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TELEGRAPHIC.

CANADA'S GIFT WAS DECLINED.

Roosevelt Decided to Accept no Outside Help.

CONDITIONS AT SAN FRANCISCO.

Western Provinces Sent Ship Load of Supplies to Sufferers.

Business Being Resumed in Many Lines--Insurance Companies are Able to Adjust all Losses --Many People Leave City--Crater Enlarged--American Athletes Win in Greece--More Trouble in Russia.

[SPECIAL TO THE CLAIM.]

St. Petersburg, April 26.—M. Shlackoff has openly declared that the present revolution in Russia was inspired and directed by the American Masonic organization.

Naples, April 26.—The diameter of the crater on Mount Vesuvius before the recent eruption was only 100 feet, but it is now reported to be about five thousand feet.

Vesuvious has spent its force but dense volumes of black smoke still issues from the crater.

Soldiers are busy exhuming the dead from Boscatrease and other lava-covered cities and towns. It will be ten years before crops can be grown on the devastated district.

Ottawa, April 26.—The Dominion government has given one hundred thousand dollars for the sufferers from the recent earthquake and fire at San Francisco, but the gift has been declined by the American government.

Oakland, Cal., April 26.—All the large insurance companies will be able to make satisfactory adjustments of the losses occasioned by the recent disastrous fire in San Francisco, the amount of which will probably reach $200,000,000. There are one hundred and seven companies to share the loss.

San Francisco, April 26.—Business in a limited area is already being resumed. Seven meat markets were opened on Tuesday in residential districts and the prices were normal.

The conditions at the Presidio and Golden Gate parks, where vast numbers of people are camping, are being rapidly reduced to a systematic basis. All the refugees are being gathered together in one immense tented city with properly defined streets, which are constantly patrolled by soldiers.

Los Angeles, Cal., April 26.—A boxing tournament was held here on Tuesday for the benefit of the San Francisco fire sufferers. The affair netted $4,500.

Vancouver, B. C., April 26.—The Canadian Pacific Railway company's steamer Amur sailed on Wednesday morning for San Francisco laden with relief supplies from British Columbia, Manitoba, Alberta and Saskatchewan.

Mayor Buscombe, of this city, sailed on the Amur and will make a formal presentation of the ship's cargo to Mayor Schmitz of San Francisco. The cash contributions from Vancouver alone amount to over $25,000.

Hazelton, Pa., April 26.—One of the largest collieries in this district began operations on Tuesday with a full force of non-union men. The employees are all housed and fed in buildings which are in a specially constructed enclosure on the mine property.

Palerum, Greece, April 26.—Large crowds of people are in daily attendance here this week at the games, competition in which is open to the world. The American competitors lead in number of wins in all the athletic games so far decided.

St. Petersburg, April 26.—The political situation here has suddenly grown threatening. The draft for a new constitution has aroused a storm of indignation and a general distrust of the government's motives has furnished the stimulus needed to solidify the entire opposition, the result almost amounting to a political deadlock.

Warsaw, April 26.—A religious war occurred the early part of this week at Leanos. Ten people were killed and seventy-seven others were wounded. Agrarian troubles have broken out in the district of Nishini Novgorod.

Washington, April 27.—In declining to receive contributions from Canada, Germany and other nations in aid of the sufferers from the recent earthquake and fire at San Francisco, President Roosevelt said: "The spontaneous contributions of the American people will be amply sufficient to meet all requirements. The proffered aid from all parts of the world is greatly in excess of the needs of the sufferers from the recent calamity and, in order to avoid any discrimination, I have decided that the best policy under the circumstances is to accept no outside help."

It is estimated that already over ten million dollars have been subscribed by the citizens of the United States for the relief of the sufferers at San Francisco.

San Francisco, April 27.—By Wednesday everything was quieting down and the men of the militia were withdrawn from the streets. Telephone communication with Oakland has been re-established and the belt railroad is again operating around the water front. The city was lighted by electricity on Wednesday night. Train service with the outside was resumed again yesterday. The Southern Pacific railroad trains have already taken one hundred and fifty thousand people out of the city.

Saturday last the police broke open every saloon which was still standing and all stored liquors that had not been destroyed by the fire were dumped into the gutters.

Eleven clerks who had been imprisoned in the wrecked post office without food or drink for three days, were released on Saturday morning.

All the bank vaults were examined as soon as possible after the fires were quenched and all were found intact and safe.

Fourteen men, who were caught on Friday night last trying to commit a robbery at the United States mint, were killed by soldiers. Two other men, caught looting houses the next day, were also shot and killed. Good order prevailed throughout the duration of the fire.

It will be several days before any connected statement of the losses or an accurate list of the dead can be obtained.

The first bread sold Saturday by newly started bakeries brought one dollar a loaf. The Oakland bakers put a stop to this by supplying the needy at five cents per loaf.

E. A. Harriman, railroad magnate, sent $200,000 to the relief fund committee.

A message was received here on Saturday by cable stating that Honolulu was severely shaken on the 17th inst. by an earthquake that lasted six minutes and which caused all the business houses of the town to sway like reeds in the wind.

GENERAL NEWS.

United States Consul Harris at Nagasaki has informed his government that the famine in northern Japan is more terrible than has ever been depicted.

President Roosevelt has made known to his most intimate friends that it is his desire, after his present term of office, to become United States senator for New York state and fill Platt's place. It is also believed that Roosevelt will again be a candidate for the presidency in the 1912 elections.

A recent Washington despatch said: The mission of Maxim Gorky to America for the purpose of raising money to aid the revolutionists of Russia to establish their supremacy has received a hard blow owing to some recent diplomatic correspondence between the two countries. Russia has informed the United States government that Gorky is not a reformer but a revolutionist of the most rabid type; that Madame Andervia who accompanied him to New York as his wife, is not his wife but is also a revolutionist to whom Morosoff, a merchant prince of Moscow, gave $1,500,000 to aid the revolution. All Russia is much concerned and incensed at the big reception given Gorky on his arrival in New York, the opinion being that the Americans have been greatly imposed upon. On receipt of the above news in New York, Gorky and his companion were refused admission to all the hotels and they have vanished and all their baggage has been shipped out of that city.

STAMPEDE.

Wilson Creek is the Scene of a New Gold Strike.

Rush for Claims Started Monday Night -- Discoverers Located Promising Paystreak.

Wilson creek, a tributary of the O'Donnell river, was the scene of a stampede on Monday of this week. Andrew Grier and John Tintinger, two well known miners who have been working this winter on Spruce, left a few weeks ago to prospect on Wilson creek, where they had done considerable prospecting some three or four years ago. At that time they were unsuccessful in an endeavor to locate a paystreak, although course gold was found. As a result of their recent search they have discovered that the pay lies in a hardpan about two feet from the surface, and from several prospect holes which they sunk in this the discoverers panned out an ounce of gold. Grier and Tintinger are now busy freighting out a summer's outfit and it is their intention to commence work on their ground at the earliest opportunity.

Quite a number of men from Discovery and Spruce started out on Monday night to stake claims at the scene of the latest strike and the stampeding still continues.

As near as could be learned on Thursday fully fifty claims had already been staked.

The new creek is reached via the Blue canyon on Spruce and it is about 26 miles from Atlin to the discovery claim. For several miles each side of discovery the creek bottom is from one hundred to two hundred feet wide and has very little grade. There will be ample water for ordinary placer mining purposes.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[The Claim is not responsible for views expressed by correspondents.]

Editor of THE ATLIN CLAIM.

SIR,—As the formation of a Pioneer Association is in contemplation, may I suggest the following objects of such association as being worthy of consideration by the pioneers:

The promotion of good-fellowship.

The acquirement and promulgation of all reliable information concerning these goldfields.

The encouragement of legitimate mining enterprises.

The protection of the mining industry by all constitutional means.

Your obedient servant,

A TESLINITE.

Atlin, B. C., April 26th, 1906.

Hydraulic mining operations have commenced very early this season. Messrs. Bretheur and Dunham, who have taken a lay on the Brackett ground just below Nugget point, started two monitors to work on Thursday.

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THE SAME OLD ?

Is the mail in? Why, what can possibly be detaining it? Has anybody seen the mail?

The scene was Atlin; time, noon of Monday last. The answer to the first question was easy and simple enough—a plain NO! The second question was unanswered—as no one could find a reasonable excuse, and to the third a chap who arrived Saturday night volunteered the information that he passed the mail, which had had a 12 hours start of him, on the portage from Otter lake to Hales City early Saturday a.m.

Shortly after noon on Monday the mail did, at last, arrive, and ever since we have been doing our utmost to find an answer to the second question. The driver looked hale and hearty enough. The sled dogs looked well enough, even if a little lanky. But the driver probably believes that the old saying, "a thin horse for a long race," applies as well to dogs. We are still unable to find the answer as to why the mail should be two days late. Somebody whispered that there were excellent REST HOUSES on the route. But that seems a rather unkind insinuation in view of the great exertions the contractor has made to get the full amount of mail in each week, and if possible away ahead of time—just to be accommodating, and in this endeavor he has spared neither dogs nor drivers.

But, to get back to the insinuation, we feel certain that if the contractor knew or thought that the driver in question had loafed along the trail, or had stayed too long taking the rest cure and had not used every effort to get in sooner—he would instantly fire him.

Still, we have not got the ans——.

WRONG KIND OF SETTLERS

The suggestion on the part of the Canadian authorities that the Imperial government pass an act to prevent, through misrepresentation, the sending of emigrants to Canada will be endorsed by the general public of the Dominion. According to the despatches which are being received from Montreal, Toronto and other centres in the east, the influx of British laborers and artisans is at present so great that a serious condition of affairs is being created. With the oversupply of this class in the big towns the whole laboring population will be affected, and we may soon see, on a smaller scale, the unfortunate conditions prevailing in our own cities which have existed for so long in the industrial centres of Great Britain. This class of emigrants will not settle on the land. Men who have been brought up in the congested districts of the old country cannot adapt themselves to agricultural life. They know nothing about farming, and they find it impossible to learn. They find it difficult even to adapt themselves to the conditions which prevail in our cities, and they become discouraged and shiftless and idle. They are as a rule impossible as settlers, and those responsible for inducing them to come to this country are doing a poor service to the men themselves and a worse one to Canada. The Imperial government might well interfere to prevent the misrepresentation, regarding labor conditions in Canada, which is undoubtedly practiced by a certain class of business agents. What Canada wants from the mother country is the bona fide settler on the land, who has strength and resolution to work and is thrifty and industrious. This class, whether they understand farming or not, will succeed, and the more of them who come the better for themselves and the Dominion.—Vancouver Province.

REPORTERS OF TODAY.

A common charge brought against newspaper reporters is that they are heartless, that they revel in laying before the world the closely guarded secrets of individuals. It constantly happens that a reporter must do unpleasant things because others have been guilty of those violations of custom, law or convention that make news. The opprobrium that belongs to the real offender is not infrequently heaped upon the innocent newsgatherer. There is no work a reporter detests so much as that involving a social scandal, and there is no story that a large percentage of readers will devour more eagerly. There is not a good reporter living who has not been guilty of that blackest, least forgivable of all journalistic crimes, "throwing down" his newspaper to protect a helpless person innocently involved in a legitimate news story that is a matter of public record. On the whole, the newsgatherers are a tender-hearted folk and generous, and that which often passes for cynicism is an intense hatred and contempt for shams. If they appear suspicious it is because long experience has taught them that they must constantly guard against deception. There is no walk of life a good reporter is not compelled, sooner or later, to invade, and his position is the trying one of being compelled either to gain the confidence of or outwit those he meets there.—Hartley Davis in Everybody's Magazine.

Don't encourage that boy in his idea that he has had enough schooling before he has finished a common high school course. Keep him going even at the expense of some stringent urging. The successful man of the future must be an educated man. Things have changed since you were a boy, and are changing more rapidly now than ever before. The chances for the plug man are disappearing, so give your boy enough education to raise him out of that class.

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Whatisthatblur?
Onlythetrees.
Lookatthemwave,
Mywhatabreeze!

Ahonkandarush,
Aflashandasmell;—
Whatdidwehit?
Didsomebodyyell?

Ajarandascream—
Ilookedlikeahorse.
Notellingnow,
Keeptothecourse.

Outoftheroad!
Giveusashow!
Twomilesaminute,
Geehowwego!

—Newark News.

How Miners Lose Gold.

Mr. C. V. Boys, in his British Association lecture at Cape Town recently, entitled "Some Surface Actions of Fluids," referred to the subject of evaporation, and said he wished also to refer to that attraction of the parts of a fluid for itself, in virtue of which its surface tends to become as small as possible, so that it might be considered as a contractile membrane of a definite strength, different, however, for different fluids. Even the gold miner lost much of the finer particles of gold owing to its floating away on the surface, if he did not reduce the tension by soap or other means. Different solids were wetted by water or by oil with different degrees of facility, and a number of processes interesting to miners depended upon these preferences. For instance, certain sulphide ores were more readily wetted by oil than by water, and when mixed with both, the oil laid hold of the valuable and heavy particles and floated them away from the useless and lighter particles that remained behind. In the same way microscopic bubbles adhered to some materials in preference to others and the constituents of finely ground ores were so separated. One of the most remarkable processes of the kind was seen in the "greaser" used for separating diamonds and some other precious stones from the worthless gravel. This he could show on the screen where diamonds, sapphires, and some other stones travelled along in the water till they came to a film of butter, while gravel quartz and emerald tripped over the butter and even over the diamonds and passed away in the stream.—South Africa.

An exchange opines that the recent finding of shark's teeth in an oil well in Texas tends to cloud John D. Rockefeller's title as the original oil shark.

The United States gold dollar contains 25.8 troy grains. A troy pound contains 5,760 troy grains, but the ordinary pound of currency, avoirdupois, weighs 7,000 troy grains. Therefore, $1,000,000 in United States gold coin weighs 3,686.4 pounds, avoirdupois. A United States standard silver dollar weighs 412.5 troy grains, and $1,000,000 in United States silver coin of the present standard weighs 56,931 pounds avoirdupois, or nearly 28¼ tons.

Lucky Mexicans.

Mark Twain tell a good story about a couple of California miners:

"Two miners used to go to the neighboring village in the afternoon and return every night with supplies. Part of the distance they traversed a trail, and nearly always sat down to rest on a big boulder that lay beside the path. In the course of thirteen years they had worn that boulder smooth sitting on it. By-and-by two vagrant Mexicans came along and occupied the seat and, to amuse themselves, began chipping off flakes from the boulder with a sledge hammer. They examined one of the flakes and found it rich with gold. That boulder paid them $800 afterwards. But the aggravating circumstance was that these 'greasers' knew there must be more gold where that boulder came from, and so went panning up the hill, and found what was probably the richest pocket that region has yet produced. It took three months to exhaust it, and it yielded $120,000. The two American miners who used to sit on the boulder are poor yet, and they take turns about in getting up early in the morning to 'cuss' those Mexicans."

The profits made by the U. S. government on pennies pays the entire expenses of the mint.

Experiments which have been carried out with a view to determining the area affected by dynamite explosions in the open air, indicate that the distance within which the destructive action is felt increases in proportion to the square root of the weight of the charge. In the explosion of 55, 110, 551 and 2,204 pounds of dynamite, the destructive effects were limited to distances of 57, 131, 180 and 210 feet respectively.

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Local Events.

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The latest magazines and papers are always on hand at Pillman's.

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

Over a dozen miners arrived in camp over the Fan Tail trail during the past few days.

BORN.—At Atlin on Tuesday, April 24th, to Mr. and Mrs. John Nichol, a daughter.

Ai Nathaniel McNaughton this week applied to Registrar Young for naturalization papers.

Souvenir Postals.—Several new designs just arrived at C. R. Bourne's.

F. McPhee left town Wednesday evening for a visit to Wynton and Conrad City. He travelled over the ice on a bike.

Is your name on the voters list? The voters list court of revision will sit at the Registrar's office on Monday, May 7th.

Capt. Bragg and some of his crew are engaged in putting the Scotia in shape for the opening of the season's navigation.

All sensible citizens are these days raking up, burning and removing all rubbish from their back yards and gardens.

The local fishermen, by setting their nets under the ice, are enabled to keep the citizens well supplied with lake trout and greyling.

I have opened the Kootenay hotel dining room and make a specialty of serving first class meals.—Prices moderate.—E. J. Edwards. a14

A meeting of those interested will be held in the Arctic Brotherhood hall, Discovery, tonight, for the purpose of organizing an Atlin district pioneers association.

Thursday evening Gorden Dixon broke through the ice with a load of oats when coming off the lake just south of the W. P. & Y. R. wharf. Only part of the load got wet and the whole sleigh load was quickly recovered and carried ashore.

Never lose sight of the fact that I keep on hand at both my Atlin and Discovery stores complete stocks of heavy and shelf hardware and that all orders, whether large or small, are attended to.—J. T. Regan.

Messrs. J. Cartmel and T. Hanna leave for Volcanic creek next week to take out lagging for the season's mining operations of themselves and partners. A Cornish pump will be put in their prospect shaft, which is already down 45 feet, and sinking will be re-commenced at as early a date as possible.

Wm. Duncan, of Wright creek, returned to this district last Sunday. He spent since last fall on Graham Island, one of the Queen Charlotte group, where he took up one homestead and bought another. He speaks very enthusiastically of that island and its favorable conditions for stock raising and general farming, its extensive coal beds and other mineral resources.

The mid-week mail arrived at 6 p.m. Thursday, thirty hours late. Owing to soft weather and no crust on the snow C. Glaye, the carrier, did not get away from Log Cabin until Wednesday morning. He made the Tepee that night, and on Thursday he came from there to town. We understand that the next few trips of the carriers will be made to and from Car Cross instead of Log Cabin.

VISITED WYNTON.

And Says the New Town and Mining District Has Good Prospects.

Chief Licence Inspector Owen returned from an official visit to Wynton and Windy Arm last week. Mr. Owen is quite enthusiastic over Wynton and the whole district and predicts that the new town will beat anything in the north during the next few years.

Arrangements have been completed whereby the Dominion government will extend their telegraphic system up as far as Wynton, where they will establish an office.

As soon as the ice goes out construction work on the government dock and public buildings will be rushed to completion.

The W. P. & Y. R. boats will hereafter make their week end lay over at Wynton instead of Taku and Car Cross as formerly.

The two large hotels under course of erection by McDonald and Anderson will be completed in a few days, and will then be a credit to the owners and the camp.

With the building operations, the W. P. & Y. R. improvements and the construction of the trunk road to Log Cabin, via Tcochi lake and valley, Wynton will—leaving aside all mining operations—be a very busy camp this summer.

Mr. Owen also visited Conrad and Car Cross, both of which places seemed in a prosperous and happy condition.

Stables & Lumsden carry a stock of good groceries.

Read the A. T. Co.'s advertisement on page 3. It's right.

Why use inferior gasoline when you can get 76 and 86 per cent. at Regan's. Atlin and Discovery.

The lumber company have put their sawmill into operation for the season and are prepared to supply all demands for either the rough or finished product.

The team of heavy horses owned by J. Christian broke through the ice and fell into the lake near the Discovery street wharf at noon on Thursday when Jake was taking them to the watering hole. Willing hands, with the assistance of a team of horses from Dixon & Schulz's stables, soon had the pair of unlucky equine again on terra firma.

Scientists have recently brought out some remarkable statistics about gold. For instance, M. de Wilde, of Brussels, says that all the gold which has been mined by man would not form a cube more than thirty feet square. This would weigh 38,580,000 pounds and have a value at present of $13,559,946,000.

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