

ALASKA DAILY EMPIRE  
Douglas Branch  
M. A. SNOW, Manager

DOUGLAS, Dec. 28.—Nearly all the people have been sold for the entertainment to be given tonight by the Catholic school children at the Club rooms of the Alaska Catholic Club for the benefit of the Beldia Relief fund.

Capt. Erickson and Andy Melle will leave tonight on the Georgia for Warm Springs Bay, where they will spend a vacation of a few weeks.

In the presence of a number of friends, the infant girl of Mr. and Mrs. Rinkki was christened HUI RINKKI by the Rev. Owen Umstead last Sunday afternoon.

The Eagles will not give a dance next Saturday owing to the number of dances to be given by others during the week and the committee states that hereafter their dances will only be given every two weeks and their night will be the night before Christmas.

The trial of Pavaloni Gamboni took place at two o'clock this afternoon at which time he pleaded guilty to the charge of stealing lumber from the Treadwell Company. He was fined by Magistrate Hansen.

The outside work on the Congregational Church is nearly finished and the inside work will be started shortly.

TREADWELL, Dec. 28.—There will be a rehearsal of the end men and interactor for the minstrel show tonight at the Club rooms.

The game between the Machine Shop team and the Brunswick bowling team of Juneau on the Brunswick alleys in Juneau will take place on the evening of January fourth.

The skating pond was flooded again last night and by tomorrow, will be in good condition for hockey games and other winter sports.

The first basketball game of the coming tournament will take place in the Club auditorium between the Mexican and Store teams on the fourth of January.

## HISTORIC HOUSE FOR SITKA "HOME"

The Pioneer's Home at Sitka received a valuable Christmas present in the form of additional lands and quarters. On December 23, A. G. Shoup, superintendent of the institution, acting as agent for the Governor of Alaska, gave a receipt to H. A. Crowell, custodian of the U. S. naval depot at Sitka for the building and grounds last used as a naval hospital. The lot or parcel of ground is 80x100 feet and joining the present home and the building is 65x40 feet. The building has eight rooms and two baths. The vacant land is suitable for gardening and will be leased by the inmates of the Home for that use. The building is in bad repair, according to Superintendent Shoup, but can be fixed up and used advantageously.

Historic House.  
The building has great historic value. It is a log structure and was constructed about 70 years ago during Russian occupation and was formerly the Governor's House. The building has since been covered with weather boarding. Later it was acquired by the naval department and converted into a hospital. It has not been in use since the discontinuance of the naval station at Sitka.

Forestry Bureau Wanted It.  
The U. S. forestry service of Alaska wanted the building and made application for it. The matter was referred to Gov. J. F. A. Strong by the Secretary of the Interior. Governor Strong advised that the building could not be put to better use than to make it a part of the Pioneer's Home which was in great need of more accommodations. Governor Strong is much pleased that the building has been acquired for the Home.

## LOCAL MASONS INSTALL OFFICERS

Juneau Lodge No. 147, F. & A. M. held installation ceremonies and exercises in their lodge rooms at Odd Fellows' Building last night. H. T. Tripp, the retiring W. M., was presented with a Past Master's jewel manufactured by a Juneau jeweler. Past Master Royal Arch Guggen was installing officer. After the installation a banquet was held at which time there was some discussion on the coming tenth anniversary celebration which will occur next March. The past year has been the most prosperous in the history of the lodge. The lodge gained thirty new members.

The following officers were installed:  
C. E. Naghol, Worshipful Master.  
M. S. Whittier, Senior Warden.  
John Rustgard, Junior Warden.  
J. R. Willis, Treasurer.  
E. D. Beattie, Secretary.  
J. B. Stevens, Chaplain.  
P. B. Hyder, Marshal.  
W. F. Fry, Senior Deacon.  
S. P. Raymond, Junior Deacon.  
G. H. Whitney, Senior Steward.  
F. E. Koepfer, Tyler.  
Alvin Goldstein, Organist.

## NO TRUTH IN REPORT OF "WATSON'S" SAILING

Reports published in the morning paper that the remodeled steamship Admiral Watson would sail on her maiden Alaska voyage January 5 are said by H. R. Shepard & Son, general agents here, to be unfounded.

## BISHOP MAKING GOOD PROGRESS TOWARD RECOVERY

U. S. Marshal H. A. Bishop, who has been confined to his home by illness for the past several weeks is making rapid progress toward recovery. Today it was announced that he expected to be back at his active duties again by the end of the present week. This afternoon Mr. Bishop went out for a sleigh ride with John T. Spickert.

## TO DRAW GRAND AND PETIT JURORS NEXT WEEK

The drawing of grand and petit jurors for the February term of court will be held next week, according to official announcement made at the court house today. The next court term has been set to commence February 1, and the drawing of the parties will precede the convening of court about three weeks.

## GEORGIA SAILS AT NOON

It was announced at the steamship office this afternoon that the sailing of the Georgia for Sitka has been accurately measured, in difference of time, at 6 hours 17 minutes 36.558 seconds. Fortunately the sensible standard time arrangement saves us from the necessity of trying to keep such differences in actual use. It is not so very long ago that there was four minutes' difference between New York and the railroad depots in Jersey City, which observed Philadelphia time. (New York World.)

## TO GIVE SOCIAL

The Young People's Society of the Presbyterian church will give a social Wednesday evening, New Year's Eve, in the basement of the church. The young people of the society and their friends are invited. Special preparations are being made for an especially good time.

Brethren! Don't forget! Installation of officers on Friday evening, January 1st, at 8 p. m. A large attendance of members is requested.  
GEO. SPENCE, Sec'y.

## TRIBUTE TO THE COMMON HOT CAKE

America has been called the nation of inventors, and has well earned the title. Consider the hot cake.

Offer a stack of wheat to the uneducated Englishman, for instance, and he would shudder with imaginary indigestion. Hot cakes and ice water are to him typically American—the American has traveled with the Indian in the wilds—hot cakes are, therefore, not adapted to the stomachs of the highly civilized. The syllogism is without flaw.

But—seek out the Englishman who has lived for any length of time in an American city—particularly the Englishman who has to work, and whose remuneration is not large.

You will find that this once effete person eats hot cakes for his breakfast with his native tea, of course—and that he has learned to appreciate the fact that he can go a long way and a long time on the carbohydrates he absorbs and burns up from the molasses and the more or less mysterious hot cake.

The Englishman has become educated. Perhaps the birth of this succulent vland was due more to necessity than to any other reason—all great inventions are; but we cannot merely credit necessity—the inventor of the hot cake must have been inspired.

A magnificent statue ought to be erected to his memory—we mean Her. (Seattle Sun.)

## VALDEZ MINES GOING TO PATENT NOW

A final receipt for patent was issued by the local land office today to the Gold Bluff Mining Company, of Valdez, Alfred B. lies, president, for three lode mining claims situated on Shoup Bay, in the vicinity of the famous Cliff mine, discovered and located by "Red" Ellis, some years ago and which has been producing steadily for some time.

## DIFFERENCES IN TIME.

The difference in longitude between New York and Paris has been accurately measured, in difference of time, at 6 hours 17 minutes 36.558 seconds. Fortunately the sensible standard time arrangement saves us from the necessity of trying to keep such differences in actual use. It is not so very long ago that there was four minutes' difference between New York and the railroad depots in Jersey City, which observed Philadelphia time. (New York World.)

## FAIRBANKS GETS NEEDED SNOW.

FAIRBANKS, Dec. 18.—Eight inches of snow fell here yesterday and today and the sledding is good. The snow was badly needed as the trail was almost useless for sleds.

Empire ads work all the time.

## PUBLIC DANCE

every Saturday night at the Moose Hall. Gentlemen \$1.00. Ladies free. Everybody is welcome.

# Pre-Inventory Sale

Our 16th Annual Pre-Inventory Sale begins Tuesday, Dec. 29th and lasts all week. We will be closing a great many lines that we do not care to invoice. Here is where you can make \$1.00 do the work of \$2.00.

**Ladies' Coats**  
Your choice of any garment in our stock at  
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Dresses add their part in the sale, all go at  
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**1-2 Price**

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we, the citizens of the greatest country on earth, are preparing for a week of merriment and happiness, and to make our friends and neighbors happy; why not extend the happiness into weeks, and the weeks into months, and let the entire people extend it into years?

I have prepared an easy way for you all—Secure your holiday gifts at one of the three great stores conducted by Elmer E. Smith, Douglas and Juneau, Alaska, where you can get things to please you, if it's a drug, musical instrument, or a holiday gift, I have it. Shop when you are ready, I have the stock to select from.

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## AL-KI TO OVERHAUL

Word received by Agent Allen Shattuck, from Seattle, is that the steamship Al-Ki will be berthed for annual over-haul, before returning to the North. Her next sailing from Seattle is scheduled for January 15.

## GOES TO SPRINGS

John N. Steffen of Thane, leaves tonight for Sitka Hot Springs, to spend six or eight weeks. Mr. Steffen has been suffering from an attack of rheumatism.

## PERSEVERANCE STAGE

(From Burford's Corner)  
Leave Juneau 3 p. m., Dec. 31, 1914.  
Leave Perseverance 6:30 p. m., Dec. 31, 1914.

Leave Juneau 1:30 a. m., Jan. 1, 1915.  
Leave Perseverance 10 a. m., Jan. 1, 1915.  
Fare 50c each way. 12-29-31.

St. Nicholas leaves for Tanak and way ports, Tuesdays at 8 a. m. 12-28-47.

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## Pupil's Recital

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Tuesday, Dec. 29th, 7:30 p. m.  
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