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TELEGRAPHIC

THE KAIEN ISLAND DEAL IS OFF

Canadian Northern will Build to Port Simpson.

DIAMOND THIEF HAS CONFESSED

G. T. P. Won't Build B. C. Section of Road for Several Years.

China Has Ordered Small Arms and Cannon—Miners Killed by an Explosion—British Parliament Opened by King Edward—The Russian Cabinet—McCall Dead—Franco-German Situation.

(SPECIAL TO THE CLAIM.)

Vancouver, B. C., Feb. 21.—The World yesterday published an announcement to the effect that the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Kaien Island deal is off, and further stated that MacKenzie & Mann, of the Canadian Northern company, will rush the construction of a line into Port Simpson in the immediate future. Grading outfits will be moved into northern British Columbia early in the coming summer.

Vancouver, B. C., Feb. 21.—Harry Hazard, a man who had been under suspicion for some days, was arrested on Tuesday for having committed the diamond robbery at McMillan's jewelry store in this city last week, when he broke a window and got away with a tray containing \$7,000 worth of goods. The arrest was made when he was in the act of taking a train for the American side. Hazard has made a confession, admitting his guilt, and most of the stolen property has been recovered. A man named Barrington, who was a partner of Hazard's in the theft, received some of the diamonds but has not yet been captured.

Ottawa, Feb. 21.—The Dominion government yesterday received a cablegram from London saying that, owing to difficulties which had been encountered in regards to financial matters, the Grand Trunk Pacific railway company would not commence the construction of their road westward from Edmonton for several years yet.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 21.—It is reported in official circles that the government of China has lately ordered a million small arms and a hundred cannon from firms in Germany.

The Chinese minister to the U. S. emphatically denies all current rumors of the near approach of a war between China and some one of the foreign powers.

Trinidad, Colo., Feb. 21.—Sixteen miners were killed yesterday by a dust explosion which occurred in the Victor mine near here.

London, Feb. 21.—The British

parliament was opened by King Edward on Monday. The King's speech was most radical and included an expression of intense satisfaction at the continued peaceful relations which exist between Great Britain and all foreign countries, and especially so with France. He hoped for a friendly solution of the Franco-German Moroccan conference and stated that an imperial commission would shortly be appointed to examine into the franchise question of British South Africa, and that meanwhile the importation of Chinese coolies into the latter country would be stopped.

Quebec, Feb. 21.—The municipal elections which have just been held in this city resulted in the successful return of the civic reform or anti-Parent party.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 21.—The predicted disruption of the Russian cabinet is coming much more speedily than was expected, several ministers having already retired.

In a late report General Linevitch stated that wholesale arrests of revolutionists were being made in the Trans-Baikal districts. Amongst those arrested are over 100 soldiers.

Lakewood, N. J., Feb. 21.—Mr. John A. McCall, until recently president of the New York Life Insurance Company, is dead from the result of a physical break-down which was caused by worrying over the findings of the states' investigations into the financial affairs of that company.

Berlin, Feb. 22.—The decision of Germany to discontinue the system of private negotiations which has been in vogue between the French and German delegates attending the Moroccan conference at Algeciras and to take the main disputed question before the conference proper, is regarded here as an indication that the last phase of the conference is beginning. The German government is now standing resolutely by the position which it took at the opening of the conference, and which is, that it will not allow the policing of Morocco by France.

Toronto, Feb. 22.—Over 800 of the most prominent Liberals in Ontario attended a banquet which was tendered to Premier Laurier in this city on Wednesday night.

Tokio, Feb. 23.—Prince Arthur of England received a most enthusiastic welcome from the Japanese nation when he arrived in this city on Wednesday. He was met at the railway station by the Emperor of Japan and a large guard of honor.

Paris, Feb. 23.—Word has just been received here from the Algeciras conference to the effect that Germany has positively rejected France's proposal that the Moroccan police system be composed of French and Spanish subjects. This turn of affairs has given much renewed gravity to the already serious Franco-German situation.

GENERAL NEWS

The C. P. R. had a \$50,000 at Montreal last week.

John G. Brady resigned from the position of governor of Alaska last week.

Wolves devoured a malamute dog last week in the outskirts of Dawson, Y. T.

A \$100,000 fire was caused at St. John, N. B., last week by a discarded cigarette butt.

Vancouver, Seattle, Tacoma and Portland are to be connected by 200 miles of electric railway.

A new line of Russian steamers will shortly ply between San Francisco and Siberian coast ports.

Three earthquake shocks were felt throughout the Copper Lake district of Michigan Feb. 16th.

The Liberals, Conservatives, and Socialists are contesting the provincial bye-election in North Ontario.

One Winnipeg and two Montreal rubber and boot and shoe firms have amalgamated with a capital of \$1,000,000.

The town of Nelson has been offered a library as a present from Carnegie, but they haven't accepted the gift as yet.

Alice Lee Roosevelt and Nicholas Longworth were married at the White House, Washington, at noon on Saturday last.

The American colony at Havana on Feb. 16th observed the 8th anniversary of the destruction of the battleship Maine.

Hon. W. S. Fielding, Dominion minister of finance, has received the honorary degree of L. L. D. from McGill university.

The first detachment of Russian emigrants to be sent to Canada by Baron Rothchild arrived at Toronto last Saturday. There were 190 in the party.

A Capetown despatch says the demands of the colored inhabitants of the Transvaal and Orange River colony for political rights are becoming serious.

The bluejackets of the British cruiser squadron will present the American Atlantic fleet with a silver cup as a souvenir of their visit to the United States.

Bertha and Lillian McIntosh, aged 10 and 12 years, were killed by a train at a Grand Trunk crossing at Glencoe, Ont., on Feb. 13th while on their way to school.

M. Tanno, third assistant secretary in the Japanese legation at Paris, has arrived at St. Petersburg to arrange for the re-opening of the Japanese legation at that place.

An Ottawa despatch says the funeral of E. B. Eddy, the paper manufacturer, which took place last week, was attended by 1,000 people on foot besides a long line of carriages.

The task of raising \$500,000 for an endowment fund for Queen's college, Toronto, goes steadily ahead and will soon be finished, as \$220,000

have already been subscribed. One anonymous subscriber gave \$25,000.

At Omaha on Saturday last Pat Crowe was acquitted on the charge of having kidnapped young Cudahy for a ransom, but was re-arrested for holding-up and robbing a street car.

The Canadian Pacific Railway company has closed a contract for 500 steel drop bottom gondola cars for its trans-continental trade. These will be the first steel cars built in Canada.

A late Montreal despatch says it is denied that Senator Choquette will be the next lieutenant-governor of British Columbia, and asserts that a western man will probably be appointed.

At Sebastopol last week Admiral Choukinis, commander of the Black sea fleet, was shot and dangerously wounded by a woman who called at his office. A sentry on duty shot the woman dead.

The Yukon curling club which went to the Winnipeg bonspiel were defeated in every trophy competition which they entered. Their last defeat took place in the semi-finals for the Royal Caledonian cup.

Last week a high official in the war department at Washington, while speaking to an Associated Press correspondent, stated: "Inside of two months the United States and China will be in the midst of a deadly grapple."

On Feb. 12 Great Britain demanded from China complete restitution and compensation for the missionaries whose properties was destroyed at Chang Hu, or else adequate punishment of the responsible parties. China was given 48 hours for reply.

The recently launched British battleship Dreadnaught cost seven and a half millions of dollars. She is the most powerful war vessel afloat and one discharge of her batteries will throw twice as much metal as the most powerful foreign ship now in existence.

Three persons were instantly killed and 20 injured in a head-on collision between the New Orleans north bound flyer and a south bound passenger train on the Louisville & Nashville railroad near Latonia, Kentucky, on the 13th inst. The trains met while running at a speed of 40 miles an hour. The dispatcher who was responsible for the accident killed himself when he learned of the wreck.

K. J. McEachern, whose death was reported at Victor, Colorado, on January 22nd and whose insurance was paid, was arrested there on February 10th after a hard fight in which he was wounded by a shot from a revolver. An investigation showed that a dead body was placed in the exact spot in the mine where McEachern was working and that the body was blown to pieces with powder. McEachern disappeared and his friends got the money.

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AS OTHERS SEE ATLIN.

The following extracts are from the annual mining review of the Nelson Daily News, published on the 31st Dec. last:

"In Cassiar district Atlin is the chief producer, in fact, nearly the whole of the mineral production of this northern part of British Columbia has, ever since 1898, been contributed by the Atlin mining division. Its aggregate production to date is in excess of \$3,500,000. Its highest yield in any one year was in 1899, when a total recovery of \$800,000 was made. In 1901 its production fell to \$300,000, but each year since then has seen an increase. Last year's (1904) total was \$530,000, and it is estimated that there was a rather higher recovery in 1905.

"That Atlin will in 1906 make an even better showing in regard to yield of gold may be taken for granted, unless it experiences an unprecedented shortage of water—a remote contingency, by the way. With dredges and steam shovels to facilitate the handling of gravel on a much larger scale than has been possible in past years, there should be more gold recovered than during any one of the five years since the first big season's results were obtained. Dredge mining for gold has been made profitable in both New Zealand (where it is carried on on a larger scale) and in California. It seems quite reasonable to look for similar success at Atlin now that the chief difficulties appear to have been overcome.

"The individual placer miner has been to a considerable extent superseded by the company with its larger capital and greater facilities for economical and profitable mining. There are still creeks which are exceptions to this rule, and these have been energetically worked. New discoveries have been reported, but these have not yet been proved of sufficient value to cause any 'stampede,' such as are common in some placer gold mining districts when 'pay' is found on creeks not previously worked. There is one matter of especial concern to the individual miner that is noted with satisfaction, that is, the action of the Provincial Government in forfeiting hydraulic leases in cases where statutory requirements have not been carried out. Early in 1905, Dr. H. E. Young, M. P. P. for Atlin district, informed his constituents, through the medium of the press, that he had received assurance from the Government of its intention to throw open all land which had been illegally held, and to give due notice of such intention,

Reception and Dance

Tendered to Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Black Was a Pleasant Affair.

The Koozenay hall was the scene of a very pleasant gathering on Friday evening of last week when a reception and dance were given in honor of the return to and arrival in camp respectively of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Black. The hall was very prettily decorated for the occasion and every quarter of the camp was well represented amongst the large numbers who were present. Dancing was started shortly after 9 p.m. by nearly all in attendance joining in the grand march, which was led by Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Stables to music provided by Mrs. E. M. N. Woods and Messrs. T. Hanna, J. Cartmel and C. Hickman. At the recherche dinner which was provided Mr. and Mrs. Black, Gold Commissioner and Mrs. Fraser and Mr. and Mrs. Stables occupied the positions of honor. During the repast Mr. Fraser made a very appropriate speech of welcome on behalf of the citizens of the camp to the guests of the evening, and Mr. Black responded with a most happy and suitable reply. The reception committee, consisting of Messdames Pillman, Owen and Woods, and Messrs. McLeod, Sullivan and Reid performed their duties very happily and everyone present passed a most sociable and enjoyable evening.

so that all might have an equal chance of re-staking. Further, it was stated that the gold commissioner had received instructions to give two weeks' public notice of all cancellations. It is further noted that the appointment of a resident county court judge has led to the more expeditious settlement of mining disputes, while a liberal expenditure on roads and trails has materially assisted in the opening up of some of the newer parts of the district.

"As an instance of the progress made by companies in Atlin district, the following has been taken from a published statement of Mr. J. M. Ruffner, manager of the Pine Creek Power Company and the North Columbia Mining Company, which have together spent more than \$500,000 in connection with their Atlin mining enterprises: 'There is one thing that may be said of the district, as compared with Dawson, in Yukon Territory, or Nome and Tanana, in Alaska, and that is, while our deposits do not contain such rich paystreaks as are found in those camps, we have deposits of yellow gravel, especially in the Spruce and Pine Creek valleys, that are really enormous in extent, and, though low in value, are singularly uniform in their gold contents. The values run from 35 to 50 cents per cubic yard in gravel banks ranging from 20 to 80 feet in depth. Speaking of our own operations, we have already opened up sufficient of the yellow gravel deposits to keep us busy for the next 30 years.'

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Hockey Matches.

Discovery Teams Won Two Games From Atlin—Home Curlers Won.

Atlin suffered two defeats at hockey on Saturday last, when both the senior and junior teams were worsted by like combinations from Discovery. The seniors took the ice at about 2.30 p.m. and the Atlin boys got busy right from the call of "play" and made rush after rush on their opponents goal and by quarter time had succeeded in scoring three goals. The early part of the second quarter was mostly shinney and much rough play took place. W. Sweet and F. McPhee were fenced for two minutes each for fouling, while one or two others were warned to "cut it out." During this quarter Discovery scored their first goal and Atlin added another to the good, the standing being 4 to 1. In the third quarter Discovery worked well and scored two goals to the home team's one. But the last quarter was when the fire-works really commenced and the Discovery men, who had husbanded their strength for a last effort, played all-round Atlin and stacked up four more goals to their opponents nil. The game thus resulted in a win for Discovery by a score of 7 to 5. The referee, who was busy at the time following the play during a rush by Discovery in the last quarter, missed a chance of putting "off-time" on a couple of players who engaged in a clinch. At times during the game good hockey was played by both teams, but there were too many off-sides and considerable slugging and cross-checking throughout the game. Atlin started out well but were all "in" during the last quarter. Following are the respective teams and officials of the game:

DISCOVERY.	ATLIN.
J. Palmer	Goal Theo. Sweet
J. Dick	Point O. W. Rorke
F. P. Miller	Cover-Pt. A. J. Burnside
Fetherston	E. D. Rorke
W. Sweet	Forwards F. McPhee
J. Cartmel	CR Bourne
Referee, R. M. Wilson; goal umpires, A. Berger and Geo. Sinclair; time-keepers, W. Owen and Jas. Durie.	

The Atlin team will journey to Discovery today and play a return match in the rink there at 2 p.m. As both teams are in better condition since last week's match today's game should be productive of much cleaner hockey and also be deserving of a big attendance. The players will also take part in the skating carnival in the evening.

THE JUNIORS.

Immediately after the senior game the juniors took the ice and played an exciting match but the Atlin boys, who followed in the steps of the town's grown-ups, did all their scoring in the early part of the game and were "tuckered" during the last quarter. But both teams played well and there was more real hockey furnished by them than by their predecessors. The score was 4 to 3 in favor of the Discovery boys, who were much heavier and more enduring than the locals. The Bruce brothers, for Discovery, and the Fraser brothers and Leonard Haslett, for Atlin, played good games. Bertha Doelker was a good goal-

keeper for Atlin. Mr. O. W. Rorke acted as referee. The teams were:

Discovery—Hubert Pearse, Harry Mobley, Charles and Harry Bruce, and Robert Roxborough.

Atlin—Leonard Haslett, Harry Costigan, Alan and Lyal Fraser, and Bertha Doelker.

The players of the two junior teams were the guests to dinner of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Fraser.

HOME RINK WON.

After the hockey matches were over on Saturday a challenge curling match took place between rinks representing and comprising the star broom and stone artists of the two towns. A. B. P. Thomas skipped for Discovery, and G. Wallace officiated similarly for Atlin. The match consisted of eight ends and was for a trophy of artistic design named "Suspended Beauty" which had been donated by Mr. Ross. The game was keenly contested and, with the exception of one end which resulted in a score of two being made, all the ends were won and lost by single points. The home combination proved too much for the visitors, however, and the prize was captured by Atlin with a score of 6 to 3. The rinks were:

DISCOVERY.	ATLIN.
P. Eggert	A. M. Ross
T. Hanna	R. B. Anderson
H. McCartney	Dr. McNeill
A. B. P. Thomas	G. Wallace

The defeated curlers were entertained to dinner at the Royal hotel by the victors.

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Mr. Brown made a couple of trips to town from Taku this week.

The Whist club had a good attendance at Monday night's rubber.

H. Thomas, of Discovery, dropped down yesterday to seize up the town.

Judge and Mrs. F. McB. Young are expected to return to camp by the end of the month.

A large number of Atlinites intend going to Discovery today to witness the hockey matches.

Wednesday's mail was brought in on time by McMillan, who reported the trail to be in fair condition.

Nearly the entire sport loving element of the camp attended the two games of hockey on Saturday last.

Bourne's circulating library furnishes good and cheap reading.

The skating carnival in the Discovery rink tonight promises to be well attended. The Discovery orchestra will supply the music.

Mr. and Mrs. Black left town on Monday to take up their residence on Boulder creek, where J. H. will resume charge of his mining crew.

Geo. Adams came to town from McKee creek on Thursday evening to secure medical attendance for a finger which he had almost severed with an axe. It is now mending.

For 30 days J. T. Regan will sell McClary's Cast Top Heaters thus: No. 100—\$10.00 No. 400—\$13.00 No. 200—\$11.00 No. 500—\$14.00 No. 300—\$12.00 No. 600—\$16.00 Call early and take your choice.

A well attended meeting was held in the dining room of the Vancouver hotel on Monday afternoon last to appoint a committee to take charge of the getting up of an Irish concert which will be given on St. Patrick's day in aid of St. Andrew's hospital. Those appointed were: G. Gould, Spruce; T. Hanna, Discovery; J. H. Black, Boulder; D. Sullivan, McKee, and E. M. N. Woods, J. T. Regan, S. Johnston and F. W. Dowling, of Atlin. Rev. A. M. Ross, sec.-treas. The best available talent will take part and the concert promises to be a big success.

Spruce Creek Notes.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Mr. Till made a business visit to Atlin this week.

Mrs. Nedford visited friends in Discovery one day this week.

Walter Cox has taken over the interests of his partners and has engaged a new crew, who will make the dirt fly.

Chas. T. Coates, one of our pioneer miners and who has been in the camp for the last five years, will leave on the next stage for Windy Arm. We wish him all success.

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Curling News.

Competition Games Played During the Week.

On Monday afternoon a single hand game took place between Ridd and Bourne, the latter having challenged the former for the possession of the Wilkinson cup. Mr. Ridd retained the cup by a score of 8 to 4.

SLOAN COMPETITION.

A meeting will take place in Discovery this afternoon for the purpose of arranging the schedule for the Sloan Medals competition. D. Ross and A. J. Burnside will represent Atlin and C. Gilmour and R. D. Fetherstonhaugh will act for Discovery, and a fifth person will be chosen by them to complete the committee.

CLUB SCHEDULE MATCHES.

On Saturday night last the rinks of Ross and Stables met in the club schedule and the latter was defeated by a score of 18 to 8.

On Monday night Bourne lost to Ross by a score of 7 to 11.

On Tuesday evening Fraser and Stables crossed brooms to a score of 10 to 8 in favor of Stables.

ROSS TROPHY—FIRST DRAW.

The following were the games played this week:

- Cummings 10, Ridd 7.
- Stables 12, Dowling 7.
- Eggert 9, Kershaw 4.

BROWN TROPHY—FIRST DRAW.

- Sinclair 7, Kershaw 4.
- Fisher 10, Webster 7.
- Rossell 6, Rev. Ross 4.
- Cummings 13, Williams 5.
- Fraser 8, D. Ross 7.

DISCOVERY CURLING NEWS.

During the week the first rounds for the Ross and Brown trophies, in which Thomas and Cartmel had byes respectively, were completed and the second rounds commenced. Following are the games and scores:

BROWN TROPHY—FIRST DRAW.

- McDonough 14, McLeod 5.
- Hampton 9, Kerr 2.
- Trotman 10, Thomas 8.
- Morrison 9, Laughlin 4.
- Galarno 13, Brown 2.
- Sweet 10, Hanna 6.
- Hickman 10, Berger 5.

SECOND DRAW.

- Hampton 9, Galarno 8.
- McDonough 12, Jamieson 8.
- Morrison 9, Hickman 5.
- Fetherstonhaugh 8, Cartmel 7.
- Sweet 7, Trotman 5.

ROSS TROPHY—FIRST DRAW.

- McCartney 17, Kerr 4.
- Vickers 8, Berger 4.
- Cartmel 8, Laughlin 5.
- Gilmour 15, McLeod 4.
- Brown 11, Eggert 7.

SECOND DRAW.

- Jamieson 11, Hickman 8.
- McCartney 13, Trotman 5.
- Brown 11, Wrong 5.
- Gilmour 11, Galarno 5.
- Vickers 7, Thomas 5.
- Cartmel 16, Morrison 6.

The Weather.

The lowest and highest temperatures and precipitation recorded for the week are as follows:

Feb.	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Max.	4	4	10	15	18	16	0
Min.	15	21	27	24	25	22	17
Precipitation, Rain.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
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