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## TELEGRAPHIC.

### A Budget of Interesting News From Many Quarters.

(SPECIAL TO THE CLAIM.)

Rome, April 12.—The Pope has decided to hold another consistory in June for the creation of foreign Cardinals.

Chicago, April 12.—Ambassador Bryce was the guest of honor at a banquet given by the Commercial Club, in the Auditorium Hotel. One hundred and seventy-five prominent business and professional men were present. Mr. Bryce was the only speaker.

New York, April 12.—There are various rumors in circulation to the effect that "General Coxe" is planning another of his famous army visits to Washington in the spring.

Montreal, April 12.—Dr. Drummond, the well known and immensely popular writer of French-Canadian verse is dead.

Devonport, Eng., April 12.—The British battleship Trafalgar went ashore on the rocks near Devil's Point, while proceeding to Plymouth Sound from Devonport. The crew succeeded in floating her without very much damage being done to the vessel.

London, April 12.—Parliament re-assembled on the ninth, after the Easter recess. There is so much work to be done that an autumn session is inevitable.

Paris, April 12.—The government denied permission to the state employees to form trades unions. Grave fears are entertained that the Federation of Labor will make a very strong demonstration of sympathy with the state employees. The government is making arrangements with the authorities to obtain military assistance at the shortest possible notice, by telephoning to the nearest barracks, where soldiers will be in readiness.

London, April 12.—The Fourth Colonial Conference of Premiers will assemble on April the 15th. The subjects to be brought up for discussion are most interesting and important. Dr. Jamieson, the one-time famous raider, now premier of Cape Colony; and General Botha, premier of the re-constructed Transvaal, will attend.

Cartagena, Spain, April 12.—The British Royal Yacht Victoria, escorted by several warships, was sighted Thursday. King Alfonso went out to meet King Edward and Queen Alexandra. They will be accorded a most magnificent reception.

Madrid, April 12.—The official gazette has published a royal decree appointing King Edward an honorary captain-general of the Spanish army.

St. Petersburg, April 12.—The cabinet has rejected a proposal from an American syndicate to construct a railroad tunnel under the Behring strait.

New York, April 12.—The suspense is ended, and after the long harangues and the sensational stories and court-room scenes; Harry Thaw has been pronounced "not guilty" of the charge of murdering White.

From private advices just to hand it is currently reported and believed on the outside that the Guggenheimers have purchased the controlling interests in the White Pass Company, and will assume charge of affairs next September. We give this for what it is worth.

Quoting the Skagway Alaskan of recent date it says: G. S. Cummings, the Atlin mail carrier, will go South on the Princess May.—Wouldn't that 'bump' you.

Seattle, April 12.—Every paper in the United States has printed a story that Harry Thaw was acquitted of the murder of Stanford White. This is a mistake as the jury were still out.

New York, April 12.—The jury still out. The newspapers are making guesses as to the finding of the jury. Some venture ten for murder one for manslaughter, with Juror Steel stubbornly fighting for Thaw's acquittal. Thaw declared yesterday he was quite happy and he believed he would be acquitted. Jerome says he will be satisfied if manslaughter is the verdict.

Vancouver, April 12.—The new governor of the Yukon may be Dr. Thompson.

London, April 12.—Lord Cromer, consul-general of Egypt has resigned, and Sir Eldon Gorst has been appointed.

### Painful Accident.

Last Sunday evening Mrs. Jules Eggert met with a very painful accident. The lady was out walking, and while passing the Grand hotel, on First street, slipped on the icy sidewalk and fell. Instinctively throwing out her hands to save herself, the left hand got the entire weight of the body and the arm snapped just above the wrist. Mrs. Eggert got up and walked home by herself, holding the arm drawn tightly to her.

Dr. Harrison was summoned and the injured lady walked up to the hospital where the broken bone was set, after which Mrs. Eggert returned to her home. Though extremely painful the accident is not serious and it is only a matter of time and careful attention till the lady will be up and about again.

Just in passing it might be well to mention that all the sidewalks are not cleaned yet.

### Local and General News.

Theo Sweet and Geo. Heaney left by stage Friday.

Geo. E. Brown and Jeff Rich arrived in town Friday.

M. E. Rogers, of Boulder, wife and two children, arrived by dog team Friday afternoon.

W. S. Drury, of Whitehorse, was in town a few days ago, on his way through to Teslin lake.

W. Sibbald arrived in town a few days ago from the neighborhood of Graham creek. He brought in a small catch of fur.

F. Lawson arrived in Atlin Tuesday, from Otter lake. He brought in a fur catch of marten, mink, wolverine, lynx and ermine.

The Rev. E. A. O'Meara will visit Atlin and conduct services in St. Martin's church Sundays, the 21st and 28th.

C. B. Boshart, of Skagway, is in town, presumably in connection with mining, but, he says he is not in a position to make any statement as yet.

Father Allard, of Conrad, came in on Wednesday's stage. He will hold services in the Catholic church Sunday morning. A requiem mass will be held in memory of the late Mat McEwan.

A very handsome moose head adorns the interior of the A. O. U. W. hall. The head was presented to the society by Mr. Guy Lawrence and the work of mounting done by Mr. Frank Mobley.

Robt. Pelton and Fred Wrong, of Taku visited Atlin during the week. Fred is embarking in the ranching business, the start is a clutch of chickens hatched this week. It is his intention to stock up with a few razor-backs which could browse around on the underbrush and a couple of cows, so that the boys may be able to get milk punches in "the good old summer time."

### Coming Dance.

The dance to be given jointly by the A. O. U. W. and the A. B. will be held in the Atlin club house, on Friday, April the 19th.

The committee issues a cordial invitation to all to be present as they may not be able to invite them individually.

J. M. Ruffner, manager of the Pine Creek Power Company, will not be leaving for the North till the 18th of this month. Some local wit? started the rumor that Ruffner was bringing in a bunch of Japs to work on his property on Pine creek. No amount of diligent enquiry can elicit any confirmation of the story, and the general belief is that it is the result of a highly seasoned imagination.

### A. B. Installation.

The officers of the Arctic Brotherhood were installed last Tuesday night. Routine business was disposed of and Mr. Frank Gigot, of the Bank of Commerce, was given an excellent idea of how the cheechaco made his arduous trip over the summit in the early days. He stood the trip sufficiently well to be able to enjoy the fun afterwards.

When installation was in order the guests of the Brotherhood were admitted and enjoyed the privilege of witnessing that impressive ceremony. At the conclusion of this the floor was cleared and music, songs, cards and dancing were in order. All present enjoyed themselves and it was well on in the morning before the merry party broke up.

Atlin sent up a goodly contingent, quite a number of ladies making the trip. The Brotherhood realize that without the fair sex it is impossible to make such a gathering the success it ought to be, and they extend their thanks to those who accepted the invitation and express the hope that all the ladies will be present at their future social gatherings.

The following were installed: Arctic Chief, J. Gibson; Vice Arctic Chief, J. Dunham; Recorder, W. E. Haddon; Keeper of Nuggets, W. Morrison; Chaplain, G. Pollay; Trustees, Jules Eggert, Sam Johnston, Chas. Hickman, H. E. Brown and W. Morrison. Arctic Queen, J. Markrud; Arctic Trail Guide, A. Swanson; Arctic Trail Blazer, Jas. Dick; Arctic Cook, A. Anderson; Keeper of I. T. G., C. Gilmore; Keeper of O. T. G., M. Rose; Finance Committee, P. L. Eggert, J. Cartmel, A. Broe. Audit Committee; H. E. Brown, Dr. Harrison, O. F. Conley. Visiting Committee; M. R. Jamieson, J. Haslett, Walter Sweet.

### Make Haste Slowly.

The rapid increase in the price of real estate in the city of Vancouver is making some of the wiser and cooler heads think. It is a dead certainty that the top notch will be reached very soon. No amount of legitimate business or growth of the city will stand for the frenzied leaps in prices now prevailing. Those who have the interest of the place at heart are quietly sounding notes of caution. It is not in the permanent welfare of any community that such practice should be indulged in. A plea is being made by the banks and other financial institutions to discourage and discontinue these methods.

Mrs. J. H. Black is much better and will visit Atlin shortly.

Lowney's Fresh Chocolates \$1.00 per lb., at C. R. Bourn's.

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### Kloosh Muck-a-Muck.

"There is a general lock-out and strike on at the Treadwell mines in Alaska, and union men and sympathisers are asked to stay away." This is the gist of a notice sent out from the Douglas Island Union, No. 1.

The trouble was caused by what was called the 'swill-pail diet' the men had to put up with. There were some hundreds of employees eating at the two boarding houses, and the way the food was prepared, the quality, and the manner in which it was served, was so bad that every man jack on the island rose in revolt. When the management was approached and asked to have the trouble remedied, the petitioners were told that they were crazy, and to get out, that the grub was good enough for them. The men retired and when the answer was reported an indignation meeting was called and a union formed in which all joined. All nationalities are represented; Americans, Canadians, Old Countrymen, Slavs, Italians, Swedes, Poles, and even the Siwashies, unanimously went on strike. The only men working are the pump men and those on the hoisting and pumping engines.

In commenting on this strike and the trouble leading up to it, we remark: Many mine managers and owners fall into the error of slighting the comfort of the employees in the matter of bunk houses and the food served. Experience has proven beyond any shadow of doubt that it pays, and pays well, to treat the men well. Feed them well and house them well and they will work better. This is so apparent that we oftentimes wonder at the folly of some managers when they try to skimp on the boarding house expenses. When men are charged the going price for their grub they are entitled to the best in the land.

To bring the matter home and apply it to our own district. We know of one or two instances in the past where the men were not considered at all. The manager seemed to think anything at all was good enough for the men. Both in the way of sleeping accommodation and eating. The cheapest grub

was purchased and such articles as cream, canned goods, ham, etc., were tabooed. The consequence was that 'grumbling and grouching' was the order of the day.

Now, we all know that the position of a cook is not exactly a snap. If there is anything more wearing on the system and trying on the temper than cooking for a bunch of healthy men, and trying to please them all, we would like to know of it. Probably trying to run a newspaper to please all its readers comes very close to it. How much more difficult is this when the choice of food is limited and the quality a little doubtful. We all know the old saying, "If you want to keep a man in good humor—feed him," is true. The 'cheese paring' method will not work satisfactorily when applied to the eating department.

There was a company operating in the district last season which fed its men on the best that money could buy, and let us assure our readers that it was duly appreciated by the workers. But, this same company made the mistake of not providing sufficient shelter for the employees. Between shifts and while waiting for their meals, the men had to stand about, sometimes in the rain and snow. Towards the end of the season it was no joke to have to sit outside, with the temperature at the freezing point, for half-an-hour at a time.

And another oversight: There was no place fixed up so that one could get a wash before eating. This was not right. Most men, it matters not what their occupation, wish to remove a portion at least of the stains of toil. Should there be a few who do not—well—they should be requested to 'get next' to the soap and water. Not very many relish the idea of sitting by a dirty rascal who does not realize that cleanliness is a virtue, and who generously mauls the food on the table.

So, again we reiterate: Feed the men, feed 'em well, and house them comfortably, and there will be a much better feeling pervade among the staff of workers.

McDonald's Grocery makes a specialty of fresh eggs and butter.

### HOW TO SECURE HELP.

Farmers, contractors, manufacturers, and all employers of labor desiring married or single men, will do well to apply at once to Major C. W. Creighton, Salvation Army Immigration Department, 439 Harris Street, Vancouver, B. C., or Rupert Street, Winnipeg, Man.

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**Ruby Creek Syndicate.**

The annual meeting of the Ruby Creek Syndicate was held in Atlin last Monday night. Robt. McKay was re-elected foreman and J. Williams secretary-treasurer. An option asked on the property by Captain John Irving was considered, and it is understood, he will be given sixty days to have the property tested. If the test proves good the deal goes through at a very satisfactory figure.

Considerable work has been done on Ruby creek during the past two or three seasons. An open cut was run from creek level up stream for 530 feet, and a flume run up for a very considerable length, large enough to carry off the gravel and debris.

The pay per cubic yard stipulated by Captain Irving is small compared with what has been actually demonstrated by the present owners to be in the gravel and on the bed-rock. Shafts have been sunk, and in every instance good values were determined. All conditions prevailing tend to make this property an ideal hydraulic proposition. There is abundance of water, with a grade of from seven to ten per cent, and Surprise lake as a dumping place for the tailings. No large boulders have as yet been encountered. At least nothing that could not be shifted by a hand derrick. The pay gravel is of an average depth of thirty-five feet.

The cost of operating and opening up the ground to date is estimated at \$10,000, and this has been expended in such a way as to obtain the very best possible prospect. The tests made at different places on the property have proved to the satisfaction of the owners that pay is continuous from one end to the other.

Should this deal go through it will be a splendid boost for the district. It is not the policy of this paper to go into exaggeration and misrepresentation when reporting properties in the district. If ground will not stand the test of a thorough prospecting no amount of "hot-air" blather is going to do it any good. Once a property is determined the output is the best advertisement the camp could possibly have.

Bill Nye, the humorist, once had a cow to sell, the story goes, and advertised her for sale as follows: "Owing to my ill health, I will sell at my residence, in township 19, range 18, according to the government survey, one plush, raspberry cow, aged eight years. She is of undoubted courage and gives milk frequently. To a man who does not fear death she is a great boon. She is very much attached to her present home with a stay chain, but she will be sold to anyone who will agree to treat her right. She is one-fourth short-horn and three-fourths hyena. I will also throw in a double-barrelled shotgun, which goes with her. In May she usually goes away for a week or two and returns with a tall, red calf with wably legs. Her name is rose. I would rather sell her to a non-resident.

**The Proper Spirit.**

The March issue of the Canadian Mining Journal, of Toronto and Montreal, is a splendid number. We quote an extract from an editorial: "At no time in the history of industrial development in Canada has the outlook appeared more favorable than at present. The country is enjoying in full measure a wave of prosperity, the effect of which is manifest in the phenomenal increase in trade activities, the extension of markets, the expansion of manufacturing interests, and the ready disposition of outside capital to seek investment in Canadian undertakings. This prosperity is general and widespread. It accurately describes conditions from seaboard to seaboard and is applicable with equal truth to all Canadian industries. In mining, however, in whose welfare we are concerned in particular, the recent advances and improvements have been gratifying to a degree, and all indications now promise an extraordinary revival of interest. If by our efforts and co-operation we are able to assist in the upbuilding of a great Canadian industry, that, we feel, will be a privilege indeed, an incentive to work and effort in the widest sense and a high goal at which to aim."

**Presence of Mind.**

A gentleman was horseback riding one afternoon when a shower of rain came up suddenly. A short distance ahead of him he observed two ladies driving a spirited horse to a buggy, and when the shower came up they let loose the lines and raised an umbrella and leaning way over the dashboard they held it over the rear end of the horse, while the rain poured down on their backs.

For a mile they drove thus, and finally the curiosity of the gentleman on horseback was so great that he rode up alongside of them and asked: "Ladies, pardon my inquisitiveness, but will you tell me why you are holding that umbrella over your horse and leaving yourselves unprotected from the rain?"

"Why, yes," one of them faltered, "we are scared nearly to death. This is a hired horse, and we don't know much about him, and when we hired him the livery man told us to be very careful and not let the rain get under his tail or he would kick us out and run away."

**NOTICE.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an act to amend the Pacific, Northern and Omnium Railway Act, 1906, being of Victoria, chapter 50 of the statutes of the Province of British Columbia, by giving the Company power to construct, equip, operate and maintain a line of railway also from the junction of the Skeena and Copper rivers, or the vicinity thereof, in Coast District, to the junction of the Bulkley and Tellewa rivers, or the vicinity thereof, in Coast District, and to amend the Pacific, Northern and Omnium Railway Act, Amendment Act, 1903, being of Edward VII, chapter 49 of the statutes of the Province of British Columbia, by extending the time for the completion of the work of construction of the line of railway, as limited by section 2 of the said Act, until the 21st day of August, 1910.

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The Atlin Branch of this Bank will be closed on April 15, and all deposits undrawn at that date will be transferred to the Skagway Branch.

Customers are requested to close their accounts and withdraw documents and valuables left for safe keeping or escrow.

ATLIN, B. C.,  
March 14th, 1907. J. A. SMITH, Manager.

The property and effects of the Bank are now for sale, for information, etc., apply to the manager.

