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ALASKAN INTERESTS.

Interesting Description of the Coast Town of Skagway - Issues of Expense in Reaching the Gold Fields.

SKAGWAY, ALASKA, Sept. 25. EDITOR ENTERPRISE: - Mr. Billings tells me that prior to our departure from Livingston he entered into a contract with you that we should communicate with you at least once every two weeks. As he has gone to Dyon today and will be on his way to Dyon today and will be on his way to Dyon today...

From a private letter received by George W. Husted, from Clark LaBarre, who with Leonal Compigne of this city and Allan R. Joy of Portland, Oregon, started two months ago over the Skagway trail, we are permitted to make the following extracts:

"I am sitting on a stick of wood in our partly finished cabin, for we are building a cabin and a good one. Here it all done but the door, window and some chinking with moss, for we can't get dirt here. Dick is sitting on the floor drying some matches, and it has stopped snowing for a few hours. This is the worst trail that man or beast ever tried to get over. There is no use trying to describe it, for no one would believe one-half of what I could tell them. We found enough dead horses near to make a roof for the cabin, and it took twenty hides to cover it. Dick and I skinned horses for three days, and, say, it makes a great roof with about six inches of moss under them. We went to Klondike, then our horses all died but one, so we could not take this trail, but will go in on sleds in February or March. Our cabin is close to the summit on the ocean side, as there is no timber for a long way on the other side - nothing but rocks and glaciers. The big glacier on the Dyon trail broke away the other day and buried a lot of people - no way of telling how many, but there were one or two women among the number. There was a Mr. Cooke, the ex-mayor of Vancouver, drowned in the second ford three or four days ago, and several in the ford on the Dyon trail. They say here now that there is no grub in Dawson City, and the miners are coming out. The lakes here will be frozen pretty soon, I think, as there is snow there now and getting rather cold. We have had rain almost every day since we got here, and there have been tons and tons of grub ruined, and tons more that has been left behind. Horses have died and been killed by the hundreds, getting into the mire and falling off ledges. There are probably 2,000 dead on the trail, and what are left are not much good. Everyone now is either going back or fixing up for the winter - those on this side building and the ones on the other side trying to get to timber. There will be many frozen to death this winter. Even the North-west mounted police are only about half way over and have lost most of their horses. I saw two men yesterday going back and they had all their stuff - that is all they had left - on two horses - all that were left of a train of fifteen. We have about twenty days work yet getting our stuff, which is scattered in and finishing the cabin. You may talk about prices, but you don't know what they are. They charge a dollar a pound to pack stuff to the lake, lumber at the lake is sixty cents a foot, or \$600 a thousand, pitch for boats \$2 a pound, and everything else the same way. We have about a thousand pounds of provisions to the men, though some of it is in bad shape. We have been wet to the skin and in mud knee deep, and in some places deeper, ever since we started, sleeping on the ground, with hardjack and bacon to eat. Now we are going to be comfortable just to see what it seems like.

"To this trail, which is dated Skagway pass, 15 miles from Skagway, Leonal Compigne adds the following postscript: "I expect Clark has told you all that is interesting or anyway remains. But to be appreciated this trip has to be taken personally. We are here, stuck in the mud and can't get out without leaving our boots, so we will stay here. Can't say I am very much stuck on the outlook at present, but we will probably see the end of this trail sometime."

THE HUSTON INDEPENDENT, a lengthy article on the Yellowstone Park, has the following to say of proposed improvements in that reservation:

"It is sufficient appropriations can be secured, next season will be a busy one and the work will be pushed to completion if congress can be induced to make a liberal appropriation. The management of the park will at the next session of congress ask for an appropriation of \$200,000 to be expended in improving the roads. Hereafter congress has not shown great liberality in appropriating money for this purpose. During the past season many members of congress have visited the park and seen the necessity of placing the roads in better condition. It is said that a liberal appropriation has been made for the improvement of the roads."

close and mail this on her return. Very truly yours, A. J. STROEL.

method there are no funds with which to build new roads to important points of interest. Prominent men throughout the country are taking a deep interest in the work and it is confidently expected that the sum asked for will be voted by congress. If the appropriation called for is granted a portion of it will be expended in improving the present roads and in constructing other roads to new points of interest. It is proposed to construct a new road from Grand Canyon hotel to Yancey's, thence to Mammoth Hot Springs. That route was surveyed a year or two ago and several miles were graded but because of the lack of funds the road has never been opened for travel. When complete it will give a route through the park of much greater interest than at present. It will open a portion of the park seldom visited by tourists. The only way of reaching that portion of Wonderland now is by horse back. All along the new route are many interesting points, while the scenery is unsurpassed any where in the park. The new route is located directly under Mount Washburn, one of the highest peaks in the park, and from it a commanding view of the surrounding country may be obtained. All kinds of game, including bear, deer, antelope and elk are in abundance all along the route. From Yancey's to the Canyon hotel the road will follow the present trail to Tower Falls; then take a westerly direction just to the west of Mount Washburn until the Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone is reached, and follow along its brink to the hotel. The first stop out from Yancey's will be at Tower Falls, where the park association will erect a lunch station. Tower Falls is said to be one of the most attractive spots in the entire park. Besides the beauty of the falls, there are many interesting points adjacent. In making the rounds tourists are now compelled to double over the route from Norris to Mammoth, but when the new route is complete that will not be necessary and will give the tourist an opportunity to view new scenery. A considerable portion of the appropriation will be used in improving the present road. New bridges will be constructed and grades will be reduced. Whenever it is possible the road will be changed to run along on mountain sides instead of in the valleys and in that way give the tourists a birds-eye view of the surroundings.

The park association has in view the improvement of the hotel accommodations. A new 700 room hotel will be constructed at Norris this next season and two or three new lunch stations will be established at convenient points along the way.

Fire Company Organized. At a meeting held in the city hall Wednesday evening a volunteer fire department was organized with a membership of fifteen.

The meeting was called to order by Alderman Leo Eisenburg, and after a discussion of the plans and purpose of the proposed organization, a temporary organization was perfected by the election of Leo Eisenburg, chairman, and Frank Bender, secretary. It was decided to proceed with the election of officers, and on motion it was voted that all officers should hold their positions for a period of three months. Nominations were declared in order, and the following were named and duly chosen for the first term of three months: President - Leo Eisenburg, Vice President - H. McCua, Secretary - T. E. Swindburn, Treasurer - C. S. Heffner, Trustees - H. Hilburn, P. Bender and D. N. Ely.

Physician - Dr. R. D. Alton, Chief - F. W. Nelson, Assistant Chief - H. McDonald, Captain - C. E. Miller.

On motion it was moved and carried that the names of chief and assistant chief be presented to the city council for confirmation, and the secretary instructed to notify the council.

On notice duly seconded and carried the chairman named the following persons a committee to formulate and present to the department a set of by-laws for its approval: D. M. Ely, Frank Bender, H. McCua, G. W. Chamberlain and J. H. Wolcott.

The following then enrolled themselves as members of the Livingston Volunteer Fire Department: Harry McCua, Harry Hilburn, Wm. O. Howe, Hector McDonald, D. N. Ely, F. W. Nelson, D. E. Wentworth, O. Gilbertson, W. A. Hise, J. E. Wolcott, G. W. Chamberlain, John McLaughlin, T. E. Swindburn, C. S. Miller and Leo Eisenburg.

It was moved and carried that the company be known as Volunteer Fire Department No. 1, after which an adjournment was taken to next Wednesday evening at ten o'clock.

The October Term Convened With a Lengthy Docket of Civil and Probate Cases.

The October term of district court for Park county convened Monday at 10 o'clock, Judge Frank Henry presiding, and the following court officers in attendance: J. A. Bailey, district clerk; D. N. Ely, under sheriff; W. H. Poorman, county attorney, and Jerome Williams, stenographer.

The attorneys whose names were entered in cases included the following: J. A. Savage, Campbell & Stark, Smith & Wilson, W. H. Poorman, H. J. Miller, Livingston; O. F. Goodard, Billings; George R. Milburn, Strevell & Porter; C. R. Middleton, Miles City; Sydney Sanner, Sydney Fox, A. G. Hatch, Big Timber; L. B. Reno, Red Lodge; Hartman Bros. & Stewart, Luce & Luce, Cockrill & Pierce, Bozeman; Cullen, Day & Cullen, T. J. Walsh, Sanders & Sanders, Stranahan & Stranahan, Kohns; Charles O'Donnell, Brooks & Ebbel; Smith & Gormley, White Sulphur Springs.

The following cases have been disposed of during the week: J. Orachel & Bro. vs. George Ayers, Plaintiffs dismissed without prejudice. State ex rel Leo C. Harman, receiver, vs. John M. Conrow et al. Plaintiff dismissed suit as settled.

The City of Livingston vs. Frank T. Woods et al. Demurrer to answer overruled.

Edgar Phinney vs. H. G. Bartlett, administrator of the estate of William Handly, deceased, et al. Plaintiff dismissed suit as settled.

Charles Angus et al. vs. Oscar Swanson et al. Plaintiff dismissed suit as settled.

Thomas S. Ash vs. W. W. Beasley et al. Demurrer to complaint overruled. George Wallace vs. D. W. Ricketts. Case set for trial for October 19th.

S. T. Marchington vs. The Golden Prize Placer Co. Case set for trial for October 19th.

L. M. Miles et al. vs. Phoenix Insurance Co. of Brooklyn, New York. Demurrer to complaint overruled.

Kate VanHam, administratrix, et al. vs. J. C. Viles, administrator, et al. Separate demurrers of defendants, Viles and Gassert, to plaintiff's complaint sustained.

G. L. Finley vs. W. R. Draw. Plaintiff dismissed suit as settled.

National Park Bank vs. Alfred George. Plaintiff dismissed suit as settled.

Nora M. Lyons vs. Justus C. Lyons. Default of defendant entered for want of answer.

George Egler vs. Park County, Montana. Case set for trial for Oct. 19th.

State ex rel George Alderson vs. The City Council of the City of Livingston. Plaintiff's motion for judgment on the pleadings overruled.

Gertrude McDonald vs. Allison McDonald. Default of defendant entered for want of answer.

Alex Livingston, as treasurer of Park County, Montana, vs. Big Timber National Bank. Plaintiff dismissed suit as settled.

Edith W. Pemberton vs. A. V. H. Pemberton. Plaintiff dismissed suit.

Phillip Bottler vs. Lew Miller & Co. Smith & Wilson enter their appearance as attorneys for plaintiff.

E. Goughnour vs. Ed Howell et al. Default of defendant Ed Howell entered for want of answer, and case set for trial October 20th.

Boch, Cury & Co. vs. C. N. Sargent & Co. Default of defendants entered for want of answer, trial by court and judgment for plaintiffs for \$225.35, with interest from January 2, 1896, and costs taxed at \$24.50.

William S. Lang vs. Mary K. Lang. Default of defendant entered for want of answer.

The State of Montana vs. Walter Dickenson. H. J. Miller enters his appearance as attorney for defendant and the county attorney, by leave of court, dismisses suit and defendant ordered discharged and his bondman released.

George N. Leatherman vs. Albert P. Brooks et al. Upon written application and proof of service of notice, W. H. Poorman is allowed to withdraw as attorney for plaintiff.

W. H. Lee vs. James Connell. Trial by court, judgment for plaintiff for \$273.21, with interest on the sum of \$300 from January 1, 1903, at 10 per cent, on \$104.85 from January 1, 1896, on \$26 from January 1, 1903, and on \$125 from January 1, 1900, and for costs. Attached property ordered sold in satisfaction of judgment.

In the matter of the petition of Walter Towne et al. for adoption of Florence Johnson, alias Corrydon Lund, infant under the age of 5 years. Upon petition of Walter Towne, Addie Towne and Susan

the child of said Walter and Addie Towne, and that its name be changed to Adelaide Towne.

Susan A. Mendenhall et al. vs. G. M. Lyon et al. Upon submission of affidavits and answers of Timothy Murray, G. M. Lyon and T. N. Carrothers and arguments of counsel, it is ordered that the plaintiffs execute a bond in the sum of \$5,000 on or before October 16th, 1897, and restraining order continued until that date, and upon filing said bond in the sum of \$5,000 restraining order be continued during the pendency of the action.

Guiterman Bros. vs. C. N. Sargent & Co. Default of defendants entered for want of answer. Trial by court and judgment for plaintiffs for \$398.80, with interest thereon from November 1, 1895, and costs taxed at \$12.90.

Phillip Bottler vs. Lew Miller et al. Messrs. Smith & Wilson withdraw their appearance as attorneys for plaintiff and J. A. Savage enters his appearance in their stead.

William S. Lang vs. Mary K. Lang. Trial by court, findings for plaintiff and decree of divorce granted.

Judgments for plaintiff were signed and filed in the following cases: W. H. Lee vs. James Connell; Guiterman Bros. vs. C. N. Sargent & Co.; and Boch, Cury & Co. vs. C. N. Sargent & Co.

J. E. Martin vs. Chas. J. Putter et al. Plaintiff dismissed suit as settled.

J. Orachel & Bro. vs. James Connell. Trial by court and judgment for plaintiff for \$271.00, and costs of suit taxed at \$28.50, and attached property ordered sold in satisfaction of judgment.

F. A. Kriger et al. vs. Pat Dougherty et al. Case set for trial October 16th.

F. A. Kriger et al. vs. Edward Chasnet et al. Case set for trial Oct. 18th.

E. Goughnour vs. Ed. Howell et al. Trial by court and findings for plaintiff for \$54.91, and interest from Nov. 1st, 1896, 86¢ for filing fees, 87¢ attorney's fees and costs of suit.

Nora M. Lyons vs. Justus C. Lyons. Decree of divorce and order awarding care and custody of Earl E. and Ernest Lyons, minor children, to plaintiff.

Rookly Park Coal Company of Montana vs. Samuel C. Hunter et al. Order for distribution of assets to creditors, and order for satisfaction of mortgage signed and filed.

PROBATE CASES. In the matter of the estate of James Theroux, deceased. No annual account having been filed it is ordered that letters of administration be and the same are hereby revoked and administratrix removed from her trust.

In the matter of the estate of E. Hodges, deceased. Order of publication of notice to creditors signed and filed.

In the matter of the estate of Ellick Lamartine, deceased. Public administrator's semi-annual report approved.

In the matter of the estate of Jerome J. Nickay, deceased. Public administrator's semi-annual report approved.

In the estate of Hugo J. Hoppe, deceased, the hearing on settlement of annual account was set for October 25th.

BIG TIMBER ITEMS. (From the Express.)

R. B. Briggs, who has been in charge of an oil refinery at Warren, Pa., for the past year arrived in Big Timber this morning accompanied by W. D. Ellis.

Mrs. J. A. Hall and Mrs. E. O. Clark left Wednesday morning for a visit with friends and relatives in Wisconsin and Minnesota. The ladies will be absent for several months.

Three Paradise valley ranchers, Chris Jensen, T. G. Howe and T. O. Carter were in Big Timber yesterday, having brought down wheat to be ground at the mill here for their winter's supply of flour. They said that many ranchers in their neighborhood are going to do the same thing. When it is remembered that the nearest part of Paradise valley is seven miles above Livingston or forty-two miles from Big Timber, and that the trip cannot be made with a load in less than three days, the value which wide-awake farmers place upon a flour mill may be estimated. The matter is that under the circumstances Livingston is still without a mill.

Post-Jurors. The following names were drawn from the jury box Monday by the district clerk in open court, and will be summoned to appear in the district court next Monday at 10 o'clock to serve as jurors at the October term.

T. C. Miles, J. B. Shortbill, John Arthur Hall, G. L. Cady, James Milligan, J. R. Hathorn, George A. Allen, F. A. Thompson, E. A. Edwards, J. C. West, Albert Bahr, Daniel Fenwick, Henry Reed, Albert W. Allen, Livingston; E. E. Terry, Pringle; Wm. Mitchell, E. J. Axt.

GLASSES AND POCKET CUTLERY. At wholesale of prices. W. SCOTLAND, WATCHES, JEWELRY, CUTLERY, SILVERWARE, ETC. DIXON'S, Big Timber, Mont.

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