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SCORES THE CROWN PROSECUTOR.

The Inside History of the Recent Fist Encounter.

A Severe Arraignment of Mr. Wade Some Pertinent Questions, and How They Were Answered.

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On the evening of August 18th, as the steamer power was leaving the wharf a brutal assault was made upon the correspondent of a New York newspaper by a well-known government official. It seemed peculiarly cowardly, in that the assaulted party was much the inferior of his opponent in size and physical strength, that it occurred in the dark recesses of the N. Y. T. waterpools in the presence of a third party, who for well-known reasons was undoubtedly there to witness a scene of humiliation, and that it was deferred until the moment of departure of the boat upon which said official was leaving the country. To make the affair still more unfortunate, it is notorious that the official stood at the bar of public opinion accused of serious malfeasance in office, and that the said correspondent had been conspicuous in publicly charging corrupt practices against the said official and that he had but express the sentiments of a large majority of the citizens of Dawson, both Canadian and American, without any distinction whatever.

The immediate cause for the assault was the refusal of said correspondent to retract certain statements about a certain interview with said official.

The points of difference were these: Did the official "beg" the interview, or was it sought by the correspondent? Also, did the interview, in the opinion of said correspondent, wholly exonerate said official from suspicions of corrupt practices?

As reports of the affair, having an official bias that is almost painful, are being industriously circulated by some one, I beg leave, as a party, perhaps equally accountable for the conclusion reached after such interview, to say, about the first point of difference. As E. LeRoy Pelletier, correspondent of the N. Y. Times, and myself were leaving the Combination theater after the performance, we saw several government officials leaning against the bar, drinking, among whom was F. C. Wade, the Crown prosecuting attorney, the official referred to. As we passed, Pelletier, who was behind, was recognized by Wade, who called to him the words which sounded to me as follows:

"G-d-d-n you, Pelletier, come up here and put some whiskey in your guts. Call Adney, there."

Then, being addressed personally, I turned, and when I came within reach was good-naturedly pulled by the prosecuting attorney into the midst of the group. After the honors Wade upbraided Pelletier with being pleasant to his face and roasting him behind his back. Pelletier replied that he had never sought him in a social way. The matter was dropped and reference made to certain publications in the Seattle P. I., namely, interviews with late arrivals from Dawson, quoting Capt. Constantine and others concerning "jobs and jobbery," also an account of the Crown prosecuting attorney had been hard hit, as if he had realized for the first time the true situation, when he said "For God's sake, why don't you fellows come to me for an explanation before getting at a man in a way that he cannot retaliate?"

I hoped that a satisfactory explanation was at length to be had, and expressed myself as such was our duty to listen to all that might have to say; but I confessed frankly to him that not until that moment had I been able to perceive in those officials against whom there was public criticism, the smallest inclination to account to the public for their acts.

At his request, I put to him leading questions about several transactions to which we received straightforward answers. But the hour and the place being unsuitable for a thorough interview, we were invited to meet him at his office, where he would show us every paper in the transactions, at 10 o'clock the next morning. We continued the interview according to appointment.

As to the second point of difference: What, in our opinion, after due deliberation, did that interview explain? For certain details of that interview, I will refer to the issue of the Nugget of August 30th, wherein are given by Mr. Wade substantially the same answers to questions as were asked. The Nugget's interview immediately followed our own but did not see the same until just now. The Nugget left a number of vital questions unasked.

Concerning the lease of the water front to McDonald and Morrison the public belief was that Mr. Wade, while acting as Dominion land agent, received a considerable share of the enormous profit arising from the sub-lease. Some of the grounds for this belief were that Mr. Wade was known to be McDonald's attorney, that the public tenders were not advertised for, and that only certain favored ones knew that the water front was to be leased, and it was too late to put in a bid, that McDonald was allowed to put in a second and higher bid which others equally responsible were not allowed to do. The papers, it must be said, made out a strong defense, the McDonald application in fact being unqualifiedly approved by Thomas Fawcett, Gold Commissioner, whom no one suspects of further interest in the transaction. The undeniable secrecy of the business, and a knowledge gained since the interview, of precisely how and by whom those who bid were informed of the government's intention to lease the water front, are not explained by the papers, behind which it is perhaps not the intention, even if it were in the power of an ordinary newspaper, to inquire to so. Such a matter could only be a subject for parliamentary inquiry.

Reference to a mystery surrounding the granting of lots during the survey of ground back of what is known as "the Smith addition." Led the inquiry as follows:

Q. For what purpose was a sign reading "Reserved by order of Dominion Land Agent" placed upon ground being surveyed?

A. Because the government did not care to grant the whole space until it knew how much it might require for town use.

Q. Did it ever any lots that were at the time granted its open for application by the public?

A. No.

This, called attention to the fact that Mr. Pelletier had been given one such lot upon de-

mand. This was the lot that Mr. Wade had in- tended himself to have.

Q. How did that happen?

A. It must have been placed over such lots by mistake.

There were others lots in the same reserved space, which, I believe to have been open, but to have been held for some one on the inside. Regarding the subsequent transaction of payment for lots, there are charges of rebates to purchasers, that should be investigated. I had no authority to use names, or instances, so did not refer to the subject at the interview.

Another public belief is that Mr. Wade, to whom the gold commissioner looked at the did permit himself to be retained as attorney upon one side of a claim contest. In a case known as the 34-37 Dominion contest it was openly charged in court that he had been retained by both sides. Mr. Wade denies he had any influence with the gold commissioner, and files the record as proof that he had lost as many cases as he won. It was the general conviction, however, that any case however just, was hopeless if Mr. Wade figured in the opposition, and certainly in specific instances he did profit by that belief.

It is openly charged that go-betweens had made overtures to one party in claim contests for an interest in the case, to be employed by "Wade" and beat him out of the claim.

It is also charged that the prosecuting attorney had refused to file papers which were attested according to law, but were drawn up or endorsed in handwriting of persons who were not qualified as licensed conveyancers.

It is also believed that he demanded, or secured, interests in other franchises, or privileges, than the water front.

All those matters were discussed at the interview. Mr. Wade making denial of the charges. Now, in conclusion, if Mr. Wade interpreted our expressed hope that full explanations could be made, and our satisfaction at having been granted the interview, together with our earnest desire to be fair and just, as an exoneration of himself and evidence that all suspicion of irregularity was dispelled, he was mistaken. A parliamentary inquiry with power of subpoena and to protect its witnesses, alone will free any official from suspicion of ever having used his extraordinary official powers and to his private advantage. Meanwhile, it is a poor plan to use fists, or indulge in threats, as has lately been done, for criticism of several officials in Dawson.

T. J. ADNEY, Correspondent, Harper's Weekly.

PERSONALS.

Mr. Geo. Armstrong is back from his trip to Eldorado.

J. Q. Adams, a mining expert of San Francisco, is in Dawson, a guest of Dr. Yonans.

J. Knight Smith, at the hospital with typhoid fever, is reported to be convalescing and will be out shortly.

Mr. Churchill, resident manager of the Columbia River Navigation Co., is limping around from an attack of gout.

Mose Warren, a Centralian who arrived some few months ago, has gone out onto Sulphur with three horseloads of grub and two men. He has acquired interests in the mine and above discovery and will work both claims.

Mr. Lueders, the clever violinist, is quite sick with the prevailing dysentery. On Sunday night he had great difficulty in conducting the concert, but brought it through successfully in spite of his weakness.

Mr. H. Julius Miller of Centralia, Wash., but more lately of Dyea, arrived in Dawson Friday last. Mr. Miller is an American lawyer of large and successful practice, and having seen Dawson is preparing to return to his former practice at Dyea.

T. C. Malone, United States deputy of Internal revenue for the Ninth District, with headquarters at Circle City, is in Dawson on business connected with his department. Mr. Malone was a prominent factor in Oregon politics prior to his coming to Alaska and has a host of friends everywhere.

Mr. F. A. Jones, of New Benana, is preparing to leave for the east. He has worked in the territory for four years. By industry and some good fortune he has acquired that which will lend luxury to his visit, and we hope he may thoroughly enjoy the excursion.

Mr. Pat Connelly and Jack Gregor, of Mastodon Creek, and one of the first settlers of Circle City, arrived last week. The steamboat Dominion. They have interests here, to be extended to and then will return to the American side and afterwards to the Seard. The winter will be spent outside.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cahill have departed for their home in Portland. The sweet voice of Mrs. Cahill has beautified many a church service and lent pleasure to many a social evening and it is with regret we see the pair depart. They have been here a year and a half and will return in the spring.

Among the passengers on the steamer Columbia were Mrs. W. M. Miller, Dagwood W. Jones, Wm. Neville and Jacob Edholm. The two last named brought with them a large shipment of liquors amounting in all to 4000 gallons. They have secured a cabin on First avenue, and for the present have their goods stored.

Dr. W. S. Bunn, of Lawrence, Kansas, paid the Nugget office a pleasant visit recently. The doctor is located temporarily on a claim on Moosehide, the prospects of which creek he considers are very bright. During the winter Dr. Bunn was a member of a prospecting party in British Columbia. They made up their minds, however, that the chances in Klondike were much better than where they were then located and hence came on in to Dawson. The doctor is a firm believer in the theory that traction engines can be successfully worked on the lakes and river when the ice closes. He expects to see the proposition carried to a successful issue in time.

The Sunday Concert.

The second of the series of high-class Sunday concerts was given on Sunday evening by the Lueders' orchestra, under the management of Mr. C. N. Pring.

The concert was for the benefit of the fire department, but the fire department was not at all benefitted thereby, because the Pioneer hall was but very scantily filled with patrons. However, those who were there were rewarded by some excellent music, the program being as follows:

March: Opera Carmin, Pizet; Overture: Blossom of '84, Moses; Concert Waltz: Tales of Vienna Woods, Straus; Song, by Hudson Alhart; Selection: Madam Angis, Andran; Concert Polka: Yours for Ever, Pilsce; Overture: Barber of Seville, Rochini; Song, by Hudson Alhart;

Concert Waltz: Thousand and One Nights, Strauss; and God Save the Queen.

The singing of Mr. Ehrhart has lost none of its popularity and each of his songs was encored. The instrumentation was the same as a week ago, excepting that Mr. J. E. Cary had been added to the 2nd violins, H. W. Warnock to the 1st violins and W. H. Conannon played trombone.

Before the last number on the program was played there was short speech-making by Messrs. Rutledge, Chute and Tozier, who sincerely deprecated the lack of interest in the fire department by the people of Dawson. The three gentlemen mentioned, with the addition of Chairman Davis, of the town council, comprise the fire department committee, and are naturally much exercised over the lack of attendance at the meetings and entertainments for the benefit of the fire department.

He Has No Power.

A great many cases of despatching are being brought to the attention of Consul Gen. McCook. Many unfortunate people whose outfits were injured or destroyed on the trail are now stranded in Dawson, without work or resources. Numbers of these are calling on the American consul every day asking for assistance in securing transportation to the States.

Consul McCook expresses much regret at the condition in which so many American citizens are in, but states that he is without power to extend to them financial aid. The U. S. government does not give the consul discretion in such matters, though it seems to be the prevailing opinion that the government ought to take care of its unfortunate citizens who may happen to be temporarily stranded in a foreign country.

Wrecked, But Still in the Ring.

The Joseph Closset put in her appearance at Dawson last week, after being wrecked and sunk just below Miles Canyon. She left Bennett August 1st, with 20 tons of iron and the balance of her cargo in provisions. Entering the canyon, she struck the wall and broke her guard rail. Below the whirlpool, at the entrance of the second half of the canyon she struck again and stayed in her side. The hull, however, was of Washington fir and she beat reached the eddy below the canyon before she sank, which she did in water deep enough to cover the decks for fully a foot.

She lost some of her provisions but replenished her stock at Dawson and started on an up-river trip on Monday night. Captain Smith is still in charge, with E. A. Merk as manager.

Food by the Ton.

The police are going round with a load of supreme content and the why and wherefore is easy of finding out. The new large storehouse at the barracks is just about filled up with provisions of all kinds—tens upon tens of sugar and flour and all other necessities of an Arctic winter. Three hundred tons of compact food is now on hand, having arrived on the A. C. Co. steamers, Spie and Louie. Three hundred tons is a large quantity of food, and the number of police is small—but then, the boys know their own capacity better than anyone else, so remarks would be out of place.

Mint to Mining Friends.

EDITOR THE NUGGET:

Sir, I will be very thankful to you if you will publish this article in your paper for the benefit of those holding claims on Little Blanche creek.

Knowing as I do, that some of the men on this creek are hard working men and need all the money and time they have got, and who know but little about the creek and are in doubt as to whether or not it would pay to spend three months' time representing their claims, I feel that it is my duty to encourage all such men to get on their claims before it is too late to hold and work them, for with the present prospects this week, it gives promise to be one of the best creeps in the country.

You can get claims anywhere on the creek in the surface gravel. On 12 I have washed as high as \$120 to the pan, and have been told by others that they have got similar prospects on the same claim—some running as high as \$150 to the pan. I have gotten good prospects on 12 and also on 36. On 36 they are taking out pay every day on the run with a rocker.

There have been bench claims located from the head of Little Blanche to where its water shed empties into Quartz creek some of them paying 2 ounces to the man with a rocker, and they are getting good prospects in various other places.

Boys, under no consideration let your claim go back to the government. A. W. E. FISHER.

Don't forget that P. E. De Ville, of the Central market, has the neatest and cleanest place in town. Give him a call for meats of any description. Everything fresh and wholesome.

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New Conditions Develop New Species of Fraud—How Valueless Base Materials are Passed Off for the Precious Metal.

Frauds of various kinds become every day more prevalent. The use of gold as legal tender opens up a brand new field to the inept swindler, of which he is not slow to avail himself. Just now there appears to be an epidemic of what might be called "false tender." The would-be swindler fills a sack partly full of shot and enters one of our many play-houses. Throwing the sack carelessly on the table he calls for a "stack of whites" or "blues," according to his ambition. The dealer drops the sack into his drawer. If he wins, his sack is returned to him and gold to the amount of his winnings is weighed out to him at the scales and, of course, is not put into the sack of shot. The shot sack, however, is liable to detection by a vigilant dealer. As it rolls on the table it flattens out, somewhat different from a sack of gold. The fraud is materially aided by enclosing the shot in a smaller inner sack which holds the small pellets in place.

Monday night one of the largest roulette games in town was victimized twice. The first fraud threw down a sack of shot, as described above. The dealer had a good game going, and picking up the sack by the neck he dropped it carelessly into the drawer with a check showing how much was against it. The swindler played and lost his sack and called for another. Another sack and another check in the drawer against the sack. Mr. Swindler was out of luck for he continued to lose until \$400 was against the "poke." The player then withdrew from the room for a couple of minutes, and as he did not come back the sack was turned over to the weigher and the fraud discovered.

The house enjoyed a good laugh at the discomfited dealer, who hereupon flung himself upon the table. From that time on the sacks thrown across his table were carefully examined by the sense of touch, and it would have been woe, to the owner of another shot sack had he put in an appearance.

A rice-looking sack finally made its appearance and was picked up by the dealer and felt. It had that peculiar weight and feeling of cohesiveness so peculiar to gold and was accepted without comment. The player lost and lost, as in the other case, and finally Mr. Good Player decamped as before. Once more an investigation and the sack was found to contain black sand amalgamated with mercury.

The rounds of the games show the various defiers not at all strangers to the frauds practiced upon them, though one dealer remarked "A man so dumb as to take a sack of shot for gold ought to be beat." The number of times the fraud is successfully perpetrated is not known, since if the player wins instead of loses the contents of his sack is never exposed. Indeed, the man with the shot sack has been traced back from house to house and from game to game before he lost heavily enough to come to a show-down.

This species of fraud is not possible where the contents of a sack are poured out into a blower main stores, etc.

As yet no arrests have been made.

Catholic Church Formally Opened.

The church of the Immaculate Conception was formally opened on Sunday morning by divine service, Mass being celebrated by the Rev. Father Judge, S. J. The music for the occasion had been specially purchased, and was all that could be desired, lending much beauty to the impressive ceremonies.

In a short address the reverend Father exhorted his followers to be faithful, and turn their thoughts from the things of earth to things sacred and eternal.

The church building is, probably the most artistic and best finished structure at present in Dawson. The roof is high and supported with pillars; the windows are high and will give plenty of light; the gallery is spacious and the seats are the first attempts made in town at comfortable pews. The altar is neatly finished and painted in unpainted wood on Sunday was decorated with handsome artificial roses. Father Judge is evidently proud of his church, and has reason to be. The generosity of Alex. McDonald in building the church in place of the one burned a year ago is in proportion to his fortune. The furnishing of the church has to be paid for in other ways, and a generous collection was taken up at the conclusion of the service.

Getting Ready for Fire.

We are pleased to notice that some action has been taken by our acting town council to render the recently arrived fire apparatus effective in case of fire. Mr. Davis, chairman of the council, has found a man familiar with chemical engines and other fire fighting machinery and has put him to work assembling the parts and making ready for action if necessary. The apparatus will be turned over to the fire department whenever it will be properly organized. Mr. Charles Bush is the gentleman putting the machinery together.

Notice to Miners.

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THE RESULT OF IVEY'S ACTION.

The much talked-of case of the turning loose of the gold thief, Arthur Perry by U. S. Collector of Customs Ivey at Eagle City a few days ago, brings up visions of evils ahead which are decidedly displeasing to the men here who have or expect to have interests in the country. Ivey's action in releasing the man in United States waters from the custody of the North West Mounted Police was undoubtedly well within the law of the land, but many years of experience in this far country demonstrates its inadvisability for the sake of the public good. It is one of those cases in which the true letter of the law should be looked at from the broad standpoint of public expediency. The vast wealth of Dawson and surrounding country has been largely protected in the past by the inability of thieves to make their way out of the country with any large amount of "hoochie," the police being able to follow them to St. Michaels in one direction and to Chilkoot pass in the other. The result has been a remarkable absence of crime. Now, however, if Ivey's action is to be allowed to stand, and if it is but the precursor of similar actions of the future, all a thief has to do is to get a couple of hours start and float down across the line and he is safe from pursuit, for Sitka is now the nearest point at which extradition papers can be procured.

However, there is one thing certain, the United States has no desire to protect escaping criminals from righteous prosecution, and if the action of Ivey is to be repeated there will be some way found by which some United States officer stationed on the border will be empowered to act as extradition officer.

Criminals from the United States have been apprehended right here in Dawson by United States officers and so far from protesting the police have aided every way in their power. "Crooks" and criminals from Skagway and Circle City have repeatedly crossed the line into British Columbia and the North West Territory and invariably have been handed over without question when caught.

Indeed, there is even in existence a written agreement to that effect between the various officers of what is now the Yukon Territory and Alaska.

It is hardly possible that Perry will be allowed to profit by the interference of Ivey for he will be followed now if it costs twice the amount he stole. It will take time and money but he will be finally landed in Dawson for trial as an example to others.

ONE WAY TO HELP.

The amount of distress in Dawson, at this moment, is hard to estimate correctly, for the reason that our poor people are the most proud in the world, and are more disposed to conceal their misfortunes than to flaunt them for public inspection. Nine out of ten of our population are sturdy men who have occupied positions on the outside more or

less, above the average. They are here practically isolated from the rest of the world, and when any of them meet with misfortune, find themselves without supplies, and money all gone, they draw within themselves and suffer in silence.

The Nugget has privately made the rounds of a great many sick beds in Dawson, and, while we have probably seen only a fraction of the cases of destitution we have seen enough in ninety-two tents and heard of enough more to warrant us in calling the attention of the public to the matter. These sick and destitute will not come forward and ask for themselves, and their reticence but makes their condition worse. The suggestion has been made that if it is done at once contributions of food and small boats could be put to very good use in helping several thousands of helpless people down to St. Michaels. There is a perfect fleet of crafts of all kinds at that point and if one is not particular about accommodations a very few dollars will suffice to secure transportation to the Sound.

The people who are destitute and also helpless from sickness, should, in mercy, be furnished transportation by steamer. For illustration of those needing steamboat transportation, take the case of J. B. B. at Klondike City. He was an old train-dispatcher in the United States, and a man of integrity and culture, yet a year in the Klondike leaves him on a sick bed with scurvy and dysentery until he can barely put his feet to the ground. He lost his Eldorado bench claim and so has no source of income and his money and supplies are a minus quantity. Too proud to ask charity he lies in a cabin loaned him by absent friends. Kind-hearted neighbors have been doing for him what their small means will allow, but his life can only be saved by sending him outside. He is but one case in scores with hundreds more on the verge of the same conditions.

THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

There is a matter in which we are all directly or indirectly interested and yet about which we give so little thought that when a meeting is called it is attended by a corporal's guard. We refer to the organizing of a fire department.

A few gentlemen, with the interests of Dawson at heart, guaranteed payment of the bill to the fire apparatus company and the machines and engines are now on the ground, but there is no one to take hold of and handle them. With \$18,000 worth of fire fighting machinery on the ground, if a fire was to break out at this moment we would be helpless. The steam engine is dead and the chemical machines empty. What a curious state of affairs! There remain \$9000 yet to be raised to complete the payments on the apparatus, which amount one would think would be the veriest trifle for Dawson to raise.

One of the speakers on the subject at the Sunday evening concert remarked that without a fire department and with a little wind a fire in the business part of town would not only make a clean sweep of the buildings and thus render hundreds and thousands of people houseless, perhaps in the dead of winter, but it would also mean actual starvation for many, because the food supply would be burned up too. There is a reason somewhere for the lack of interest shown in the department and we would like a few expressions of opinion on the subject.

ANENT THE PERRY CASE.

The United States citizens in the Yukon district are as much interested in the outcome of the contest between North West Mounted Police and the United States collector of customs, Mr. Ivey, at Circle City, as are the Canadians. The principal mine owners in the country are Americans, and to a man they have been loud in their praise of the security to life and property given them largely by the vigilance of the energetic police. It takes but a cursory examination of the matter in hand to convince one that that security is profoundly shaken by the action of Mr. Ivey in releasing from the custody of the police the man Arthur

Perry and his bags of gold belonging to Alex. McDonald. It is probable that Mr. Ivey takes the ground that the extradition treaty between the United States and Canada does not include cases of either "embezzlement" or "breach of trust." If his action in Perry's case holds, from this time on the great majority of common gold thieves will politely dub themselves simple embezzlers and thereby escape extradition or the usual handing over to the police which has been the custom between Alaska and this section ever since there have been either mounted police or United States marshals in this country.

In the populous districts of the United States and Canada it is wise for the two countries to insist upon a close observance of treaty privileges, but in this corner of the world, the sole product being gold and every one of us being so dependent upon the honesty of his fellow, a vote of the sparse population would overwhelmingly be for a suspension of the extradition laws between Alaska and the Yukon Territory and a revival of the custom of handing over to the representatives of either country all fugitives from justice whatever their offense.

WILL NOT FREEZE UP.

It may be just as well to disabuse the minds of some of our citizens in regard to the using of the fire engine at this place in the winter time. There are a number of Canadians here from the northern country where the thermometer registers nearly if not quite as low as here. They insist that the steam fire engine will be quite invaluable and will render excellent service any day this winter. They suggest the enclosing of the engine in a warm house down by the river and keeping a well open on the river all the time. From a position nearly central in the town, the 3000 feet of hose would reach all over the business portion of the city where a big fire could be possible. It is contended that as long as the water runs in the hose it will not freeze.

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A BIG COMPETITOR ON THE YUKON

A Canadian Pacific Navigation Company's Boat, the "Yukoner"

Arrives in Dawson With the Manager on Board

The Popular Captain, John Irving, Presented With Resolutions of Welcome.

Captain John Irving is a stranger to Dawson but not to Dawson's Canadian population. When he came in on Monday morning on the Yukoner, the first of his boats to reach Dawson, he was met at the wharf with cheers and the waving of many hats. His history is identified with the steamboat pioneering of the North West and the same with his father before him. The father owned and operated the first boats to ascend the Frazier river, and when Captain John succeeded him his first move was as a pioneer steamboat captain on the Cassiar river which stream he continued to navigate with his steamer "Glenora." At the farthest point he reached on the river was built a town and named after the steamer Glenora.

The captain has in some way endeared himself to the hearts of the Canadians with whom he has been thrown in contact and as soon as he learned he was likely to put in an appearance almost any day they called a meeting and appointed a committee to draft resolutions of welcome. The resolutions were presented on board the Yukoner by the committee on Monday and are as follows:

To CAPTAIN JOHN IRVING, M. P. P., Manager of the Canadian Pacific Navigation Co.

We the undersigned residents of the Klondike gold mining district, to whom you have been favorably known for a period of many years in the province of British Columbia are pleased to accord you a right royal welcome on this the occasion of your first arrival at the port of Dawson.

We also desire to express in a public manner our appreciation of many favors and kind offices on your part towards ourselves and fellow sojourners in the Pacific province of the Dominion during the many years which you had charge of the Frazier river line of steamers, and also during the past years in which you have had command of the Canadian Pacific Navigation Company's steamship lines.

We sincerely hope that you may long be spared to occupy the position which you have so long and ably filled—the command of the Canadian Pacific Company's steamers.

We congratulate you on the success of your later enterprises—the navigation of the Yukon river, and trust that the venture may prove a source of profit to the company of which you are the head as well as a benefit and convenience to the general public.

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| W. H. PERRY, | TOM GRAHAM, |
| DAN COMBURY, | R. H. McLENNAN, |
| | ARCHIE GOULD. |

It will be seen from the foregoing that the captain is also a member of the Provincial Parliament.

The steamboat brought in by the captain is the Yukoner—a strong boat which made the trip in 14 days from St. Michaels. Her actual steaming time, however, was 8 days and 5 hours, the balance of the time being used in taking wood, etc. The boat was built at St. Michaels and the machinery placed in hurriedly by Mr. John McLarty, and she brought up a full cargo—a complete success from the start.

There were 43 passenger on the boat and they unanimously passed the following resolutions, on August 20th.

That we, the passengers on the stern-wheeler Yukoner, desire to express to Captain John Irving on this, the eve of the termination of our long journey from St. Michaels, our deep appreciation of the kindness, courtesy and solicitude shown by him on all occasions toward his many passengers collectively and individually as well as for the zeal and care with which he has endeavored to relieve the monotony of the trip by administering in every way to the comfort and recreation of us all.

That we wish, especially, to place on record our gratitude and our admiration for the careful, skilful and efficient manner in which the steamer has been handled by Capt. Irving and the other navigating officers, in having navigated the Yukoner from St. Michaels to Dawson City without the slightest mishap or accident, within a period of 8 days and 4 hours actual running time, which we believe to be a far shorter time than has been accomplished by any other Yukon river steamer—and this accomplishment rendered particularly remarkable inasmuch as the present journey is the trial and maiden trip of the steamer.

That, furthermore, we and all express our most sincere and devout wish that the owners of this beautiful as well as most speedy boat shall meet through her navigation all the success that they so richly deserve.

And, furthermore, that a copy of the present resolution be forwarded to the head office of the Canadian Pacific Navigation Company, of Victoria, B. C.

- (Signed.)
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| D. E. S. Brown, | E. J. Murray, | Son, Phillip Sheridan, |
| A. D. Williams, | William Nightingale, | A. Brown, |
| P. J. Hageman, | Duncan M. Angus, | T. C. Malone, |
| P. E. Kenney, | H. Matthews, | A. S. Keeser, |
| T. W. Lambert, | William Catto, | P. Tierney, |
| H. Liebenbaum, | Nellie Lewis, | Katie Vaughn, |
| Callie Vaughn, | Nellie Gibson and sons, | Mrs. C. L. Beaumont, |
| Mrs. J. M. Stephenson, | Mrs. J. S. Macaulay, | Nellie Kennedy, |
| Sarah Gillian, | Miss Eliza Price, | and others. |

Crossed Chilkoot With a Wooden Leg.

The inimitable dealer in periodicals keeping the news stand is somewhat of a character. A Bienskowski is an example of that large class of American citizens born under an oppressive foreign flag, and becoming the most patriotic of citizens after many years residence in the States. His enjoyment of the triumphant war news in his own papers is in nowise assumed, for his loyalty to and affection for America and Americans is demonstrated in a thousand little ways that escape ordinary observation.

Bienskowski lost his leg in 1890, on a Chicago railroad crossing, but that did not prevent him twice crossing the famous Chilkoot pass last winter with a 30-pound pack.

He knows his own country, as he calls the

United States, from end to end, having traveled extensively with a phonograph, and on this trip started out from Yuma, Arizona. He will go out this fall to arrange for a regular supply of papers for the coming season and thinks he will come back over the ice notwithstanding his leg.

The "Aquila" on the River.

The Lightning-Dispatch boat Aquilla, used two years ago by the Examiner, in meeting incoming steamers from Dyea and St. Michaels, is now at Circle City, on her way to Dawson. She is the property of Captain Barrington, of the Willie Irving, and A. C. Pelly. She is built throughout of mahogany and has the wonderful speed under trial of 23 knots an hour. She left Juneau May 10th, and made her own way successfully to Circle City, though the weather in Behring sea was rough enough to drive many a larger craft to shelter. They entered the Yukon river by the south pass, saving several hundred miles over the route by way of St. Michaels. At Circle City the Aquilla tied up as her engines had broken a connecting rod. Engineer Kerr came up to Dawson on the J. J. Healy, and will return on the first boat with the mended rod.

THE SOURCE OF THE GOLD.

A Gentleman Tells of Glacier Drifts and Quartz Pockets—Traces of the Old Glacier.

While the "tenderfoot" miner and the man who seeks cheap notoriety is hunting, trying to stake the "mother lode," we are content to stay with the glacier drift, and wash from its face the golden grains that gladden the eyes of the miner. We hold and can prove beyond doubt that the source of most of the gold on Bonanza and Eldorado creeks is in the glacier drifts which parallel those streams. The writer has traced the quartz gravel from Lovets gulch near the mouth of Bonanza to about 37 on Eldorado. The gravel lies higher on the hills tops on the right side of Bonanza following that stream up until 75 is reached, then it crosses to the left side and after No. 51 is reached you will find no more evidence of it on the right side of the creek. It follows the stream and seems to be about 600 feet away from it. The gravel lies higher on the hills away above French gulch on Eldorado. After No. 37 is reached on Eldorado it has not been traced to our knowledge.

That the glacier moved from the north to the south we have demonstrated by running a drift on the left side of Fox-Pap and are following the drift as it comes from the north. The drift is found in the pay streak. Then our best pay is found on the south side of the boulder. Again we find boulders embedded in bedrock and can see the marks of attrition. Again, our gravel is shingled from the north. Eldorado is richer than Bonanza because it received the action of the glacier. The quartz in the glacier has followed a belt of porphyritic quartz or quartz porphyry its full length until near its upper end is reached; there talcose, slate, mica, schist and chlorite schist replace it. This belt of quartz porphyry has a quartz crystal instead of a feldspar. This belt does not seem to be of great width, but as wide as it though it may be wider but is crossed and recrossed by thousands of small quartz veins which seem to be barren and indeed they are until they are crossed by a dike or other quartz vein, when they form what is known as pockets changing the quartz charging it with gold as long as the contact exists but as soon as it leaves the quartz is barren. The pockets may contain but a few ounces or may contain many thousands of dollars. For instance, a few years ago in the Bonanza Pocket mine in Tuolumne Co., Cal., a pocket was found at the depth of near 400 feet from the surface that contained 100 pounds of gold. The quartz was perfectly barren at all places only where the vein was crossed by a dike. Part of the gold mined \$18 per ounce and part of it mined \$14 per ounce. One pocket may contain several different qualities. The alloy in gold determines its value. The writer has in his possession a piece of quartz taken from a hill near Bonanza that is crossed by two different grades of gold. Therefore this is the reason that so many different characters of gold exists in this wonderful mineral belt. The creek gold is not so bright as the hill gold from the fact that the chemical action of the water covers it. The idea of a great ledge of gold being found which is barren and is barren is preposterous, and we honestly believe that the gentlemen whose portrait graced the pages of a Seattle newspaper does not know the meaning of the word. The name, mother lode was given to a large ledge of quartz that commences in Mariposa county, Cal., and runs to the east and crosses Mariposa and El Tuolumne, Calaveras, Amador and Eldorado counties and is so called from the fact that the veins east of it run into it and are swallowed up by it. The lode is not all gold nor half gold but is almost barren quartz only at the point where a feeder comes in contact with it, when it becomes charged with mineral and carries a big pocket or a larger chute of milling quartz.

The size of a vein of quartz has nothing to do with the size or richness of the pocket, as it often happens that a seam of quartz no larger than a knife blade may contain many thousands of dollars. The gold in Bonanza and Eldorado is undoubtedly originated in the majority in the track of the glacier and was formerly confined in the quartz pockets and the seams of bedrock. The glacier were the formation away and ground the gold from the pocket quartz and left it near bedrock. The big pay found on French Hill was caused by there being large quartz pockets in the formation. Big Skookian the same way and when an unusually rich spot is found it will be found there has been a pocket in the hard white quartz. Dikes, slate, granite, etc. may make a crossing for a vein.

We have heard men say that they never saw anything like this country. We say to those men that they have had no experience or that experience has been confined to but one section of the country. The writer has seen parallel cases in Mexico, California, Oregon, Washington and other places where the hill gravel carries the gold. Examining the hill wash, you will find and by tracing the gravel has been found. Cariboo Billy saw the same conditions at Cariboo and profited by it in this country and when men will be content to stake but one claim and develop it instead of trying to hold the whole earth then this country will rival any country we know on the slope. Stagnated water will be less frequent. We know of men who will star in the town and as soon as they hear of anything being struck they stampede and stake. This is not mining; it is gambling and does the country an injury. Mining is one of the safest investments a man can make, but a mine must be bought on a mining basis to insure success.

Developed mines will bring a good price from investors in any country, but seldom will an undeveloped claim sell for a large figure. We will gladly half the day when the schemer will be found out and the camp rest on its merits.

Yours truly,
T. SLOAN JOHNSON.

WHEN DO WE GET OUR NEW MAIL?

Letters From the United States Go a Long Way Round.

Wood Choppers Stopped on Monte Cristo Island—No Timber Berth for the Mill at the Head of Hunker Creek.

The action of the United States government in again giving the Alaska mail contract to P. C. Richardson, meets with much disapproval at Dawson. It is not known on what terms the Canadian government offered to bring in the U. S. mail for this section via the Lake Bennett route, but it was probably cheap enough for this section. The all-water route by way of St. Michaels, is, of course, the cheaper, but it is only good for a fraction of the year, and for the balance of the time our letters from the States will pile up at Seattle by the ton, while we fret and fret for a word from our loved ones, and the U. S. government saves a few paltry thousand dollars.

The past failures of Mr. Richardson to get mail either in or out ought to have warned the government against him, but he evidently has some way of squaring himself for past mistakes. Meanwhile, the wise United States citizen advises his friends at home to place a Canadian stamp upon their letters for Dawson and enclose it in another envelope stamped with a United States stamp and addressed to some one at Victoria who will remail the enclosed letter at that place, giving it at least an opportunity of getting here within a year.

The following is from the Seattle P.-I., showing how the desperately brave Richardson has left that place with a consignment of mail for Circle City, which is, of course, as far as he can take it. The Lord only knows when we shall receive our share of it.

"P. C. Richardson, who has the contract to carry the Yukon mail, says he will reach Circle City or die in the attempt.

"Since being awarded the contract to carry the mail between those two points Contractor Richardson has met with many adverse circumstances, but is determined to comply with the terms of the contract regardless of loss to himself or the venture.

"The contractor left on the steamer Kingston with the 2,500 pounds of mail, which at Victoria will be transferred to the steamer Garonne. The Garonne goes directly to St. Michaels, and from there the mail will be taken to Circle City on either the Robert Kear or Milwaukee.

"The action of the government in chartering nearly all the American steamers which have arrived from St. Michaels for transports made it necessary for Contractor Richardson to send the mail on British boats.

"It was expected that the steamer Alliance would be in Seattle from St. Michaels by this time and that the mail would be sent aboard it, but the Alliance has thus far failed to materialize. The mail taken to Circle City was the first dispatched to that point since June 28th. The next mail to Circle City will be dispatched on the steamer Fulton, which is to take the place of the Alliance.

"Contractor Richardson, in taking the mail on the Garonne, will be obliged to stand the expense of extra freight, and his expected profits will be greatly decreased."

Timber Matters.

Logs have been coming in freely for a month past and the mills north of town have been drawing them out of the water and piling them up for winter sawing. One of the mills has a pile of them 30 feet high. Permits to cut logs are now being refused on the Yukon, the timber office considering the supply more than equal to the demand.

A matter of importance to miners is the recent action of the timber agent in regards to Monte Cristo island. Some claims had been staked off on the island and the miners made complaint to Mr. Willison that loggers and wood choppers were denuding the island of its timber. The choppers were not accused of cutting on the claims, but Mr. Willison at once stopped the falling of the timber on the grounds that all timber adjacent to prospective mines should be held for the miners, for in this country it takes but a few seasons to strip the claim itself of its fuel. It may be well for miners to remember this and if they find cutting going on for raising anywhere near their claims they can make complaint and have it stopped at once.

All the timber of whatever sort on the left bank of the Klondike river is to be left for the miners. This includes all the streams entering the river on that side. Applications have been made for a sawmill berth at the head of Hunker creek. The only terms on which a mill will be allowed up there is that it be not granted a timber berth but shall be a custom mill; that is, a mill where miners can take their logs and get them sawed for a percentage of the lumber.

The office of the timber agent is being improved beyond recognition. When completed it will make snug winter quarters for the gentle, men-in-charge. The walls will be sawdust filled and the roof double.

A Large Raft.

The largest raft ever floated down the Yukon river was brought down last week by Bill Unger, with three men to help. The raft sealed 75,000 feet of lumber. W. H. Smith & Co. are the firm getting the timber and the raft in question is only one of many they are receiving daily. So many rafts meet with disaster of some sort on the way down that the successful handling of such a monster as the one mentioned is a matter of comment along the waterfront. Unger is personally one of the strongest men in the country, and, beside, has had a vast amount of experience in this line. He says it is easy enough to raft on the Yukon, if you know how.

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TWO DESPERATE HOLD-UPS AT FERRY

Thugs Use Pistol on Erick Wikman, Night Boatman.

Effect of United States Collector Ivey's Release of Ferry Now Being Felt in Dawson—Attempted Highway Robbery.

The effects of the action of U. S. Collector of Customs J. W. Ivey in taking from the Northwest Mounted Police a prisoner charged with the larceny or embezzlement of a large amount of gold dust, are now being felt in Dawson, and in a manner not likely to engender any specially good feeling toward that officious official at present in the most distant portion of his bailiwick, avoiding the service of papers which would decapitate his official eranium.

A premium has been placed upon crime. Thugs and desperados may prey upon the innocent and unwary, be pounced upon in the dark, shot in the back, stugged with the sand bag in the hands of the cowardly assassin and robbed with impunity, and having assaulted his victim—possibly taken his life—conveniently drop down the river, cross the border line, and falling into the hands of the fender-hearted and patriotic Mr. Ivey escape the justice awaiting him and quickly and severely administered the evil door, who scarcely escapes the vigilance of our police service in this district.

Two desperate assaults were made upon the night boatman at the Bonanza ferry on last Thursday and Saturday nights, which Erick M. Wikman, the boatman, is not likely to forget soon, as he still carries the mark of the gun jammed into his face by the thug who held him up.

As nearly all are aware, many miners during the heated term prefer traveling over the trails at night, and to accommodate these, the ferry is operated day and night.

About 1:30 last Friday morning Wikman, a powerfully built man, landed on the Bonanza creek side of the Klondike but without a passenger. As he approached the ferry house two men were observed seated, to whom he spoke, asking "if they desired to be taken over." Their reply was: "Hold up your hands!" while at the same moment a gun was pointed at him and in such close proximity that his lower lip was severely cut by the weapon coming in contact therewith. The suddenness of the attack startled Wikman, who had in his pockets some \$500. With rare presence of mind he flung up his hands, and knocking the pistol from the hands of his assailant, ran for his life towards his tent, a short distance away.

The noise made during the enactment of the scene outside the ferry house, attracted the attention of the sleeping day force within, who being awakened by Wikman's cries for help, rushed to his assistance, the assailants who were heavily masked, making their escape in the darkness.

Failure in their attempt at robbery on this occasion, did not prevent a second trial, which occurred at about the same hour on Saturday morning, but on the left-bank landing of the ferry, Wikman was again on duty, and had just landed a passenger with a pack horse at the ferry house being paid \$1 therefor, which was the only amount on his person, when a whistle was given for him to come to the other side. Taking the boat over, three men, each with guns in their hands, ordered him to "Hold up his hands!"

Remembering his experience of only a short time before, and escape where he then was being impossible, he obeyed with alacrity as he gazed down the barrels of the three confronting "persuaders." The would-be-robbers then proceeded to "go through" him, literally divesting him of his clothing, shoes and stockings in the search for money belt and dust bags. Finding nothing save the dollar above mentioned they allowed him to dress and then ordered him to the other side, and made their escape over the regular ferry trail.

It would appear from the boldness of these occurrences, that murderers, assassins, cut throats and thieves are to enter upon a career of villainy and crime in out of the way places, and accomplishing their murderous purposes, find an easy avenue of escape to the American side, and through the intervention of meddling officials and technicalities of American jurisprudence avoid the punishment they so richly merit.

Heretofore the carrying of firearms was unknown in Dawson. A man walked the streets or trails any hour of the day or night with no feeling of fear, cabins remained unlocked, cashes unprotected and harm came to none.

The police department has been wakeful, vigilant and efficient, but what are to be the effects of their labor in catching criminals if they are to be released by intermediaries? It will induce the individual to protect himself, so that a dose of cold lead will be the probable hail called upon the road agent.

Attempted Murder and Robbery.

The full details of the attempted murder and hold-up of Jacob Myerhofer, on 62 below, Bonanza, at midnight Monday, will be given in our next issue.

The New Steel Launches.

The plates and machinery for the new government steam launches have been taken up in the neighborhood of the barracks, and engineers and mechanics are busy putting the different parts together. Capt. Call, who came up on the Columbian, has charge of the mechanical part of the work. A few of the plates are

missing, but these are supposed to be on the steamer Canadian.

The launches are seventy feet long and about fifteen feet beam. The hulls are of steel. The machinery which will propel the boats was made in England and shipped thence to Victoria. The plates for the hulls were made in San Francisco. Everything connected with the launches was sent to Victoria where they were put together. They will steam 16 miles an hour in still water.

On Sulphur and Dominion.

Sulphur creek is doing well for a new stream. Mr. Brimston, on 3 above, reached bedrock a week ago, and was highly gratified to find \$1.25 to the pan. It was his first shaft on the claim, hence his jubilation.

A fire was raging last week and it passed beyond the point of control and made a clean sweep from 64 below to the mouth of the creek burning some 30 cabins on its way.

No. 31 below upper discovery on Dominion is reported to be showing up wonderfully, and producing all kinds of gold. Ground sluicing is being followed on the upper discovery and on 1 above, and the results are all that could be desired even by a gold miner.

On 13, 14 and 21 below upper discovery drifting is being prosecuted and the dirt washed with good results. The ground stands well and the shafts do not fill with water so that drifting can be followed winter or summer.

Claim 27a below upper discovery was picked up as a "snap" last week by Messrs. H. Hebb and A. H. Morrison at \$10,000, and the same gentlemen bought 2a above the upper discovery for \$8,000.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

There are said to be 50 or 60 crabs at St. Michaels, with about 12 on the sand bars at the mouth of the Yukon.

A grand masquerade ball will be given at the Monte Carlo Theater next Friday evening. It will be the event of the season.

The river begins to seek her bed. Well, no one can kick now; we have had exceptionally high water for the forepart of the summer.

The Hamilton has come and gone, bringing up a full cargo. An examination of her superstructure fails to reveal so bad a case of being "hogged" as was first reported.

The town police stationed in the rear of the A. C. Co. store, have had to move into temporary quarters in the rear of the postoffice while the town station is being repaired for the winter.

Improvement is the order of the hour so it is not at all surprising that the up-town postoffice is to be overhauled and the registered letter department moved from the barracks to that more favorable location.

Messrs. Thebo & Galvin have made arrangements whereby the handsome steamer Columbian will bring down from Selkirk about 100 head of their best cattle on each trip until the entire herd is here.

Nowhere else than in this section of the globe is the odd sight witnessed of eaking buildings. The A. C. building has been surrounded with scaffolding, and perched up and down the sides of the edifice can be seen men pounding away with mallet and large wooden eaking tools.

The Klondike City bridge will have extensive work performed upon it the coming winter. The owners contemplate the building of permanent piers on the bar in the center of the river just as soon as the frost shall have made possible the digging of foundations. It is also their intention to raise the bridge some three or four feet.

The Goodwin Bros. may be considered in the light of public benefactors. Sometimes the fair brothers are in town together and then like a fortunate conjunction of stars the result is music and music of a high order. Sunday night was just such an occasion at the Goodwin Bros. restaurant, and the perfect blending of those four voices moved the crowd to loud admiration. Several more voices naturally gravitated to the spot and it was well-towards Monday morning before the impromptu concert was brought to a close, with national airs of Canada and America.

The James Donville came in Sunday. She is not a large boat but fully equipped and carries 10 tons of provisions for passengers and supplies for the Klondike, Yukon & Stewart-Pioneer company, which owns the boat and several others. The company, which is being managed by Mr. McLean, has a sawmill on the steamboat, Col. McNaught, which is following with a cargo of provisions for the soldiers at Fort Selkirk. The James Donville left her barge on the flats but brought up in tow a small stern wheel named the Burpee. The company is going to erect a warehouse.

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