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## WOMEN ARMED

A Corps of Boer Amazons Will Defend the Capital of the Boers.

MANY OF THEM ARE GOOD SHOTS.

The Garrison at Mafeking Has Not Yet Been Relieved.

BETS MADE ON THE END.

London Thinks the War Will Be Finished Before the Middle of May.

London, March 20, via Skagway, March 26.—Dispatches from Cape Town announce that a corps of 2000 Boer women has been formed at Pretoria to assist in the defense of the town. The women are uniformed with kilts and number in their ranks many who are skilled in marksmanship. They are armed with the latest improved rifles.

Not Relieved.

London, March 20, via Skagway, March 26.—The reports received here on the 16th that the relief of Mafeking had been accomplished are now stated to be incorrect. The town is still under seige, but it is believed that the garrison is not suffering as much as has been stated in previous reports.

Will Soon End.

London, March 20, via Skagway, March 26.—Bets are freely offered that the Transvaal war will be completed before the middle of May. The Daily News publishes dispatches from the front which predict that the war will end as soon as Roberts is able to cover the distance between Bloemfontein and Pretoria. The Boers are gradually losing hope and it is anticipated that no serious resistance will be offered until Pretoria is reached. The educated Boers fully realize the impossibility of the war being pushed to a successful issue and are importuning the government to bring hostilities to a close. They express a willingness to submit to the inevitable.

Newfoundland Won't Join.

Ottawa, March 21, via Skagway, March 26.—Another effort is being made by the government to induce New Newfoundland to join the confederation. There is small hope of the movement succeeding.

Mr. Wilson En Route.

Skagway, March 26.—James M. Wilson, of the A. C. Co., arrived here on Saturday en route to Dawson over the ice. Mr. Wilson has just returned from an extended trip through the eastern cities of the United States and Canada. While at Ottawa he consulted

the officials concerning the royalty. He is of the opinion that no reduction will be made during the present session of parliament. He states that in all probability a general election will take place in Canada during the coming June.

### Maya Indians Defeated.

Oaxaca, Mexico, March 7.—News has reached here of another hard fight between a force of about 300 Maya Indians and 1000 government troops. A battle took place near the town of Aguada. Col. Gonzales, who is a member of President Diaz' personal staff, was in command of the troops which made the attack upon the Indians. The Mayas were strongly entrenched and were driven from their positions by a terrible fire, which was poured in upon them from an advantageous position. Thirty seven Indians were killed and a large number wounded. Three soldiers were killed. Over 300 guns which were thrown away by the Indians in their flight before the government troops were afterward picked up by the latter.

### Labor Riot in Chicago.

Chicago, March 8.—Labor troubles culminated in a riot at Thirty-sixth and Wallace streets this evening. William Schindler was shot and probably fatally wounded, and six others were injured.

Joseph Walsh, foreman for the Link Belt Machinery Company, and H. K. McLain, superintendent of the same company, were attacked by strikers. For some time the strikers have followed Walsh and McLain every night when they left the shop, and have threatened to kill them.

Tonight some one threw a club at Walsh, striking him in the back of the head. He accused Schindler, and when the latter denied it, a fight followed. A crowd of strikers gathered around, and Walsh, believing his life was in danger, shot Schindler in the breast.

A general fight followed the shooting of Schindler, and the strikers to the number of 40 made an attack upon Walsh and McLain and four others who were with them. Although badly pound ed up, they managed to hold their own, and beat off their assailants until the arrival of the police. Walsh was placed under arrest.

### Not Now in Politics.

Indianapolis, March 8.—The News this afternoon says: "It is stated by intimate friends of Gen. Harrison that he is chagrined that his name should be so freely used in the newspapers of the country in connection with public questions now under consideration. Efforts to make it appear that he is planning to step forward as the anti-administration leader, with the hope that he may be called on to become a candidate for president is, it is said, especially distasteful. His friends say he has not the slightest desire to re-enter politics, and that all reference to his political aspirations are gratuitous.

"A gentleman who is near the former president used this statement today: 'You may say that if Harrison had any thought of re-entering politics, which he has not, he would not make his appearance by criticising the administration.'

### Toronto News.

Toronto, March 7.—At a meeting of the Canadian Mining Association this morning J. B. Tyrrell, the well known government engineer who has been through the Yukon territory gave an interesting address on his impressions of that country. He declared the gold district would last for 20 years and said he thought the government would soon abolish the royalty which at present causes friction among miners.

At the court of queen's bench today James Baxter and Ferdinand Lemieux were arraigned on a charge of conspiracy to rob the Ville Marie bank of \$400,000, and pleaded not guilty. Baxter also pleaded not guilty to the charge of aiding Herbert to escape arrest. Lemieux, to the charge of having robbed the bank of \$173,000, pleaded not guilty. To the charges of conspiracy Lemieux and Fellows pleaded not guilty. The trials are fixed for next week.

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## LOCAL CONTROL

Discussed With Reference to the Town of Dawson and Its Civic Affairs.

### RESIDENTS WOULD ASSUME DEBTS

Without Receiving Their Proportionate Share of Revenues.

### GOV. OGILVIE INTERVIEWED.

The Police Department and Police Court Would Remain Under Territorial Control.

A year ago last fall the incorporation of Dawson was seriously considered. A committee representing the citizens of the city consulted, in reference to the matter, with the Yukon council; and the members of that body expressed a willingness to grant a municipal form of government. After all the initial preparations had been made, it was learned that the proposed civic government would have no right to levy or collect taxes; and consequently it would have been impossible to obtain sufficient revenue to pay the expenses of municipal maintenance. Then, the idea was abandoned.

Recently an ordinance has been passed at Ottawa authorizing the Yukon council to tax residents in order to meet local expenditures. This right of taxation can be conferred by the council upon a municipal government, if one were to be formed by the inhabitants of Dawson. A civil charter can be readily secured now. All the members of the council would favor a petition of residents asking for municipal government, but it is not likely that the property owners would support such a petition.

At the present time all the revenues derived from timber, land and mineral goes to the federal treasury at Ottawa; of course the mineral department includes the different offices over which the gold commissioner and assistant commissioner have control. The municipality would not be entitled to nor would it receive any of these revenues. The moneys which are derived from liquor permits, licenses and court fines accrue to the local government, and are used to defray the expenses which are incurred in the conduct of governmental affairs. If Dawson were incorporated, the municipality would have no right to the revenues which would be derived from the issuance of liquor permits; to the city would be given a share of the moneys derived from licenses; but the police department, including the police court, would remain under the control of the territorial government, that is, the Yukon council. Thus it will be seen that the only income of the city would be a portion of the revenue derived from licenses. The obligations which it would be required to assume are the support of the sick and indigent, the maintenance of the fire department, the care of the streets, the construction of a sewerage system, and the salaries of civic officers. The money required to pay for all these expenses aggregate a large sum. Even now, with the revenues which accrue to the local government, the Yukon council is overdrawn at the bank to the extent of \$30,000. The hospitals would require annual appropriations of about \$40,000, which the city would be obliged to make; it would cost about \$50,000 a year to maintain the fire department; and to keep the streets and alleys in good condition, would necessitate a yearly expense of \$15,000. In addition to these expenditures, there would be the original cost of a sewerage system, and its maintenance after construction. The only possible manner in which the city could secure enough money to de-

tray the expenses of civic government would be taxation, and the rates would be necessarily high.

Commissioner Ogilvie was interviewed regarding the matter of municipal government:

"Would the council favor the immediate incorporation of Dawson, if a general desire for the same should be expressed by property owners?" was asked of the governor.

"I do not think the council would have the right to refuse incorporation if it should be demanded; and I am of the opinion that all the members of the board are disposed to grant a civic charter to Dawson, if the citizens so desire," was the answer.

"In the event of incorporation would a citizenship qualification be required for voters?" was inquired.

"That would be a discretionary matter," responded the commissioner, "which would be arranged by the citizens' committee and the council."

"Would the municipality have control of the fire and police departments?"

"The city would maintain and manage its own fire department; but in regard to the department of police, the charter would probably provide that it remain as it is constituted at present. Personally, I would make every endeavor to exclude the management of the police affairs from the municipal officers, as long as the N. W. M. P. force is stationed at Dawson."

"If the city should be denied the control of the police department, would the police court fines accrue to the municipal treasury?"

"No," the governor replied. "Such fines would go to the territorial government's treasury."

"Would the municipality have control of the liquor licenses and revenues derived from the same?"

"The moneys, which would be derived from the issuance of whisky permits would accrue to the territorial government; but a portion of the revenue, realized from licenses, would be given to the city."

"How much time would be required before an incorporation ordinance could be placed in effect?"

"That is a matter which would depend upon the course of the citizens. The council is ready to act at any time."

Property holders can realize that all the expenses of a municipal government would be assumed immediately after the issuance of a civic charter; but that the principal revenues would be retained by the territorial government. The plan of incorporation to which the council would agree savors of the legend that is related of the Indian and white man, who went on a hunting expedition. The white man shot a buzzard, and the Indian killed a turkey. When the time arrived to divide the game, both wanted the turkey, and considerable argument ensued. Finally the white man said "I'll tell you what I'll do. You take the buzzard and I'll take the turkey, or I'll take the turkey and you take the buzzard."

Recent Arrivals in Dawson.

Within the past few days many people have arrived in Dawson from the outside. On Sunday W. M. Down, H. P. Powers, Chris Nuapstine, C. P. Dolans, and Mrs. C. P. Dolan, comprised a party from Chicago which reached this city. Captain P. R. Richie, of the C. D. Co., who has been in London, arrived this morning. Among others who came in town today are Henry Berry and his wife, from Fresno, Cal.; J. L. Boyd, of Fresno; Jacques Hess, of Seattle; M. M. Donovan, of Salt Lake City; G. A. Wagner and wife, M. Peiz and Alexander Rankin, of San Francisco.

Mr. Berry reports that he and his party made the trip from Skagway in 12 days. He said: "The trail is in fair condition. James McNamee is on the way towards Dawson, and will probably be here tomorrow or next day. The Oregon Jew and his wife are about 24 hours behind me. There are in the neighborhood of 200 people on the trail at the present time. Times are good in the States; and there is great excitement about the Nome district. However, I am glad to be back in the Klondike."

Veal, Sausage and Eggs.

A gentleman who reached Dawson from the outside late Saturday evening brought with him 1600 pounds of choice veal, 500 pounds of pork sausage and 58 cases of fresh eggs. As veal and sausage are something of a delicacy here at the present time it is probable that he will find a fair market, but for eggs the outlook is not so flattering. When the latter reach a price above \$1 per dozen they are looked upon as a dispensable luxury even here where it is usually supposed there is nothing too good nor too high priced for the people.

Ladies' belt purses. Pioneer drug store.

The Star Clothing House, A. S. Levine, manager, announces that until further notice he will sell spring suits for \$15, hats, all styles, \$3.

## FIRE IN PARIS

Destroys the Theater Francaise, a Most Popular Playhouse.

MLE. HENRIOT LOST HER LIFE.

Building Just Reopened After Renovation for Exposition.

PLAYRIGHT M. SARDOU WEPT.

Investigation Reveals Facts Showing the Fire to Be of Incendiary Origin.

Paris, March 8.—The famous theater Francaise has been destroyed by fire. The fire broke out about noon, but was not discovered immediately, and the theater was burning fiercely before the fire brigade got to work. Even then the appliances were quite inadequate to cope with the conflagration, and by 1:20 p.m. the entire building was a roaring furnace. The dense column of smoke arising from the fire attracted crowds from all parts of Paris, the Theatre Francaise being regarded as national institution. The theater, which is the home of the Comedie Francaise, was only reopened a fortnight ago, after having been renovated for the exposition through expected to visit Paris during the year.

A rehearsal of a comedy which was billed for the matinee had just concluded when the fire broke out.

Indeed, two actresses, Mme. Dudley and Mle. Henriot, were still on the stage when an electric wire fused, and a spark catching the scenery, the whole stage was soon in flames. Mme. Dudley had to be rescued in costume and let down from a window.

M. Sardou, the playwright, arrived on the scene at about 1 o'clock and burst into tears when he saw the building was doomed. A part of the dome collapsed at 2:30 p.m.

The Theatre Francaise stood near the Palais Royal, and occupied the highest rank among the theaters of France.

During the day the charred corpse of a woman was found in the ruins. It was identified as that of Mle. Henriot, who was a promising young actress.

After examination the belief is expressed that the fire was of incendiary origin.

A Busy Thoroughfare.

A young man whose time is not bringing him large returns every hour, took a position at a point on Front between Second and Third streets Saturday afternoon about 3 o'clock and for one hour kept close count of all passers by. He states that during that hour 607 men, 34 women and 27 children passed his post of observation. He does not think he counted the same person more than one time except perhaps in a few cases. During the same time 31 horses, 15 mules and 92 dogs passed either up or down the street. Only two of the men showed the effects of drink.

Sempie's Gleaner.

On his return from the outside three days ago, Jake Kline brought with him a copy of the Seattle issue of Sempie's Sunday Gleaner. It has not been our distinguished privilege to peruse the production, but the informant that it is a "warm number" has been duly received.

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**INCORPORATION.**

A concerted effort made among property owners in Dawson at the present time would, we have reason to believe, result in securing the incorporation of the town as a municipality almost immediately. The question is, do those most interested desire the formation of a municipality. Until the present time there have been no local taxes of a direct nature imposed upon the residents of Dawson, and in consequence there has prevailed a very general disposition among property owners to leave matters as they are—as long as the apparition of the assessor and tax collector has not appeared on the scene.

Now, however, the Yukon Council comes forward and proposes a revenue ordinance, the proceeds from which are to be used in defraying the ordinary expenses of conducting the affairs of the town. This does not mean that all the local revenues are expected to be derived from the proposed ordinance, as a large sum is already received from the various other sources of revenue which the Council has at its disposal. But, once placed in operation, this system of taxation will naturally be made each year the means of raising a continually increasing sum to meet the requirements of a constantly growing community.

The question of incorporating Dawson as a municipality, therefore, assumes an entirely different appearance from that which it has previously borne.

The Council claims the right of levying taxes for municipal purposes, and has announced its intention to make immediate use of that right. It begins to look very much as though Dawson will soon occupy the position, almost anomalous in British history, of a town which pays taxes, but has no voice in electing the taxing authority.

If the town is to be taxed, we are of the opinion that the time is ripe for incorporation.

On the other hand, if the Yukon Council retains all the revenue producing machinery under its own control, as indicated in Gov. Ogilvie's interview, printed in another column, the advantages to be derived from incorporation are open to serious question.

**KEEP POLITICS OUT.**

We should regret to see considerations of a political nature enter into the movement now being carried on to secure representation in the Yukon Council. This territory is so far removed from the scene of the Dominion's political battles and the questions at issue are so absolutely local in nature as to preclude any reason existing for the drawing of party lines at this time. When it comes to electing representatives to go down to Ottawa to look after our interests, there may be some occasion for bringing party measures and policies into the field.

At the present time, however, they are decidedly out of place.

There will be plenty of time to choose candidates after we get the right to elect them, and there will also be plenty of time to

espouse the interests of the great political parties when they display a disposition to grant us some measure of recognition. Meanwhile, we will do very well to stand together for the interests of the Yukon Territory.

The end of the war should see English capital again looking toward the Klondike for investment. Purse strings have been tied pretty closely since hostilities were begun, but confidence is again restored, and capital will soon be let loose and seek profitable fields for investment. The unsettled condition of affairs in South Africa makes it apparent that some time must elapse before capital, which is ultra conservative, will rush into the Transvaal. Meanwhile, safe investment for capital in any amounts will be found in this territory, and in the natural course of events the tide will turn in this direction.

The account of the effort made in British Columbia to place Joseph Martin at the head of the provincial cabinet reads like a page from the history of the middle ages. We were surprised to learn from a brief dispatch, received some time ago, that Ottawa authorities had the affairs of British Columbia under serious advisement. The arrival of the details of the story remove all grounds for surprise. Victoria has been nearer a condition of anarchy during the past few weeks than Dawson ever thought of being.

A more earnest assemblage of men never came together for the purpose of discussing questions of public concern than was seen at the meeting on Friday night. There was a manifest determination on the part of the meeting to so shape its actions as to leave no doubt as to its sentiments upon the various questions at issue, and at the same time to show an unprejudiced and fair spirit. In both respects the affair was an unqualified success.

An occasional excitement injected into the somewhat work-a-day order of life which prevails in Dawson will serve a useful purpose in furnishing us the means of varying the monotony of things. Viewed from every standpoint, the meeting of Friday night was decidedly refreshing.

Reports concerning a probable reduction in the royalty are conflicting. Consul McCool says it will be reduced, and today's dispatches deny the allegation. However, we are of the opinion that there is good reason to hope for some favorable action before the elections, which it is now said will come off in June.

The women of Pretoria, to the number of 2,000, are enrolled, uniformed and armed for the defense of the city. In addition to being excellent shots, the Transvaal women are said to have very long finger nails. We are inclined to think that Lord Roberts' troubles have just begun.

Friday night's mass meeting will be remembered as an important episode in the history of the territory. By keeping everlastingly at it we will yet be recognized as entitled to some consideration at the hands of the powers that be.

From Dawson to Bennett in less than five days is the record made by the mail last week. And yet people talk of the isolation of the Klondike!

Short orders served right. The Holborn.

**Malloy in Good Condition.**

The boxing contest between Dick Case and Pat Malloy will be given at the Orpheum next Thursday evening. Both men have been training faithfully ever since the match was arranged. Some few days ago, it was reported that Malloy had been so ill for the past week or so that he was unable to train himself properly. When questioned concerning the matter the young man said: "I have never felt better in my life. About two weeks ago I suffered a short while with cold, but I soon recovered, and my training work was not interrupted. When I enter the ring you bet I'll be fit to win. I am about the same weight as Case; but my reach is longer, and I am a taller man than he is. These points will count. Without boasting, I wish to say that I can secure a decision over any man of my class in the Yukon. Next Thursday I will be able to strike a stronger blow than I ever have before."

At this juncture Malloy's conversation was interrupted by his boxing partner, a husky youth nearly six feet tall, who volunteered the remark: "You can hit hard enough, Pat. Why, look at this eye," he continued, as he pointed to his badly discolored right optic, "I was out for three minutes when you landed a left there. And that was the second time I went to bed with my clothes on. When we first began to train, you reached the point of my jaw, and I didn't spar any more that day."

Malloy appears to be in excellent physical condition, and Case will have to work as hard as he ever did in his life if he wins the contest.

**Was a Day of Rest.**

The fact that several teamsters were up in police court Monday of last week on the charge of violating the Sabbath by pursuing their worldly avocations on that day had an effect which was very apparent yesterday, as not a team was then noticed to be at work at any time during the entire day. Taken all around, yesterday was the most quiet Sunday Dawson has had for many months, and probably the quiet was fully as highly appreciated by the teamsters themselves as by any other class of people.

**The Sunday Concert.**

The concert which was given at the Palace Grand theater last evening was very well attended. The program consisted of 11 numbers, ten of which were rendered. Miss Nellie Forsythe, who had been engaged to sing "Kathleen" was unable to appear on account of illness. The Symphonie orchestra played some very excellent selections. The most prominent features were the two descriptive pieces, namely, a fantasia, "Mining on the Yukon," by Loesch, and the fantasia, "A Trip to Great Britain," by Langley. However, the rendition of all the numbers was above criticism. The program was as follows:

March, "Northern Lights," (Knight), orchestra; overture, "Freischultz," (Carl Maria v. Weber), orchestra; song, "Resurrection," (Shelly), Mr. Ed Shank; musical selections, orchestra; song, "Oh, Promised Me," (De Koven) Mrs. Leroy Tozier; descriptive fantasia, "Mining on the Yukon," (Loesch) orchestra; overture, "Huguenots," (Meyerbeer), orchestra; waltz, "Pictures From the Vienna Woods," (Strauss), orchestra; piano solo, Mrs. E. B. Lyon; descriptive, "A Trip to Great Britain," (Langley), orchestra.

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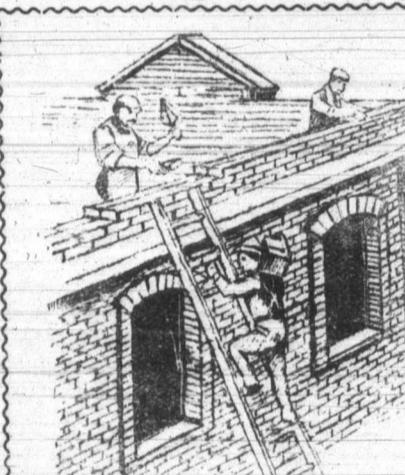
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By Captain Fussel, of the Roadhouse at Minto.

**Thinks the Bodies of Clayson, Reife and Olson Were Cremated by Their Murderers.**

Were not the bodies of Fred Clayson, Lynn Reife and Lineman Olson burned? This is the question that is asked by Capt. Fussel, keeper of the roadhouse at Minto, where the missing men were last seen. The captain has not only brought the question forward, but he believes there is a plausible foundation for a belief in such a disposition of the remains of the bodies and the belongings of the men. This news is brought out by E. B. Steadman, John H. Riley and others of a party that arrived on Tuesday from Dawson. Mr. Steadman has been engaged in mining in the Klondike, and is a man that observes. He says:

"We put up at Minto with Capt. Fussel, and there learned from his lips the theory that the missing men were burned. The captain says he saw a huge fire blazing some distance, probably a mile to three miles away, or farther (I do not recall just the details he recites), from his house, shortly after the long-lost trio left Minto."

"The suggestion has been made that O'Brien not only helped to kill Clayson, Reife and Olson, but that he killed his own partner, and probably burned his body."

"McGuire is the name of the detective working on the case in the vicinity of Minto. He is from Chicago. I understand McGuire feels satisfied over the arrest of O'Brien, but that he thinks O'Brien's partner has escaped to the coast."

"It is reported at various places, and in one new roadhouse in particular, which is near Minto, that Capt. Fussel, who is a place to be avoided, since the disappearance of Clayson and his companions. We heard this story, but we placed no stock in it. We thought it perfectly safe at the captain's, and to prove our belief went there and ate with him and took beds for the night. We found nothing wrong with the house. The uncanny tales that are being told against the captain's place are, we believe, open to censure, and it is understood they emanate largely from a new roadhouse between Minto and Huchiku."—Skagway Alaskan.

**A Big Dump.**

Charley Glasscock was down from his claim today, where he and his seven partners have been building up a dump on a hillside claim since last July. Up to the first of the year the "octette" had out the largest dump in the district. As they are not operating machinery, their dump is now surpassed by many where thaws are used.

**Murder Near Seattle.**

Mrs. Guy-Gale, a farmer's wife, aged 25 years, was killed Wednesday at Stones Landing by a man known as John Hammond, who arrived Tuesday from Buffalo, N. Y., says the Seattle P. I. of the 9th.

Hammond had formerly been a suitor for Mrs. Gale's hand, and was rejected. He had sworn that she should not live with another and desperately carried out his terrible threat.

He went about his terrible deed in such a businesslike manner as to leave no doubt that he had coolly calculated on killing her before he started West. After leaving Tacoma yesterday afternoon, he seemed impatient on finding that no steamer would go to Stones Landing until Wednesday morning. This steamer he took.

It is reported from there that he proposed that Mrs. Gale should accept his attentions and go East with him. She turned a deaf ear to his story of devotion, only to find that he was prepared to take her life. Almost before she was aware of his intentions he whipped out a new revolver and began firing. Three bullets are said to have entered her brain and body. She died almost immediately.

Hammond then deliberately took his own life, firing a bullet into his brain. A neighbor's child, who had heard part of their discussion, gave the alarm. Gale was in Seattle. A messenger was sent to inform him as well as Coroner Sparling. Gale passed the messenger on the road, and did not know of the tragedy until he reached home.

He married Mrs. Gale last year, after the death of her first husband whom she had married in the East in preference to Hammond. She was a pretty woman of the blonde type, and married Gale for love despite the fact that Indian

blood runs in his veins. Hammond's body will be buried at Stones Landing. Mrs. Gale's will be taken to Tacoma, where she had large numbers of friends.

**Many New Eagles.**

Forty-nine new Eagles were made at the meetings of Dawson Aerie, No. 50, yesterday afternoon and last night, making upwards of 150 persons initiated into the mysteries of the order within two weeks since its institution in this place. Men from all the walks of life are asking that the protecting pinions be spread over them, and all who have been "through the mill" appear to be pleased with the treatment accorded them. As there are now about 225 Eagles in Dawson, the question of a room sufficiently large to accommodate the numbers is one with which the Aerie will soon be confronted. Last night was the time appointed for the election of officers for the new aerie, but the matter was deferred until the next meeting. The charter roll will close next Sunday at two o'clock and all who desire to get in as charter members should have their applications ready to submit before or at that time. After the regular order of business had been completed last night a social session was held—a sort of experience meeting—at which a most excellent time was had by all present, and which lasted far into the "wee sma."

**Another Alaskan Road.**

An application has been made to the Canadian government for a franchise to build a railway from Fort Simpson through the Cassiar and Atlin mining districts to Lake Bennett. Capitalists of Montreal and Toronto are behind the plan, which it is expected will go through and form another line from the coast to the head of steam navigation on the Yukon.

It is stated that the Canadian government will in all probability subsidize the new enterprise on the basis of its being an all-Canadian route. Fort Simpson being situated on Dixon's entrance, in British Columbia. The distance is about 250 miles.

If the new line is built it will compete with the present White Pass & Yukon route, and with the proposed line from Haines Mission into the interior, a charter for which is pending in the British Columbia parliament. It is said the Dominion government believes that the construction of an all-Canadian railroad to the upper Yukon will benefit Vancouver and Victoria.

**Regarding Cape Nome.**

While the reports are doubtless exaggerated, as usual, enough is known to make it certain that a new kind of Eldorado has been found. Like all recent important gold discoveries it is different from anything known before and adds a new chapter to the history of gold mining. After a thousand years of such experience as the world has had during the last 50 years it is possible that gold mining will be reduced to definite laws. But in our time exception seems destined to be the rule.

The fact that men at Cape Nome are actually going out upon the ice and mining through it into the bottom of the ocean opens up visions of marine gold mining in the future.

We have all read of the triumphs of deep sea sounding by ships which have brought up buckets full of earth from the deepest parts of the ocean. Let one of these scientific ships once bring up a handful of nuggets of gold and there will be a stampede to that particular latitude and longitude that will be surprising. Just how they would stake off claims upon the white capped waves is not easily divined. But anything is possible to the kind of men who hunt whales in the Arctic and at Klondike mines through 20 feet of perpetually frozen ground.—Denver Republican.

**Mosquitos Plentiful.**

A well known Dawsonite who is remarkable for the tenacity with which he adheres to the rules of truth and veracity is responsible for the following:

"On one of the warm bright days last week a water man left a pail of water at my house, and having read in the papers something about the impurity of river water I decided to conduct a little investigation on my own hook. There was some ice in the water which the heat in my cabin soon caused to melt, and in four minutes after the last piece of ice was gone myriads of small wigglers began to come to the surface of the water; after remaining there not over two minutes little wings and a bill would begin to sprout and in another two minutes a full fledged mosquito would soar away. I counted until 107,318 winged insects had left that bucket and until the water mark had been lowered fully two inches; and that night there was as much buzzing in my cabin as I ever heard at a summer resort both in New Jersey or in a cypress swamp in Georgia."

When in town, stop at the Regina.

**JOE VINCENT IS A WINNER.****Gold Commissioner Senkler Decides Contest Case in His Favor.****Suit Brought on Technical Grounds for Valuable Claim Is Decided in Favor of Defendant.**

An important decision has been handed down by Gold Commissioner Senkler in the case of Werbus vs. Vincent, a copy of the judgment in which case is herewith appended. The case should stand as a warning to professional claim jumpers and men who seek to deprive others of the benefits of heavy investments upon purely technical grounds.

Briefly stated, the defendant, Joe Vincent, purchased from Fred Parker the original locator, the property in question, hillside on the right limit opposite the upper half of 78 lower Bonanza, and proceeded to expend a sum of money aggregating almost \$10,000 in developing the ground. After expending this money and locating the pay, Vincent's title was attacked by one Werbus, who claimed to be the original locator of the ground in dispute. It developed in the trial of the case that both Werbus and Parker had applied for the same ground under different descriptions. Parker had, however, secured his record before Werbus applied for his and subsequently transferred the ground to Vincent.

Werbus did not offer any objection to Parker's title and apparently did not discover that he had any rights in the premises until Vincent located the pay on the claim. Then Vincent's title was attacked, and resort was had both to the gold commissioner and Judge Dugas' court by Werbus. In both instances Vincent was sustained, the decision given today finally deciding the case.

Messrs. Pattullo & Ridley represented Mr. Vincent, who expresses much satisfaction with the able manner in which his case was handled. The decision in full is as follows:

The plaintiff staked the upper half, left limit, of No. 78 below on Bonanza, on the 17th July, 1898, but did not record until September 2d. One Fred Parker staked on August 15th, and recorded August 23d, what he described as the lower half, right limit, of No. 77 below on Bonanza.

Between July 27th and September 2d, 1898, the ground staked by the plaintiff was open to location. (Nelson vs. Donnelly.) It was between these dates that Parker staked and recorded the ground which he described as the lower half, right limit, of 77 below on Bonanza.

The survey of the Parker claim in September, 1899, under Mr. Parker's direction showed the location opposite the upper half of 78, and not opposite the lower half of 77, as he described on applying for record.

Parker staked before this portion of Bonanza creek had been surveyed. The creek being about 1000 feet wide at this point, I would not therefore, consider the misdescription made by Parker could be construed as carelessness or neglect such as should disentitle him to the ground he staked, owing to the difficulty in such cases of properly describing a location with relation to the creek claim upon which it fronts.

The question is whether Parker's evidence, with Mr. Smith's, also with what has been heard as to the work done from the time of the staking thereof, is such as to establish the original position of his location posts in the face of the misdescription above referred to. Parker says his original upper post as shown in the survey of his claim is still standing, but that at the time his survey was made his lower post had disappeared. He is however, satisfied the ground, as surveyed, is within the ground as originally staked. The only conflicting evidence is that of Mike Gullenrich, who says he saw Parker stake in the summer of 1899; at the line dividing creek claims 77 and 78. The writing on this post he declares claimed up stream, not down. Mr. Parker alone testifies as to the actual staking. The position of the work done upon his location is consistent with his evidence. The stakes are the root of title in all cases. One describes his location as well as he is able. The result is purchasers should always find out the actual position of adjoining prior locations before the purchase is made.

I think the owner under the Parker location is entitled to the ground as shown upon Mr. Bolton's plan, dated September 16th, 1899. Dated Dawson, March 19th, 1900. E. C. SENKLER, Gold Commissioner.

**Relegated Dogs.**

The long period during which dogs in this country must forage for their

own food or starve has begun. The malamute that two short weeks ago was the pride of the household is now spurned with the boot of contempt from the very door where he was formerly petted, fondled and given to eat of the best in the larder. But the summer of his discontent is here, and until snow flies next fall he will lead a "dog's life" in every sense implied in the expression.

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## THE NEW JUDGE OF ALASKA.

The Recent Appointee Hails From the State of Montana.

### His Appointment Was Very Much of a Surprise to the Coast Congressmen—Special Meeting of Council.

Concerning the appointment of the new judge for Alaska, a late Washington telegram says:

"The nomination by the president of Melville C. Brown as United States judge for Alaska, was a great surprise to all members of the Pacific coast. Only one or two had heard of his candidacy. Senator Foster and Representative Jones and Cushman were of the opinion that no appointment would be made until the Alaska bill passed, but Judge Johnson, who presented his resignation some time ago, insisted that he be relieved without delay."

Judge Brown has been a practicing attorney at Laramie, Wyo., for the past 25 years, and is nearly 60 years of age. It is said he was supported by Senator Warren, of his own state but not by Senator Clark. He was a candidate against Clark at the last session of the Montana legislature.

"Perhaps the most powerful influence brought to bear in Judge Brown's behalf, came from New York. Judge Dillon, of New York city, a famous attorney in so many railroad reorganization matters, wrote a strong letter to the president in support of Judge Brown, whom he had known in Wyoming as an attorney for the Union Pacific when Judge Dillon was its chief counsel in New York. He has also two relatives in California who hold prominent positions on the Southern Pacific system."

"It is the pending bill for the creation of three judgeships in Alaska is passed, the Washington delegation hopes to secure the appointment of Judge Wickesham, of Tacoma, to one of the additional judgeships."

#### Special Council Meeting.

Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock, the members of the Yukon council held a special session.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

A petition was received from Messrs. Wiley and associates asking for incorporation. Referred to the committee on private bills.

A communication was received respecting a sick and destitute person on Adams gulch, and asking for instructions. The clerk was instructed to inform Mr. Primrose to have the man brought to Dawson and placed in the hospital, if he considered that this should be done.

Mr. Clement moved the third reading of the ordinance respecting taxation (Dawson). The debate on this was adjourned until the next meeting.

#### Wood Goes Up.

Pine wood is higher in Dawson today than at any time during the past winter when \$22 per cord was the highest figure reached. Two weeks ago it dropped down to \$16 per cord, as those who had supplies on hand wished to dispose of it in order to get it delivered while the roads were in good condition for hauling. But suddenly the snow departed and the price of wood, which had been at \$16 only two days, jumped to \$25 per cord, the price now asked. People who invested during the short period of cheapness are now intimating that they are smarter than ordinary folk.

#### Hester at Skagway.

The gilt edge figure of 50 cents a pound will be paid for hay and oats in Dawson before the opening of navigation. Feed that was blocked along the river will be at princely prices. The plungers who are taking great quantities of meat to Dawson run the risk of losing big sums of money. The limit for starting from Dawson to Nome over the ice is up, and the Klondike dog market is expected, as a consequence, to fall flat. This, says the Alaskan, is the report given in short by R. M. Hester, a trader who arrived yesterday to buy stock in Skagway for the Klondike market.

Mr. Hester gives an interesting review of the conditions at Dawson when he left, two weeks ago, and of the trail and the great ceaseless caravan of fortune hunters, traders and others he met on his journey. He says:

"By actual count I met more than 500 horses on my way from Dawson to Bennett. There were no doubt more between the two points than I saw, because I came by way of the cutoff from Whitehorse to Caribou, and nearly all freighting teams are going around by Tagish. Five hundred horses, of course,

also means 500 men and many tons of freight on the road.

"I met quantities and quantities of beef. By the time the bulk of the meat now on the way to Dawson is laid down there, the price will be below the profit point. Meat will not be worth anything, and some of the traders who have plunged heavily will be bankrupt."

#### An Extensive Traveler.

Mr. R. C. Deihl, who arrived in Dawson for the first time last August and who left in a few weeks for Nome, reached here over the ice from Bennett Saturday evening, having gone south from Nome on one of the last steamers to sail from that port last fall. He brought a cargo of merchandise with him on this trip, which he will dispose of and return to the coast over the ice. He hopes to reach Seattle in time to take passage on one of the first steamers sailing from there to Nome. Mr. Deihl at one time owned and managed opera houses and theaters in several of the principal cities of Colorado.

#### Matlock's First Consignment.

The first consignment of merchandise from the four scows owned by Hon. W. F. Matlock which were frozen in up the river last fall arrived in Dawson Saturday evening and consists of all 16 Oregon draught horses could haul over the ice. With usual behavior on the part of the weather and river trail, Mr. Matlock expects to have all his stock transported to this city within a short time.

#### T. M. Daniels Appointed.

The Yukon Flyer Transportation Company has commenced active operations for the season and on April 1st will open a permanent office on the Aurora dock. Mr. T. M. Daniels has been appointed agent of the company at Dawson and is now busily engaged in completing the necessary arrangements for the sale of tickets and reservations of state rooms.

#### Over the Ice.

A party composed of seven prominent Seattleites arrived in Dawson yesterday over the ice from Bennett. They are J. Y. Ostrander, A. A. Lindsley, Col. Powers, Messrs. Murray, Hastings, Downs and Knopstein. They traveled by horse sleds and had a pleasant and uneventful trip. They expect to remain in Dawson until the opening of navigation and possibly throughout the summer.

#### Cashier Maynard Leaves.

Mr. Arthur E. Maynard, formerly cashier of the Canadian Bank of Commerce in this city, left this morning on a bicycle for Closeleigh to assist in the operation of a branch bank which will be established at that place. If there is not too much water on the trail

Mr. Maynard thought of attempting a record breaking trip up the river as he makes some pretensions of being an adept at wheel riding. Mr. Maynard leaves hosts of friends in Dawson who wish him all imaginable good luck in his new field of labor.

#### Free and Accepted Masons.

Thirty members of the Masonic fraternity responded to the call for a meeting in Fraternity hall Saturday evening. A temporary organization was effected, with H. Douglass, chairman, and Hospital Sergeant McIntosh, of the Yukon field force, secretary. A great degree of interest was manifested and the organization will doubtless be made permanent. Another meeting will be held Saturday night of this week at the same time and place.

#### Will Keep Cool.

A party of "rear rankers" is now busy cutting ice from the river and filling the several royal ice houses in the neighborhood of the barracks in order that when the piercing rays of the summer sun pour down the residents on the reservation may keep themselves as cool and placid as though they lived in a sylvan glen at the base of some glacier. A number of the prisoners have been transferred from the fuel factory to the river and are now engaged in carving out crystal blocks whose purity is in striking contrast to the "mug" of the carver.

#### Weather Report.

The maximum temperature for the 24 hours preceding 9 o'clock this morning was 36 degrees above zero.

The minimum temperature during the same period of time, was 22 degrees above.

#### More Money Wanted.

The present outlook for sluicing on the various creeks is such that the operators expect to be compelled to save water once used and train it back into their reservoirs or dams for use again and again. One big operator is authority for the statement that this economic use of water will necessitate the employment of many more men on the "tailings" than would be otherwise required and in case there was an abundance of water. Just at present it looks as though the supply of water will

be so limited that as to greatly retard the work of cleaning up the big dumps with which the various creeks are dotted from end to end as what little snow fell during the winter is dozing so rapidly now as to leave but little, if any, for the time when the water found by its melting will be so greatly needed.

#### Wheel Brigade Coming.

Geo. D. Travis, a Vancouver commercial traveler, who is in the city en route to Dawson, and five others who are coming from the south, will make the journey with him from Bennett on wheels. Others in the party will include: R. P. Ritchie, a representative of English and Scotch capital interested in Klondike; Mr. Ritchie, a brother, who will be manager for one of the concerns represented by his brother; Dr. Washburn, a physician and mining man; and Mr. McLellan, member of a big Dawson mercantile firm. The men will travel from roadhouse to roadhouse, and have their freight taken in by White & Adair.

There are four others now at the Mon-damin who will leave on the next train to Bennett and travel the rest of the journey to Dawson on wheels, namely, Fred Crewe and his son Fred, C. G. Cather and Joe Schultz.—Skagway Alaskan.

#### PERSONAL INTENTION.

J. Goodman is a visitor to the city. M. Jones is spending a few days in town.

H. L. Myers is confined at St. Mary's hospital.

Mrs. Meder is an inmate at St. Mary's hospital.

Mrs. A. G. Smith, of Dominion, is registered at the Regina.

C. N. McKay is enjoying a few days' visit in Dawson.

E. McWilliams, from Grand Forks, is stopping at the Fairview.

George W. Temple, of Portland, Or., is a recent arrival in the city.

Darby Graham, of Grand Forks, is visiting friends in the city.

Joseph Belair is fatally ill with heart disease at St. Mary's hospital.

W. H. Armstrong came to town from the creeks yesterday afternoon.

Joseph Felt was admitted to the Good Samaritan hospital on Saturday.

Angus McDonnell is in town from the creeks, and will remain here for several days.

E. A. Smith, of Grand Forks, is in the city on matters pertaining to business.

Shel Wattach and Tommy Anderson, caterers of Grand Forks, are in the city on business.

Dan Lawrence and Adolph Carlson are being treated for pneumonia at St. Mary's hospital.

Judge J. Y. Ostrander, ex-United States commissioner at Juneau, arrived in Dawson yesterday. He is at the Regina.

#### POLICE COURT.

The dog case in which Chas. Swain is prosecuting witness and J. L. Andrews is defendant was before the police court this morning for the seventh time and was again continued until tomorrow morning, at which time the magistrate stated, it will be irrevocably dismissed if the prosecution fails to appear with its witnesses. The accused is anxious to have his hearing as soon as possible.

In connection with the above case Dick Gardner, the well known actor and miner, asked for information on a point of law. Gardner's 15 year-old-son was notified by an officer of the court to be present last week as a witness in the dog case, but as the notification was a verbal one and the boy being a minor, his father advised him not to appear. The boy followed the advice with the result that a bench warrant was issued for him and he was confined at the barracks for a few hours until his people and friends could be notified. The point of law on which Gardner, senior, desired information was as to whether or not a verbal notification in the absence of a summons or subpoena is obligatory on the person so notified, and further if, in case of a minor, it is not required to notify the minor's parents or guardian instead of the child.

Gardner did not admit being from Missouri, but evidently they "must show him." He stated that he had some money to spend to learn if his position is properly taken. The court told him to go ahead and learn all he could, but cautioned him to have his son in court tomorrow morning at which time he will be wanted as a witness. And the man who seeks information passed out into the spring climate.

Owing to a relapse of the severe cold with which he has suffered for the past two or three weeks, Major Perry was not able to preside in the court this morning, the judicial chair being filled by Superintendent Primrose.

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#### First Boat for Nome.

Capt. Talbot has had a large force of men employed on the steamer Merwin for the past two weeks and the force of engineers, boiler makers, carpenters and painters is rapidly putting the steamer into apple pie order for her trip to Nome. A glance down the water front fails to reveal the weather beaten exterior of the boat, which has been

familiar to Dawsonites during the winter, but in its place an outline of snowy whiteness which shows that the Merwin is being fully prepared to offer attractive and comfortable accommodations for her long trip. The Merwin will be the first boat to leave Dawson, and no change will be made in the price of tickets before April 1st. Two-thirds of the stateroom accommodation has already been taken. All those who have spoken for passage, without buying their tickets are hereby notified to close the arrangements during the present month.

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