment, and told the manager what he had done. He had the orders with him. A liberal commission was allowed him, and a fitter was sent with him to try on the arms and legs.

And again, Wilson and the girl stood in the moonlight, and her lips murmuring sweetness were turned upward. He thought of the weary hours in his office and the heavy dullness of life without her. She inspired him with rest, she was the spirit of the wooded hills.

"And will you be gone so long this time?" she innocently asked. And with all her innocence and frankness she sometimes touched him gently with embarrassment. "Not if I knew that I could sell any more of my goods about here," he replied, and she smiled softly.

"Uncle Matt has begun work at a sawmill," she said, and he murmured "yes" to relieve the growing embarrassment, wondering what Uncle Matt had to do with his early return. She sighed again and continued: "Uncle Matt isn't a careful man, and a sawmill is a dangerous place to work, and after a while a short while, knowing him as well as I do, he might need an arm. Don't you think you might come up and see?"

That was enough, and the smiling moon veiled her face for a moment with a floating fleece, and came out to see him driving with her toward a preacher's house.

"This all took place more than several years ago. Wilson is now one of the principal owners of the establishment, and he told me the other day that he was just about to leave home for a time, to establish a cork leg factory in South Africa.

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POSSIBLE CHANGES

Rumors Regarding Various Political Plums

Permanent Successor to Ex-Crown Prosecutor Congdon is Still Hanging Fire.

For the past week or two there have been all kinds of rumors relative to political changes that were on the eve of taking place in the personnel of officials located at Dawson, some of them being of a nature of the wildest. A week before the appointment of Mr. F. T. Congdon as commissioner of the territory became public, such being first given publicity Monday afternoon upon the receipt of a wire from Ottawa, a gentleman here who has charge of one of the departments had word from a friend at Ottawa to the effect that the appointment had at that time already been made, all that remained to be done being its publication in the official gazette.

Another office the permanent disposition of which does not seem yet to have been definitely settled is that of the crown prosecutor. Shortly after the departure of Mr. Congdon, following the federal election, Mr. J. B. Pattullo was named as the acting prosecutor for the crown and in a letter that was received from the minister of justice it was intimated that the permanent appointment would soon follow. In a communication received from the deputy minister, however, that which informed Mr. Pattullo of his temporary selection, nothing was said in regard to whether or not the preference was likely to be permanent. In the meantime there are others who would not be averse to accepting the plum, one of whom may be considered quite a factor in the race if such it could be called. Auguste Noel has been often mentioned in connection with the office, and, in fact, it was at one time reported that he had been appointed with Mr. Pattullo as joint crown prosecutor. The truth of the rumor was, however, not believed by the bar in general as such a thing as the appointment of virtually two prosecutors would be a precedent never before heard of. Mr. Noel's brother has been at Ottawa all winter and it is a known fact that they have considerable prestige with the administration. In the meantime Mr. Pattullo is still acting as the crown prosecutor, and will continue to do so until his appointment is either made permanent or his successor is named.

Still another change that is liable to transpire almost any day is the appointment of a successor to Mr. Justice Macaulay as police magistrate. Every effort has been made by the bench to have his lordship relieved from police court duty in order that his time might be devoted to matters in the territorial court, and there is reason to believe that the department of justice may have given heed to the earnest requests that have been forwarded from here. Mr. Justice Craig has been greatly overworked this winter, particularly since the absence of Mr. Justice Dugas who is outside on his regular biennial vacation, and were a new police magistrate appointed so that the junior member of the bench could devote himself exclusively to the higher court it would greatly expedite litigation now pending. The only man that has been mentioned in connection with the office of police magistrate is that of Charles Macdonald, the present clerk of the court, and even if the appointment were tendered him it is very doubtful if he would accept it. The honor would be no greater and there would be but little difference if any in the question of salary.

There has also been a rumor afloat in regard to the elevation of Mr. Justice Dugas to the office of chief justice. It was said a short time ago that his lordship had been made chief justice of the Northwest Territories and would not return to the Yukon, but the fallacy of that statement was confirmed yesterday by the receipt of a letter from his father by Aime Dugas in which he stated that he would leave Montreal for Dawson on the 11th of the present month and may be expected here within two weeks afterward. It has been also stated that his lordship would before leaving Ottawa have the title of chief justice of the Yukon Territory conferred upon him, but that lacks confirmation. Legal Adviser Newlands is expected back about the same time as Mr. Justice Dugas and may accompany him on his return. Commissioner Congdon will also arrive about the latter end of the month.

See the opera "Pirates of Penzance" at Auditorium on Thursday, March 5th. Price of admission—Boxes, \$2 per seat; balcony, \$1.50 and \$1; stalls, \$1; general admission, 50 cents. ONE NIGHT ONLY.

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The moderation of the temperature has greatly benefited the condition of the ice giving it a softer and smoother surface so that it is now just like a sheet of glass.

From now until the thaw comes the attendance at the rink is sure to have a large increase as everyone will want to get all the pleasure possible from this source before the ice is gone.

WILL BUILD RAILROAD

From Coal Mines to River Bank

Dawson to Have Plentiful Supply of Fuel in the Near Future.

The question of the future fuel supply not only for the city of Dawson but for the whole mining district, which has caused some considerable uneasiness, will no doubt be solved this coming summer. The fuel which will be used in the future must necessarily be coal, as it is only a question of time when the timber within reasonable distance of the district will be used up and the cost increase in proportion to the distance which it has to be moved.

Several good coal properties have been located in this country and its value for heating and steaming purposes has been proven beyond a question. The only proposition that remained to be considered is as to the cost of mining and delivering into the market. That question is to be given a complete test this summer and if the present calculations are well founded Dawson will have a supply of coal before the close of navigation next year large enough to last through the winter, and at a price which will compel its use by every one who uses fuel.

Mr. J. A. Williams, who is interested with Mr. Falcon Joslin in the Coal Creek coal mines, situated about six miles below Fortymile and about 10 miles back from the river, purchased a complete railroad outfit for the use of the mines during his recent trip and expects to have it in operation for the delivering of coal about the 1st of August.

The outfit consists of one 14-ton saddle tank locomotive with five 70-ton self-dumping hopper cars and 12 miles of rails. The road will be the regular narrow gauge—3 feet—the same size as the White Pass, and will be constructed from the edge of the river direct to the mines.

Several surveys of the proposed road have been made and about the first of next month an engineer will be sent over the route to lay out the line the track is to take, so that the ties can be laid as soon as the snow leaves the ground.

Within a few days the first corps of men will be started to work cutting ties as it is the intention to have them all cut before the sap begins to run in the trees.

The material for the railroad will arrive with the opening of navigation, when it is the intention of the owners of the mine to put a large force of men to work constructing the road bed so as to have it completed at the earliest possible moment.

Some fear is expressed as to a shortage of labor but if there is any grounds at the present time for such a possibility the chances are that it will be overcome by the fine the season opens up.

Mr. Williams feels assured that the Klondike Mines Railroad to the mining districts will be built this summer and expects to supply a large percentage of fuel to the miners from the coal mines next winter.

Has the Funds. Washington, Feb. 19.—Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador here, today notified Assistant Secretary Pierce, who represented the United States in the arbitration of claims of certain American sealers against the Russian government, that he was in receipt of funds from St. Petersburg to pay the amount of the award. Accordingly Mr. Pierce had an expert compute the interest which had accrued in these cases and submitted the statement to the ambassador. As it stands, the total is now \$165,315, made up of the following separate awards, which include interest: Cape Horn Pigeon, \$63,033; James Hamilton Lewis, \$47,654; C. H. White, \$52,169; Kate and Ann, \$2,427.

There's quite a difference between convincing a man that he is wrong and convincing him that you are right.

McARTHUR CASE NOW ON

Crown Subpoenas Over Thirty Witnesses

Little Trouble in Securing a Jury. Trial Will Probably Last Two Days.

The case of the King vs. Frank McArthur, charged with the keeping of a common gaming house, was begun this morning before Mr. Justice Craig following the sentencing of the prisoner Dick, convicted yesterday. Before the empanelling of the jury was begun counsel for the defense raised an objection to the indictment upon the ground that the charge was not sufficiently definite, it stating that the offense had been committed on February 13 and on sundries and drivers dates prior to that date. After some argument his lordship caused the indictment to be amended by confining the dates to February 13 and the two months immediately preceding that date.

In selecting the jury the crown exhausted two challenges, A. C. Moffatt and J. A. Donald, and the defense four, F. Hiles, J. A. Bruce, R. Moncrieff and F. S. Long. The jury is finally chosen consisted of C. V. Anthony, T. Ross Moulton, F. C. Flecker, J. A. Doyle, J. T. Bethune and A. A. Jones.

All the witnesses in the case, both for the crown and the defense, were excluded from the court room and they were warned not to communicate with the others having once been examined. Crown Prosecutor Pattullo made a short address to the jury in which he outlined to a certain extent the facts which he hoped to be able to prove. The majority of the witnesses for the crown were members of the club which the accused had been managing and whose rooms had been raided and the jury's attention was called to that fact as they would all doubtless prove unwilling witnesses and be hard to get incriminating testimony out of.

The crown in that respect was laboring under a disadvantage. The club rooms were described, the manner in which they were furnished and the purposes for which they were used, and in speaking of the latter it was stated that while the club was ostensibly a social organization, yet he hoped to be able to prove that it was such in name only and was really a place where gambling was carried on without interruption. The manner of intimidating club members was gone into, the prosecutor stating that anyone could become a member by paying one dollar and signing a book which would entitle them to the privileges of the club and to set in the games if they so desired. The names of the members were not posted nor were they balloted upon the same as is usually done in social clubs.

Sergeant Smith was the first witness for the crown and in his testimony he went into detail concerning the raid and arrest, the authority he was acting under, the seizures made, and other things that would tend to show the nature of the house. The examination was very exhaustive both as to direct and in the cross examination; the sergeant being in the box considerably over an hour.

This afternoon other witnesses for the crown are being examined and it is thought the case will take the greater part of today and tomorrow. There are all together 32 witnesses for the crown, among whom are the following: Herbert Scofield, John Conklin, Stephen Barrett, Gus Zempel, Frank Mason, Eugene Brunell, K. F. Clark, Max Hellburger, John Marshbank, R. H. Riddle, H. D. Campbell, Dave Blankfield, Wm. Burwash, C. Brockmuller, E. M. Payne, Frank Cooling, George Takenaka, Clark Ellsworth, C. Kinney, Matson, Kelley, Dennis Dugan, John Smith, A. C. Wright, Pete Farrell, Cliff Welsh, John Broderick, A. Scurry and Joseph Nucci.

The witnesses for the defense are N. G. Cox, H. Cloes, O. W. Hobbs, J. Wallis, A. Ritzwaller, J. Mullen and H. Gould.

The McArthur case is the last of the jury cases to be tried this session and those not in the panel now sitting were excused from further attendance at court. Following the case now on will be taken up that against Paulsen, Wubbenhorst and Bessler, the latter being set for Friday. The last three named will be heard by the judge alone.

Power of Attorney Blanks for the Tanana—Nugget Office.

ANOTHER GONE

Peter Steil Joins the Tanana Stampeders.

Peter Steil, the well known commission merchant, joined the ranks of the Tanana stampeders this morning. Mr. Steil took a restaurant outfit and will start a first class hashery. He will also secure a location and make arrangements for receiving consignments of goods on the opening of navigation in the spring. If the camp is as represented he will dispose of his restaurant and return to Dawson before the opening of navigation and make preparations to return immediately after the break-up.

The A. B. dances are always enjoyable. The sheet and pillow case ball Friday night will be no exception.

DISHONEST DEBTORS

Skip In the Darkness for the Tanana

Merchants Losing Thousands of Dollars by Reason of the Stampede.

Few people outside of the merchants and others who are directly interested realize the number of people who have left for the Tanana in the past two or three weeks owing bills which they have neglected to settle before taking their departure. Several thousand dollars have been lost in such manner, the principal loss naturally falling upon the large companies who during the winter extend extensive credit. No less than seven collectors are kept on the qui vive all the time looking out for dishonest debtors who would evade the payment of their just obligations, but in spite of all their vigilance many have succeeded in getting away and are now safe across the line free from molestation. Saturday night has been the most favored time for the departure of such persons as with a good team of dogs they run to the boundary line can be made before Monday morning and they need have no fear of the capias as a writ can not be issued on Sunday. Last Saturday night between the hours of 11 o'clock and 2 in the morning no less than 22 persons got away under the cover of darkness and from the fact that they chose to take their departure at night it is stated that many of them owed bills that they wished to avoid paying.

Some of the merchants have made an effort to have a police patrol established at Moosehide and compel every person passing to register, but they have so far been unsuccessful. A private collection agency did establish and maintained such a station for several days, but when it became known that the registration was not compulsory those who wished to conceal their identity refused to register and the project was abandoned. The scheme, however, was quite efficacious five being turned back yesterday. On Monday there were 21 departures registered and yesterday 46 which does not include those who may have slipped away in the night. As it is manifestly impossible for the collectors to know every debtor who may owe a bill, it becomes a comparatively easy matter for a man from the creeks to come to town after dark and slip off down the river without anyone knowing it. Such a person might be absent a month before his creditor would know it.

TWO HUNDRED

Left for the Lower River Last Month

During the month of February 200 stampeders left Dawson for the lower country. A few of them were en route for the Koyukuk but the large majority were headed for the Tanana. The report was given to a Nugget representative this morning by Major Outhbert, and was taken from the monthly report of the detachment of the N. W. M. P. at Fortymile. A record of all who pass through Fortymile on their way to the lower river points is kept by the police and their destination is also noted so that an accurate count can be made of those traveling northwards.

The A. B. sheet and pillow case dance on Friday night will be a most pleasing event.

PURCHASED LARGE PUMPS

Will be Installed on King Solomon's Hill

Two Specially Constructed Centrifugal Pumps With Large Capacity.

The present pumping plant of the Dawson Electric Light and Power Co. on King Solomon Hill and Orofino Hill will be supplanted shortly by another plant with double the capacity of the present one.

Mr. A. Williams, president and manager of the Dawson Electric Light and Power Co., returned last Sunday evening from a four months' pleasure and business trip combined, and in conversation with a Nugget representative this morning said that the present pumping system, which consists of two plunger pumps with a combined capacity of 500 gallons per minute, is entirely inadequate to supply the demand. The plunger pumps are also in constant need of repair, which is a large item of expense as well as causing a great deal of inconvenience, and therefore they are to be replaced.

The new pumps are the Byron Jackson centrifugal pumps, specially constructed for high duty, and will have a capacity of 1000 gallons per minute, which amounts to two slice-heads of water. They will be run by a 50 horsepower motor, the power for which will be supplied from the Dawson power house.

The pumps will be set up on King Solomon's Hill and will work both ways, putting water onto French Orofino and King Solomon's hills. The water will be obtained from Bonanza creek and will be raised a distance of 350 feet.

It is expected that the new machinery will be here by the first of April, three teams being used to bring it in and immediately upon arrival it will be taken to its destination and installed, so that it may be in place for use when the first thaw comes.

There are about a dozen claims in the vicinity to be supplied and Mr. Williams is satisfied that his new pumps will give them all a plentiful supply of water for the washing up of their dumps.

MISSING.—If there is any one who knows the whereabouts of P. Chris Peterson please notify Mrs. S. Peterson, 12 Schuyler avenue, Kankakee, Illinois, U.S.A.

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D. A. A. A special general meeting of the shareholders of the Dawson Amateur Athletic Association, Ltd., will be held in the Board of Trade rooms, N. C. Co. building, on Wednesday evening, March 4th, at 8 o'clock. Business of importance. C. B. BURNS, Secretary. Tanana. Any one or party desiring to go to the Tanana will do well in seeing A. Cloes, 133 Second avenue. Can take 600 pounds. Rates very low, as party wants to go right away. Power of Attorney Blanks for the Tanana—Nugget Office.

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