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TELEGRAPHIC.

A Budget of Interesting News From Many Quarters.

[SPECIAL TO THE CLAIM.]

Portland, Mar. 1.—The Women's Club here has adopted very strong resolutions condemning District Attorney Jerome's handling of Mrs. Thaw.

New York, Mar. 1.—Jerome now seems to think Thaw insane and he will very probably move for a commission in lunacy.

Montreal, Mar. 1.—It is more than likely that legislation will be introduced with the view of exempting the province of Quebec from the Sunday law.

Vancouver, Mar. 1.—The Lord's Day Act comes in to force on March 1st. The Seattle newspapers will not be allowed to be sold on the streets here. The News-Advertiser will probably be published on Monday instead of Sunday, as heretofore.

Vienna, Mar. 1.—The Austrian steamer Imperatrix was wrecked off the Island of Crete. She carried 180 passengers and a crew of 30, most of whom were lost.

Chicago, Mar. 1.—The $175,000 stolen from the sub-treasury in this city is supposed to have been the work of some of the employees. Up to the present no clue has been disclosed.

Montreal, Mar. 1.—The Hochelaga Protestant School was destroyed by fire a few days ago. Sixteen children ranging from six to ten years of age, and Miss Maxwell, a teacher, perished by suffocation or were burned to death.

Vancouver, Mar. 1.—On good authority it is stated that Premier McBride takes the position of Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works. W. R. Ross, of Fernie, is to be Minister of Mines; and Dr. H. E. Young, of Atlin, to be Provincial Secretary. R. G. Tatlow, sticks to his old billet, Minister of Finance; while F. J. Fulton will be Attorney-General.

Private advices say that Ralph Smith will be appointed to the Commissionship of the Yukon. W. W. B. McInnes will, it is said, be in the field at the bye-election for Nanaimo constituency for the Federal house.

London, Mar. 1.—The Rotterdam mail steamer Berlin, carrying 145 passengers and crew, was wrecked off the Hook of Holland traffic gate. She broke in two. Eleven of the passengers and crew were rescued after clinging to the wreck for 36 hours, in a tempestuous sea.

Vancouver, Mar. 1.—Five of the offices and one vault in the Fairfield Building were entered by a gang of burglars, who secured considerable booty. No trace of them up to the present.

Victoria, Mar. 1.—It has been finally decided that Premier McBride will retain the Victoria seat. W. Manson, brother of the defeated candidate for Alberni, will be nominated to represent the conservatives of Dewdney.

Vancouver, Mar. 1.—The public school teachers salaries have been increased fifteen thousand dollars. The increase has been caused by the large number of teachers being added to the staff.

Quebec, Mar. 1.—The Daily Telegraph newspaper was destroyed by fire a day or so ago. The loss will be in the neighborhood of $100,000.

Pittsburg, Pa.—The Chicago & New York fast train was wrecked near Johnstown, Pa. Four Pullman cars fell over the embankment to the river. Fifty-four persons were injured.

City of Mexico, Mar. 1.—War clouds are hanging over Central America. Honduras has declared war with Nicaragua. Officials in high places say the upheaval is most formidable. The whole of Central America is very liable to be drawn into the affair.

Buried Under a Snow-slide.

Alex. Ross, of Spruce creek, had an experience last week that he will not likely forget, and he is a very lucky man to be walking about today, sound in wind and limb.

Between two and three o'clock in the afternoon he had occasion to go up the hill. When about half way up he noticed the snow above moving and before he could get out of the way the slide came down, sweeping him off his feet and carrying him to the bottom of the hill. He lost consciousness and remained so for hours. On coming too he had a feeling of oppressive weight upon him. For a few moments he hardly realized what had happened or where he was. When the situation did dawn upon him he began to struggle about and claw and scrape away the snow. He was tightly packed in and it took quite a time to wriggle loose enough for elbow room to work. Finally, after what seemed hours, he managed to burrow up and out of the snow, which must have been at least seven feet over him. Weak and exhausted he managed to stagger to his cabin, when he discovered, to his surprise, that it was past midnight. His partners, who were in a neighboring cabin, did not miss him, and it was only in the morning, when they called to know why he had not turned up at the usual hour, that they learned of the accident and his wonderful escape.

Local and General News.

Joe Tallmire is laid up in the hospital with rheumatism. Charley Glave accompanied him in from the Teepee.

Johnston Woods, George Shirley and Hubert McKee were passengers on the incoming stage the early part of the week.

Dr. H. B. Cameron leaves for the outside, on a leave of absence, Saturday or Sunday.

Jack Cartmel assumed his duties at the government office Friday, as clerk in the Mining Recorder's department.

Sheriff John Shirley, who was laid up for a few days with la grippe, is out again attending to business.

S. H. Plumbe, Mrs. Plumbe and the little ones returned to McKee creek the first of the week.

The public school started from the first of the month on the summer schedule. From 9 a. m. to 12; and from 1 to 3.30 p. m.

The hall committee has been very busy during the week getting things into shape for the St. Patrick's concert and dance. The stage is up and is a credit to the builders. The programme is being gotten into shape and everything indicates a good performance.

Frank Wallace, who took Dan Clacher's place on the mail, is in the hospital with a frozen foot. On the trip out, while trying to get over a bad spot, Frank broke through the top ice. His snowshoes caught in the ice and he had to cut the tie-strings in order to free himself. The doctor hopes to avoid amputation, though it may be necessary to cut off one of the toes.

Curling.

The following games have been played during the week:

THE BROWN TROPHY.

Wed. 20—Fetherstonhaugh 11; Fraser 7.

Friday 22—Fetherstonhaugh 11; Fraser 9.

The last game decided the team to play Discovery. The first round in the finals, takes place on the Atlin rink, Saturday, at 1.30; Gilmore vs. Fetherstonhaugh.

THE ROSS TROPHY.

Smith 8; Dowling 7.

Second Round.

Cummings, J. 10; Young 1.
Vickers 9; Cummings, G. S. 8.
Haslett 7; Bragg 6.
Digot (by default); Eggert —.

THE FRASER--SMITH TROPHIES.

26th.—Fraser 10; Fetherstonhaugh 8.
27th.—Sinclair 13; Smith 7.
28th.—Fraser 12; Wheeling 9.

Hampton & Durie, of Discovery, have put up a handsome trophy, to be competed for by Atlin and Discovery rinks.

Liberal Paper's Approval of Dr. Young's Appointment.

The Victoria Daily Times Eulogises Provincial Secretary.

Strongly Recommends District To Return The Doctor By Acclamation.

Both Parties Highly Pleased at Premier McBride's Selection.

The Victoria Daily Times of February 27th, says:

Dr. Young, the representative of Atlin in the provincial legislature, has been selected by Premier McBride to become a member of his cabinet. The Doctor will be given the portfolio of Minister of Education and Provincial Secretary. The announcement of this will come as a surprise to most of those who, outside of the government but claiming to have special knowledge of the Premier's intentions, have been active ever since election day in distributing portfolios. Whatever the views of the supporters of the government may be—and there may possibly be some such who do not regard the appointment with favor—there can be no question that Premier McBride has made a wise if somewhat unexpected choice.

Dr. Young is, beyond question, one of the very able men in the new House. He sat in the legislature but one term, but during that short time he has given substantial proof of excellent capacity as a legislator. As a debater he has displayed a faculty of getting, without unnecessary circumlocution, at the root fundamentals, of dissecting specious arguments, and of shaping legislation. In committee, whether as chairman or mere private member, the Doctor has proved himself sufficiently independent of partyism to do valued work for the province.

The new minister ought to prove a tower of strength to the government as Minister of Education, a department that has suffered in the past for lack of a capable hand. At the same time it is just a question whether political expediency had not a great deal to do in influencing the Premier to promote Dr. Young to the position he now occupies, and, we believe, will adorn."

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The District Honored.

Dr. H. E. Young, member for the Atlin district, was, Wednesday last, sworn in as Provincial Secretary, in the cabinet of the McBride administration.

This is an honor conferred on the district and also an honor to that gentleman who has so ably and efficiently represented us in the House during the last session. The Doctor will be a strong man in the cabinet. His thorough knowledge of the affairs of state is well known. With such associates as McBride, Ross, Fulton and Tatlow we rest assured that the affairs of state will be conducted in a thoroughly business-like manner. The rights of the banner province of the west will be looked after and the interests of every individual within its boundaries guarded and protected.

Our member, the Hon. H. E. Young, will appeal to the district for re-election. There is only one sensible course to pursue. And that is—elect him by acclamation. By doing this harmony and accord will be preserved and the little differences of opinion will be buried under a united effort towards the common good of the district.

To offer opposition at this stage of the game would be little short of lunacy. No one in or out of the district could oppose him with the shadow of a chance of victory. It would only be a reckless waste of energy, time and money, with the inevitable result—ignominious defeat.

Many of the sensible and fair-minded citizens who opposed Doctor Young at the election have expressed themselves as favorable to the idea of return by acclamation.

Now, citizens, its up to you.

The two despatches following speak for themselves:

Victoria, B.C., Feb. 25, 1907.
ATLIN CLAIM, Atlin.

Premier McBride will announce cabinet appointments to-morrow. Dr. Young has been offered and accepted portfolio. Captain Irving endorses his campaign and will not oppose him, for the interest of the district the Doctor should be returned by acclamation.

Colonist.

Victoria, B. C., Feb. 27, 1907.
Editor THE CLAIM, Atlin, B. C.

Atlin is to be congratulated on being represented in the cabinet. Your member's appointment most popular. No good reason seems now to exist why Dr. Young's re-election should be opposed, especially in view of the fact that the conservatives have control of provincial affairs.

(Signed) E. M. N. Woods.

The Star happens once a week at Whitehorse. We publish a clipping from this, same happening. To wit: A letter of thanks from Captain John Irving to his supporters in the Atlin district during the late election.

Our reasons for publishing the letter emanate from good-nature and generosity. The Star does not shine very brightly in this district, and its circulation is weak. Few people would have a chance to read the letter. So, on that account we print it, that everybody will have a chance to peruse same.

It quotes the Captain as saying he was barred from the columns of THE CLAIM. This is an untruth. Captain Irving, in the presence of his own followers, was told that he might use the columns of THE CLAIM any time, over his signature. And as for other liberals wishing to use the columns of the paper, and being refused, there was one—a fellow named Reid. His letter was a long, garrulous, mis-spelt, and tiresome rigmarole, with neither pith nor point. It was sent back to the writer with a request to 'boil it down' and attend to its needs grammatically. Life is too short to waste time on garbled and illiterate effusions from disgruntled individuals who have sour stomachs and a bad taste in the mouth—and who look the part.

Captain John has a 'kick coming' alright, but not at THE CLAIM nor at those who opposed him. No one appreciates being rooked and the Captain had it 'handed to him' pretty strong.

While the letter is signed by the Captain, it does not follow that it was written by him. Somehow, it doesn't sound just like his utterances. He alludes to our issue of Feb. 2nd, and says he did not get a semblance of justice. Ye gods! If the Captain could but realize how many times he left himself open for a beautiful scorching. Why, taking candy from an infant would be hard work compared to it.

The criticisms in the Whitehorse 'happening' during the late election were rather amusing at times. They remind us of the chap who went to see a baseball game. To get a good view he climbed a tree—just outside the fence. From this position he hoots and jeers at the players, and, incidentally, saves the price of admission. He's not in it, but yaps away just the same.

Thanks Friends.

Captain John Irving Takes Defeat Manfully.

"Editor Star:—I wish to impose somewhat on your good nature by using your paper as a medium through which to thank the people of the Atlin riding for their loyal support to me in the late election. While there is a paper published at Atlin, I, with other liberals, am barred from its columns by its publisher. Polly don't even want a cracker, and during the late campaign he did not deign to extend

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even a semblance of justice to those entertaining different views from himself, as was clearly demonstrated in his issue of February 2nd.

To the conservatives:—The battle has been fought; the war is over. "To the victors belong the spoils." Your reputation is not an enviable one on that score, but I hope you will not now take advantage of the liberals, but mete out equal justice to all.

To the liberals, and my personal friends:—I wish to thank you one and all for your valiant and unfaltering support. While defeated in the late issue, we are not beaten, and next time by a long pull and a hard pull and by all pulling together we will ride to victory on the crest of the wave of liberalism, the party of right, the party of civil liberty. Whoever your next candidate may be, victory will perch on his banner, as principle is bound to triumph in the end.

I could not close this address to you, my liberal friends, without expressing my thanks to that war horse, John Kirkland. Meek as a lamb when petted, fierce as a lion when aroused, Jack has in him all that goes to make a true friend. His heart is in the right place. My friend Frank Callbreath is another to whom I wish to extend my thanks for his noble work in my behalf. You are the salt of the earth.

Respectfully,
John Irving.

A Braw Scotch Night.

We are indebted to Mr. Geordie Coutts for the following verses describing beautifully a convivial gathering of men from the land o' the thistle and the bluebell. The author's name we do not know.

If you chance to strike a gathering
of half-a-dozen friends,
Where the drink is Highland whiskey, or chosen 'Border blends';
And the room is full o' 'speirin' and
the grippin' o' brown han's,
And the talk is all of tartans, and of
plaidies and of clans.
You can take things douce and easy,
you can judge you're going right,
For you've had the luck to tumble
on 'a wee Scotch night.'

When you're pitchforked in among
them in a sweepin' sort o' way,
As 'anither mon an' brither' from
the Tweed or from the Tay.
When you're taken by the oxter and
you're couped into a chair,
While someone slips a whisky in
your tumbler—unaware.
Then the present seems less dismal
and the future fair and bright,
For you've struck earth's grandest
treasure, in 'a guid Scotch night.'

When you hear a short name shouted and the same one shouted back
Till you think, in the confuson, that
they've all been christened 'Mac.'
When you see a red beard flashing
in the corner by the fire
And a giant on the sofa who stands
six-foot three, or higher,
Before you've judged the color and
before you've guaged the height
You'll have jumped at the conclusion, it's 'a braw Scotch night.'

When the red man in the corner
puts his strong voice to the proof
As he gives 'the hundred pipers'
and the chorus lifts the roofs;
When a 'chiel' sings 'Annie Laurie'
with its tender, sweet refrain
Till the tears are on the eyelids—
and the drinks come round again.

When they chant the stirring war
songs that would make the coward fight,
Then you're fairly in the middle of
'a braw Scotch night.'

When the plot begins to thicken
and the band begins to play,
When every local chieftan has a
word or two to say,
When they'd sell a Queensland station for a sprig of native heath,
When one 'Mac' is on the table and
a couple underneath.
When half of them are sleeping and
the whole of them are tight,
You'll know that you're assisting
at 'a (hic) Scotch night.'

When the last big bottle's empty,
and the dawn creeps grey and cold,
When the last clan tartan's folded,
and the last big lie is told,
When they totter down the footpath in a brave unbroken line
To the peril of the passer and the
air of Auld Lang Syne,
You can tell the folk at breakfast
as they watch the fearsome sight,
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"Seafaring men who are in the habit of drinking are liable to collide with other vessels."

"Today many people are in jail for committing suicide while under the influence of drink."

The next example is a pathetic wrestle on the part of a child with a well-known text.

"Alcohol is a mocker. At last it biteth like a servant and stingeth like a hatter."

"Alcohol has an effect on a medical man's conclusions."

"Doctors say that fatal diseases are the worst."

"Doctors say that the increased death rate shortens lives."

"Some men turn into lunatics (sic), and have to go to the Lunatic of Sylum."

"Some people think that the abuse of liquor is all right; some people take it as a medicine."

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Windy Arm Prospects.

The Skagway Alaskan publishes an interview with Mr. Fred Ronsendorf, of Conrad, as follows:

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"The Venus, the Vault, the Big Thing and the Dalton properties are all rich and all of them will make mines of great value. They have been developed to a point where that is assured.

"About the middle of January the men working on the Venus struck an ore body 40 feet wide in the lower tunnel, and it is richer than anyone ever hoped to find it. This is the vein that was looked for last fall, and the failure to reach it for a very long time made some men skeptical as to the final outcome of the property's final development.

"Ore is being sacked on the Venus now for shipment below. It will be hauled to Cariboo and sent over the railroad. This will go on the remainder of the winter and next summer.

"That the Big Thing is rich is evidenced by the fact that some men who know what it contains tried to get a lay on it recently and were refused. They were willing to expend their own money and take chances on the results.

"The more work there is done on the Vault the better it looks. It is a splendid property.

"The Toochi and Wheaton river countries are prospecting well, and conservative mining men believe they will both develop into producing mining districts. The boys who are working in the Wheaton country have been pursuing a stringer which was only two inches wide at the surface. It is now two feet wide. They are making a shipment of ore outside and it will yield $100 a ton.

May Acquit Harry Thaw.

The latest New York despatches to the Alaskan state that it is generally believed that Harry K. Thaw will be acquitted. The success of the defence in making the character of Stanford White an issue, the introduction of the will prepared by Harry Thaw before he killed the architect, who has been attacked, and the splendid behavior of Mrs. Thaw on the witness stand have strengthened the position of those who are conducting the case for the young millionaire who is on trial for his life.

It turned out that Thaw fully expected to meet death at the hands of the man whom he finally killed.

The mysterious will of the prisoner which was admitted as evidence, after Jerome had made a mighty struggle to bar it, was read in open court and showed that Thaw had left $10,000 which was to be used to prosecute White in case Thaw was murdered.

If Jerome attempts to disprove the story of Evelyn Nesbit Thaw as to her relations with Stanford White, it will be [illegible] permit the defence to put in evidence as to White's conduct with other women. If his general character can be shown to be that of a man who would probably do what Mrs. Thaw accuses him of having done, it will be corroborative of her testimony. It is said that the defense has many witnesses to prove that White has ruined other girls than Evelyn Nesbit.

One of the strongest witnesses on this point will be Anthony Comstock of the anti-vice society, who has evidence of White's treating a fifteen-year-old chorus girl exactly as Mrs. Thaw testified he treated her.

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Entry must be made personally at the local land office for the district in which the land is situate.

The homesteader is required to perform the conditions connected therewith under one of the following plans:

(1) At least six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year for three years.

(2) If the father (or mother, if the father is deceased) of the homesteader resides upon a farm in the vicinity of the land entered for, the requirements as to residence may be satisfied by such person residing with the father or mother.

(3) If the settler has his permanent residence upon farming land owned by him in the vicinity of his homestead, the requirements as to residence may be satisfied by residence upon the said land.

Six months' notice in writing should be given to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands at Ottawa of intention to apply for patent.

Coal lands may be purchased at $10 per acre for soft coal and $20 for anthracite. Not more than 320 acres can be acquired by one individual or company. Royalty at the rate of ten cents per ton of 2,000 pounds shall be collected on the gross output.

W. W. CORY,
Deputy of the Minister of the Interior

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