

REVIEW OF THE SITUATION

New Candidates Coming Out Every Day. Already Three Strong Candidates for the Mayoralty in the Field, With Probability of the Fourth.

The political situation is developing very gradually. It is a full week before nomination day for the city election, and two weeks before the candidates for the Yukon council will declare themselves.

run again, and so will Tom Adair and Peter Vachon. Of Mr. Wilson, who voted against salaries to members of the council nothing has been heard.

The strongest candidate for the mayoralty at the present writing seems to be ex-Collector Davis. He has been here from the beginning and his official position met everyone's expectations.

There are therefore three candidates, two of whom, at least, are certain to receive a nomination.

For the position of alderman only one announcement has been made up to the present, the one of Mr. La Lande, the South Dawson merchant.

Abraham La Lande hails from Gananoque, Ont., and is a sourdough. He was in business in that little town for nine or ten years and in '98 came to this country.

He first established himself as a merchant in Klondike city, and then took a trip to the coast to see his wife and four children.

As to the territorial election, nomination day is fixed for the last day of this month, so although the silence of the last members, Messrs. Prudhomme and Wilson, has excited some comment, there is really nothing to it.

George Vernon is another sourdough who would have a large following, and the same may be said of Attorney C. W. C. Tabor. In fact there is the trouble between these two that if both remain in the field they must necessarily split their support.

Quite a number of names are mentioned as candidates for the Yukon council from the creeks, but public opinion does not seem to have crystallized upon any of them except Arthur Wilson.

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GUSHER IS UNDER CONTROL

Work Will Probably be Concluded Monday - Thompson Collects His Appropriation From the Yukon Council for Sinking the Shaft.

Mr. Thompson, of the second bedrock shaft on Eldorado, where is now the gusher, called upon Major Wood yesterday and the gold commissioner this morning, but what was the result has not been made known.

When the first lengths of the pipe were let down in the hole they struck something solid at 128 feet. They were moved about and everything was done to force them farther, but unsuccessfully.

There will be no difficulty in his collection of whatever is coming to his firm in this regard, but Mr. Thompson is meditatively stroking his long beard and thinking that he now ought to get something for the loss of his shaft, though just how he is at present unable to formulate.

If nothing serious happens to prevent it is expected by Contractor D. A. Matheson that he will have the deep shaft gusher under control by Monday.

The startling feature of the phenomena occurring this week is that the lower part of the shaft has caved down and filled up the bottom till the depth is now but 128 feet.

This has undoubtedly acted to delay the completion of the work and it is quite certain that the task of capping the shaft would have been much easier had it been undertaken right at the start.

For a few days after the flow began there seemed to be nothing but anxiety for the safety of the town of Bonanza and the mines below. How long the flow would last and if it would diminish or increase seemed to be the great question of the hour.

After several days Government Engineer Beaudette measured the flow and computed that it amounted to eighty miners' inches, or two large sluice-heads.

After that came a delay of several days to examine into the different plans for stopping the flow and to award the contract. Meanwhile the water was rapidly eating its way into the frozen walls of the 221 foot shaft and extracting the frost by nature's quickest method.

The timbering of the shaft, though very secure to hold, partially from earth, seems to have given way in the lower part of the great, subterranean stream, on its upward course. None of the timbering or lagging has shown to the top, therefore it is believed that the cave-in must have occurred at a level where gravel abounds and the woodwork was held down by the many tons of pressure.

When Mr. Matheson set about his task last Monday, one week having been lost in making the award and so forth, and more time having been lost by before that, he was prepared to pipe the water from the bottom of the shaft.

It is hoped by the contractor to develop enough pressure from this earthen substance and the cement to force all the water up through the pipes and hold it in those channels.

Without the use of pumping apparatus of any kind it is believed the flow will be stopped by this simple application of hydraulic laws and other principles of physics.

After having successfully applied the pressure of the cement and earth the top of each pipe will receive an eight inch gate valve and elbow. From them pipes of any size may be used to shut away the water or it may be shut off entirely.

Mr. Matheson is in favor of using two-inch pipe to carry the water during the winter to the top of Gold Hill and there be placed in reservoirs to freeze and continue to pile up in a mammoth glacier. By so doing he believes there would be plenty of water for the mines for summer work.

He suggests that the miners there secure the water in that manner at once.

Mr. Matheson expects to have the water under control by Monday. He does not anticipate any delay. He says it would have been a great deal easier, quicker and less expensive to have begun when the flow started.

Divers opinions are heard as to the security of the capping and the probability of its being a success. Some reason that with the care-in at 128 feet from the thawing effect of the water the same will continue to the top, and may thaw the water surface for yards around.

For Twelve Miles George Butler is expecting that early next week he will be receiving definite reports of the work being done on the thirty-seven square claim his company has staked on Twelvemile. George Ames was shot out there yesterday with some more supplies, and when he returns he will bring in new specimens of the ore and probably a definite statement of the work being done.

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AMUSEMENTS. Abdifurum—"Bohemian Girl." Standard-Vandeville.

SHOULD DECLARE POLICIES.

There are a number of very estimable gentlemen who have been brought before the community as candidates for municipal offices, but who thus far have given no specific declaration of their views upon matters which deeply concern the public.

For instance there is the salary question. When the present salaries paid to mayor and aldermen were adopted, a very general feeling was manifested among the people that the amounts were altogether too high.

There is also the question of extending public funds for street grading and other improvements. During the past year the general funds of the city have been applied to the improvement of particular sections of the city without cost to the property owners, while taxpayers in other districts have been entirely overlooked.

The problem of dealing with fallen women of the town is another subject upon which an expression of opinion from the various candidates is highly desirable. Are the women to be banished from pillar to post during the coming year or are practical means for their control to be enforced?

Upon these and other questions the people would like to be informed. They will not give blind support to any man or set of men, and certainly they have the right to expect a clear declaration of policy from every man who is looking for their votes.

It is all the more important that each man should give open publicity to his views, for the reason that no conventions have been held and no party platforms are before the people.

The race is developing into a free-for-all affair and the men who deal openly and honestly with the people will fare better than those who hold off in the hope of framing their opinions at the last moment to suit the demands of the situation.

PRACTICAL MINERS. When the election for the Yukon council is over the territory will enjoy a prolonged rest from troubles of a political nature. The best man in the district has been selected to represent Yukon interests at Ottawa, and there is the very best of reason for belief that the precedent thus

established will be followed in the coldest now approaching. Good men are now before the people and others are daily coming to the front.

The creek districts have been somewhat behind the town in bringing out candidates, but before the day of nomination it is understood that the mining communities will be represented in the list of men willing to give their services in the council.

The Nugget has before expressed the opinion that practical miners should be selected to represent the creeks, and that view is supported by sentiment among the creek voters.

The advice and counsel that might be given to the territorial legislators by men who have had years of experience in Yukon mining operations would be of invaluable assistance in framing necessary legislation.

If all means candidates from the creeks should be brought forward.

British Columbia is showing the effects of long continued political disturbance. For three years past the people of that province have gone from one upheaval to another, the result being disastrous to all lines of commercial and industrial enterprise. This territory may easily avoid falling into the same error by the exercise of good judgment in the selection of men to fill the territorial and municipal offices for the ensuing terms.

In granting franchises the city council should look out that they do not make a one-sided bargain. If they allow the railroad company to lay tracks on First avenue they should also see to it that the company is obliged to carry out their side of the agreement.

The progress of the work of capturing the Eldorado gusher is being followed with great interest by the public. If the subterranean underground can be controlled, it will undoubtedly result in vast good to the mining community.

A month before the election a prediction was made by this paper that the majority for Mr. Ross would approximate 1000. At the present time it is 845 with several voting precincts yet to be heard from.

The Nugget will hazard the prophecy that the Yukon will fare better at the hands of parliament during the coming year than ever before in the territory's history.

Having turned down the "unworthy instrument" with a dull, sickening chud, it is not likely that the people will take up with any of his principal sponsors.

Cases of absolute destitution are few and far between in Dawson. The facts speak eloquently for the prosperous condition of the district.

The opposition has made a remarkable record for bringing forward weak candidates.

Warship Transformed. New York, Nov. 24.—What is regarded as the most important ship repairing job attempted at the New York navy yard in years will be practically completed today, when the cruiser Baltimore, of Manila fame, refitted from stem to stern, will have her machinery officially tested. Her refitting is estimated to have cost \$350,000. She has been at the navy yard since the war with Spain.

The whereabouts of Andrew Palmer, last heard of working on Bonanza near the Forks. Anyone knowing his present address will kindly communicate with the postmaster, Dawson.

See Mr. R. P. Wilson, as "Florestin" in the opera "Bohemian Girl," at the Auditorium on Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

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Jasper Dane's Caller

By W. R. Rose.

The door creaked very slightly, but it jarred on Jasper Dane's nerves. He looked up with a frown.

"Is this Mr. Dane?" A young woman was framed in the doorway.

Jasper's frown slightly faded as he caught sight of her. She was a pretty young woman and charmingly groomed, and she wasn't more than one and twenty. Jasper avoided the woman's gaze in his paper.

"Mr. Dane, the editor?" Jasper, pencil in hand, bowed again.

The young woman advanced into the apartment.

"You are much younger than I supposed you to be," she said.

Jasper's eyes opened wider.

"I am not quite sure that I ought to take that as a compliment," he said.

"And I'm afraid your worst fears are confirmed," she said.

"Then it is verses?" he said.

"I supposed it was poetry," said the girl.

"They always do," said Jasper.

"The girl looked up at him with a pretty grimace.

"You are not a bit encouraging," she said.

"It's the better way," said Jasper.

"And yet you write verses yourself," said the girl.

"Perhaps it is because I haven't a friend honest enough to dissuade me," said Jasper.

"That's a pity," said the girl.

"Don't think to soften me in that way," said Jasper.

"I like those lines beginning 'She came upon me unawares,'" said the girl.

"I know them by heart. 'She came upon me unawares, I turned and she was there.'"

"I beg your pardon," cried Jasper.

"It is your lines that are under consideration. Pray produce them."

"The girl gave him a side-long glance.

"Did she come upon you unawares, Mr. Dane?"

"Jasper caught the glance and slightly flushed. His look grew troubled again.

"I live in hopes," he said.

"That's enigmatical," laughed the girl.

Had he hurt her feelings? What a brute he was! It would have been such a simple favor to publish the verses. And she never showed him her father's note. That was noble of her.

He picked up his pencil and bent over his work. And presently he softly hummed.

CHANCES FOR SIGLIN

Last Sighted by United States Cutter Manning.

Seattle, Nov. 24.—More definite news concerning the long overdue fishing schooner Gen. Siglin is at hand from officers of the United States revenue cutter Manning, Capt. C. H. McLellan commanding, and their report only tends to intensify the fears entertained for the famous little vessel.

The Manning passed the Siglin at 3:45 o'clock the afternoon of October 13, both being bound for Dutch harbor.

She was returning from her unsuccessful effort to haul off the schooner Courtney Ford, which met disaster some time previous on one of the islands.

"At this time the Siglin was forty miles off False pass, in the Aleutian archipelago, and seven days out from the mouth of the Kuskokwim."

"With anything like fine weather she should have reached Dutch harbor October 15. The Manning made that port October 14, or the following day after sighting the Siglin. About 11 o'clock the night of the 13th a storm set in, which gathered such force and fury that on the following day it was declared to be the severest of the season experienced on Bering sea."

Nothing could have prevented the Siglin being caught up in the teeth of these terrible gales, and it is the knowledge that she was in their path causing such anxiety regarding the craft.

"The schooner Volante was at Dutch harbor repairing her sails when the Manning sailed November 5. She expected to put to sea in a few days. The chances are very slight for the Gen. Siglin."

The Post-Intelligencer last night received the following Associated Press dispatch from Victoria:

"A schooner believed to be the Gen. Siglin, overdue at Seattle from Bering sea, was sighted by the tug Lorne in the strait yesterday."

There are various schooners about the size of the Siglin due in the strait—among others, the Volante from Nome. If the Siglin was in the strait Sunday her owners would doubtless have heard from her ere this.

Daddy's Old Fiddle

When quiet settles o'er the farm, An' 'nigh takes place uv day, An' all the stock is housed an' fed, An' supper's cleared away,

Then daddy takes his fiddle out, An' tunes the E and A, An' then the G string with the D, An' then begins to play.

He plays a reel or jig or two To git his fingers free, To take the kinks out left by work, He says to ma an' me,

An' then he puts in longer strokes, An' lays his face hard o'er, An' plays on three strings at a time, An' sometimes hits the four.

He cuts in deep upon the base, An' thunderstorms pass o'er, An' then he sails high on the E, An' clears the skies once more.

Now deep an' loud, now soft an' low, Like tremblin' by a thread, A dismal wail off in the night, Where gravestones mark the dead.

Then daddy strikes a streak uv hope, An' sun breaks through the rain, An' then he strikes a martial air, No time, no tune, no written score,

Just 'somebody' daddy plays, The like uv which, was never heard In old or modern days.

He seems a different man whenever His fiddle's in his hand, There is a bond between the 'two That's hard to understand.

An' ma sets an' knits away, An' dreams her dreams uv old, While daddy's fiddle takes 'em both Way off to lands uv gold.

No doubt they spy a shady lane, An' hear the song o' birds, An' see themselves, 'no lovers there, With hearts too full for words.

I've heard big bands an' orchestras, Church organs an' the rest, But far sweet music from the heart, I like my daddy's best.

—Joe Cone, in New York Sun.

GAMBLING UPSTAIRS

Threat of Seattle Police Finally Executed

Monte Carlo Raided, But Others Close Peaceably Upon Orders.

Seattle, Nov. 24.—No games of chance other than the simplest card games are now running in any of the saloons or gambling houses of Seattle on the ground floor.

Chief of Police Sullivan yesterday afternoon issued a peremptory order that by 1 o'clock games of roulette, faro, Chinese lottery and the like should move up, if they were not already on the second floor, and that no gambling should be permitted in concert halls and theatres.

When the Monte Carlo gambling house and one or two other places did not comply with the order they were raided, the tables taken, the money gathered in, and the dealers arrested.

The move of the police department, Chief of Police Sullivan says, is in accordance with the warning which was given thirty days ago that such an order would be enforced.

The proprietors of gambling houses and concert halls were somewhat surprised that this sudden move should be made.

In violation of the instructions they received late in the afternoon, some kept their tables surrounded with men until the very last moment.

When the chief ordered half a dozen detectives to undertake a raid it looked as if there were several parties to be confiscated, but after the Monte Carlo had been stopped the others covered their tables and the dealers slipped away.

When the sound of the patrol wagon was heard the Idaho was running in full blast, but it soon closed.

Still other places closed promptly, as they had been ordered.

Outside of the unpaid districts in the vicinity of Fifth avenue and King street, all gambling except simple card games has been confined to the upper floors for several months.

In the restricted district to which the worst dives were forced gambling has been permitted any place, but for the sake of convenience most of it was on a level with the street.

It was against these resorts that the action of the police department was taken.

The enforcement of the order makes the regulations of the department with respect to gambling uniform in all parts of town.

Though some gambling has been tolerated in the concert halls below Yerler way, the greater part of this has been carried on in the places about King street and Fourth and Fifth avenues.

Hereafter no games of any kind will be tolerated, the chief says, in these places. A dance hall, concert hall or theatre must be conducted as such.

There cannot be card games on the ground floor. Upstairs there is no restriction upon the games, they can be as many and as varied as the proprietors choose.

The police officers say poker, black jack and such forms of amusement will be allowed in the saloons opening upon the sidewalk, just as they are allowed in other parts of the city below Yerler.

The gamblers assert that they have not been treated fairly in the matter. They say they cannot move to the upper floor without serious inconvenience, if at all.

There is no room, they say. They assert that they were given to understand when they went to the restricted district, as formed by the police department, that they would be unmolested.

Many went to much expense in fixing their resorts, and they say they have been deceived. With bitterness they attack the department, inferring that influence has been brought to bear to place their particular locality upon the same footing as that of the rest of the city, thus depriving them of any advantage which they might have obtained by moving to the lower district.

The concert hall proprietors did not take kindly to the order that they must keep out gambling altogether.

Most of the halls, however, covered up their tables, though late in the evening one card table was running in the Folly theatre, the place opened by the Clanceys but a few days ago.

At the Arcade, the Comique and other theatres there was no apparent trouble. The King street club closed promptly at 1 o'clock.

"Evidently they thought I had forgotten about my warning that they had better get upstairs," said Chief Sullivan last evening.

"But I meant it, as I suppose they are learning. They were given a warning, sufficient, had they been inclined to heed it, but they made no move to change their quarters, as far as I know."

Under Detective Tennant and Sgt. Leighton, a large party of detectives was sent to the Monte Carlo about 10 o'clock last night to raid the place, by the direction of the chief of police, who remained at headquarters and gave his orders by telephone.

At the Monte Carlo the patrol wagon was filled with tables and

other paraphernalia of a gambling house. There was a scene of excitement when the force marched into the place and ordered the closing of the games.

Hundreds of men heard of the raid; and were crowding into the place to see the operation. The detectives found great difficulty in carrying the pieces to the front, there was such a jam.

The dealers of several of the games were arrested, and the money was taken to police headquarters. A. J. Stranger, John Smith, H. Jones and J. J. Ferguson, the proprietor of the place, were booked at the station.

The money taken amounted to about \$150. When this place had been quieted for the night, another raid was made, but most of the other resorts had taken the hint that the order of the chief was not given in fun.

Not Satisfied

Seattle, Nov. 25.—Mrs. Sarah Stanley is not satisfied with the finding of the jury which last week awarded her former daughter-in-law \$3,500 damages for alienating the affections of the plaintiff's husband.

She yesterday filed a motion in the superior court alleging numerous reasons why she should be granted a new trial.

Among other things, Mrs. Stanley alleges misconduct on the part of the jury, newly discovered evidence beneficial to the defendant's cause, excessive damages and insufficient evidence upon which to base a verdict for the plaintiff.

The defendant does not set forth the nature of the alleged misconduct on the part of the jury which tried the case. The motion will be disposed of on Saturday.

"I once started to take lessons in memory training."

"What made you give it up?"

"Couldn't remember to attend the lessons."

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SOCIETY EVENTS

BY CHADDIE

Of course you were at the opera. Everyone was, at least, everyone who is anyone, and those who missed the first two nights will certainly be there this evening. Grand opera in Dawson! Shades of the immortal Bethoven, who would have thought a year or so ago that such in our time at least would ever be heard. When the project was first announced by Director Scarelle those familiar with the gipsy legend which Balfe has set to music so tuneful were more than skeptical at the outcome of such a hazardous undertaking. It was pointed out that in order to render "Bohemian Girl" without committing absolute murder and causing Balfe to turn over in his grave trained voices in a goodly number were needed for the chorus and artists for the principal roles, conditions impossible to fulfill in Dawson. For amateurs "Bohemian Girl" is heavy, notwithstanding the reference made to it by a distinguished conferee on an evening contemporary as a "sparkling light opera." The three acts are full of dramatic climaxes, close harmony and brilliant recitatives with cadenzas ad lib. "Arlino" was one of the favorite roles of Emma Abbott in the days when her company was considered the highest exponent of English grand opera, "Bohemian Girl" in her repertoire taking rank with "Hil Travolta," "La Traviata," "Ruy Blas," "Martha" and "Marta." Emma Juch did not consider it beneath her dignity to sing "Arlino" nor did Madame Tavary and other equally notable prima donnas. So it would seem that Mr. Scarelle must have left an abundance of confidence in the timber at his command, otherwise he would have hesitated before attempting a work so ambitious.

But I enjoyed the opera, enjoyed it immensely, and "The Chappie" desires to extend his felicitations on the success achieved. Viewed from the standpoint of a severe critic or compared with performances given by professionals, the presentations naturally would be considerably battered, but that would not only be unjust but unkind as well. One thing I must refer to. The chorus was very slow in making the attack and in the opening number of the first act on Thursday evening the director had to pull them together by sheer force of strength. It was nervousness, probably. The dance of the gipsies was very pretty, particularly the solo of Mrs. Dr. Wharton, who possesses a sweet figure and is lithe and graceful. A little more ginger on the part of the coryphees would have been an improvement. The dances of the Romy people are noted for their wild abandon with which they enter into that form of amusement, their limbo, swaying bodies seeming free from ossified formation moving in perfect cadence with the wild, weird music heard only in the land of the cordas. While the dance was going on a friend who occupied an adjoining seat called my attention to one of the dancers who at the moment with the others was resting with one knee on the floor and swaying about, only instead of the supple body describing the most graceful curves there was only a visible bending at the hips and the effect was not such as would have proven an irresistible temptation to St. Anthony. Mr. Hulme, who made such a hit as "Ko-Ko" in the "Mikado," duplicated his success as "Devilshot." When the practice of law fails to prove remunerative Mr. Hulme should adopt the stage as he has in him the budding genius of Francis Wilson, Jeff de Anglis and De Wolfe Hopper combined.

It is a pity that the orchestra could not have been made more effective by the addition of instruments so sadly needed. A second violin, viola, cello and a couple of French horns would have made all the difference in the world, but as they can not be gotten here what is one to do. A propos of the orchestra, I happened in the theatre during one of the rehearsals and was shown the scores in use by Mr. Fremuth. The wonder is that anything could be done with them at all, so mutilated, cut, penciled and interlined are they. To look at them one might imagine them to be the original productions of Balfe which had passed through the hands of every company singing the opera, each cutting and slashing the music to fit their own ideas of the proper adaptation. It is fierce and positive cruelty to expect an orchestra to do justice to themselves with such a conglomeration in front of them. In the language of Chimmis Fadden I think Mr. Scarelle was given "de book" by the enterprising individual who sold him the scores in San Francisco.

On the opening night nearly all the boxes were filled and there was scarcely a seat to be had either in the balcony or the dress circle. Many of the ladies were in evening toilette and the conventional swallow-tail

was visible everywhere. Last night the crowd was even larger, a number of extra chairs having been placed in the aisles. The play went with more vim, too, than on the opening night, there was more precision and greater harmony between the orchestra and the singers. It is doubtful, though, in my mind if the enjoyment derived from the production of "Bohemian Girl" was as keen as that furnished by "Pinafore" and "Mikado." Arias full of counterpoint, fugue movements, and long drawn out recitatives do not appeal to the popular fancy, no matter how divinely beautiful the composition may be, unless the patrons of the opera have lived their lives amidst a melody of music or have some sort of musical education. It is largely a matter of attuning the ear, naturally musical, to grasp the intricacies of complex harmonies. I well remember nearly twenty years ago when the introduction of the Wagnerian trilogy, "Der Ring des Nibelungen," was attempted in New York, an opera or rather a series of operas requiring four nights for the complete production, and it was anything but a success. People laughed at it and the newspaper humorists caricatured it horribly in their paragraphs. It remained for Herr Anton Seidl, the greatest operatic conductor America ever saw, to make Wagner popular. Speaking of Seidl reminds me of a little performance he once indulged in at the old Metropolitan, and the effect produced was more than efficacious. I assure you. He could not accustom himself to the incessant chatter of the society folk while the opera was going on. It was the bane of his existence and he had complained to the directors times without number, but all to no avail. Finally on the evening in question the climax arrived. "Die Gotterdammerung" was being sung and the orchestra was in the midst of the entr'acte marking the beginning of the second act when a large party occupying the promenade box and the one adjoining arrived. They paid no attention to the music but immediately began a most animated conversation quite audible to the entire front of the house. Seidl glared, looked furious and finally topped the orchestra, laying down his baton. Turning to the offenders, he said in a voice that could be heard all over the huge barn-like structure, "When you have finished your conversation we will resume the opera." During the remainder of the performance the silence that came from those boxes was oppressive. Poor Seidl! He died from ptomaine poisoning caused by eating tainted sturgeon, and the western hemisphere has never yet seen his equal. His orchestra of six pieces was a wonderful organization, and illustrative of the cosmopolitan character of the inhabitants of the Klondike it might be said that one of Seidl's men, a trumpeter, has been in Dawson and vicinity ever since '98 and is now mining on lower Sulphur. He was occupying a chair in the Metropolitan when the boom of '98 spread over the States and he who had known nothing but music all his life dropped his instrument and joined the procession headed for the land of gold.

I am told it is Mr. Scarelle's intention to produce two more operas this season, "Pirates of Penzance" and "Maritana." The former is a light, frivolous work full of catchy airs and rollicking comedy, easily within the range of the operatic society, but the latter is just the reverse. "Maritana" is inclined more toward the classical, is even heavier than "Bohemian Girl" and I much fear the results of attempting it. "The Pirates" will be put on in February and "Maritana" if it is attempted, in April.

Society folk occupying the boxes during the performances I notice have brought with them from the east the pretty custom of exchanging calls between acts. On the opening night all the loggias on the balcony floor were occupied. In one on the right side were Dr. and Mrs. J. S. Sulphur and Miss Mackay and in another were Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Cole, Mr. Percy Hope and Miss Ralcliffe. On the opposite side Mr. C. W. Theobald entertained a large party filling two of the loggias and including Mr. and Mrs. George Byrne, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Craig, Mrs. Ashby, Miss Theobald, and Mr. Sidney Bell. Mr. Harry Lawrence had as his guests Mrs. George Brimston and Miss McCormack. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Brown were in the box next the stage.

Upstairs in the large box is the center Mayor Macaulay was the host of a stag party. His guests were Mr. Justice Macaulay, Mr. H. E. A. Robertson, Mr. C. W. C. Taber, Mr. Wm. McKay, Mr. H. M. Martin, Mr. V. Keenan, Mr. Hubert Macaulay and Mr. R. S. Buesberry. Mr. and Mrs. George M. Allen entertained Mrs. Latimer and Miss Latimer. Mr. H. Pittsmons had a jolly party in

Mr. J. S. Cowan, Mr. Paul Forest, and Mr. Frank Johnson.

Mr. F. T. Congdon on Monday evening, prior to his departure for Ottawa was tendered a dinner by Mr. R. P. McLennan at the latter's residence on Fifth avenue near Harper street, which was quite an enjoyable event. Nothing pretentious was aimed at; it was merely a gathering of convivial spirits assembled for the purpose of enjoying the good things of life, felicitating Mr. Congdon on the active work he had performed in the late campaign and wishing him a safe and pleasant journey to the city from whence comes all good and perfect gifts for the Yukon. Besides the host and guest of honor there were present Acting Commissioner Major Wood, Mayor Macaulay, Dr. Alfred Thompson, Mr. Hugh MacKinnon, Mr. D. A. Cameron and Mr. W. H. McKay.

A propos of Mr. Congdon it is said he is slated for being the successor of Mr. Ross as commissioner of the territory with a good chance of being successful in his ambitious efforts. Should his appointment be made I know of no lady in the land who would grace the executive mansion with more dignity and composure in that sphere would do much toward dispelling the gloom that has constantly hovered over the official residence since the sad fate that befell Mrs. Ross. It would, too, doubtless mark the beginning of a new era in the social functions connected with official life.

I dropped in the rink Monday evening and for a few moments was highly entertained by the efforts of a young man endeavoring to waltz on skates. He looked very awkward and instead of taking the step to every bar of the music he only did so every alternate bar. Then, too, he was unable to reverse which in a few moments made his fair partner so dizzy she could scarcely stand up.

The dance of the independent steamship men which takes place Friday evening at the A. B. hall bids fair to be one of the most enjoyable of the season. Elaborate preparations are being made for the affair.

The scenes depicted in "Bohemian Girl" have been made immortal by their transference to sensitized paper. Two flashlight photos were taken Wednesday during the dress rehearsal.

The A. B.'s are arranging a smoker to be given at their hall Tuesday evening next. An impromptu programme will be rendered and there will be eatables and drinkables in unlimited quantities.

The many friends of Mamie Holden (Mrs. Charles Murphy), the clever little ingenue who was such an attraction with the Bittner company last season, will be delighted to learn of the arrival of a little daughter at her household recently. Mr. and Mrs. Murphy are spending the winter with friends and relatives in Seattle.

Since when has that bon vivant, Mr. Charles Macdonald, he of the silver tongue, ceased to be clerk of the court? I was positively startled to see in a recent issue of the Sun an article made conspicuous by being enclosed in a border signed J. N. E. Brown, clerk of the territorial court.

The costume worn by Mrs. Boyes in the last act of "Bohemian Girl" is a very elaborate affair, one well calculated to excite the envy of many of the ladies. The material is of white moire silk, the front panel being appliqued by a hand painted and quite intricate floral design.

THE CHADDIE.

Settle in Canada. Seattle, Nov. 24.—For the season of 1903 the Canadian government expects to handle more immigrants to northwestern Canada than for any year in the past. If the figures of 100,000 settlers for last year, carried over the Canadian Pacific, are to be accepted as correct, and present plans do not miscarry, the number is to be doubled next year.

Louis Hadd, immigration agent for the Canadian government in London, arrived in the city yesterday from Vancouver. He is on his way east to return home, and availed himself of the opportunity of going over the American lines.

"We expect to make a record that has not been equaled in any country in the world," said Mr. Hadd last night, "and our plans are such that we feel sure they will not miscarry. A large share of the business we expect to get will come from the old world. For the past year we have been booking for next season, and in all probability we will get at least 75,000 to 100,000 from Hungary, Switzerland, Germany and France. The largest contingent to the present time is from France. There are in that country a very great number of peasants who want to come to Canada, and where they are known to be good farmers and hard working people they will be assisted.

"In all of these countries we have agencies, and have had them for the past twelve months. We also have a number of agencies in the United States, and expect to get a large number from here. We got what we considered a good share this year, but will double the number next.

"The Canadian government has determined to settle up the western part of Canada with farmers, and that as soon as it can possibly be done. Every opportunity in the way of getting cheap land and a long time to pay for it, as well as have it stocked, will be given the newcomers, and all that is asked is that they put in the crops and reap the harvest."

Killed a Moose Cow. Mr. Jackson of this city and his dog "Cap" returned Thursday night from Montana creek. Mr. Jackson, Mr. Murphy and Ed Corkish were hunting and they succeeded in slaying a moose cow. The other members of the party did not return.

Mr. Jackson says no pay has ever been struck on Montana, though some gold is found there. No pay worth mentioning was ever found on Conglomerate creek or any of the pups of Montana. But all of the claims in the promising portions of these creeks are being represented.

Bonanza Record.

Beggar—Help me, mister, I haven't a cent for me name.
Crazy Man—Huh! That's exactly how much I had when I started in life, and I'm well off now. Let me congratulate you on your bright future.—Boston Post.

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ALLEGED GAMBLERS

Cases Being Heard in the Police Court

Emmons on Trial Charged With Keeping a Gaming House in South Dawson.

Police court this morning was occupied all forenoon in hearing the case against Enoch E. Emmons charged with running a gaming establishment on Bridge street in South Dawson.

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GET NEW TIRES.

Four Inch Tires the Law After January First.

All people freighting up the creeks should be reminded of the measure passed by the Yukon council changing the width of wagon tires in order to lessen the wear and tear on the roads.

FELL ON HIS ARM

Al. Prescott Comes to Grief While Boozing

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LOCAL BREVITIES.

J. A. Clute is spending a few days in town looking after his local interests.

Ronald Morrison, the Sulphur magnate, expects to spend Christmas in Dawson.

There promises to be a big attendance at the rink tonight in spite of the heavy sale of seats for the opera.

Harry Hershberg objects to having steam cars blowing smoke and soot into his clothing store. He is one of those who believe that the railroad should come into Dawson via the back streets.

If the present weather continues every sleigh in Dawson will be in commission tomorrow. The roads are in splendid condition and during the pleasant weather the livery stables have hard work to keep pace with the demand for rigs.

Partnership Dissolved The law firm of Woodworth & Black has been dissolved by mutual consent, George Black being about to form a partnership with John Black, a New Brunswick barrister of long experience.

Swit's Winchester Salt cured Bacon has no equal—try some.

RIOTS IN HAVANA

Two Strikers Dead and Thirty Injured

Mayor Has Ordered the Police to Not Use Force in Dispersing the Crowds.

Havana, Nov. 24.—As a result of conflicts of a serious nature today between the police and men on strike here, two strikers are dead and thirty-two other persons are wounded, one a lieutenant of police, whose throat was cut by a striker, have very severe injuries.

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with only occasional interruptions. Most of the bruises sustained by the strikers were caused by the policemen's clubs.

The Art of Poesy in Canada

Although very divergent in most respects, our Canadian poets have at least one passion in common—the love of the native-born for a broad and smiling land.

The first work of our Anglo-Canadian writers of verse to attract attention was the drama entitled "Saul," by Charles Heavyside, which appeared in Montreal in 1857.

Duncan Campbell Scott was born in Ottawa, Ont., on Aug. 2, 1862. He was educated at Stansfeld College. He entered the Canadian civil service, and still retains his position in the Department of Indian Affairs.

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purpose. He is above all things a Canadian. His patriotic poems possess dignity and earnestness, often sadly lacking in verse of this nature.

Archibald Lampman was born at Morpeth, Ont., on Nov. 17, 1861. He was educated at Trinity College School, Port Hope, and at Trinity University, Toronto. He entered the Canadian civil service in January, 1883.

There now remains, besides poets of such standing as George Frederick Scott and Arthur Stringer, an astonishing number of practically unknown writers of verse whom we shall not have space even to mention.

Remember us with no familiar name. Space will not permit further praise of this maker of harmonies, this gentle brother of all nature-lovers.

The haunting quality of the sea itself is in the Norse-sounding melodies in "Ballads of Lost Haven."

I may say, with Mr. Archer—"I myself, were I casting about for a religion, should be tempted to shut myself up for six weeks or so with no literature in my portmanteau but "Behind the Arras" and "Low Tide on Grand Pre."

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