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KLONDIKE.

More News From Alaska.

Reports of Another Rich Strike on Stewart River.

TACOMA, Aug. 13.—Ed S. Hamilton, of the stevedoring firm of Hamilton & McCabe, have received a letter written at Juneau by W. J. Rogers, who went there on the steamer City of Topeka on her last trip northward. The letter was brought down by the Topeka. It is as follows:

"It is reported that a party poled up the Yukon river and brought out news of a big strike on Stewart river, and as much excitement prevails here as anywhere.

"Most rumors about the Klondike are as unreliable here as in Tacoma, but I have talked with men who have been at Klondike and have come to the conclusion, that there is more freight at Dyea than can possibly be taken over the pass this winter, or 'season,' and that the Dyea pass is the only certain one by which a person can reach the interior at this time of the year. The White pass is not completed.

"Many people will spend the winter here. Others are going over the pass to the lake. The pushers who are here will get through. As high as twenty cents a pound and more is being paid for packing supplies on the pass. I cannot give definite figures for packing.

"I would not advise anyone coming north now that they would get through. I think chances would be greatly against them.

"There is no way of getting over Telegraph creek now and will not be before July, if then. I will write to you from Dyea."

PLEASANT ON THE TRAIL.

R. G. Hudson has received a letter from his son, who left here on the steamer Mexico for Dyea. In a letter written on July 30, after the arrival at Dyea, he says:

"The weather is fine and we do not expect to have trouble crossing the pass as we are all well fixed with pack animals. I am enjoying the trip and still have the gold fever as bad as ever."

In another letter dated August 2, he writes: "We have gotten all of our freight and are two days on the trail. It is not half as heavy or as hard as I expected, and I am really enjoying the outdoor life."

BIG RUSH AT SKAGUA.

The Victoria Colonist contains the following news brought south by the steamer Tuesday which arrived at Victoria Tuesday:

"When the Islander arrived at Skagua, August 2, the chief point of debarkation at the present time, she found the promised wharf as yet uncompleted, the workmen in spite of their \$8 a day in hand having contracted Klondicitis as badly as the people in remote cities, and taken their way to the mines.

The tedious work of discharging the heavily laden steamer by ship's boats and rafts was accordingly adopted perforce, and so well did all join in, that the task was much more speedily accomplished than any one would have dared to hope. Thursday seeing the last outfit transferred to land, and the cabins and hold of the C. P. N. flagship again deserted.

"During the progress of discharging 'all hands' to use the common expression 400 men at the lowest estimate, were housed on the Islander. As it rained continuously during the greater part of the time, the conveniences of the big steamer were never more heartily appreciated.

JOHN E. LATHROP WRITES.

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 14.—John E. Lathrop, a well-known newspaper man of Pendleton, Ore., who went to Dyea, Alaska, on the steamer Elder, writes to the Associated Press from Dyea, under the date of August 8, as follows:

"All sober-minded persons here unite in urging people in the states not to come up here until spring. There remains no shadow of a doubt as to the wisdom of this advice. No one among the late arriving passengers, or among persons who have been here several weeks, or who live here, but says not 10 per cent of the people now here can get over the passes this year.

"There is no object in coming this fall, only confusion and severe suffering, and liability of trouble, will increase as the number increases.

"One Indian was shot yesterday for attempting to steal from a miner's pack.

"The men are getting restless on account of being compelled to remain here with no means of transportation over the passes. By spring transportation will be provided, and people can get through.

"I can say absolutely that, at the present time, the condition of the White pass is not known, as I am right in constant communication with all means of knowing, and am making Skagua my headquarters. Just as soon as the pass is demonstrated as a feasible route, we will send word by the next steamer's mail.

"At present all reports concerning the White trail are purely speculative, and come from men who are excited, and who are not going to the ground themselves and making personal investigation. One hears thousands of the wildest rumors, and only the man who packs some grub on his back and goes to the spot himself can give any reliable information. One thing can be said as a finality—not 10 per cent of the people now here will get over this fall.

STRIKE.

A Sheriff's Deputy Nearly Caused a Riot.

PITTSBURG, Aug. 14.—Injunctions by the court have put a stop to marches by the strikers against the N. Y. & Cleveland Gas Coal company, for a time at least. But in the execution of the injunction, the sheriff and his deputies narrowly escaped precipitating serious trouble. As it was, the first blood of the strike was shed. Henry Stewart, one of the sheriff's deputies struck Jacob Mott, a drummer of the McDonald band, with edge of a brass horn, and cut a severe gash above his eye.

The sight of the blood wrought up the 1000 idle miners to such a pitch a desperate conflict was imminent. The deputies also were excited and noisy. The strikers were jeering and yelling and urged a further rush.

There were enough of the miners to annihilate the deputies. Captain Bellingham, Sheriff Lowrey, Chief Deputy James Richards and Superintendent DeArmitt were the only cool men in the assemblage. To them and to Captain Bellingham belongs the credit of avoiding a riot.

When Bellingham saw there was danger of his men getting beyond his control, he commanded a halt and addressed himself to the task of restraining the more belligerent. So well were his efforts directed that he soon had restored comparative order.

Sheriff Lowrey had a difficult task to perform, but he handled it well and by his coolness and good nature, did much to neutralize the bitterness and strife invited by his subordinates. The strikers finally retired back to their camp. There were several other brushes with the deputies, but no actual collisions.

After the miners returned to camp, the officers held a conference with their attorney, and he advised them to quit marching until the court had heard the argument next Monday over a bill to equity brought by the New York & Cleveland Gas Coal company, as it might injure their case if they were brought up for contempt before the court.

INSANE.—John A. Anderson, acting deputy sheriff of Coos County, today accompanied Alfred Anderson, aged 30 years, to the insane asylum.

RIOT.

The Woodmen of America.

Trouble Over the Removal of Camp Headquarters.

FULTON, Ill., Aug. 14.—The long standing fight between this town and Rock Island, for the location of the headquarters of the Modern Woodmen of America culminated in a hand to hand fight between scores of partisans of the respective towns, in which a number of persons were seriously injured.

At the recent convention held at Dubuque, Iowa, it was decided to move the offices of Head Clerk Hawes to Rock Island. Citizens of Fulton applied to the court for an order restraining the removal. A temporary injunction was granted and the controversy went over to the fall term of court.

The action of the Rock Island people was prompted by a decision of Judge Gast, rendered at Cambridge dissolving the injunction which had prevented the removal of the headquarters from Fulton.

A party was made up in the city and plans were made for a raid on the Fulton headquarters, with the object of taking possession of the books, records, etc., of the order, and removing the office of Head Clerk Hawes to Rock Island. A train was chartered consisting of three coaches, a baggage car and two box cars, and the invaders were soon on their way to Fulton.

The inhabitants of the latter town were forewarned, however, and made ready to give uninvited guests a cordial reception.

The Rock Island delegation arrived at 6 o'clock last evening with 575 men, and immediately proceeded to the offices of the Woodmen order. Though they met with desperate resistance from the start, the Rock Islanders succeeded in getting the bulk of the records out to the train. The Fultonites, in the meantime, had called out the fire department, sounding a general alarm, and with the augmented crowd succeeded in tearing up the track in front of the locomotive. It was then attempted to back the train, whereupon the Fulton crowd tore up the track in the rear.

By this time Fultonites were reinforced by crowds from Clinton and Lyons, and having this advantage, and with it the use of the arms of the Lyons company of the state militia a guard was formed about the train.

In the meantime, two additional masters in chancery injunctions were secured, and the sheriff swore in 200 deputies to assist in enforcing the laws. The Fulton people showed fight from the moment the Rock Island crowd arrived. They began hostilities by tearing up the walks about the depot, and assaulting the invaders with the planks. At the head office, the village marshal, William Bennett, stood with a drawn revolver. A brick from one of the invaders felled him to the ground.

The Rock Islanders then rushed into the office and captured the records. At the depot, which is half a block distant, the fight was renewed, and here it took the nature of a riot. The Fultonites finally got the better of the fight, and Deputy Sheriff Farley effected the arrest of Head Attorney Johnson, of the Modern Woodmen, one of the Rock Island party, and 150 of his companions.

The scene of the fighting bears evidence of a lively warfare, and as there were a number of fire-arms in both parties, it is a wonder the affair did not result more seriously than it did. The scrimmage resulted in the following casualties.

Will Bennet, city marshal of Fulton, head cut; believed to be fatally injured. W. Flannagan, head badly cut. James Carrier, head cut. Ed Barre, head and arms injured; Cy Miller, Lyons, Ia. head cut; P. J.

Casey, Moline, Ill., head badly injured; Cornelius O'Brien, Rock Island, injured on head; Albert Spencer, Rock Island, face cut; Walter Fowler, Fulton, head cut; Charles Weinburger, Rock Island, head cut; T. Burns, Rock Island, head cut; R. Winter, Rock Island, cut over the right eye; G. W. Sample, Rock Island, head cut, condition serious; Andrew Lunheim, Fulton, head injured, condition serious; L. V. Eickhart, Rock Island, head cut.

A score of others were more or less bruised and cut. The free fight lasted for an hour or more. Rocks, clubs and missiles of every description were wielded industriously by the opposing forces.

GOVERNOR APPEALED TO.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Aug. 14.—Governor Tanner has received a dispatch from Fulton asking that troops be sent there to quell the riot among the members of the Modern Woodmen. The governor decided not to order out the troops before morning at least. By that time he will have further advice from Fulton.

Administration for Gold.

DENVER, Aug. 14.—Senator Teller arrived home. In an interview he expressed himself as strongly opposed to the combination of the Silver Republicans with the McKinley Republican in this state this fall. On the money question he said:

"It is the purpose, undoubtedly, of this administration to retire the greenbacks and treasury notes, and perfect a system by which the nation banks will be authorized to issue all the paper money. Their next move will be to retire silver, and then the bank notes will not be legal tender. What will be the result? The administration will have succeeded in making gold the only money by which debts can be paid. All debts will have to be paid in the yellow metal."

HOP NEWS.

Just at this time the hop crop in Clackamas county is an uncertain quantity. While some yards have an excellent appearance, the aphids and honey dew are wrecking others, and the outlooks are conflicting to some extent. Remunerative, prices, however prevail, and it is to be hoped that some of the yards are not so badly injured as reported.—Oregon City Herald.

Independence West Side: The damage done by the hop house has been largely overestimated. In some yards they have all disappeared since the continuation of the warm dry weather, and the spraying in others has been a success.

N. G. Pitzer, of Trent Lane county, states the hops in his section of the country have been destroyed by the lice. There are but few yards in that region and no spraying was done and the lice operated without interference. Many yards are already blackened.

F. J. Miller, of McMinnville, who spent the past three weeks traveling over the country and noting carefully the condition of the hop crop, says the yards are practically clean. Where cultivation and spraying have been attended to there are no lice. Pickling will begin about September 10, and 65 cents per 100 pounds will be the ruling price.

There is quite an acreage of hops in the immediate neighborhood of Lafayette that will be picked and put on the market in first-class condition. Judicious spraying has compelled the hop lice to take a back seat. The price for pickling will be 30 cents per box.

The hop lice will damage the yards in this locality, at a very moderate estimation, \$50,000. this year.—Selo Press.

Reports from the hop districts are not so encouraging as they were a few weeks ago. The aphids is getting in its deadly work and in some instances mould and honey dew are ruining the hops to some extent. While some yards in the southern part of Clackamas county and contiguous districts in Marion county are in fine condition, others are the opposite. There is even a difference of opinion as to whether spraying destroys the aphids or not. One drawback, however, to spraying is the fact that the foliage is so luxuriant in its growth this season, that it is impossible to reach all the lice with a sprayer. The outlook may not be so bad if hot, dry weather continues.—Oregon City Courier.

CUBA.

Butcher Weyler Resigns.

He Was Whipped and Compelled to Retreat.

NEW YORK, Aug. 14.—A dispatch to the Herald from Havana, via Key West, says:

"I have learned on what seems to be the best authority that Captain-General Weyler has sent his resignation to Madrid. This report is generally believed to be true.

"There is no doubt that the resignation of Weyler is due to the assassination of Canovas del Castillo."

DEFEAT CONFIRMED.

KEY WEST, Fla., Aug. 14.—An important engagement took place yesterday near Cardenas, Matanzas province. The Spaniards were badly defeated with a heavy loss. General Molina was killed. The fight lasted several hours, and General Weyler was obliged to retreat from Aguacate. The insurgents are waiting outside of the town to see if they can attack his forces there. The people of Havana fear the dangers of the situation of Weyler.

Near Gibra Santiago de Cuba province, the town of Rosalia was attacked. The insurgents entered the town without resistance, finding many Spanish soldiers drunk on the streets and most of the officers at a ball. They made a machine charge, killing a captain, three lieutenants and 30 soldiers. Twenty-five guerrillas who came to the aid of the Spanish were mached. After sacking the town it was burned, and only three houses were left.

Weyler has ordered all stores at Esperanza not to sell goods, but to close their doors. The people are dying of hunger and the sick cannot buy drugs. Weyler wants to punish them because the insurgents entered the town and the people made no resistance.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

Twelve auriferous regions have been found along the banks of rivers in eastern Siberia.

Queen Victoria's new yacht is to cost \$1,500,000. John Bull is always delighted to have his leg pulled by the royal family.

A likely postal change is one requiring that registered letters be inclosed in stout lined envelopes to be issued by the government.

Sutter Brothers of Chicago, to avoid the increased duty, withdrew their Sumatra tobacco from the warehouse and made \$15,000 by that simple operation.

A beer trust is contemplated with a capital of \$200,000,000 and an output of 6,000,000 gallons annually, it being figured that this will just about size up the input.

Germany has in course of preparation for world's fair at Paris in 1900 an exhibit which is intended to surpass any thing of the kind ever attempted by any nation.

A St. Louis paper thinks Klondike is not the only pebble on the gravel train, mentioning a Montana mine that was bought for 95 cents and sold for \$1,800,000.

Civil pensions \$500 each have been granted to the widows of Anthony Trolope and Charles Dickens the younger. "In consideration of the literary merits of their husbands and their straitened circumstances."

Maxim's new gun hurls through the air a torpedo weighing 2700 pounds, half of which is picric acid. A few dropped among a hostile fleet ought to make a first class illumination. Maxim alleges that for the cost of a single cruiser he would take a contract to destroy a thousand battleships with these devil's drops of his.

FRUIT SHIPMENTS.—The O. F. & P. company is now shipping a carload of pears a day to Chicago and New York from the big Wallace orchard, and an equal amount from other orchards. The Wallace pears go as the "R. S. W. Brand," while all others go as the "Red Hills Brand." Manager Kyle is arranging to ship a solid train load next week.

CASTORIA. The famous Castoria is in every wrapper.

JOURNAL "X-RAYS."

Bloomers have bloomed in Salem, and now they are only a faded flower.

Mark Hanna for counsel, and John Sherman for respectability.—President McKinley.

Pap Richardson threatens if the insurance men oppose his license bill he will raise the tax to \$1000 a year.

The sweet tinklings of the tariff tinklers are over now we are about to undergo a siege of currency tinkering. Verily, this is a tinkering age.

When you hear a National banker complain about the severity of the National banking law on his business, ask him why he doesn't change his business.

It is gratifying to know that the London papers are pleased with the new tariff law. They say "It gives us the commerce of the world."

Grain bags are selling at 64 cents in Roseburg, a decided advance over last year.—Review. They have "riz" in Salem to the same figure. Now hear the farmers, 'Rah for the tariff.

The Statesman praises ex-Governor Pennoyer and damns Governor Lord. Wonder why? Pennoyer appointed Bob Hendricks superintendent of the reform school; Lord fired him. See?

Four grocery stores failed in Astoria in a single day last week. The proprietors did not read the Oregonian and were, therefore, unaware of the arrival of prosperity.—Roseburg Review.

While the Street manipulators are spending taxes to beautify back streets with expensive street graders, they are conducting a nursery on Commercial street, and will soon have a lot of shade trees to sell.

The Oregonian says "the new tariff is going to put up the price of goods to consumers," but working-men will receive higher wages. The first part of the statement is true, says the Republican Tacoma Ledger.

The virtuous Bob Hendricks wants to be county judge. He proposes to compel Judge Terrell to resign and then compel Gov. Lord to appoint him to the place. He proposes to make his paper so hot that Lord will have to appoint him to exist.

The world is gold crazy, but California doesn't propose to let the north pole get all the glory. Do the people know that Marion and Linn counties, in Oregon, have opened scores of good mines the past year.

Read the following good silver item from the Statesman: "The Salem banks have already commenced to receive shipments of silver coin for use in paying for handling the hop crop. Perhaps \$10,000 in silver dollars has already been received. It will require all the way from \$60,000 to \$100,000 to pay for picking and curing the hops in the Salem district this season."

How do the Republicans like the following Democratic praise from the Statesman:

"In the old days when Pennoyer was governor and Uncle George Webb was state treasurer a good news item capitol reporters received semi-annually (in July and January) was the report of the state treasurer. But in these days of good government honestly administered, in these days of retrenchment, reform and legislative hold-ups, in these days of economy, the state treasurer's semi-annual report is withheld from public inspection. It is understood there were \$6,000,000 in the state treasury on July 1, last. Of course these figures are not official. The Statesman stands ready to correct them at any time upon official information."

Sunday Base Ball.

Sunday afternoon, the Salem horse-men will play a game of baseball with the "Knights of the anvil" on the Fair Grounds' diamond. The game will be called at 2:30, o'clock and no admission will be charged. It is expected Doug Minto will umpire the game.

REPORTED ELOPEMENT.—The rumor is current on our streets that one of Salem's handsomest and most charming young society belles has today eloped with a gay traveling man with whom she had been keeping company for some time. The rumor cannot be verified at this early hour, but some of the young lady's friends think it possible if not probable.

BUSINESS.

Bradstreet & Dunn Reports

Confidence and Prosperity Returning—Brighter Prospects.

NEW YORK, Aug. 14.—Bradstreet's says today:

Evidence of a widespread revival in the demand for merchandise and other products have become so numerous as to compel general recognition. Interior merchants are buying dry goods, clothing, shoes, groceries and fancy articles far more freely than at any time since 1892.

Wheat scored an advance of 7 cents on continued exports, and there is a tendency to increase the estimates of the size of the domestic crop. Exports of wheat (flour included as wheat) from both coasts of the United States and Montreal this week aggregate 4,460,519 bushels, an increase over last week of more than 1,000,000 bushels and, compared with shipments in the same week a year ago, of 2,365,000 bushels. The world wide character of the demand for our wheat and flour is illustrated by the exports to such far-off and infrequent customers as Rio de Janeiro, in Brazil; Calla, in Peru, and Sarabuan, in the island of Java, not to mention the heavily increased shipment to Europe, China and the East.

R. G. Dun & Company's Weekly Review says today:

Every city reporting this week notes an increase in trade, and nearly all report brighter prospects. The strong rise in stocks, the growth of band clearings and railroad earnings and the increased speculation in many products, most of all in wheat, have made the week one of surpassing interest, even to those who have remembered the upward rush of 1879.

Spreading Out.

The following item from the Eugene Guard would indicate that the Thos. Kay Woolen Mill company is in a prosperous condition, and will hereafter conduct a business at Eugene: "The Brownsville clothing store, which has been conducted in the Grange store building by Messrs. Howe & Rice, has been purchased by the Thomas Kay Woolen Mill company, of Salem. The papers were signed over yesterday.

It was the intention of this company to use this store as an agency for the disposal of goods manufactured at the Salem and Waterloo mills. They have purchased the entire stock of goods carried by Messrs. Howe & Rice, except goods from the Brownsville mills, which were handled only on commission. Mr. J. M. Howe has been retained by the company and will have charge of the store for the present under its new management. A consignment of Salem and Waterloo woolen goods will probably be shipped here in a few days.

AN OREGON COMPANY.—The Bandon Block Company, of Bandon Coos county, today filed articles of incorporation. Capital stock \$30,000. Incorporators, Elbert Dyer, R. H. Most, J. Parker and W. S. Taylor.

O. C. & E. R. R.

Sunday Seaside Excursion Will Run Sunday August 15, And continue to run each Sunday thereafter during the season. Trains leave Albany 7:00 a. m.; Corvallis 7:30 a. m. Returning leaves Newport 5:30 p. m.

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