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**MINING PROPERTY OF NORTH
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Chicago, April 15.—By the decision of the board of arbitration in the matter of the title and proceeds of the placer mining claim No. 9 Above on Anvil creek, Cape Nome, Alaska, N. O. Hultberg, assignee for the Swedish Evangelical Mission Covenant of America, recoverers from the White Star Mining Company, of Illinois, Dr. Claes W. Johnson and Peter H. Anderson, the claim in dispute and proceeds to the amount of \$263,686.

The arbitrators were Hiram T. Gilbert and A. M. Pence, of Chicago, and David F. Lane, of Berkeley, Cal. The award is signed by Mr. Gilbert and Mr. Lane, Mr. Pence dissenting from their opinion. Peter H. Anderson, formerly a missionary for the covenant at Chinik, Alaska, is directed to pay over immediately to Mr. Hultberg the sum of \$232,200 and the White Star Mining Company of Illinois and Dr. Johnson are directed to surrender to Mr. Hultberg the "No. 9" mine and the additional sum of \$26,000, the net value of the output of the mine in 1903, after it was transferred to the White Star Mining Company of Illinois. Minor awards of \$500, \$1236 and \$3750 were made.

The unusual arbitration case grew out of Alaskan gold mines

staked out by covenant missionaries in 1898.

Mr. Hultberg staked the first claim for his society and when he returned to the states Mr. Anderson and others continued the work. They declared, however, that the mines were their property, not the mission society's. Not wishing to have the church organization appear as a litigant in court, private arbitration was decided on, the hearings beginning in secret on February 28.

Two of the disputed claims were at one time held by Eskimos and this necessitated the presence in Chicago of Gabriel and Constantine Uparaczuk, natives of Alaska. The ownership of mine No. 9 was the only one passed upon by the arbitrators.

The opinions of Arbitrators Gilbert and Lane recites that "Anderson himself did not either directly or indirectly make any contribution either by labor or money toward the acquisition of the title to the claim in question. He never saw it until sometime after the legal title to the mine became vested in him."

The counsel for Hultberg included N. Soderberg, a former judge of San Francisco; Frank Quinn, Peoria, and H. F. Williams, Chicago. The defense was represented by Judge Chytraus.

DUKE CYRIL'S ESCAPE.

Marvelous Adventure Told By Dispatch From Scene.

St. Petersburg, April 15.—A telegram from Grand Duke Boris to Grand Duke Vladimir, dated at Liao Yang yesterday, gives Grand Duke Cyril's account of his escape from death in the disaster to the Petropavlovsk. According to his story Cyril fell at the moment of the explosion to the port side of the bridge and from there he lowered himself to the deck. He was then swept away by an immense wave and sank to a considerable depth, but succeeded in regaining the surface. By his own effort he caught a floating fragment of the Petropavlovsk's steam launch to which he clung or about 10 minutes, when he was picked up by the destroyer Bezshumi. The telegram adds that Cyril's aide-de-camp, Lieutenant Von Kube, perished.

Record Nearly Broken.

New York, April 15.—The Carter handicap drew nearly 20,000 people to the Aqueduct today when the Metropolitan racing season was opened. Beldame won the handicap. Peter Paul, the favorite, was second and Watson was third. The time, 1:27, was within a second of the record for the stake.

What it Costs.

They are beginning to realize the fact in Russia that there is little glory in war, and that it is immensely costly. Now that the sea route between European and Asiatic Russia is closed and the trans-Siberian line is monopolized by the military authorities trade is at a standstill. Deducting the amount required by law to be held as security for outstanding paper currency, the gold in the imperial bank

amounts to 533,000,000, but the whole of this balance could be employed as a war fund only at the risk of greatly disturbing the course of exchange and impairing the credit of the government. The Turkish war cost Russia 1,000,000,000 rubles, and it is unlikely that the cost of the present conflict will be less. The authorities are agreed that the country is taxed to the limit. Where is the money necessary to the conduct of the war to come from? This is the question which will call more and more insistently for an answer as the struggle in the far east progresses.—Omaha Bee.

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SHIPS HAVE HARBOR CHARTS

Retired American Naval Officer Believes That Story of Mine Sent Out Too Absurd to Be Believed.

New York, April 15.—Expressions from St. Petersburg of a belief that the Japanese are using submarine boats in their Port Arthur attacks are given color by a statement credited to a retired naval officer in this city. He declares it to be the only way in which one can account for the succession of disasters met by the Russian ships.

"It is incredible," he said, "that ships which undoubtedly have charts of the mines aboard should be blown up by them. One of the first things Vice-Admiral Makaroff did when he reached Port Arthur was to re-survey Port Arthur and locate the mines.

"What is the sense of these constant bombardments if they are not feints made in order to entice the Russian ships out? The theories that the Petropavlovsk struck her own mines, or that the Japanese planted a mine during a night are untenable and we know that the Japanese have sub marines.

"A United States naval officer landed at the wrong dock, apparently an unused wharf, in a Japanese town before the war and saw a submarine surrounded on three sides by high fences so that it was visible only from the water side. Before he had an opportunity to examine it Japanese soldiers on guard drove him away with fierce threats. They seemed highly indignant that he should have caught sight of the boat at all."

GOOD TRADE CONTINUES.

Reports From Important Centers are of Favorable Nature.

New York, April 15.—Special dispatches to the International Mercantile Agency report a continuance of favorable trade conditions in most centers of the country. Unseasonable weather is still restricting business in certain parts of the south and west. This has been specially noticeable in wholesale drygoods, where the movement has been delayed, although sales in general average up to last year, in some sections even surpassing the 1903 total. While seeding throughout the northwest has been retarded by a late spring the season is not suffi-

ciently, far advanced to warrant any definite predictions concerning crop prospects. The St. Paul district reports a fairly good outlook with chances of greatly improved prospects as soon as good weather permits the farmer to go on with his work.

Collections in some lines are behind a year ago. This applies especially where trade has been retarded by the late spring or peculiar vicissitudes.

Improvements in iron have been thoroughly sustained. Pittsburg district reports volume of business likely to equal last year's record. Consumptive demand is alone governing the market.

Fitz Accepts Challenge.

New York, April 15.—A match probably will be arranged within a few days between Robert Fitzsimmons and Kid McCoy for a six-round battle before one of the Philadelphia clubs. Fitzsimmons has accepted the numerous challenges recently presented by McCoy's managers and has declared his readiness for six rounds within six weeks time at catch weights, or a bout of 20 or 25 rounds for the middle-weight championship within two months.

Strike Comes to End.

New York, April 15.—A strike inaugurated two weeks ago by the Elevator Constructors' Union has ended in the acceptance of an arbitration plan and the men have returned to work. The constructors demanded an advance in wages from \$4.25 to \$5.25 a day.

Sunset Dreams.

The moth and beetle wing about
 The garden ways of other days;
 Above the hills a fiery shout
 Of gold, the day dies slowly out.
 Like some wild blast a huntsman
 blows;
 And o'er the hills my fancy goes,
 Following the sunset's golden call,
 Unto a vine-hung garden wall.
 Where she awaits me in the gloom,
 Between the lily and the rose,
 With arms and lips of warm perfume—
 The dream of love my fancy knows.
 The glow-worm and the firefly glow
 Among the ways of bygone days;
 A golden shaft shot from a bow
 Of silver, star and moon swing low
 Above the hills where twilight lies;
 And o'er the hills my longing flies,
 Following the star's far, arrowed gold,
 Unto a gate, where as of old,
 She waits amid the rose and rue,
 With star-bright hair and night-dark eyes.
 The dream, to whom my heart is true,
 My dream of love that never dies.
 —In the April Reader Magazine

A THOUGHTFUL MAN.

M. M. Austin, of Winchester, Ind., knew what to do in the hour of need. His wife had such an unusual case of stomach and liver trouble, physicians could not help her. He thought of and tried Dr. King's New Life Pills and she got relief at once and was finally cured. Only 25c at Charles Rogers' drug store.

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