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Mass with Sermon - 10:00 A. M.
Sunday School - 3:00 P. M.
Rosary, Lecture and Benediction - 7:00 P. M.
Priest, Rev. Father P. C. Bougis, S. J.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH—Rev. Loyal L. Wirt, pastor. Services will be held every Sunday at 7:45 p. m. Sunday School meets at 2:30 p. m. Society of Christian Endeavor Thursday evenings at 7:30. Ladies League every alternate Thursday afternoon.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH Services held at Odd Fellows Hall every Monday evening, excepting last in month, when the service will be held on Sunday evening. Rev. H. J. Gurr.

FRIENDS CHURCH—Regular services at the Mission School house. Sabbath School - 10 a. m. Native Services - 11 a. m. Evening Services - 7:45. Prayer meeting, Wednesday evening at 7:45. Teachers' meeting every Friday evening at 8 o'clock at private houses. Any and all are cordially invited and welcomed at all of these services. Rev. C. N. REPLOGLE, Pastor.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH—At Peniel Mission, Tuesday evenings at 7:45 o'clock. Scandinavian services at the Peniel Mission Friday evenings at 7:45 o'clock. A cordial invitation extended to all. Rev. C. J. Larsen, Pastor.

A. F. & A. M.

Masons on Douglas Island meet at Odd Fellows' Hall on the First and Third Tuesdays of each month. All Masons are cordially invited to attend.

I. O. O. F.

Alaska Lodge, No. 1, meets at Odd Fellows' Hall, Douglas, on Wednesday evenings at 8 o'clock. Visiting brothers are cordially invited to attend. J. G. McDONALD, N. G. C. A. WECK, Secretary.

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DOUGLAS CITY, ALASKA.

THE SEVEN HUNDRED.

Started up Friday. More Water Needed. No Foreman Named Yet.

120 STAMPS DROPPING.

Congressional Grifters. The Budget Speaks Out. Jonsey's Organ. They Flock Together. Good Bye. The Mellen Mining & Manufacturing Co. A Dirty Trick.

Mr. Angus Mackay temporarily dropped his title as architect and builder last Friday for that of foreman of the Seven Hundred stamp mill. He has just completed the mill and everything was ready for the stamps to commence dropping; the water was turned onto the big wheel and everything moved off as nice and easy as the foreman could wish for. The huge bins were full of ore and about 40 stamps were put to work, out of the 120 that are all ready to do their share as soon as the water commences to flow in greater quantities from the mountains. The Seven Hundred is the first mill below the old Treadwell. It is supplied with water power only. It is a model little mill. We say little, because a 120 stamp mill is a small concern compared with the old Treadwell or the new one that will start up in a few weeks. Supt. Corbus has not yet named a foreman for the 700. The honors of that position have been divided between the Supt. and Mr. Mackay.

Congressional Grifters. The Alasks press, with no exception we believe, is opposed to the laws recently enacted for this district, so far as the same relates to the licensing of liquor dealers and those engaged in trade.

Some of the papers take the position that the law is unconstitutional and that the courts will set it aside. It will take from one to three years to test the constitutionality of the law and during that time dealers would be compelled to pay the license money, so that but little would be gained, except by the lawyers. We are informed that Gov. Brady was asked by the committee if the law would be satisfactory to the people and that he evaded the question. If no objection was made, although our interests were supposed to be represented by the Governor of the district, congress is certainly not to be censured for giving us the law.

Of course, enacting the law and enforcing it are two different propositions. Enforcing prohibition in Alaska was given up some time ago. The sentiment of the people must back up a law or its enforcement will be a failure. The committee that interrogated Gov. Brady on this question knew this. He should have told the committee that the law would not only be unsatisfactory, but its enforcement would be doubtful. Whether the people will submit to the "outrageous graft," as the Skagway Budget calls it, remains to be seen.

The Budget Speaks Out. Skagway Budget.

The idea that the new law cannot be dead-lettered is all a humbug. The people are power. The people of Alaska will govern Alaska. Public sentiment is stronger than any law. Public sentiment is against the attempted government graft, and no power in Alaskan can enforce it. A jury of twelve men could not be found in Skagway that would convict any man for violating so unjust a law.

Jonsey's Organ.

Jonsey is one of our city teamsters. He has been here for a long time and knows everybody and everybody knows Jonsey. Now Jonsey has a good wife and several interesting children; and from the shape of his head and the twinkle of his eye, we must say there is music in Jonsey's soul. This love for music has, no doubt, been imparted to the children, and, after so long a time, Jonsey bought an organ in the east and it was loaded on the Topeka at Seattle on her last trip up. Of course you know what happened to the organ. The News man was down at the dock when the box was unloaded from the Al-Ki. Jonsey, his good wife and the children were there. They were all standing around the organ box. It had not been opened. It was in the water about a week, and Jonsey and his interesting family will never hear the sweet tones with which it was once endowed.

"Can I have it for my play house if its swelled?" said one of the little girls to her mother. But there was no reply. What a disappointment was the loss of the organ to those dear little children, and to the parents, too.

They Flock Together.

The Commercial hotel of San Francisco is the headquarters for the Alaska miners. The Commercial is a splendid hotel, but just how it came to be the "roosting place" for all the miners we can't explain. If you happen to be in Frisco and want to know anything about Alaska mines or miners, if you can't get the information you want at the Commercial you can't get it anywhere.

Good Bye.

Mr. T. G. Quinn of Douglas Island left for his former home, San Francisco, last Thursday. He has had charge of the work of putting in the electric appliances at the new "300" stamp mill at Treadwell. He is one of the most competent electricians that ever came to Alaska. Mr. Quinn is a splendid, good fellow, and he leaves hosts of friends to regret his departure. He expects to go to Paris soon and follow his profession while the exposition buildings are being constructed. The News joins with his many friends in wishing him success.

The Mellen Mining & Manufacturing Co.

The mines around Seward City are going to show up well this season. The ore in that section is of the best and new stamps will commence dropping with the spring thaw. The Mellen Mining and Manufacturing Co. has a mill back of Seward City about one and a half miles. The finishing touches are now being put on the plant and the twenty stamps will commence dropping about the first of June, and perhaps earlier. The miners are drifting on the ledge. The mill will be run by water power.

The News man will visit the mines around Seward City soon for the purpose of writing up the condition of the mining interests in that part of the country. Judge Mellen is now in Juneau looking after the interests of the company. He was seen by a News man a few days ago and is authority for the facts stated.

A Dirty Trick.

The Wolcott pulled out for Sitka last Wednesday evening. It was a dirty trick to take her off the Juneau-Skagway run. Our people are in love with the Wolcott and her crew and no good will come of the change. Capt. Crockett and Purser Baker were not pleased with the change, and we are in hopes that they will be returned to us again.

The Skagway Budget thinks that the new license law will kill any town in which it is enforced. That is our opinion of the matter.

Its Injustice.

Skagway Budget. A prominent business man of Skagway has received the following letter from a Wisconsin congressman:

"I send you a copy of the criminal code for Alaska, passed in the late session, and particularly draw attention to the license provided for all business other than that of liquor. This part of the law must have been added by the conferees and passed without the knowledge of the members at the very last hour. All this seems very harsh on the business men of Alaska, and the same is unheard of in other localities, as Alaska gets no benefit therefrom, but all money is turned into the treasury at Washington. If you were permitted to use this money in municipal improvements, it would not seem so unreasonable. Some one has certainly misrepresented the wants of Alaska, otherwise it would not have passed in its present form. The bill that ought to have passed but failed is the one providing for a civil government. It passed the senate and house with amendments, among other things giving Skagway a term of court in August, a municipal government, power to levy taxes, and other provisions that Alaska needs. When congress meets in December some one who is not particularly and selfishly interested in some private scheme of his own, and acquainted with Alaska ought to visit Washington and represent its wants properly. Can I be of service to your people?"

The Humboldt on the Rocks.

Mr. J. B. Prather was a passenger on the Humboldt on her run from Skagway to this place Friday night.

He was asked about the Humboldt being on the rocks and made the following statement:

"About fifteen minutes of 12 o'clock Friday night the Humboldt ran onto the rocks on Vanderbilt reef. The pilots had not changed shifts more than three minutes. It was a very dark night and the wind was blowing hard. We were on the rocks about one and a half hours; floated off on a high tide."

"How close to land was it where the Humboldt was on the rocks?" was asked.

"About one and a half miles was the nearest land. Scared? Yes, we all felt shaky. No, the boat was not much injured, she did not leak any."

Two Men Labeled.

Supt. Robinson and Judge Winn deny the impeachment that they stole, or are trying to steal a street. We are pleased to give publicity to the statement of these two gentlemen that they are honest men. We have known Mr. Robinson for quite a while. He is the representative of a big steamship company—a big corporation—and to accuse such a man of stealing anything, he can't carry off, is simply ridiculous. As to Judge Winn—he is an ex-trial Judge and a successful lawyer. He is the attorney for the steamship company, and as honest as the best grade of lawyers generally are. We decline to believe that the Judge would steal a street without further proof. Both of these gentlemen are readers of the News and this in itself recommends them to us as honest upright men.

The Humboldt.

Steamship Humboldt arrived last Thursday afternoon and discharged some freight at the Douglas City wharf. She is up on the Topeka's run. Capt. Bonfield is her commander, and Carroll, purser. The Humboldt is a fine boat and we would like to see her in the Alaska trade.

The Postoffice department has changed the spelling of the official name of the town of Skagway. It has been changed to Skagway. This was requested by some of the people of that city. Relief upon a matter of so much importance—putting a "w" where a "u" was used—must be highly gratifying to the people of that town.