

### ASHAMED AND INDIGNANT.

#### Skagway Blushes for the Crimes of Her Lawless Ones.

#### A NIGHT TO BE REMEMBERED.

#### A Dozen Shots Awaken the Citizens of the Alaska Town and Later Indians Say They Were Fused by an Army of Wild Men—Citizens Held Up and Handcuffed While at the Door of His Office.

SKAGWAY, March 7.—Last night was a night of which the residents of this city feel both ashamed and indignant. There was one bold hold-up and one affair in which a dozen shots were fired, but no one killed or hurt that is known of. The Pacific Coast Steamship Company, however, say that one of their Indians brought here to unload the Australia, has disappeared and his disappearance has some connection it is thought with the shots.

At about 2 o'clock this morning a crowd of men were gathered on Holly street witnessing a fight in which one of the Indians of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company was an unequal participant. The feeling against the company and the Indians is very bitter here over the displacement of the longshoremen and the substitution of Indians, and the Indians do not usually trust themselves up town. There are forty of them, or were yesterday, but today there are but thirty-nine.

Soon after the fracas on Holly street it is supposed that the Indian went down to the boat for assistance from his companions. He returned and the next that the people in the central part of the town knew there was a succession of shots, followed by rapid running of men down the street. The shots continued for some time. The night watchman at the wharf says the Indians came running down the wharf, scared nearly to death. They declared that there were 200 men after them.

Marshal McInnes and Deputy Marshal Quinlan were investigating the shooting today, but failed to get at the bottom of it.

At 9 o'clock last night Alexander McClain was standing at his office door on Broadway, near Bond street. A stranger came up to him and opened negotiations for the purchase of a lot which Mr. McClain had for sale. Awaiting a favorable opportunity, the stranger snatched the citizen. Mr. McClain fell, and the robber went through his pockets, obtaining \$50 in bills. Almost immediately the victim recovered, and dealt his assailant a heavy blow in the face, knocking the footpad across a pile of lumber. McClain stooped to pick up the money, which had fallen to the ground in the struggle and while he did so the robber took to his heels and escaped.

Rom Starnes, formerly of Oursay, Col., killed himself accidentally Saturday morning by the discharge of a revolver. He was a packer and he arose early on the day mentioned. As he was getting up he happened to drop a revolver to the floor. The weapon was discharged, the bullet entering Starnes's body near the heart. With a cry of pain he fell over and soon expired. The remains are to be shipped to Colorado. Starnes was a member of the Knights of Pythias.

Part of the plant of the Alaska Searchlight has arrived from Juneau and the paper will resume publication here at once under Mr. Sylvester's personal charge. There are two other newspapers in Skagway at present, the News and the Daily Alaskan. At Dyea there is one paper established, the Dyea Trail, and Russell & Son, of Portland, Or., have just arrived with a plant with which a second paper will be started.

Steamer Alice Blanchard got away today after several days spent in repairs. Some of the passengers deserted at Haines Mission and a few at this place, claiming that the vessel was unsafe. It is said that she broke a blade or two off her propeller by encountering an iceberg in Icy strait, near Glacier bay.

**BROUGHT OUT A CANNON.**  
Capt. Hall, of the Cleveland, tries to scare off longshoremen at Skagway, but fails.

SKAGWAY, March 7.—The landing of the steamer Cleveland at Moore's wharf today was followed by scenes of excitement not often equaled even in this town of excitement. The longshoremen demanded their regular scale of 75 cents per hour per man for unloading the vessel. Capt. Hall was willing to give 50 cents, but declined to give more. He had brought his own men to unload and the longshoremen stopped the work. Capt. Hall got out a howitzer and after loading it in sight of the crowd, threatened to fire if they did not leave his men alone.

The Cleveland got here about noon with 20 passengers and a full load of freight. She was met by several longshoremen and spectators. Capt. Hall had had a disagreement with the longshoremen on his previous trip and he had brought a crew large enough to do the unloading. As soon as the work of unloading commenced the longshoremen crowded around the trucks and stopped the work. Capt. Hall tried to force a way through the crowd but failed. He asked for a gun but no one in the crowd gave him the desired weapon. He then went back to the boat with the threat that he would fire the longshoremen. When he returned another attempt was made to force a way through the crowd but it also failed.

Capt. Hall then retreated again to the steamer and soon brought out a small cannon and mounted it on the bridge. He loaded it in sight of the crowd and commanded his men to proceed with the unloading.

But the crowd refused to take Capt.

Hall's threat seriously and again the men were stopped when they went at the trucks.

United States Marshal McInnes appeared upon the scene at this juncture. He consulted with the longshoremen and with the captain. As a result the longshoremen withdrew and allowed the ship to be unloaded by the crew.

The steamer schooner South Coast was forced to pay the regular scale of 75 cents yesterday and several other boats have also acceded to the longshoremen's scale.

It is claimed by the longshoremen that the expenses of living are so great here that they cannot afford to work for less money.

**Dalton at Skagway.**  
SKAGWAY, March 5.—Jack Dalton was in town last night for a few hours. He went from here to Haines mission, from which place he will proceed to Dalton post.

**Skagway Notes.**  
Ship Canada is aground several miles below this place, and the efforts of two tugs to dislodge her proved unavailing. It is thought that the next high tide will bring her off.

Deputy Marshal Quinlan accidentally shot himself today in the leg. His revolver went off in his pocket. The bullet, a 25-calibre, struck his leg and flattened against the bone. The bullet was taken out by Dr. Moore, and no serious consequences are expected.

**A RECORD BREAKER.**  
Australia Left Juneau Last Tuesday and Arrived Yesterday.

The Australia has proved herself, on her maiden trip to Lynn canal ports, to be a record breaker, and it is claimed that she is the speediest steamer on the run. She left Juneau on her trip down Tuesday morning, and but for the fogs off Cape Flattery would have arrived in Seattle by noon yesterday. As it was, her trip was about twelve hours faster than usually made by other steamers on the run.

A melancholy reminder of the hardships and dangers of life in Alaska was the presence on the main hatch of the Australia, as she steamed into the harbor, of a rude coffin containing the body of Stephen J. Rooney, who went north from California. He fell a victim to cerebro-spinal meningitis in Skagway last Monday. The dead man's brother, J. Rooney, was in charge of the remains. The passenger list of the Australia is as follows:

A. C. Thompson, D. Eager, Dr. R. M. Allen, G. Williamson, F. O'Hara, J. H. Tomlinson, C. H. Harvey, J. Rooney, C. H. Clapp, George Broughnough, G. H. Hotchkiss, Mrs. Frost, C. E. Brown, Frank R. Sumner, F. Hartwickson, H. Goodman, J. N. Rucker, E. A. White, J. F. Fleming, Charles Bunley, Edward Harvey, F. M. Mullen, E. Beach, J. Corner, George Hotchkiss, W. W. Campbell, Sam Atkinson. From the wrecked Whitehall—C. H. Tuttle, T. Bond, F. Roche, D. McDonald, J. Eagan.

It is stated by members of the crew of the Australia that the Cottage city which was twice ashore on her trip up to Skagway recently, has been beached for repairs at some point between Juneau and the Sound, probably at Sika. They say that it was reported to them that the Cottage City began leaking badly again after leaving Lynn canal on her down trip, and could not continue it without further repairs. It is stated that she will go on the dry dock at Quartermaster Harbor after unloading her freight at this port.

**Luella Reaches Dyea.**  
The Australia brought down the news that the ship Luella with part of the government expedition aboard has reached Dyea. Orders preceded it to stop the relief expedition. Further orders are expected soon, and in view of the new departure by the government are likely to reach Dyea before many days go by.

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