

TRAVELLING IN ALASKA

Winter Only Time When Trails Are in Shape for Prospector.

MULES NOT A SUCCESS

Government Signal Corps Officer Tells of Difficulties Attending Transportation in Gold Fields—Mail Hauled by Dog Teams—No Wheeled Vehicles Used.

Here in the home country where every one is now and then whirled along in a luxurious railroad train and arriving at his destination, is besieged by hacks and cabs and baggage wagons of infinite variety and number, with street cars passing by and broad level streets stretching before him, it is quite impossible to any one who has not been there to realize the conditions under which transportation is accomplished in far off Alaska, where from the middle of October to late in May the country is frozen solid.

The Signal Corps is given the pioneer work of stringing telegraph lines and of keeping the gold country of the Far North in communication with the outside world. Uncle Sam's men go forward with the first parties of prospectors, explore the trails and when a new town is started they are at the front long enough before the next government force, the mail carriers, arrives.

Dependent on transportation for its very existence as a habitation and equally dependent upon transportation to give value to its furs and ores. The Alaskan pioneer speaks of his country as "inside," every place else as "outside." The implied barrier is significant, and it exists in fact, for the country is walled in for eight months of the year and not too easily accessible the rest of the year.

Of course, the ports of Juneau, Skagway, Valdez and others on the southwest coast are open the year round, but neither freight nor passengers are carried to and from the interior during the long winter. A small amount of mail is carried by means of dog teams in relays and at a cost of the greatest hardships to both men and beasts, and each year a few adventurous and hardy travelers beat the season a few weeks by making the trip on foot with the lightest possible packs.

"So great is the transformation from an ice-bound, snow-covered, wind-swept wilderness to a land covered with luxuriant vegetation and traversed by streams of navigable water that the two streams, summer and winter, suggest a convenient division of the methods of transportation. There are few railroads; with one exception short lines which are in use the year round, but the only road which at this time is a factor in reaching Alaska with supplies is the line, a little over a hundred miles in length, which connects Skagway on the coast with the head of navigation of the Yukon, and this is useful only during the short time when the river is open.

"The use of wheeled vehicles need not be considered, for their use is confined to the towns. The present Alaska road commission is doing effective work in laying out and building roads, but these highways for years to come must be of the most primitive kind. At only for dog sleds in winter and pack trains in the summer.

"All bases of supplies must be stocked between July 15 and October 1. The hundreds of tons of supplies are carried to these bases by boats, stern-wheelers like those used on the Ohio and Mississippi rivers which tow barges of supplies just as coal is towed from Pittsburgh. These boats draw about 18 inches of water and have been built in the United States and either shipped in sections or steaming from Seattle under convoy of ocean steamers. When the cold weather comes they are hauled into some sheltered creek and beached high enough to be safe from the ice when it breaks in the spring.

A few years ago different breeds of dogs were used in different sections, but increased travel has brought into service all the dogs to be had in the country and hundreds in addition that have been brought from the outside. The native malamutes, huskies and dogs from the Mackenzie and Peel rivers are more hardy and last longer in service than outside dogs. Newfoundland, Saint Bernards, setters and shepherd dogs are superior in intelligence, but they are lacking in endurance, require more careful feeding and their feet are easily frost-bitten, which renders them useless for the time being."

Pearl Necklace Dying. In the museum of the Louvre, Paris, is a pearl necklace belonging to the Thiers family. The necklace was once worth \$1,250,000, but the pearls are dying, and in a few years they will be worthless.

A man who falls to raise his hat when a funeral is passing in Chester, England, is liable to fine and imprisonment.

Verdict for Dr. Pierce

AGAINST THE Ladies' Home Journal.

Sending truth after a lie. It is an old maxim that "a lie will travel seven leagues while truth is getting its boots on," and no doubt hundreds of thousands of good people read the unwarranted and malicious attack upon Dr. R. V. Pierce and his "Favorite Prescription" published in the May (1904) number of the Ladies' Home Journal, with its great black display headings, who never saw the humble, groveling retraction, published two months later. It was boldly charged in the slanderous and libelous article that Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, for the cure of woman's weaknesses and ailments, contained alcohol and other harmful ingredients. Dr. Pierce promptly brought suit against the publishers of the Ladies' Home Journal, for \$300,000 damages.

Dr. Pierce alleged that Mr. Bok, the editor, maliciously published the article containing such false and defamatory matter with the intent of injuring his reputation, and that no alcohol, or other harmful, or habit-forming, drugs are, or ever were, contained in his "Favorite Prescription"; that said medicine is made from native medicinal roots and contains no harmful ingredients whatever and that Mr. Bok's malicious statements were wholly and absolutely false. In the retraction printed by said Journal they were forced to acknowledge that they had published analyses of a "Favorite Prescription," from which it is certified that it contained no alcohol or other harmful ingredients or any of the alleged harmful drugs. These facts were also proven in the trial of the action in the Supreme Court. But the business of Dr. Pierce was greatly injured by the publication of the libelous article with its great display headings, while hundreds of thousands who read the wickedly defamatory article never saw the humble groveling retraction, set in small type and made as inconspicuous as possible. The matter was, however, brought before a jury in the Supreme Court of New York State which promptly rendered a verdict in the Doctor's favor. Thus his traders came to grief and their base slanders were refuted.

Dr. Crapsey Defends His Position on the Virgin Birth.

The April "Arena" contains a very notable paper by Rev. Algernon S. Crapsey entitled "The Historical Aspect of the Virgin Birth." Dr. Crapsey discusses the question in a masterly manner, marshaling a vast array of evidence to sustain his position. This paper is probably the ablest defence of the position taken by the scholars representing the higher criticism or the new movement in theology that has appeared in the compass of a magazine article. The issue also contains a fine frontispiece portrait of Dr. Crapsey and a sympathetic sketch of his life, together with an account of the recent heresy trial, prepared by Harris Addison Correll, the State Editor of the Buffalo "Evening News."

Among other papers of special interest in this number of "The Arena" are the following: "Recent Humanistic Legislation in New Zealand," by Edward Tregar, Secretary for Labor for New Zealand; "Henry Demarest Lloyd, Messenger," by W. G. Eggleston; "Jenkins Lloyd Jones and His Master-Work," by the Abraham Lincoln Center; "The Influence of Language Upon Socialistic Organization," by Warren Dunham Foster; "Some Results in Municipal Ownership in Great Britain," by H. Gardner McKerron, and a reply to the same by Professor Frank Parsons, Ph. D. The latter papers present in a very able manner the case both against and for municipal ownership of public utilities in Great Britain. The Editor of "The Arena" has also supplemented Professor Parsons' argument with an extended editorial dealing with the subject. "The Arena" has recently added three departments that have materially increased its value for students of social, political and economic progress. These embody a succinct digest of the important news relating to public ownership. Direct Legislation and voluntary co operation in America and Europe.

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Dr. Crapsey's position on the virgin birth is defended against the higher criticism.

TRICKS OF SALMON

Devices Used by Guides When the Fish Won't Bite.

SECRET OF THE WOODS

Jiggling and Listering Effective, Though Regarded as Unsportsmanlike—Efforts of Guide to Please Employers—How the Fish are Preserved for Days Without Ice.

No salmon fisherman of experience will deny that he has owed a considerable portion of his pleasure and of his success to his guide. To a young fellow who was triumphantly displaying a grand catch of several large salmon, the question was put by an expert friend, "How many of those did you hook yourself?" To which the reply was, "Well, I played them all, but every one was really hooked by my guide."

There was nothing unusual about the statement, except perhaps its frankness, for on most of the large rivers it is the guide who does a good deal of the casting. For one thing, it is no easy task to keep up a diligent whipping of the pools for hours at a time. Salmon rods, with their huge reels, are of necessity heavy.

It is well known that no respectable fish will think of rising if he has caught sight of the angler, so that as a rule the fly has to be cast with a long line from a point above, and out of sight of the salmon lying at the bottom of the pool.

The back cast must be carefully and somewhat laboriously made, and the fly kept in constant movement when once it has touched the surface. There are not many city men whose unaccustomed muscles can keep up this kind of thing for very long.

Sometimes the lazy salmon are content to lie with their great fins and tails waving in the rippling stream, without responding a bit to the inducements of the fly fishers. Then, while the employer is not watching, or sometimes, alas, when he is the instigator, the fly is allowed to sink, and by careful and adroit manipulation is brought directly underneath the unsuspecting fish. A quick jerk, and the hook is sent home into the under part, and the fight is on in good earnest. Many and many a good fish is caught foul that way.

Perhaps it is no more than might be expected to find that the guides are such intense sportsmen that they are most unwilling to be beaten by salmon. A lessee of one expensive river was lying back, his hat over his eyes, while his guides tried to wake up the sleepy big fellows in the pool, under a bridge, when a movement in the bushes directed his attention to where one of the men was cutting a long stout pole.

When he had smoothed the end of this he fastened to it with a bit of string a villainous looking gang of three huge hooks, which were attached in place of a fly to his leader. Cautiously the man pushed down the hooks directly under the finest of the waiting fish. There was a fierce snatch upward, which pulled his hooks into the belly of the salmon and at the same time pulled them clear of the smooter, slippery end of the pole, and the owner was signalled to come and play the fish.

He had a long stern fight with this fish, which he declares gave him the best sport he had ever had. When it was gaffed, at the lower end of the pole, the men deftly removed the poaching outfit from the leader and tied on the fly again.

The angler made only one comment, but it set a grin a-going on the faces of the two unsophisticated children of the woods: "Curious, that! The fly you were fishing with has changed from a Jack Scott to a Silver Doctor during the fight."

For the guide had removed the wrong hook from his old felt hat in his haste to substitute a fly for the triple drag hooks. When the handle of the gaff is firmly grasped up near the end and the guide wades out toward the incoming fish, one has ascertained that the salmon's course is about run, and that it is the time for the administration of the death clutch. When killer it is the guides who know the cool spots where it will be safe to dig a temporary grave in the cold ground for the fish to be buried for a few days until it can be placed on ice.

How he does it one cannot say, but so it is that when it is time to go down to civilization again the fish killed days before is sure to be forthcoming, and if the guide's instructions are closely followed and cached salmon are taken home to be washed they will always be found to be perfectly preserved and as sweet as though just taken from their native element.

Merits of Canine Police.

The alert German minister of the Interior sent a police commissary into Belgium to investigate for himself the merits of the dog police, says the Outlook Magazine. The report of this official was so striking that within three years 150 German corporations had also installed dogs as auxiliary police, and were soon satisfied, as also were many cities of Austria, Hungary and Italy, of the canine policeman's superb sense of duty, as well as to its loyalty, vigilance, fidelity, and its indifference to bribes and salary alike.

BASE BALL GOSSIP.

Patsy Donovan thinks the Dodgers will have two "way up" 300 hitters this season, and thinks Lumley will lead the league. He expects Jordan to hit around 340.

If size had a great deal to do with hitting, Joe Nealon, the first baseman of the Pirates, would lead the league with an average of about 543, comparing him with Keeler. Nealon weighed 220 pounds when he reported for practise.

Basing his opinion on Chesbro's experience, Griff says that spitball pitchers never have two successful seasons in a row. Watch big Ed Walsh this Summer and see if Griff's guess is good. Walsh was certainly a wonder last year.

Addie Joss, the long twirler of the Cleveland club, says that he has discovered how the spitball may be hit successfully. Joss says the batter should should watch the ball closely and hit the dry side.

Some of these dozens of minor leaguers who were grabbed by the old league this Winter and have written home telling how they showed up the rest of the team will have a lot of explaining to do when they drop off on the platform at Eau Claire, Wis., or Kokomo, Ind., with a grip and a release.

Killed by 7,000 Votes.

New Rochelle, N. Y., April 2.—The first man to be killed by the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad's electric overhead system died in the New Rochelle Hospital. He was Burt Seabold, twenty-three years old, of St. Lawrence county. He was employed as an electrician and in doing some work on the signal system received a shock of 7,000 volts.

To Canonize Pius IX.

Rome, April 3.—An ecclesiastical "process" looking to the beatification and finally the canonization of Pope Pius IX., who was elected in 1846 and died 1878, has been begun in the diocese of Sinigaglia, where Pope Pius was born, and will be continued in the diocese of Imola, where he served as bishop.

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of Cornelius Cronin, late of the Town of Bloomsburg, Pa., deceased, have been granted to the undersigned administratrix, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay to ELLA BETH CRONIN, Administratrix, Bloomsburg, Pa. 4-1-t.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the estate of A. J. Derr, late of Greenwood township, Columbia county, Pa., deceased, have been granted to John G. Harman, executor, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay to JOHN G. HARMAN, Executor, Bloomsburg, Pa. 4-4-t.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

The undersigned auditor appointed by the Orphans' Court of Columbia County, to make distribution of the fund in the hands of George W. Keeler and Emanuel L. Keeler, Executors of the estate of John Keeler, late of the Township of Centre, in the County of Columbia, and State of Pennsylvania, do hereby give notice that the final account filed in the Orphans' Court of Columbia County, to No. 10 of Feb'y Term, 1907, and among the parties legally interested therein, will sit at his office in the Town of Bloomsburg, Pa., on Friday, April 19th, 1907, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day, to perform the duties of said appointment, and that where all persons having claims or demands against said estate may present them or forever after be barred from coming in on said fund. CLINTON HERRING, Auditor. 3-7-t.

INCORPORATION OF "THE CRAFTSMAN."

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the above Court on April 10th, 1907, at ten o'clock in the forenoon for the charter of an intended corporation to be called "The Craftsman," the character and object of which is the maintenance of a club for fraternal, educational and social enjoyment, and for these purposes to have and possess and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges of the said Act of Assembly and its supplements. The proposed charter is now on file in the Prothonotary's office. H. A. MCKILLIP, Solicitor. 3-4-t.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the estate of John Huffnagle, late of the township of Fishing Creek, county of Columbia, Pa., deceased, have been granted to Ralph E. John, resident of Bloomsburg, Pa., to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay. RALPH E. JOHN, Executor. 3-21-07.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of Ed Welliver, late of Greenwood township, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned administrator to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay. CHARLES E. WELLS, Administrator. 3-28-t.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Letters of administration de bonis non in the above estate have been granted to the undersigned, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay. H. PHILIP HAN, Administrator. 3-28-t.

In the Orphans' Court for the County of Union

INQUEST IN PARTITION.

ESTATE OF BENJAMIN F. REIGHARD, DEC'D.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE. LEWISBURG, PA., March 19, 1907. To Mary E. Reighard, widow, John Reighard, B. Frank Reighard, Shamokin, Pa. D. Wesley Reighard, South Sharon, Pa. Geo. P. Reighard, Kane, McKean Co., Pa. Mary C. Reighard, Kane, McKean Co., Pa. Clara Klester, Millheim, Centre Co., Penn'a. Elizabeth Wise, Portland Mills, Elk Co., Pa. John Benton Reighard, Loganton, Clinton Co., Pa. Ernest H. Reighard, Gladly, Randolph Co., West Va. Otto E. Reighard, Topton, Cherokee Co., N. C. Willis J. Reighard, West Port, Clinton Co., Pa. Bessie A. Reighard, Lock Haven, Pa. C. S. Whitman, guardian of Pearl U. Reighard, Glen Union, Clinton Co., Pa. Rhoda M. Whitman, Glen Union, Pa. The Penn Trust Co., Reading, Pa. guardian of Pearl E. Jacoby, Elsie H. Jacoby and Edith Jacoby. Jennie Keleher, Jersey Shore, Pa. Becky C. Ent, Light Street, Pa. Susie E. Townsend, 3537 Cottage Grove Ave., Chicago, Ill. John B. Reighard, Light Street, Pa. Carrie E. Reighard, Light Street, Pa. Benjamin T. Reighard, Centrepoint, Iowa. W. R. Motz, Pittsburgh, Pa. J. C. F. Motz, Monessen, Pa. Francis J. Motz, Sewickley, Pa. Harry J. Welch, Freeport, Illinois. William R. Welsh, Walsenburg, Colorado. Belle A. Welch, 2147 Grant Ave., Denver, Col. Frances G. Foley, Superior, Wisconsin. Charles Reighard, Sycamore, Ills. Florence Bellendorf, Sycamore, Ills. Roland Reighard, Sycamore, Ills. Walter Reighard, Sycamore, Ills. Shepard W. Reighard, Hub Cloth House, Chicago, Ills. Mary Belle Welch, Williamsburg, Kansas. Louise McWilliams, Water Valley, Mississippi. Jennette A. Reighard, Freeport Ill. Blanche E. Gast, Millinburg, Pa. James R. Smith, Milton, Pa. Catherine Wilkison, Millinburg, Pa. Belle Smith, Tyrone, Pa.

TAKE NOTICE, that by virtue of a Writ of Partition in the estate of the decedent above named, to me directed and made returnable at May Term of said Court, an Inquisition will be held on the premises of Tract No. 1, hereinafter described, on MONDAY, MAY 6th, 1907, at 10 o'clock a. m., thence proceeding to Tracts Nos. 2 and 3, and on the premises of Tract No. 4, hereinafter described, on WEDNESDAY, MAY 8th, 1907, at one o'clock p. m., to ascertain and inquire, among other things, whether the said several premises can be parted and divided without prejudice to or spoiling the whole thereof, or otherwise to value and appraise the same; when and where you may attend if you see proper.

The said real estate consists of the following tracts, more fully described in the petition for said Writ, to wit: No. 1. An undivided one-half interest in all that tract of farm land situate in the township of Limestone, County of Union, Penna., bounded north by land of J. Merrill Barber and Calvin M. Hayes; on the east by public road and land of the estate Benj. Chambers, dec'd; on the south by land of Sarah F. Barber and Samuel Barber, and on the west by land of the heirs of Thomas C. Barber, dec'd, containing 112 acres, more or less.

No. 2. An undivided one-half interest in a tract of land in Lewis township, Union Co., Penna., bounded on the north by land late of S. S. Myers and William Catherman; on the east by land of James K. Reish; on the south by land late of Joseph Sanders, and on the west by lands late of Noah Bigham and Christian Mensch, containing 98 acres and allowance.

No. 3. An undivided one-half interest in a tract of land in Limestone township, Union Co., Pa., bounded by lands of Merrill Barber, Ludwig F. Shoemaker, Horace P. Glover, Benj. Chambers and others, containing 42 acres, more or less.

No. 4. All that certain tract of farm land situate in Scott twp., Columbia Co., Penna., of which W. P. Eyerly is now tenant, bounded north by lands of James Reicher and public road leading from Paper Mill to Espy; east by public road leading from Light Street to Espy and land of Josiah Giger; south by lands of Harvey Creveling and B. F. Zarr, and west by public road, extension of Fifth St., Bloomsburg, and land of Harvey Creveling, containing 156 acres and 37 perches.

HOWARD W. DIEFFENDERFER, Sheriff. GLOVER & GLOVER, Attorneys. ANDREW A. LEISER, 3-21-07.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

The undersigned appointed an auditor by the Orphans' Court of Columbia County to make distribution of the fund in the hands of the Administrator, of said deceased, will sit at his office in Bloomsburg, Pa., on Thursday, April 11th, 1907, at 10 o'clock a. m., to perform the duties of his appointment, when and where all parties interested in the fund in the hands of the administrator of said deceased will appear and prove the same or be forever debarred from coming in on said fund. B. F. ZARR, Auditor. 3-28-t.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the estate of Annie Culp, late of Mt. Pleasant township, deceased, have been granted to Charles Culp, resident of Bloomsburg, Pa., to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay. CHARLES C. CULP, Executor. 3-28-t.

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