

GET OUT FROM KLONDIKE.

E. H. Wells, who left Dawson December 20.

HAS IMPORTANT DISPATCHES.

Maj. Walsh Has Issued Orders Forbidding Any Klondikers From Entering Canadian Territory Without 1,000 Pounds of Food...

On the steamer Rosalie, which arrived from Alaska last night at 10 o'clock, came E. H. Wells, a newspaper man who left Dawson December 20 and made the trip to the water in thirty-five days with three companions...

Mr. Wells' three companions stopped at Juneau, and he was the sole Klondiker on the Rosalie. He states that Maj. Walsh has issued an order forbidding any Klondikers from entering Canadian territory on the Yukon from the coast without being supplied with at least 1,000 pounds of food...

Likewise many well posted men that have emerged from the Yukon. Mr. Wells believes that there is not enough food in Dawson to feed the people there. He declares that the number that came out over the trails is less than was supposed; that only 400 persons had passed Maj. Walsh on January 15 on their way out to the coast...

The Rosalie brought eleven passengers and no other important northern advice. She left Skagway last Tuesday. Mr. Wells, who was a member of the Arkel expedition, headed by E. J. Glave in 1890, was found at the Butler last night. He readily gave an account of his expedition in Dawson when he left there. "I am the last man out of the Klondike," he said. "The last parties ahead of me were those of which W. M. Rank, 'Nigger' Jim Daugherty, Fred Stevens, Medlock and Bettles were members. The most important information I can give you is that on January 15 Maj. Walsh, the Canadian gold commissioner at Big Salmon, issued an order which he told me he desired spread far and wide to the effect that he would not allow men to enter the Yukon country on Canadian soil unless they were supplied with at least 1,000 pounds of food, exclusive of tea and coffee. He had already turned back a number of people, and I have reason to believe that many others now crossing the divide will be stopped by him."

Food scarce at Dawson. "There are no new developments as to the food situation at Dawson. So different are the views and opinions held as to that matter that I do not wish to be quoted at any length. I do not believe, however, that there is enough food to keep the people of the camp in health this winter. It is my belief that the government relief expedition should proceed with all possible dispatch."

Reports of rich strikes on Hunker, Dominion and Sulphur creeks were brought to Dawson a few days ago. From reliable parties I have gathered that the prospects on those streams are fully as good as those found on Eldorado and Bonanza at a similar stage of development. "I crossed the Skagway trail, which I found in excellent shape owing to the good sledding. There were at least 500 people crossing the summit when I came over. Coming out from Belle river, a severe blizzard had obliterated the trail made by those in advance of us, and for over 200 miles we had to break a road for ourselves. This made traveling slow and difficult."

There are not to exceed twenty-five or thirty people coming out after us. There will be less and less use of the trail until weather conditions change. Mr. Wells was asked concerning the claim made by Arkel to an interest in the Klondike gold fields by right of discovery by the Arkel party. He said that the facts had been misrepresented by writers whose matter had been taken up by his departure for the gold fields last summer.

The Arkel Expedition. "I was somewhat surprised upon reaching the Coast," he said, "to find that articles had been published during my absence in the interior of Alaska, in which the claim was made that Arkel's Alaska expedition in 1890-1 had discovered the Klondike, and that E. J. Glave, Schanz and myself had staked off the most valuable claims on that river. Mr. Arkel was certainly laboring under a misapprehension if he made such statements. Glave never saw the Yukon river, either upon the occasion of his first or his second visit to Alaska."

The Arkel expedition left New York in 1889, with the following personnel: A. B. Schanz, E. J. Glave, and myself. We proceeded to San Francisco, where Jack Dalton, the noted frontiersman, was added to the party; also Frank Price, a sailor who had had some experience in Arctic travel. The United States coast survey steamer Patterson conveyed us to Pyramid harbor, Alaska, where Chilkot Indian Schwaika was engaged as an additional retriever. Over two hundred and number of twenty-six were hired, and the party started across the Chilkot pass, following a new route, which had never been traversed by white men. On the far side of the mountains at this lake was discovered, and named Arkel. The smaller lake was named Maud. While upon Lake Arkel it was decided to divide the party. By agreement between Mr. Glave and myself, he took Dalton, crossed over the divide to the Alsek river and descended to Dry bay, on the Pacific coast, having made a circuit of scarcely 200 miles from where he left salt water until he returned."

Glave mapped the Alsek, discovered a few colors of gold in the sands and returned to New York, where he urged Mr. Arkel to outfit him again for a prospecting trip upon the Alsek. Mr. Arkel, as Glave wrote me, declined to enter upon the scheme. It had no relation, however, to the Klondike country. In the meantime Schanz, Price, Schwatka and myself built a raft, crossed Lake Arkel, descended the Tahkenia river to the Yukon, then drifted down the last named stream to Forty-mile creek. On this trip Schanz was taken seriously ill, and when we passed the mouth of the Klondike we made no stop at all, but hurried on toward our destination, which was the camp of the United States coast survey party. Under Turner and McGrath, just below Forty-mile. Here we left Mr. Schanz in the care of the physician attached to the party. Three weeks later, when he had recovered sufficiently to travel, he descended the Yukon river, never returning up stream to the Klondike, but going

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out at the mouth of the Yukon to St. Michael. Later he made a trip down the coast in a bidarky to Nushagak, and then by dog teams made his way in company with Trader John Clark to the southern coast of Alaska. He discovered on the way a large lake, which he named Lake Clark.

"Meanwhile, after leaving Schanz at Forty-mile, Price, Schwatka and I made an overland journey to the headwaters of the stream and proceeded thence to the mountainous district lying northwest of the mouth of the Yukon, the Kuskokwim heads. Our provisions were exhausted, and we were obliged to eat the one dog that had been taken along with the party, and with roots, rose hips, etc., managed to exist for six weeks while making our way westward toward the Tanana. We drifted down the Tanana to the Yukon, and thence to St. Michael. The Bear was to call for us, but we reached there, eight days after the Bear had touched and left. Finding that it would be necessary to remain ten months at St. Michael while awaiting the arrival of another ship, I preferred the alternative of traveling down the coast by bidarky and did so, reaching Nushagak in November of 1890.

"At Nushagak dogs were secured and we proceeded to Kaitum, where we overtook Schanz. The party then crossed the Shelikof straits to Kodiak island, and there sailed for Sitka and the states. "Not a single member of the party knew anything about the Klondike, nor did we make any gold discoveries. Our work was confined altogether to the mapping of rivers and lakes and mountain chains in the interior of Alaska. We did not have three Indians die on our hands, as alleged by one writer, and consequently Mr. Arkel did not have to pay \$1,000 each to their relatives. After our return, Glave and Dalton made another trip to Alaska, but did not enter the Yukon country, confining their researches to the Alsek river. They failed to find gold in any quantity. Mr. Arkel had no connection with this second enterprise. I leave you to judge from this statement as to whether the Arkel can claim any right of discovery in the Klondike. I wish to have the truth stated in this matter."

Following is a list of the Rosalie's passengers: H. Chandler and wife, J. H. Loomis, E. H. Wells, H. Buell, C. Peterson, I. McCormack, L. P. Lundberg, A. J. Chambers, John Johnson and S. Harris.

The steamer Rosalie, which arrived from Skagway and Dyea last night, will leave for the north again tonight on time.

COME FROM PENNSYLVANIA

Big Party, including a Nineteen-Year-Old Wife, Here to Outfit for the Gold Fields.

Among the three or four hundred Eastern people brought into Seattle yesterday by the various railroads was a party of ten men and one woman from Bradford, Pa., who come here to outfit for a year in Alaska. The members of the party have agreed to stay together through thick and thin until they reach the particular portion of the Northern gold fields which they are headed. Beyond that, however, they have little connection with each other.

The party is registered at the Hotel Butler and includes W. E. Mathews, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur T. Hurley, John P. Miller, Dr. Hamilton, H. W. Gloss, Francis Mullen, N. Wells, W. H. Brace, Thomas Givens and W. C. Campbell.

W. E. Mathews, a railroad man of some years' experience, and has lately been in charge of the street railways of Bradford. He is making the trip into Alaska in the interests of a syndicate of Pennsylvania capitalists, who would like to build a railroad in Alaska from some point on the coast to the Yukon and down the river to Dawson.

Arthur E. Hurley owns the Bay State hotel at Bradford and has run for years. He is going to the Stewart river country for gold, if he can find it. Hurley, with Brace, Givens and Wells, is taking in drilling machinery, with which the ten men and one woman expect to rally any claims they may locate or other. Their drilling machines are something like those in the West. The Bradford party lives in the center of the Pennsylvania gold fields and their drill is fashioned after the oil well drills. It is worked with a spring-pole device, which serves to drive in the drill and to keep it turning with one movement. The spring pole works like the handle of a pump and can be operated by one or two men. The drill is four inches in diameter and will bore its way through any kind of ground. The drill is provided with a bit, which is which the value of the gravel through which the drill is passing can be ascertained at any time. The bailer works inside the drill and can be closed up so as to contain every bit of the gravel picked up by simply pulling a string. By using this drill and bringing up gravel at every few feet with the bailer they claim that they can ascertain the value of a claim in a very short time.

Mrs. Hurley, who will accompany her husband to the Stewart river, is but 19 years old. She thinks that she has the eye to make the trip.

John P. Miller, a prominent Bradford attorney, and Dr. Hamilton are gold hunters. They have heard so much about the North that they have determined to see for themselves what it is like. They will not be disappointed if they do not strike it rich.

H. W. Gloss and Francis Mullen have been glibly talked by Bradford people who desire to get a share of Northern riches, but do not care to go after it. W. C. Campbell is the only man in the party who brought dogs along. He has a team of four big dogs, two of which are well trained. The other members of the party laughed at him when he talked of bringing his dogs, but the sight of the many teams being driven around Seattle's streets has changed their ideas on the dog question.

W. E. Mathews, the railroad man of the party, was seen last night at his hotel by a representative of the Post-Intelligencer, and giving the conditions as given in the foregoing. Mr. Mathews further said: "We will leave here on February 4 for Dyea, after purchasing outfits in this city. We will begin packing our goods over the Chilkoot pass as early as possible, taking them as far as Lake Bennett. We will build one large boat or two small ones at the lake and wait for the ice to break up. Then we will go down the Yukon as far as the Stewart river, where most of the party will locate. "I have been sent into the country by a syndicate of Eastern capitalists, who are desirous of building a railroad in Alaska if the conditions are at all favorable. The men I represent know absolutely nothing about the possibilities of the scheme, but have the necessary money ready if there should be any opening. I will first look over the larger gold districts on the Yukon, with a view of learning

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ing as far as possible whether mining in the river will be permanent. Then I will investigate the various routes by which the river can be reached from the coast. If conditions seem at all favorable, engineers will be sent into the country and surveys made. Railroads cannot be built in Alaska in a year, and the amount of money involved is so great that the syndicate will proceed very slowly at first."

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