

# RICH GOLD FIND IN ALASKA

## Woman Who Murdered Her Husband to be Hanged.

Dawson, Y. T., Jan. 4.—The weather has been singularly mild for the past month. The thermometer has been as low as 13 below zero only once during the past week, and ranges from zero to two above, with no wind.

It is stated that an enormously rich strike has been made by Louis Cardinal, of Ottawa, and others about ten miles across the border in Alaska. Cardinal starts to-morrow with a ten thousand dollar outfit to work the new strike, which is at the head waters of the White River. Cardinal states that the ground goes from 50 cents to \$3 per pan, and is not near bad rock. It is feared a stampede will occur, although Cardinal made every effort to keep the matter quiet. Cardinal worked for the Canadian Government, locating the boundary line between Alaska and the Yukon. He believes it will prove an enormously rich district.

To be Hanged.—Mrs. Mary A. Rogers, convicted of the murder of her husband, Marcus H. Rogers, was sentenced to-day to be hanged, the first Friday in February, 1905. Leonard Farham, the self-confessed accomplice of

Mrs. Rogers, was sentenced to life imprisonment.

Archbishop Enthroned.—London, Jan. 4.—The Most Rev. Francis Bourne, Roman Catholic Archbishop of Westminster, was enthroned in the new Cathedral of Westminster this morning with impressive ceremony. The cathedral is the first Roman Catholic cathedral that has stood in the Metropolitan See of England since the Reformation. It is situated half a mile west of Westminster Abbey, and is a magnificent structure of the Byzantine style, with a great campanile of red brick, banded with Portland stone, three hundred feet high, and crowned with a metal-covered dome, surmounted by a double cross of bronze. The expenditure on the entire edifice up to the end of October was over a million dollars.

Struck by a Train.—Troquois, Ont., Jan. 4.—Thos. Morin, a teamster, was found on the High School grounds this morning in an exhausted condition with a leg broken and otherwise injured. He had been struck by a passing train and thrown into the ditch, where he had lain for some time in a semi-conscious condition and then crawled along the snow about a hundred yards before being found. As the thermometer was well below zero at the time, it is a wonder how he escaped being frozen.

# NEWS IN BRIEF

Rome.—The Pope has issued of his own accord a note on the subject of sacred music in churches, recommending the Gregorian chant.

Des Moines, Iowa.—The Cudahy Packing Co., of South Omaha, is in receipt of a rush order for 1,000,000 pounds of extra mess meat for the Russian Government.

Cleveland, Ohio.—Two tugs, which were imprisoned in heavy ice two miles from shore in Lake Erie all day yesterday with twelve men, have been released.

Trenton, N. J.—A grade reduction of wages from 1 to 20 per cent. took effect at the Trenton plant of the American Bridge Co. The men have submitted to the reduction.

New York.—A special cable to the Sun from Berlin announces the death of Jesse Selligman, formerly a partner in the well-known Selligman banking house of New York, at Frankfurt.

Chicago.—Jose Dries, 60 years old, conductor on an "Owl" car, was shot and probably fatally wounded to-day by a stranger. The men had quarrelled over the issuance of transfers the stranger escaped.

Pittsburg, Pa.—Orners have been received to put in operation eight blast furnaces of the Carnegie Co. at Duquesne.

Pittsburg.—The eight-story brick warehouse of Haugh & Tanen, used for the storing of furniture, was damaged by fire to-day to the extent of \$100,000.

New York.—The latest news from Kishinev, says a Times despatch, presents the Russian population as threatening, and the Jews as apprehensive of further disorder.

Chicago.—T. P. Shonts, President of the Indiana, Illinois & Iowa, was elected President and General Manager of the Clover Leaf Road (Toledo, St. Louis & Western), in place of Benjamin Norton, resigned.

New York.—In an address before the Church Club of the Diocese of Long Island Prof. G. T. Ladd, of Yale, has declared that the greatest curse of this country is the terrible greed for gold. The trade classes, he declared, are so tightly drawn at the present time that a break is bound to come soon.

New York.—Dr. J. M. Otto was found unconscious early to-day on the sidewalk at 5th avenue and 35th street. The back of his skull had been crushed in, and he died soon afterward. To all appearances the doctor was the victim of a highwayman, who had been frightened off before he had time to search the dying man's pockets.

Globe, Ariz.—Two sheep men near the Gisela settlement have been killed as a result of a feud between cattlemen and sheepmen. The victims were a young man named Berry and a Mexican.

New York.—A plan to operate a chain of cotton mills in North Carolina by tenement dwellers of this city, taken there and trained by a few skilled workers, is being evolved by men here interested in the cotton business.

Philadelphia.—The U. S. auxiliary cruiser Dixie sailed from the League Island navy yard to-day en route for Colon, carrying two battalions of marines, including 600 men, and five months' living and fighting supplies for 1,000 men.

New York.—Charges of fraud have been brought by Stern Bros. & Co. and Jos. Frankels' Sons, two wholesale diamond dealers, against Adolph Peabody, a former diamond merchant of Maiden Lane. The amount of the alleged fraud is \$50,000.

Portland, Ore.—After failing to induce the district attorney to issue a warrant for the arrest of the man whom he alleged had alienated his wife's affections, David Van Houten, a farmer, went to a saloon and without warning shot and killed Albert Young, one

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of the proprietors. Van Houten escaped.

St. Petersburg.—The consensus of official opinion among those associated with the Government, but not responsible therefor, is that the Czar is so peacefully disposed that he will make such concessions to Japan as are necessary to prevent war, providing that no unforeseen events force the hands of the Government concerned.

Chicago, Ill.—A despatch to the Tribune from Hermosillo, Mexico, says: The Seri Indians, who occupy Tiburon Island in the Gulf of California, have gone on the warpath, and according to the information received by the military authorities the savages are raiding ranches and committing depredations on the mainland. The Seris are said to be cannibals, and are known to be the fastest runners in the world.

Tacoma, Wash.—Jacky Smokalama, a widely-known Siwash Indian, has killed his wife on the Puyallup reservation, either by the use of his fists or with a stick of wood. The woman's chest and face were beaten into a pulp. The only witness was a 12-year-old daughter of the couple. The Indian remained in his shanty with the corpse for 24 hours, when news of the crime became known, and he was placed under arrest.

# CATTLE FOR AFRICA.

Lord's Day Alliance Wants Dominion Legislation.—An Ottawa report says: Rev. Dr. Potts, of Toronto, President of the Lord's Day Alliance, and Mr. Shearer, Secretary, are in the city and had an interview with the Minister of Justice. They are asking for the introduction of a bill next session dealing with the question of Sabbath observance. The Judicial Committee of the Imperial Privy Council has declared that the province has no power to deal with the subject. What the Lord's Day Alliance now asks is Dominion legislation touching Sabbath observance. The churches largely support this, as do also the Trades and Labor Congress. What is desired is to have Sunday as a day of rest. It is also likely that certain legislation, which will fall within the jurisdiction of the provinces will also be asked for in this connection. Some of the older provinces have now certain laws upon the subject.

Lord Strathcona, in a letter to the Minister of Agriculture to-day, says that he learns the American business men have taken hold of the shipping of cattle to South Africa in a most systematic way. They have agents everywhere in South Africa, and in this way have a great advantage over Canadians, of whom very few send representatives to make contracts on the spot and are thus enabled to control the trade.

Mr. Walter Peace, Agent General for Natal, has informed Lord Strathcona that the director of agriculture for Natal, now in England, purchasing cattle for their experimenting farms. Lord Strathcona has informed Mr. Walter that Natal can produce far more suitable cattle for their purposes in Canada, and Sir Walter in consequence, has promised to bring the matter to the special attention of the National Government.

Colored Patients Under X-Ray Treatment Change Color.—Philadelphia, Jan. 4.—The ancient and honorable belief that an Ethiopian cannot change his skin has gone the road of other ancient and honorable axioms relegated to oblivion by the dictum of science. For in this twentieth century of wonderful truth, the darkest Ethiopian can change the darkest hue of his epidermis to a pure white by means of the Rontgen or X-rays.

This effect of the weird light of the Crookes tube is vouched for by Dr. Henry K. Pancoast, resident physician of the University Hospital, who has been constantly experimenting with the X-ray as a treatment for cancer and tuberculosis of the skin during the last two years.

"All the colored patients I have treated," said Dr. Pancoast in a discussion of the subject, "have lost the dark shade in that portion of the skin which came under the influence of the rays; in fact, the skin turned perfectly white."

In all the cases I observed, except one, it stayed white, too, and even in that case it remained white for a year. "That the Rontgen ray treatment is a bleaching agent and beautifier will

become popular and take its place with peroxide and complexion paint is doubtful. The whiteness produced in a colored person's skin is of a dead, ghastly character that is not at all desirable, and, in fact, is said, altogether unnatural in appearance.

"Then, again, these white spots hitherto produced by the ray have been where the skin covered diseased tissue, such as a cancer or the like, which had been treated by absorption. The rays' effect on healthy tissue is not desirable, and often harmful, producing a condition of the skin not unlike that following a bad skin burn. It also causes a thickening of the blood vessel walls over the surface.

"So it is not probable that there will be any X-ray blondes to vie with the peroxide blondes. The bleaching effect of the wonderful X-ray will remain a scientifically curious and bizarre feature of the already remarkable phenomena of light from the Crookes tubes and from radium."

# SHIP EXPLODES A MINE.

German Mail Steamer Barely Escaped Destruction at Singapore.

Victoria, B. C., Jan. 4.—The steamer *Silene* from Manila, which arrived to-day from Manila and Japan ports, brought a remarkable story from Singapore, which is vouched for by Singapore papers of the narrow escape of the German mail liner *Prinz Heinrich*, from being blown up by a submarine mine. The vessel was leaving Singapore, a steam launch, with a large party of British naval officers on board steamed toward Ler, and the British naval men shouted excitedly:

"You are in great danger. Right before you is a submarine mine. For God's sake, go astern full speed. Captain Heizer, realizing that his vessel had too much way to stop quickly, steamed ahead, hoping to get over the danger spot. Suddenly the mine exploded about two lengths astern, with a tremendous roar, throwing up the water with a great splash.

# POPE ON CHURCH MUSIC.

Condenses Transforming of Church Services Into Concerts.

Rome, Jan. 4.—The Observator, a Roman paper, prints a long letter from the Pope to Cardinal Respighi, Vicar General of his Holiness, expressing a desire for reformation in church music. The Pontiff is especially dissatisfied with the musical parts of the mass and vespers. He says that the musical compositions have been substituted by a devout psalmody of the clergy. They are devoid of dramatic effect, and are of little worth, only serving to feed the curiosity of people of minor intelligence. His Holiness enjoins strict observance of the rules of his predecessors prescribing the use of the Gregorian chant.

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# DREW THE LINE ON NEGROES.

Irish Hearse Driver Delays Funeral for Two Hours.

Philadelphia, Jan. 4.—"I'll not drive a nigger, dead or alive," said George Ryan, born in Ireland, when he was sent to the funeral of Chas. Taylor, a negro. He kept his promise, and the funeral was delayed two hours. He waited until the pall-bearers had been ordered to disband, and he refused to go and

lost his job.

# BISHOP RIDLEY COLLEGE.

New Building is Now Practically Assured.

Mr. J. Hubert Mason, President of Bishop Ridley College Corporation, stated that plans for a substantial structure have been prepared, and work would begin at once. A large work would be done, and the sum of \$75,000 is needed, but the work will go on if \$20,000 is subscribed. Of this amount, \$10,000 has already been obtained, and the corporation has secured money, subscriptions and the sale of debentures. The outlook for the college is very gratifying. The attendance at the present term is 107, the largest in its history.

# A BUFFALO HOLOCAUST.

Seven Thousand Sheep Burned at the Stock Yards.

Buffalo, Jan. 4.—Seven thousand sheep were burned to death at the East Buffalo stock yards to-night. The long narrow sheds in which they were confined were swept by the flames before any of the animals could be released. The loss is estimated at \$75,000. It was stated by Superintendent Leigh that the fire would have no way to interfere with the handling of the sheep in the yards. Plenty of space is available in the cattle and hog sheds to take care of the sheep arrivals.

The sheep were housed in two long narrow sheds, covering a total area of 600,000 square feet. Running parallel with them, on either side, were the hog and cattle sheds. The flames were discovered by a watchman in the south end of the sheep shed, shortly before 8 o'clock. Fanned by a brisk wind, the fire destroyed the buildings in an incredibly short time. The firemen turned their attention to saving the adjoining structures, but the fire was under control at 9 o'clock. The sheep were, what are known as "exporters," and were in charge of federal officers, at the time of treatment.

# BENNETT BURLEIGH ON THE WAR SITUATION.

## The Veteran War Correspondent Says War Between Japan and Russia is Trembling in the Balance.

New York, Jan. 4.—Daniel J. Sully, the cotton king who has made \$10,000,000 in the great campaign in cotton futures which yesterday put the price of this commodity up to 14 cents, the highest in 25 years, and which has closed cotton mills all over the country and Europe, and thrown many thousands of men and women out of employment, is raising a fund of \$250,000 among the cotton spinners of the United States "to influence the American press and the American people to accept the high prices of one of their greatest commodities as the inevitable result of conditions treated by physical necessities rather than by speculative manipulation," says a morning paper.

Mr. Sully has himself subscribed \$10,000 to the fund, and has secured particular solicited liberal subscriptions to the fund which is designed to be conducted during the year 1904 through four specific channels, as follows: First, semi-annual "write-ups" in magazines of wide circulation and influence. Second, cab service of authoritative personal interviews and timely and pertinent information. Third, co-operative advertising. Fourth, direct argument on the dealer.

It is regarded in financial circles as one of the boldest plans ever adopted by the dealer to his customer. Fourth, direct argument on the dealer.

Further War Preparations.—Tokyo, Jan. 4.—An emergency ordinance promulgated late last night invests the government with practically unlimited credit for the purpose of military defense.

Three other ordinances were issued, relating, first, to the Seoul-Fusan railway, which is brought closer under government control; second, to the revision of the organization of the Imperial military headquarters in war time; third, to the creation of a war council in war time. These ordinances, it is considered, completely provide for all emergencies.

Russia Getting Ready.—Moscow, Jan. 4.—Twelve batteries of the four Grandier brigades of field artillery stationed in and around Moscow, have been selected for service in the far east. Their early departure in the Canadian mail will place 105 field guns at the disposal of Victor Alexieff. It is said here that all the volunteers living at their homes, who, as graduates of high schools, are privileged to serve only a year with the colors, have been ordered into barracks. Extensive movements of troops eastward have been reported.

Windsor Zion of Canada.—Windsor, Ont., Jan. 4.—John Alexander Dowle, "Elijah, the Restorer," is coming to Windsor for the next week, according to information received from official sources by members of the Flying Roll Colony here to-day. The purpose of "Elijah" in coming to Windsor is no less than to make his headquarters in the capital and headquarters, "the Zion of the Dominion," according to the report. The purpose of Dowle to leave for Australia is not affected by this trip to Windsor, for the members of the Flying Roll Colony believe it is his intention to first make a short evangelized tour of Canada, accompanied by his "host" and heavenly choir.

"We have no doubt whatever of the reliability of our information," said David Livingstone McKay, the "Little David" of the new Eve Home here.

Murder and Suicide.—Joseph Boyd Kills His Wife and Himself at Sarnia.

Sarnia report: As a result of domestic infelicity, probably accentuated by ill-health, Joseph Boyd, aged about fifty, this morning murdered his wife, and ended his own life a moment after. Boyd and his wife have been living, with their family of five children, on Davis street, where he recently erected a home, and was supposed to be perfectly comfortable. This morning sounds of quarrelling were heard, followed by a sound of breaking glass. One of the children then came to the door and called for help, and on entering, the neighbors found Mrs. Boyd lying in the kitchen, where she had evidently been engaged in washing dishes. She was breathing her last, and expired before anything could be done. A bullet wound from a 38-caliber revolver was in her head, and the ball had passed completely through. The husband was found about ten feet away, in an inner room, and held a revolver in his hand. He had shot himself through the head, and in doing so had inflicted a mortal wound. Coroner Dr. Lorge, who was summoned to the scene, stated that the man stated that as a result of domestic trouble, it was decided that an inquest was unnecessary. A peculiar feature of the case is that no hint of anything could be reached the neighbors, but Boyd had frequently complained that his work was in the tunnel, where he was employed as inspector, was telling on his health, and he frequently acted strangely.

Insurance against appendicitis has been taken by an English company. Assurance covering appendicitis risks at the rate of \$125 a year for every \$500. The holder is guaranteed all the expenses of a medical, surgical and nursing character up to the face of the policy in force at the time of treatment.

our King, will come to us. I had his raiment, etc.—"The appearance of John was like that of the great prophet Elijah in the popular mind. He was clothed in the coarse, rough cloth called sackcloth in the Scriptures. It was cheap, but admirable for keeping out the heat, cold and rain. This mantle was girded around him with a leather girdle of undressed hide. His food consisted of locusts, closely resembling our grasshoppers, and of wild honey. All this was a natural as well as simple mode of living in those days in the wilderness." Most-Food. Locusts—The law of Moses gave permission to eat locusts (Lev. xi. 21). "John here represents the symbols of the repentance he preached, according to ancient customs. The hair or sackcloth, the fasting and the solitude, were the ordinary outward signs of deepest humiliation."

Many confessions made (vs. 5, 6). 5. Went out—Left their homes and went to the desert where John was preaching. He was very successful, and the heart of the whole nation was stirred. Even Herod the King heard him gladly and "did many things" (Mark vi. 30). All the region—the crowds must have been enormous. John was very popular, but popularity had no effect upon such as he. 6. Confessing—Confession of sin is one of the marks of true repentance. See last John 1, 9.

A thorough reformation demanded (vs. 7-10). 7. When he saw—"Men honor a lofty and fearless soul, seeking no selfish object, but braving all opposition for the noblest ends. John had nothing to lose but his life, and cared for nothing but the faithful discharge of his duty." Pharisees—The name signifies separatists. They held tenaciously to a literal obedience to the written law, and an unwritten tradition, Sadducees—"They adhered to the written law, but refused to give much weight to tradition. They did not believe in a future life, angels or spirits. Said unto them—The three leading religious sects at that time were the Pharisees, Sadducees and Essenes, and he handled them with terrible severity. Generation of vipers—"Brood" of vipers—"This denotes persons deceitful and malicious." "A terribly expressive speech." He called them snakes, who heath warned you—How came you to think that by complying with an outward sign, you can escape the wrath of God without an inward change? The nation was so degraded that men expected a speedy and awful judgment. 8. Fruit worthy of repentance—John did not stop with a mere profession, but they must show the honesty of their purpose by their conduct.

9. Think not to say, etc.—The natural impulse of the unregenerate heart is to seek out excuses and subtleties when the conscience is touched. One of the great characteristics of flesh and children of Abraham. 10. The axe is laid—"There is an allusion here to a woodman, who, having marked a tree for excision, lays his axe at its root, while he lays off his outer garment, in order that he may wield more powerful blows."

IV. John points to Christ (vs. 11, 12). 11. Unto repentance—John was a repentance preacher. This was a baptism requiring and representing an inward spiritual change.—Speaker's Com. He that cometh—The preaching of John was preparing the minds of the people for the coming of the Messiah. As they began to ask themselves whether or not they were the Messiah's, John clearly outlined the work of the coming Messiah. His baptism will effect what mine is powerless to do. Not worthy—John shows his greatness by his self-abasement. His almost unexampled humility from the first led him to designate his work, which shook Israel to its centre, as merely preparatory, and to subordinate himself at once to Him who was far greater than he. With fire—Fire is an emblem of the Holy Spirit. The fire of the Holy Ghost will dispel the coldness and will give new energy and life to the soul. Whose fan—The fan, or the instrument for the purging, is the gospel. Flour—His church, wheat—The believers. Garner—The kingdom of grace here and of heaven hereafter. Inextinguishable fire—Nothing will be able to extinguish the awful fire that will kindle around the feet of the finally impenitent.

PRACTICAL SURVEY.—The appearance of John the Baptist marks a distinct and important epoch in the great processes of a world's redemption: 1. It was stern, like that of Elijah. 2. It was absolutely dauntless. 3. It shows remarkable insight into the needs of the people of every class. 4. It was intensely practical. 5. It prophesied of the dawn of the kingdom of Christ. His message was: 1. Repent; 2. the kingdom of heaven is at hand; 3. behold the Lamb of God, who taketh away the sin of the world; 4. John preached in the wilderness—"John preached in the wild, thinly inhabited region known as the Jordan and the Dead Sea, far north of Ebon, two-thirds of the way to the Sea of Galilee, and on both sides of the lower Jordan."

2. Repent ye—Repentance includes (1) conviction, (2) contrition, (3) confession, (4) reformation, and leads to conversion. John, Jesus, Peter and Paul all preached repentance. Kingdom of heaven—As Jesus is the Messiah, so is the kingdom, the Kingdom of God is a law, and His dispensation a kingdom—Whedon. The kingdom of heaven and the kingdom of God in the New Testament mean one and the same thing and generally have reference to the spiritual kingdom which Christ sets up in the hearts of His followers. At hand—The Jews expected a great national deliverer. The meaning here is that the coming of the Messiah to begin His earthly career, under the Christian economy, is at hand.

3. Eat—The Greek form for Isaiah xl. 3-5; also see Luke iii. 4-6. The voice—The prophecy draws attention to the work rather than the worker. The voice of the prophet was loud and distinct. Prepare ye—The idea is taken from the practice of Eastern monarchs, who, whenever they took a journey, sent heralds before them to prepare the way. The Jewish church was the desert country. Paths, straight—This is figurative language. The words illustrate the straightening of the heart. There must be a thorough preparation before God,

Weak, sickly babies are to mothers. They need both night and day, and mother out. Baby's health is the cause of the very weak, and in one case, Baby's own cure all baby's troubles, mildly laxative, and give Concerning them, Mrs. Omeson, Ont., says: "I had Own Tablets for stomach constipation, from which suffered, and they entirely cured me, and I regard them as any home where there are Mothers, from all parts of the world, in favor of Baby's proving the claim that it is very best medicine for all of infants and young children to contain no opiates a box at all drug stores from the Dr. Williams' Breckville, Ont.