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THE FIRST BOAT ARRIVES

And No Judge Skips Over the Slippery Gang Plank.

Sixty Passengers and a Heavy Freight Came In.

The first boat of the season came in on Tuesday and it was safe to gamble that Captain John Irving would be aboard of her. Capt. E. W. Spencer also came in on the boat. This craft—the Gleaner—will not grow barnacles on her run from Bennett to Taku City, for she was launched on Friday, May 2nd, left Bennett on Sunday and arrived at Taku on Tuesday. Sixty passengers were aboard of her and lots of freight.

"Don't know when the judge will come in," stated the captain. "He was not at Bennett when we left. It was reported that Justice Irving was coming, and a later rumor that another had taken his place.

"We had great difficulty getting over Cariboo Crossing, there being but only 20 inches of water. The company has secured the mail contract and the first mail—seven bags—came in last evening. Captain Spencer came in and everything will be in readiness in a few days for the running of the boat across the lake from Taku."

"Bennett is full of people and it is with difficulty that sleeping apartments can be obtained."

THE SCOTIA COMES OVER FROM TAKU.

Another link in Atlin's history was the arrival at a late hour on Thursday evening of the pretty little stern-wheeler Scotia, captained by W. E. Spencer, who came in on the first trip of the Gleaner. It must be apparent to all that not much time was lost in completing the boat, for the first tap of work was done on April 14th and the finish took place on Thursday. No bottles were cracked at the launching; they shoved her off without the princely function of dripping champagne over her bow, for the mad yell for freight would permit of no loss of time on such frivolous mockery. On arrival at her destination the Atlinites assembled en masse and welcomed the new carrier and her gallant captain with a string band playing the Star Spangled Banner. Captain Spencer was called on and he thanked the citizens for their well-wishing and made reference to his being lonesome on the lake at present, but hoped for company later on in the summer when the Atlin river was less difficult to navigate. A CLAIM man stepped aboard after the "spirits" had departed and had a chat with the captain.

"Tired to death," said the captain, making his way into the cabin. "Working like niggers trying to get her off the ways and we succeeded at 8 o'clock last evening. Then we piled the freight on, left and arrived here at 11 o'clock.

"All the material used in the construction came from Portland and was brought in in March. The boat is 80 feet long with a 20-foot beam, 70 tons carrying capacity and her engines 80 horse-power. The cabin is all cedar, and the number of berths 12.

"Yes, there are lots of people at Bennett, and most of them ridiculed the idea of us making Cariboo Crossing."

Captain Spencer is a Portland man, a web-footer and a good fellow with all, and the CLAIM'S best wishes are success to the Scotia and the John Irving Navigation Company.

Capt. Kilbourne, of the boat bearing that name, recently launched at Bennett and to run between the latter place and Taku City, was detained at Cariboo Crossing and sent back for want of proper papers.

CLAIM-JUMPERS BEWARE.

The Vigilant Committee Getting Down to Business.

Willow Creek has a vigilance committee and all claim-jumpers should impress this fact very forcibly upon their memories for the purpose of avoiding any possible harm that might befall them. One man has already suffered from the vengeance of that committee and if another victim is secured they solemnly threaten to make a sure and speedy example as a warning to others that might attempt to follow.

The miners of that creek are practically all Americans who were among the first to arrive in Atlin last summer. Several are men who had experience upon vigilance committees—the early days of California and who have demonstrated that they possess the determination to carry out to the letter just what they threaten to do. The edict has gone forth that the first jumper found on Willow Creek shall swing for the deed. If anyone of this contemptible class of individuals with which Atlin and Discovery is so polluted desires to test the determination of the Willow Creek vigilance committee we would advise him to purchase his coffin and apply for a site in the cemetery reserve in advance.

For weeks, claim-jumpers have been swarming over Willow Creek, materially interfering with the work of development and causing all sorts of trouble for the legitimate owners. The laws offered no protection to the latter and finally driven to desperation they have been compelled to take this step. A sign has been erected at the mouth of Willow Creek, from which a rope dangles, noozed at one end. It bears the following inscription: "Claim-jumpers beware. This is the fate that awaits you. Keep off."

An Atlin man was the first to suffer. One day during the past week he went to Willow Creek and did all the acts necessary to jump a certain claim. He was warned not to do so, but persisted and the next day appeared on the scene with four men ready to go to work. In the meantime the signal had been given and miners hastened to the scene from all directions. The jumper was again warned, but paid no attention and started to cut some brush. With the first blow of the axe he was pounced upon by the rightful owner and given as sound a thrashing as man ever received. "Lynch him," "kill him," "hang him," "shoot him," yelled the infuriated crowd, but the committee concluded that the claim-jumper was being pretty roughly dealt with at the time. After his beating he was finally escorted from the creek and told to make himself scarce.

Word was then passed around that another claim jumper had been seen on the creek but a short time before and the crowd immediately took up the search for this fellow, but he had apparently scented trouble and placed as much distance between himself and that vigilance committee. This man is a real estate dealer in Atlin and they have him on the list.

COMPENSATION DEMANDED

United States Protests Against Confiscation

Of Rights Granted to American Citizens.

The Ottawa correspondent of the Victoria Colonist, under date of May 20th, telegraphs his paper as follows: The United States government has made formal representations to the Imperial government in reference to those American miners who recorded claims in the Atlin country under British Columbia mining licenses before the passage of the Martin law.

BROWNLEE WILL RESIGN.

Miserly Tendencies of the Government Said to be the Cause.

We have been informed that at the end of June J. H. Brownlee, surveyor general for this district, will sever his connection with the government. It is understood the cause for this step is the miserable amount allowed by the government with which he was supposed to carry on the work in this district. Mr. Brownlee will pursue his profession here in a private capacity, and, being a man of ability, will no doubt be successful.

THE ARCTIC BROTHERHOOD.

Arctic Chief Fansworth instituted a Camp of the Arctic Brotherhood in Atlin on Tuesday evening last, and the latest order is showing signs of splendid success. Some 15 applications were the number to be acted on, but the lateness of the hour compelled some to go over to the following meeting which will be held on Tuesday next. Those who assisted, and by they way, old Skagway Arctics, were Dr. Bryan, Col. Moody, John Stanly, Col. Doyle, Frank Brackett, F. Brown, A. Leather, Messrs. Thagard, Freeman, Hoff and Keller, and Dr. D. Madall. After the initiation ceremonies a banquet was sat down to and toasts drank and stories told that only find vent in the A. B.'s. The following names were acted on: J. H. Russell, A. K. Reed, F. E. McFeely, E. G. Tennant, Jon J. McKon, W. A. Spencer, Dan Harty, W. A. Rainy, Chas. E. Herron, Ed. E. Stewart, J. F. Murphy, J. H. Still, R. E. Turney, E. G. Brouleo, Alex. Campbell.

The order has a membership of 800 with branches in Juneau, Bennett, Taglish, Dawson and Atlin. The Grand Camp is established at Skagway, and there is in course of erection of a $5,000 house there, where sojourning brothers may be at home.

A bunch of 13 keys was handed in at this office yesterday and awaits the owner.

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THE ALIEN ACT.

The man who once breaks faith is ever afterwards distrusted. It is so also with governments. For many years this province has been inviting the people of the world to come here and assist in the development of our mineral areas. Many have come, and there is no questioning the fact that to these strangers is due almost wholly the mining activity that is now apparent in many of our districts. The strangers, many of them, have reaped a rich reward, but they have conferred still greater benefits on the province by showing to the world the vastness of our mineral richness, in the doing of which they have expended an ocean of energy and hazarded a vast amount of money. Does any sane British Columbian, Canadian, citizen of the Empire, doubt this? Is there one of us who would say, it were better if it had not been done? Certainly not. But there has come a new ruler in Egypt, one who, in contradistinction to the ruler of old, knoweth only Josepin, and him alone—who not only says that for the future we want no assistance of capital, and brains and energy from countries beyond our borders, but who breaks faith with those whom he has already invited within our gates, whose money, in compensation for certain privileges stipulated, he now jingles within his pockets and to whom those privileges he now denies. The law that was enacted at the last session of the legislature, limiting and annulling the free miners' licenses already issued to aliens and for which a fee had been paid, was an act of rapacious spoliation perpetrated on the helpless stranger whom we had inveigled within our borders. It was done because it was believed it would be popular among Canadians, as a measure of retaliation, and thus confer popularity on the new-fledged ministry. Four months trial of it has shown how foolish and how disastrous to the commercial and mining interests of the province the new measure has been. It is today denounced by business men in all the commercial cities of the province, and so far as this mining camp of Atlin is concerned it has served to lessen enormously the crush of enterprise of which this city would have been the centre, if this abomination of an alien bill had never been conceived and passed by a popularity-hunting ministry, assisted by a slavishly obedient following in the legislature. But we are bound to say this much, that the government in the first place had its promptings in this matter from a class of people who have suffered and are now suffering from the evil effects of the measure—namely, the merchants of Victoria and Vancouver. They, however, have long since seen their error, and are sensible of the injury inflicted on them. We can scarcely conceive it possible that the suicidal Exclusion act can have a longer life than the next sitting of the local parliament.

The injustice that the Exclusion act has imposed upon individuals is nothing short of brutal. We know of men—citizens of the United States, chiefly—and not a few of them, who last fall and winter spent their last dollar to procure an outfit for a season's prospecting in this district, and who have been completely stranded in a foreign country, their occupation gone by the annulment of the licenses for which they had paid, and the very mining claims which they had recorded and paid for wrested from them and thrown open to the new comers and birds of prey that follow the men of enterprise and worth into every camp. Do you think these men are justified in appealing to their home government for redress? We do, and we hope that they will get redress, full and satisfying.

The Exclusion act, as it is called, came into force on the 18th of January. It was not proclaimed in this district for several weeks later. During this interim a large number of claims were staked by aliens, recorded, and the records paid for. The gold commissioner here has received word from the government that all these records are to be annulled. What splendid fair play is here that we Britishers may preen our feathers on! As a matter of fact there are a number of alien prospectors now out in the wilds of the province who have never even yet heard of the passage of the Exclusion act, and who will not hear of it till, at the close of the season, dead-weary of foot and gaunt of form, they come dragging themselves back to civilization, only to learn that the money they have spent and the world of hardship they have undergone has been in vain—that by this shameful measure they have been stripped of the due wages of such prodigious labors. Will the home government of these men lack spirit to enter into their defence. Don't you for one moment believe it.

THE CLOSE SEASON.

The extension of the close season until the first of July is a natural sequence to the unparalleled condition of affairs which exist in this district. But the reason is plain. The friends of the government living in Victoria and Vancouver have many claims here, staked by men sent in here for that purpose, and if the creeks on which they are located prove good, these people will have plenty of time to represent. The excuse is made in some quarters that the ground will not be in condition to work until the date set. We have consulted many experienced miners on this point and they do not hesitate to proclaim the assertion absurd. Just so long as the present placer mining laws remain on the statute books the miners may expect to be harassed by such arbitrary orders. It is further contended thar those on the outside would not have time to get in before that date. This argument will hardly do, for the reason that very few of the bona fide miners holding claims are outside at the present time. Those yet to come are principally "power-of-attorney" miners. Taking everything into consideration the extension is unwarranted, but is quite in keeping with the rest of the miserable farce.

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Foot Racing, Miners' Race, Jumping, Vaulting, Putting Shot, Tug-of-War, Tossing the Caber, Horse Racing, Baseball Match, Claim Staking Contest, Dog Race, Rifle Contest, Packing Horse Contest.

We have arranged with the late P. T. Barnum's greatest tight rope walker to give an exhibition 60 feet high across Pine creek, consisting of walking forward and backward, balancing on cane, carrying pail of water, high kicking, balancing on bottle, carrying man on back, running with wheelbarrow, walking on stilts, etc. We guarantee you a good half hour's performance.

Grand Ball in the evening at Kenny's Hall.

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J. FRED HUME,
Minister of Mines.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that I claim an undivided one-half interest in the premises known as the Pine Creek Hotel, Discovery, B. C., at present occupied by G. C. Hall, and all persons are notified not to accept title to the same from the said Hall.

J. C. WATSON.

Atlin, B. C., June 6, 1899.

Applications for Land.

Notice is hereby given that thirty days after date I intend to apply to the Commissioner of Lands and Works for permmission to lease 30 acres of land (meadow) in Atlin district: Commencing at a stake about one-half mile southeasterly from the s. e. corner of block 21 of the Atlin townsite, marked H. B., s. w. corner; thence north 15 chains; thence east 20 chains; thence south 15 chains; thence west 20 chains more or less to initial post.

H. BURNET.

Atlin, B. C., May 20, 1899.

Notice is hereby given that thirty days after date I intend to apply to the Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to lease 30 acres of land (meadow) in Atlin division, Cassiar district, B. C.: Commencing at a stake marked H. E. Y., s. e. corner, 15 chains south of H. Burnet's initial post, thence northerly 20 chains, thence westerly 10 chains, thence southerly 30 chains, thence east 10 chains more or less to the initial post.

H. E. YOUNG.

Atlin, B. C., May 20, 1899.

Take notice that I, within thirty days from date intend applying to the Assistant Commissioner of Lands and Works for a lease of five acres of land, situate about two and one-half miles from Atlin, near Pine Creek, for five years, as follows: Commencing at initial post, N. W. c., running southerly 173 yards and easterly 140 yards.

ROBERT GRIERSON.

Atlin, May 23rd, 1899.

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DAWSON'S BIG FIRE.

One Million Dollars' Worth Goes Up in Smoke.

Poor Fire Appliances and Scarcity of Water.

The following, taken from the Skaguay Alaskan, tells of Dawson's million dollar fire. It took place on Wednesday, April 26th, and found its origin in the apartments of Helen Holden, located on the second floor of the Bodega saloon, on the west side of First avenue. The wind was from the river and in a southerly direction. The exasperating and inexcusable delay in getting water to the nozzles soon caused it to be seen that the neighboring buildings were doomed. First the two storey building—the Northern—on south took fire through the chinks of moss, and then the Tivoli buildings on the north. The Northern cafe on the south and the Board of Trade on the north. Still no water from the fire engine. The general alarm grew and preparations were made for moving from the entire block. Then the bazaar and library store took fire on the south, followed rapidly by the Aurora restaurant. The Tivoli theatre building created such an intense heat that the Rutledge building, on the opposite side of Front street, took fire as if spontaneously, and it was just at this moment that the water supply failed, after a fitful life of a few minutes. From the Aurora restaurant to the Aurora saloon was short work for the flames. The long Tivoli building communicated the fire to the cabins in the rear, occupied by the demi monde. Up Front street went the flames sweeping everything before them. There were 111 buildings burned and 14 torn down.

Estimated loss: Opera house, Blake, Nelson & Peterson, $40,000; Lewen & Cooper, Dominion saloon, $40,000; Tivoli theatre, $30,000; Northern saloon, Chute & Ash, $30,000; Aurora saloon, Chisholm & Macdonald, $40,000; Victoria hotel, McIsaacs & Wright, $15,000; Pioneer saloon, Spence & McPhee, $20,000; B. N. A. bank building, Alex. McDonald, proprietor, $14,000; McLennan, McFeely & Co., $15,000; McDonald block, $12,000; Northern restaurant, $10,000; Yukon Bazaar building, $10,000; Aurora restaurant, $10,000; Parsons Produce Co., $8,000; Popular lodging house, $8,000; Zemple & Fach's barber shop, $8,000; Geo. Apple and Vernon & Storey stock, $8,000; Joe Jourdan & Co.'s Bodega saloon, $6,000; Leifert & Cole's Board of Trade saloon, $5,000; Kelly & Marchbank's Northern saloon, $5,000; G. Lewen, provisions, $5,000; E. J. McCormick's Portland restaurant, $5,000 and a host of others damaged by attempted removal.

McLennan, McFeely & Co., Parsons Produce Co. and the Bank of B. N. A. are the only concerns known to have carried insurance.

FOR CHARITY'S SAKE.

A Splendid Concert Held Tuesday Night.

If anyone for a moment imagines that Atlin doesn't possess lots of musical talent they should have attended the concert in the First Presbyterian church on Tuesday night. Everything went off smoothly and reflects great credit on the promoters and artists taking part. The following is the program:

Selection, orchestra; topical song, Atlin Up to Date, Robt. Shaw; solo, Nita, Mrs. Ogilvie; recitation, Virginius, Mr. Lawrence; song and chorus, Swanee River, Mrs. Cooper; trio, boys, Wabash, Merrick, Burnham and Forrest; solo, Creole Love Song, Mrs. Brackett; Indian clubs, Prof. T. W. Lilley. Intermission. Selection, orchestra; recitation, Christmas Eve, Mrs. Laurin; solo, Killarney, Mrs. Jeffries; song and cake walk, Miss Hazel Hand; solo, Just Break the News to Mother, Miss Heck; banjo solo, Mr. Pitts; whistling solo, Warbling Birds, H. Noyes; solo, Song That Reached My Heart, James Lumsden; solo, Marguerite, Mrs. Burke; recitation, French Canadian, Robt. Shaw.

ON SPRUCE CREEK.

A CLAIM man went up Spruce Creek on Tuesday and saw much that was of interest. He started in at 129 below and worked up to Discovery on the same creek. With few exceptions the work being done is by way of preparation, digging ditches, placing sluicing boxes in place and prospecting the claims. Spruce is a different creek to Pine, bed rock is deeper and the absence of wing dams tells the stranger this. The first claim touched was the Doorman's Friend, 129 below, a bench, and worked by C. H. Barkdoll. He said: "Five men are working and we take out an average of an ounce to the man every day. We clean the riffles every night."

From here right up to 88 everybody is moving and doing all kinds of work. At the latter we met C. D. Williams. On this claim things are becoming interesting, he told the questioner, but would not say what amount of gold was coming out. They have 550 feet of boxes running through three claims.

In this neighborhood we found three men who had kicks to register. When approached they asked if I was one of the Atlin professional jumpers. The writer said no, and thereupon was taken to a stake bearing the name of a well-known Vancouver brewer. "Did he jump it?" "Oh, no! Some of the professional people, who draw government salaries, staked it, and we are liable to be put off at any time."

Jack Letherdale is overlooking the working and opening up of a group of claims—69 to 30 below—that promise well. They are benches on the east side of the creek. A right of way has been cleared through the group and ditching and sluice boxes are about completed. B. Johnson, Ken Smith, R. Berteaux and Harry Eaman are working on this group.

Gold is coming out of this creek, and in goodly quantities, too, but the miner will not divulge.

THE MASKED BALL.

The masquerade ball given by Robt. McIntosh on Wednesday evening in Rice & Hastie's hotel was well attended. Some 50 couple were present. This masquerade was the first successful one held in Atlin and the variety of costumes large. The grand march was heralded in at 9 o'clock and the unmasking took place at 11:20, and after light refreshments the gay dancers kept up the poetry of motion till the wee small hours. Miss D. Hock got first prize for the best costume, (lady), and Robt. McIntosh for the best costume (gentleman.) As comical coons D. R. Blanchard (lady), and J. Kennedy (gentleman), carried off the cake. Harry Pavey, as a tramp, showed natural study and portrayed the character to the delight of the onlookers. The judges were Miss Cooper, W. A. Spencer and F. Stops.

NOT TRUE.

To the Editor:

Sir,—The clipping from a Vancouver paper with the following heading: 'Men Scarce in Atlin, and claiming to be a letter from H. P. Shaw to Mayor Garden, dated March 17th, is a falsehood and a deliberate lie, as I did not leave Vancouver until March 19th, and did not arrive in Atlin until April 6th.

H. P. SHAW.

Atlin, June 6th, 1899.

Atlin's Climate.

Amidst the pessimism of some and the cheering optimism of others there is one subject on which all agree, viz., the perfection of the climate with which we are blessed. The bright sun by day and the clear starry nights, together with the balmy airs and gentle frosts, make this one of the most attractive places in which to live. Without the humidity of the coast and the biting rigors of the further north, we have a heritage in this respect which makes life not only endurable but pleasing even under adverse circumstances. Other things being equal there can hardly be a question as to the effect upon those who care for themselves. Persons who have been in Atlin only a few weeks have in many cases been gainers as far as health is concerned. This is, in a centre of this kind, of great importance—for what is gold if a man has either to swelter or to freeze.

Willow creek is coming to the front and midnight jumpers are as thick as flies in fly time.

C. E. Herron, A. G. Brownlee, M.E.
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FRANK BAKER,
W. J. PARTRIDGE.
Witness: W. J. Allen.
Atlin, B. C., June 3, 1899.

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G. Doering, Vancouver, and Jack Byron are at Bennett and are expected in to-day or to-morrow.

Wm. Hodgson, of Vancouver, arrived by the first boat to take a position on the provincial police force here.

C. D. Newton, manager of the Atlin Adventurers Mining Co., was one of the passengers from Vancouver on the Gleaner.

Robt. R. Maitland left for Vancouver on Wednesday. He wouldn't tell us whether he was coming back in the fall or not.

M. de Lamare and M. Crom left Sunday last for Dawson to look after their interests there. They will return here in August.

A 15½ pound trout, caught opposite Taku, was brought to town Thursday and sold for $3. He was a beauty, and of the Rainbow tribe.

The Scotia leaves Russell's wharf at the foot of Lake and Pearl at 10 a. m. o'clock today for Taku to connect with the Gleaner for Bennett.

T. F. Kane, representing the Daily Alaskan, came through on the first boat. Like many another he has come to see the country he has written so much about.

J. H. Brownlee, W. A. Spencer and C. W. D. Clifford, M. P. P., were a delegation to Taku on Tuesday to inspect and formally open the Taku Railway and Tramway Co.

Services will be held in the First Presbyterian church, corner Third and Discovery, on Sunday at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Sunday school at 2:30 p. m. Rev. John Pringle, B. A., minister.

J. Wishart, the man that tried to come in with the Russell party last fall, but froze his feet on the trail and had to be sent back for treatment to Victoria, was among the passengers on the first boat.

For two or three days last week the fare to Dawson from Skaguay was $10, and hundreds of people availed themselves of the opportunity. After that the companies combined on a $25 rate, which obtains at present.

The latest papers announce that the City of Paris, of the American line, ran ashore in a slight fog on the night of May 21st. The scene of the accident was the Manacles, near Falmouth, Eng. All on board were saved. This is the same spot on which the Mohegan was wrecked.

The first freight brought into Atlin this season was a shipment of 12 tons, which was brought over on the Nellie last Saturday. Included in this is a shipment of 500 gallons of liquor. This freight was stored at Golden Gate since last fall.

The pioneer wharf of Atlin is a thing of the past. We heard of no bottles being cracked at the opening, and sounds had to have deserted a friend at the last moment. The name of this dock will be known in the future as the Russell.

They say that Otter Creek has never been bedrocked, but Chas. E. Cubridge says differently. He was riding his horse to water a short ways above Surprise, with nothing but a blanket on, when he took a header, and in consequence has a bruised elbow and a discolored optic. He says he'll be all right for the 29th.

W. J. Partridge, better known as "Sailor Bill," a figure well-known in mining circles, left for Bennett on Saturday last in company with Frank Baker, W. J. Allan and Fred Hyde. Sailor Bill is taking four bags of rock to London, and the other boys go to Dawson. They have about 880 acres of ledge properties in this neighborhood.

The Washington, D. C., Department of State, has forwarded a letter through L. E. Dudley, United States Consul at Vancouver, asking for particulars of the death of one Edward A. Housol, alleged to have committed suicide in Atlin on April 9th last. The information sought will be forwarded if any one possessing the same will leave such at this office.

One of the events that has aroused considerable favorable comment at Discovery was the social dance held there last Monday evening. Fourteen to twenty-three was the ratio and it was not silver either. The boys of course were in the majority, but the number of girls is significantly large for a mining camp. Gay music from a violin and a banjo kept the dancers busy till 3:30 in the morning when the whole company repaired to the Gold House and had a good supper before separating. Four couple went up from Atlin and they voted the affair a success. The committee in charge were J. A. McKinnon, W. Holmes and Dave Burton.

A meeting of the celebration committee of Discovery was held in the Gold House at that place on Tuesday, to perfect arrangements for the celebrating of the 1st of July in that town. Owing to the 1st of July being representation day, they have decided to hold their sports on the 29th of June—Thursday—and combine with it the 4th of July. They celebrate the 1st of July and the 4th of the same on the 29th, so as not to conflict with Atlin's 4th. This is a commendable move and shows that there is no disposition to conflict, and should be emulated elsewhere. They extend a cordial invitation to both Atlin and Surprise for the 29th. They also challenge to a baseball game and a tug-of-war.

T. W. Fansworth leaves for the coast today after a very successful business trip.

A. J. MacPherson came in on the first boat and will look after the B. A. C. Company's stock at present in Taku.

Tom Cox, working on Spruce, received a letter from Truro, N. S., announcing the death of his father at the latter place in March.

The famous Jim Wardner left for Dawson on Tuesday. He is carrying our mail—a bundle of exchanges—and by way of variety will look afters some rich properties he has up there.

Among the arrivals on the first boat were J. McMurphy, Phil. MacMan, M. Lavell and W. W. Dickinson, from New Westminster. They came through all right, but left their blankets and outfits at Taku and are wondering if their tickets read Atlin or the other place.

An old gentleman dropped into the office the other day and informed us he was a British subject. He foresware his allegiance to the United States when James G. Blaine tried to start a war with England to satisfy a lot of Irishmen. In this country he is compelled to pay for an advertisement in order to lease a plot of ground from the government. Between the Irish, the newspapers and the B. C. government he considers he has a hard row to hoe.

People Who Weary Us.

Most things are dear in this town. But there is one commodity which is as free as the air. That is advice. When we first established this moulder of public opinion we were deluged on the one hand by advice to smash into the government, the officials and anything or anyone that smacked of government influence. On the other hand we were told to pay no heed to these kicks. They were just the mouthings of sore heads. There is considerable truth on both sides. But we generally found that the advice we most respected we had to seek for. If a man didn't get a lot location to suit him we were supposed to make it the text of half a dozen leading articles. And thus it runs on in a hundred and one instances.

Then there is the religious crank who submits to us long-winded letters and insists that we do not look back until we have suppressed every blackjack game in the town and instructed the Gold Commissioner in his duty, close the saloons at the hour provided by law, and, in fact, so run the town that he may compare it with his moral code and find no exception.

Another man will tell us we have much to answer for in booming the town, accuse us of telling Arabian Nights' stories about the gold in the creeks and luring people in here when there is nothing for them. The other fellow, with a claim to sell, is sore because we have not said enough about his creek. We are knocking the country, he says. What can a poor fellow do.

Then there is the business man (?) who, in a burst of generosity, orders us to insert a one inch advertisement and then asks for a half column write-up. He doesn't give an extra pound of sugar with every one he sells, but then that's different. In contradistinction to this man, and there is many such, is the one who quietly tells you what he wants, is willing to pay the price if it suits him and that settles it. This is the man we like to help. Added to these are a whole host of others who drop in and offer confidential suggestions on this or that point. Among it all there are a few kernels, but the most of it is chaff and blows away with the breath that gives it utterance.

Joe Clarke's Farewell.

ATLIN, B. C., June 9th, 1899.

Gentlemen—I beg to announce to my patrons and friends and others that I will leave for Dawson in a few days. Anyone having any unsettled claim against me will please present the same and it will be paid. People owing me money, if they can dig it up will confer a favor by so doing, otherwise I forgive them said debt. All papers on file in my office or documents in my charge will be delivered up to the owners upon being called for. If not called for all papers and all unfinished business will be left with Charles Herron, of Herron & Co., by whom the work in hand will be completed.

I wish to thank all who favored me with their patronage which I am well aware was done at considerable risk, and to announce that I will open for business in Dawson at once. My two years' experience in the Gold Commissioner's office there puts me, I think, in a position to give complete satisfaction to my clients there, and I solicit a call from any of my friends who have money and come that way.

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