

MIKADO BUYS ANTIMONY MINE FILES HIS DENIAL

Pays \$100,000 for Property Which Is Needed to Supply Material for Powder—Alaska Pioneer Closes Deal With Little Brown Agent.

(United Press Special Wire.)
 San Francisco, Dec. 5.—The Mikado has purchased for \$100,000 from Joe Silscovitch, the famous Alaskan pioneer, the largest antimony mine in America, from which the Japanese government will take vast stores of mineral containing valuable ingredients for smokeless powder and materials which will make the steel hulls of Nippon battleships proof against barnacles.

The deal was closed here through agents of the Japanese government, who paid over to Silscovitch \$10,000 in cash and signed an agreement to pay the remaining \$90,000 within 30 days.

Silscovitch arrived here four days ago and was met by the Japanese agents, who had received reports of an assay of ore taken secretly from the mine in September. Japanese experts have made a complete investigation not only of this mine but nearly all important property in Alaska during the last six months.

Silscovitch was surprised when the offer was made to him and he accepted immediately. He staked the claim and the \$100,000 is practically clear profit.

Japan's Zealors.
 As no mining operations are possible in Alaska in the winter time no work can be done in exploiting the mine until next season. It is understood, however, that by next spring all the preparations will have been completed to throw a large force of Japanese laborers into the property to open the mine under the direction of Japanese engineers.

The ore will be transferred to the Mikado's vessels on the coast and carried across the Pacific to furnish Japanese factories with the materials for strengthening the naval efficiency of that nation.

In the last year Alaska has been overrun by Japanese agents who have diligently hunted for minerals especially desired by their government. The American settlers in the territory have jealously watched the encroachments of the little brown men and have driven them out wherever they seemed to be trying to gain a foothold. Despite opposition the Japanese have doggedly stuck to their purpose but, instead of working in the open, have conducted their investigations in secret.

When the Mikado's agents learned of the antimony deposits in the Pilgrim River mine they secretly obtained the ore for a test before they opened negotiations with Silscovitch. Even now, with the mine practically in their possession, the Japanese authorities are maintaining the greatest reticence about their purchase.

The deal was closed in the private office of Consul General Takahashi of San Francisco.

Silscovitch made famous in the stories by Rex Beach, who knew him when he conducted a road house. He appears to have been a sportsman, a "thaw at Silsco's." Three years ago the mine attracted much attention by closing a deal in New York by which he obtained \$10,000. With \$10,000 he bought an automobile and started out to burn up Broadway. His main fame came when he gave a champagne breakfast to which many of the people about town were invited and at which the host appeared in a full dress suit, wearing a brown derby hat.

He said today that he would take another trip to Manhattan as soon as he collects the remaining \$90,000 due him from the Mikado.

DOGS, NOT WIFE, HAD HIS LOVE

Mrs. Bevan Charges Husband With Preferring Canine Company.

That John W. Bevan loved his dogs better than his wife is charged in an amended complaint for divorce filed by Elizabeth Bevan in the circuit court yesterday afternoon. She says that he turned the basement of their house into a kennel, where he kept eight or nine dogs. He required her to look after them, she says, and when she demurred and asked him to dispose of the animals, he told her that if she did not like to do what he told her to do, she could "take their little girl and clear out."

At another time, she says, he advised her that if she did not like his way she could "clear out and paddle her own canoe." This was when she remonstrated with him for going to the carnivals and staying away for a week or two weeks at a time.

Again, she charges, he threw the alarm clock at her when there was no necessity for waking her up. It hit her on the head. They were married in Portland in February, 1893, and the wife alleges that she was deserted in January, 1905.

JUSTICE COURT JURY FINDS GEER GUILTY

Roseburg, Or., Dec. 5.—T. F. Geer was found guilty by a jury in Justice Long's court today of the charge of entering and defacing a cabin on Mrs. Tharp's timber claim, west of Brockway. He was fined \$50. The case will be appealed to the circuit court.

What is Catarrh?

A Dangerous Disease Affecting Thousands of People.
 It is an inflammation of the mucous membrane, and may affect the nose, throat, stomach, bowels, or bladder.
NASAL CATARRH is most common, often coming on so gradually that it has a firm hold before it is suspected. Catarrh is aggravated by colds, but depends on impure blood. When chronic it is liable to develop into consumption. It is therefore very serious. The true remedy for catarrh is Hood's Sarsaparilla, because it purifies the blood, and removes the cause, effecting radical and permanent cures.
 Begin treatment at once with **Hood's Sarsaparilla**.
 In usual liquid form or chocolate tablets known as Sarsaparilla. 100 doses. Antiseptics or Catarrhics promptly relieve local catarrh, conductive discharge, swollen throat. Price 50c. Druggists or sent by mail. A. C. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

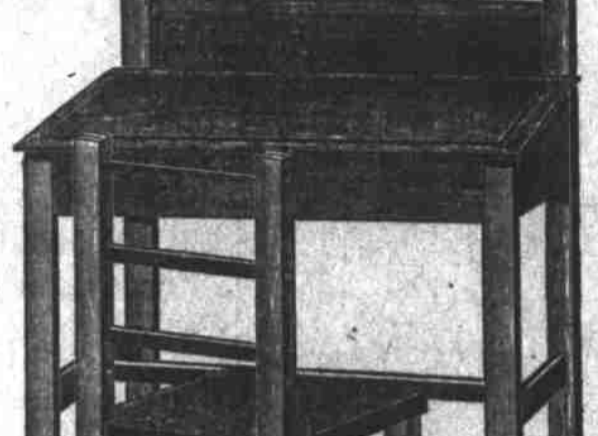


You Are Welcome to Credit
 By making large purchases we are able to offer for the Holiday Season a few Specials for children's use that are within reach of any purse. Our other lines are now complete and it is our aim that prices shall always be reasonable here. Please notice the special offerings this week



\$2.75 Value for \$1.25 Child's Morris Rocker

Made of solid oak, golden or mission finish. Not a toy chair, but useful as well as attractive.
 Same style frame, with seat and back upholstered in imitation leather; \$3.25 value, our price only \$1.75.
 The picture shows a chair, but what we have for sale are rockers, exactly same pattern.



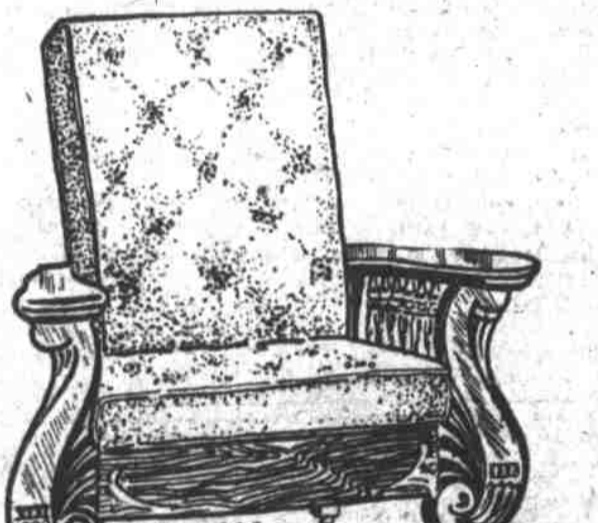
\$5 Desk and Chair, \$2.95

For children, but not so small as the price would suggest. Notice the size; desk is 28 inches high; top, 22 in. by 17 in., can be raised, showing compartment for books underneath; desk and chair are both oak and can be furnished in golden or weathered finish; price of both only \$2.95



\$10.50 Sunlight Heaters, \$8.50

At our regular price we have sold hundreds of these stoves to people who have looked everywhere and told us it was the best stove in town for the money. They are exactly like the illustration and the size of the one quoted is 17 1/2 inches exactly, inside measure; top and bottom of heavy cast iron, nickel legs and nickel rails; it has a large front door and very ornamental top with nickel trim; a red hot bargain at this price. \$8.50



Sale of Morris Chairs

Of these we have a grand selection and the wise buyers are already on the move to pick out the best. If you wait until December 24 at 9 p. m. you will have to take the leavings. Buy—and do it now.



\$1.25 Value for 65c Brass Finished Doll Bed

Two hundred mothers have already taken advantage of this opportunity of making 200 little ones happy at a trifling expense. We have only 200 more, and Christmas buying has hardly started. Read the description: Complete doll bed with mattress, pillows and canopy of flowered cretonne, size 18 inches long, 11 inches wide, 15 inches high; constructed of unbreakable brass finished steel rods, exactly like the illustration; can be folded perfectly flat; price only 65c



Casteel Cook Stoves

These are different from the ordinary stove, they are more like a steel range than a stove; the ovens and bodies are of heavy enameled sheet steel lined with asbestos; they heat quicker and use less fuel than an ordinary stove and the sides and oven can not crack. They are just like the illustration and sit on a solid base as shown in place of legs usually used in low priced stoves. We can furnish in three sizes, for either wood or coal; 16-inch oven, \$12.00; 18-inch oven, \$16.20; 20-inch oven, \$18.00

Parlor Cabinets at Cost

A limited line of beautiful solid Mahogany Parlor Cabinets, backed with French Bevel Plate Mirrors, is offered at actual cost price. These cabinets are made to hold and display art goods, curios and specialties. If you like big values at small prices see them.
 No. 322—Regular \$25.00, Our Cost Price \$15.00
 No. 408—Regular \$27.50, Our Cost Price \$19.00
 No. 284—Regular \$45.00, Our Cost Price \$31.00
 No. 218—Regular \$47.50, Our Cost Price \$33.00

Sale of Cottage Dinner Sets

Forty-nine pieces of beautiful decorated ware with gilt lines, special at above price this week. \$4.45

Pictures at Half Price

We are closing out our stock of Pictures. You can pick up some nice things here at about one-half of what they are worth; \$9.00 to \$7.00.



Easy Terms

Solid oak octagon Tabourettes, like the illustration, special! \$2.50

Usual Price.	Sale Price
\$14.00	\$10.00
\$16.00	\$11.00
\$17.50	\$12.00
\$20.00	\$14.50
\$35.00	\$25.00

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SAILORS MUST BE SLAVES NO MORE

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 facts as presented to them by the mayor are made plain.
 But if the veto should not be sustained, Wischusen & Jones declare Attorney George M. Shepherd that they will continue to operate, and if the city arrests them their defense will be that they have been granted a license under certain conditions and that they have not violated their contract with the city. Attorney Shepherd says the city is bound to lose out if the law is invoked, as the employment firm has an unassailable position.
 Following is the veto message given out by the mayor last night:
 To the Honorable City Council—I return herewith ordinance No. 18,628 not approved. This is an ordinance which revokes a license granted to George H. Wischusen and Charles Jones to conduct an employment agency at No. 121 Burdette street.
 The reason for the revocation of the license of these persons, is alleged in the ordinance, to be that it was obtained by misrepresentation.
 The facts which relate to this affair seem to be that the firm of Wischusen and Jones after securing a license to conduct an agency, began operations by obtaining employment for idle sailors in need of work upon such ships lying in the harbor as required their services. In securing employment for sailors and not confining their attention to providing places for other kinds of labor these persons have evidently disturbed conditions which have long existed in this city, and thereby apparently have made it unpleasant for such persons as are much interested in the methods to be pursued in that line of work. Whether this is true or not, the fact would seem to be that anyone having held for a license or grant to engage in the employment business would be in possession of a right to secure employment for any and all persons, sailors not excepted, so long as the work to be engaged in was not an unlawful occupation.
 I am likewise of the opinion that not only Messrs. Wischusen and Jones, from whom the license is attempted to be taken away by this ordinance, but all other employment agents are quite within their rights, and at full liberty to secure employment at their offices. He was one of the first settlers in the Galatin valley and many times had to flee before Indian raids. He came to Montana during the historic gold stampede to Alder gulch in 1862.

BELIEVED TO HAVE TAKEN FIRM'S MONEY

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
 North Yakima, Wash., Dec. 5.—That D. C. Gollnick of the Gollnick-King Construction company has decamped with the funds of the company is the opinion of H. S. King, junior member of the firm. Gollnick has been missing since Tuesday. He came here last spring from California. The firm has many concrete contracts in Yakima valley. Mr. King expects to pay all creditors in full.

PROMINENT MONTANA PIONEER SUCSUMBS

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
 Butte, Mont., Dec. 5.—James Culver, 77 years of age, one of the state's most prominent pioneers, died at Elliston today. Mr. Culver was a famous character of the early days and as one of the vigilante leaders assisted in hanging half a dozen of the Plummer gang of outlaws to an iron tree.
 He was one of the first settlers in the Gallatin valley and many times had to

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