

BOMB EXPERTS ALSO FOUND IN INDIA

McDonald Wires He Will Come Here

A sensation was created in the district court this morning over the opening of the alleged secret indictment of Joe McDonald for the murder of N. C. Jones, some years ago. This morning Mr. Cobb arose in court and stated that he had been instructed by wire from Joseph McDonald to say to the court, and district attorney's office, that if there was an indictment pending against him, extradition would not be necessary but he would appear for trial at any time that it suited the government. Mr. Cobb further stated that he had sought to take up the matter with the district attorney but the district attorney declined to discuss the matter on the ground that it was still a secret indictment. Judge Overfield asked that the matter be taken up in chambers. The Empire asked Mr. Cobb where Mr. McDonald was but he declined to discuss the matter at all until the court had taken some action.

On Dec. 17 the grand jury after several days of investigation and the taking of testimony from witnesses that had been summoned from far and distant points in the United States brought in a secret indictment. Everybody in town was practically certain of the case under investigation and against whom the indictment was

found, nevertheless public policy and respect for law and at the request of the court, The Daily Empire withheld any reference to the matter, other than the simple announcement of fact. The publication to the effect that the secret indictment found that day was against Joe McDonald together with a part of the testimony taken at the coroner's inquest created great indignation amongst members of the grand jury. One member, Mr. Achison, who lives in Skagway, refused to go home although he had been excused from further service, until the publisher of the publication was summoned before the grand jury.

The district attorney's office, as well as the attorneys for Mr. McDonald, are incensed over the publication of the proceedings at this time. The testimony taken at the coroner's inquest ten years was loaned by Judge J. F. Malony under express instructions that it must not be published and the pledge of faith exacted that it would not be printed. The publicity given the matter makes it practically impossible for the trial to be held in Juneau. Mr. McDonald has been a resident of Mexico for several years, it is said.

GREAT PROGRESS OF DEVELOPMENT WORK OUT AT SALMON CREEK

The only way to get a proper conception of the development work that is done and is being done on the creeks at the present time is to go out and see for oneself.

The Alaska-Gastineau Company has done a great deal of work during the past five months in their power development project at Salmon creek. People who live in town accept the statement along with the results, but give little thought to initiative and energy that bring results.

Since last June, practically all of the work, in that division of the company's activities, has been brought to its present stage of development.

The first unit of the great power project is now practically completed. The big flume, 475 feet, is all finished from the lower dam to the penstock, a distance of 12,000 feet. The foundation for this flume is cut on the mountain side at an elevation of nearly 400 feet. In many places heavy rock cuts were encountered, and throughout the entire distance the right of way was filled with heavy spruce which called for generous use of powder.

The penstock will be finished before Christmas, and then the waters of Salmon creek can be turned into their new channel of usefulness. There remains, however, a few days work in the power house before this is finished.

Machinists and engineers are driv-

ing the work rapidly, but even at that it takes time to set heavy machinery. The bearings are set for the pair of great pelton wheels between which will swing the immense generator. When these things begin to turn in working condition 1,500 kilowatts of new electric energy will be transported to the mine and tunnel developments of the company. There are about thirty men employed at the power house or beach camp.

At the lower dam camp the saw mill is busy cutting timbers to be used in the construction of the great dam two miles further up the basin. There are about twenty-five men all told working here.

At the site of the upper dam another force of men numbering about twenty-five is busily engaged in preparing the ground for the construction of the great work. Just a few days ago one crew commenced work on the tunnel which is to be driven up to tap the bottom of the basin reservoir. The weather conditions so far have been a great deal better than could be expected.

There is scarcely any snow to be encountered. The tram road is clear from the upper dam to the beach and supplies move freely. Everybody is cheerful along the line and there seems to be no reason why the work should not keep moving at the same pace that marked the finish of the first unit.

SKAGWAY PANSIES COME TO EMPIRE

The Daily Empire this morning received a beautiful Christmas remembrance from Skagway. It is good to see, and what it is may be gathered from the following accompanying card: "Please accept a few of Skagway's noted pansies, as Mr. Dedman says we can grow them—and do." The Empire is quite satisfied that Skagway can and does, and appreciates the beautiful testimony and the spirit that prompted it. The card and pansies come from Mrs. W. L. Speer, of Skagway.

A WORK OF ART

The Daily Empire acknowledges the receipt of a handsome work of art in the shape of a 1913 calendar, from the Sanitary Grocery. It is one of the most artistic of the season's offerings in this line.

*Remember that R. P. Nelson's is the only place in Juneau where you can get Huyler's celebrated candies; which are the best made.

MAN CRAZED WITH VERY BAD WHISKEY.

A man giving the name of Teddy Collins and claiming to have come from Ketchikan was arrested last night by Nightwatchman Sam Cohn. The fellow was crazy drunk and yelling like a frenzied savage. He was taken to the city jail. This morning he is still insane. Captain Martin says he will hold him a while pending developments.

COMMERCIAL CAFE

TABLE d' HOTE DINNER	
Christmas Day, 1912	75 cents
Served from Noon Until 8 p. m.	
Hors d' Oeuvres	
Anchovies Stavranger	Caviar Astrakan
Soups	
Mock Turtle ala Anglaise	Consomme Savoyarde
Fish	
Filet of Sole, Tartar Sauce	Entree
Capon Liver Omelette, a la Victoria	
Roast	
Stuffed Young Turkey with Cranberry Sauce	Vegetable
Desserts	
Baked Potatoes	Petit Pois
Potatoes in Cream	Asparagus Tips
Ye Old English Plum Pudding, Hard and Brandy Sauce	
Roman Punch	
Fromage de Brie	
Cafe Demitasse	

Phone 381 to Reserve Boxes or Tables

SECOND TRIAL OF AL LUNDGREN

The second trial of Al Lundgren on the charge of giving liquor to Indians is on today. A special venire for 18 was ordered, there being but two or three of the regular panel qualified to sit on the case.

The Arctic Barber Shop will work four chairs on December 24th until 10:30 p. m. On Christmas Day we will be open until noon.

CASTRO COMING TO NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Emilio Castro the former firebrand president of Venezuela is a passenger on the steamship Touraine bound for this port.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—It is probable that the United States authorities will not permit Castro to land.

JUDGE OVERFIELD GOING TO VALDEZ

Sometime ago Judge Overfield sitting in the district court here, was subpoenaed by mail to appear as a witness in the Washington-Alaska bank trials now being held in Valdez. With the subpoena came instructions that telegraphic advices would be sent when he should be wanted.

The advice was received today and Judge Overfield is to take the Mariposa for Valdez. This morning Judge Overfield called the civil calendar consisting of about 75 cases but under the circumstances the causes will not progress very rapidly.

In addition to the burdensome civil calendar there are several very important criminal prosecutions now under way. There are in the neighborhood of 75 government witnesses now waiting to be called. District Attorney Rustard is quite disturbed over the situation that has arisen and has wired a long protest to the attorney-general.

WELL KNOWN COUPLE MARRIED IN JUNEAU

On Saturday evening, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Lorenzen, the Rev. J. B. Stevens united in marriage Walter Alexander, of Haines, and Miss Nancy Lee McIntyre, of Seattle.

Both the high contracting parties are well known and have hosts of friends who wish them happiness. Mr. Alexander has been with the Canadian road commission for year. The bride formerly taught school at Haines.

PORTUGUESE PREMIER RESIGNS

LISBON, Dec. 23.—Senhor Leite, premier of the Portuguese Cabinet has resigned.

Personal Mention

L. N. Uhl, the electrical engineer, who has been installing a wireless plant at the Juana mine, returned from that place on the Georgia last night.

Ray Haasse, of the Alaska Supply Company is a passenger bound for Seattle on the Humboldt.

L. B. Adsett took passage on the Humboldt for Ketchikan. Hugh Ettinger, of New York, who has been doing Southeastern Alaska, went to Petersburg on the Humboldt. R. Wahlgren came down from Juana last night on the Humboldt.

L. E. Buell, the well known traveling man left for Seattle on the Humboldt.

Emmett Harris went to Ketchikan on the Humboldt last night. J. Worner and F. Williamson, U. S. land surveyors have been transferred to California and left for the South on the Humboldt.

William Merchant, of Burford's, has gone for a visit with his people in Walla Walla. He took passage on the Humboldt last night. John Stefjen, who has been in the employ of the Alaska-Gastineau Company, will leave on the Northwestern, for Seattle enroute to Denver, where he will spend a three months' vacation.

NEW YEAR CALENDARS.

The Empire acknowledges the receipt of handsome New Year calendars from the Juneau Liquor Company and the New York Exchange.

French cluster raisins, candied and pressed ginger at the Sanitary Grocery.

New sugared figs, Dromadory dates, and maple sugar at the Sanitary Grocery.

Ladies wishing to make a selection of a pipe or box of cigars for Christmas presents may phone their wants in to BURFORD'S and depend on prompt and efficient service.

Hot chili beans all the time at Lockie McKinnon's Mayflower.

Bryan Lauds Wilson; Republicans Happy

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The dinner given to Governor-elect William Sulzer at the Metropolitan Club, Saturday evening was largely attended, among the prominent guests being President-elect Wilson, William Jennings Bryan, Governor John A. Dix, besides numerous members of Congress.

In his address Colonel Bryan declared that Mr. Wilson was better equipped for the important duties of the presidential office than any former executive. Continuing his laudatory remarks about Wilson Bryan said that never in fifty years had a Dem-

ocratic president so held the good will of the Republican party, for, said Bryan, "one-half of the Republican party is rejoicing because Wilson defeated Taft and the other half is rejoicing because he defeated Roosevelt." President Taft was toasted by the banqueters, and felicitous addresses were made by Governor-elect Sulzer, Governor Dix, Samuel Untermeyer and others.

William Randolph Hearst and Chas. F. Murphy were not present. A thousand of the women of New York entertained Mrs. Woodrow Wilson at a reception on Saturday evening.

IN MITYLENE TURKISH ARMY SURRENDERS

ATHENS, Dec. 23.—A dispatch to the Grecian government says that the Turkish army in Mitylene has surrendered. The surrender is said to have been unconditional.

BARNETTE ESCAPES ON ALL INDICTMENTS

VALDEZ, Dec. 22.—Judge Lyons of the district court, yesterday knocked out seven embezzlement indictments against E. T. Barnette, the Fairbanks banker, and the prosecution moved the dismissal of the perjury charge, which was done.

The embezzlement charges were dismissed on the ground that the money which Barnette withdrew from his bank prior to its failure was his own.

BIG RAILROAD HEADS INDICTED

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—President W. S. Mellon of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad, and President Chamberlain and Alfred W. Smithers, chairman of the board of directors of the Grand Trunk railway, have been indicted by a federal grand jury for violating the Sherman act.

IN COMMISSIONER'S COURT

Deputy Marshal Pels last night arrested N. Moran for giving liquor to Indians. He was locked up pending a hearing.

HARRY MALONE IMPROVING.

Harry Malone deputy district court clerk who was taken ill last Friday is reported this morning to be improving.

See the new Gold Belt City spoon, designed by Winter & Pond.

Chinaware makes a suitable Christmas present, and is most useful. Cups and saucers, bread and butter plates, sugar and cream pitchers, stoves, Japanese and home decorations. L. J. Sharick's.

STEAMER IS WRECKED; 23 PERSONS DROWNED

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Dec. 23.—The British steamer Florence was wrecked near Heart's Content yesterday and twenty-three of the crew were drowned.

Marine Notes

Northwestern due from Westward 11 a. m. tomorrow.

The Georgia arrived from Skagway and way ports last night and left for Sitka today noon.

The Mariposa is due tomorrow evening from Seattle.

The Dolphin is due from the South Thursday night.

The Yukon is scheduled to arrive on Dec. 26.

The Curacao sails from Seattle on Dec. 26.

MR. BISHOP ILL.

Mayor Bishop is ill at home. During the illness of Mr. Bishop Mr. Williams will act as foreman of the grand jury.

Advantage. Knicker—Why did Subbu plant tobacco in his garden? Bocker—Said he might as well have weeds he could smoke.

The Viceroy of India Wounded by Bomb

DELHI, India, Dec. 23.—Lord Hardinge, viceroy and governor general of India, was wounded yesterday and an attendant was killed by a bomb hurled from a housetop as he was entering the ancient capitol of India in state yesterday.

The streets were lined with people to witness the viceroy's arrival when suddenly the bomb struck the street exploding near the carriage occupied by the viceroy. He was struck by a flying missile, but his wound is not expected to be serious.

The attendant was killed instantly, but there were no other fatalities. The bomb is believed to have been thrown by a Mohammedan fanatic, who escaped.

The British ministry last February changed the capital of India from Bombay to Delhi, known as the ancient capital.

The war of the Balkan States against Turkey has aroused a deep feeling of resentment among the Mohammedans, who openly charge Great Britain with favoring the enemies of the Ottoman government.

COMBINATIONS HOLD UP THE PEOPLE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—In his annual report Commissioner of Corporations Conant discusses at length the relations existing between railroads and steamship lines.

The commissioner makes the unqualified statement that the railroads and the steamship companies have effected combinations by which the for-

mer control all the regular steamship lines, fix the rates and thus destroy competition between railroads and steamship companies. These combinations, he says, not only include the points on tidewater reached by the transcontinental railroads, but nearly all other competitive points on both coasts.

THEY WANT THE SEAL ACT AMENDED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The governments of Japan and Great Britain have sent urgent note to the United States government asking for an amendment to pelagic sealing in Alaska waters.

The British and Japanese governments held that the present regulations and restrictions do not operate

fairly and they ask for certain modifications.

It is the view of the Washington administration, based upon the urgent notes of the complaining governments, that Congress should amend the seal act so as to insure fair treatments and restrictions do not operate

POLICE FIND TWO SKELETONS

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—The Chicago police, on Saturday arrested a man named Clyde Stratton and seven others in a North Side flat, on suspicion of having murdered Logue, the jeweler, whose dead body was found in his store with seventeen knife wounds in it.

In searching the flat where Stratton and the others were arrested two skeletons were found.

BRYANS NAME NOT MENTIONED

TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 23.—President-elect Wilson had a three and one-half hours' conference on Saturday afternoon with William Jennings Bryan in Mr. Wilson's office in this city. After the conference was over and Mr. Bryan had left for New York, Governor Wilson said that Mr. Bryan's name had not been mentioned in the discussion of cabinet places.

HICKEY IS FOUND GUILTY OF MURDER

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 23.—Thomas F. Hickey on trial here for the murder of six-year-old Joseph Josephs was found guilty of murder in the second degree. Hickey murdered the boy more than a year ago concealing his body in a sewer.

LARGE HALIBUT SHIPMENT

Longshore Boss O. E. Head yesterday had his crew stowing in the hold of the Humboldt 113 boxes of fresh halibut totalling 56,500 pounds.

MEXICAN REBELS KILL 250 FEDERALS

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 23.—A dispatch to the Herald from Ascension, Mexico, says that a force of two hundred and fifty federal troops which were garrisoning Ascension, have been annihilated by the rebels, who stormed the town, put the garrison to death and looted the stores, offices and other buildings.

OLD TIMER RETURNS TO HIS SECTION

J. G. Smith, an old timer of Juneau, Dawson and Nome, was in town today from the South end of Douglas island where he is doing development work on mining property he owns there. Mr. Smith first came to Juneau in 1891 in a sailing craft from Seattle. "And I had never sailed a vessel before," he said. "When I left Seattle the people thought that I was headed for the North Pole, so far away did Juneau appear in those days."

Watch R. P. Nelson's place especially his show cases, when looking for Xmas gift.

I have a lot of beautiful gold mounted fountain pens, of every make. They make inexpensive, useful and beautiful Christmas gifts.

Now is the time to buy holly at GOLDSTEIN'S.

Finest line of Calabash pipes in Alaska at BURFORD'S.

HELEN GOULD'S BIG PRESENT

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Helen Miller Gould who will shortly be married to Finley J. Shepard, a St. Louis railroad man, will receive a wedding present from twenty-one thousand men of the Atlantic fleet.

Miss Gould for many years has taken an active interest in the welfare of the enlisted men in the United States navy and in railroad workers.

COMMERCIAL CAFE TO OPEN CHRISTMAS DAY

The splendid new Lang range ordered by Mr. Warren for the Commercial Cafe arrived Saturday night on the Humboldt and was installed before six o'clock last night.

All day yesterday the place where the new dining palace is being created was thronged with visitors. Warren and all of the hired help were working like beavers to get the place in condition for business.

The formal opening of the establishment will be at noon on Christmas Day and an excellent table d' hote dinner is being prepared for the occasion.

THE HANSEN FUNERAL

The funeral of the late Hans Hansen was held Saturday afternoon from the parlors of the C. W. Young Company. Rev. Stevens officiating. Following were the pall bearers: F. Woland, N. B. Johnson, P. Tweit, L. Lange, J. Nordale, John Erickson. Interment was in Evergreen cemetery. The many friends of deceased will erect a stone monument at the grave.

The "Mariposa" is bringing a large shipment of fancy fruit and vegetables for GOLDSTEIN'S, leave your order now to be delivered on arrival Christmas morning.

THE VISION OF WM. H. SEWARD.

Robert W. Jennings late candidate for delegate to Congress on the Democratic ticket will speak at the Commercial Club banquet on Jan. 12.

Mr. Jennings has chosen as the subject of his theme, "The Vision of William H. Seward." There is so much opportunity for an interesting talk on this topic that it will be a great treat to have it handled as Mr. Jennings is capable of doing.

Every thing that will please a smoker may be found at BURFORD'S.

When looking for Christmas gifts, keep your eye on R. P. Nelson's place before buying elsewhere.

Up to Date. Wife—Really, I haven't anything fit to wear. Husband—You dress in the prevailing style, nevertheless.

HOLLYWOOD ART PRINTS, latest styles in PICTURE MOUNTINGS, FRAMES, made-to-order at W. H. CASE.