NORTHERN MONTANA

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SOMETHING IN THE WIND

Mounted Police Ready to Move at a Moment's Notice.

LETHBRIDGE IS KICKING

The Dominion Government Is Preparing to Mass All Its Available Forces in Canadian Alaska—A Chance for Montana Horses.

Great Falls, Feb. 10.—A gentleman in the city to-night from Lethbridge says that all the mounted police at that station are ready to move to the Yukon country at half an hour's notice and that there is evidently something in the wind. Reports from Fort Saskatchewan state that the soldiers and police are being withdrawn from that point in small squads until there is but a small force left to do ordinary police duty. In consequence the settlers in that section are kicking vigorously and claiming that they have as much right to protection from the government as the Klondike miners. Similar reports are received from other parts of the Northwest territory. It would seem from this that the Canadian government is massing all of its available forces in Canadian Alaska and preparing for some extraordinary coup de main.

That the Canadian government purposes to control not only the gold fields themselves, but even the approaches to them, is evidenced by the statements contained in the Canadian papers. One excerpt advocating the construction of a railway by way of Edmonton reads as follows:

"The construction of a railway between Glenora and Teslin lake, linking the navigable waters of the Stickeen river with those of the Yukon system, will not diminish in the slightest degree the force of the reasons in favor of an interior route, with all the improvements that can be made in it. The approach by way of the Stickeen river, or by Dyea and Chilcoot pass, or by any other trail or channel opening from the Pacific must remain a coast route. It passes through a margin of territory under the jurisdiction of the states, which shut the gateway when it pleases to ignore the treaty of St. Petersburg. We must have an interior route for the accommodation of the great body of traffic, one that will be entirely Canadian, so that we may, if necessary, transport soldiers over it, one that is open all the year round, so that famine will be rendered practically impossible; one that will enable Canada to get the greatest share of the benefit of the development of the Yukon. Such a route must start from the settled fertile belt of our Northwest, and a good point for it to be struck from is Edmonton."

One of the chief and most direct interests which Montanans can have in the use of the Edmonton route, whether it be the Mackenzie river route or the all land route, is that it will afford a good market for the disposal of the immense bands of horses which are now on the ranges of the state, and which are practically valueless. Such horses are now selling in Northern Montana at prices ranging from $3 to $5 per head, and the owners, with their taxes staring them in the face, are glad to get rid of them at those or any other price. At Edmonton the price of a pony or cayuse has already reached from $15 to $20, and according to reports is steadily advancing, and for a good pack horse as much as $50 has been paid. The Edmonton Bulletin states that there is a market there at the present time for 1,000 ponies and more as the season advances. The stock in Southern Alberta has already been drawn upon and this is the time for the enterprising horse-owner of Montana to get into the market and get rid of his surplus stock at prices which seem staggering after the experience of the past three or four years.

A New Crazy Sect in Connecticut.

A lot of fanatics in the State recently immersed an old rheumatic woman bodily in the water to "heal her," as they said. She nearly died in consequence. How much better it would have been to have treated the poor old woman for her infirmity with Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which not only cures rheumatism, but prevents kidney complaint and remedies dyspepsia, constipation, liver trouble and nervous prostration. Give it a systematic trial.

THE BLACKFOOT RESERVATION.

The Rumor of Its Opening Is Looked Upon With Suspicion.

Great Falls, Feb. 10.—The special telegram from Washington, stating that the mineral strip of the Blackfoot reservation is to be opened as soon as the official surveys and other papers reach Kalispell, are looked upon with suspicion in this city. In fact everything connected with that particular deal is looked upon askance by all who have heard the many stories and rumors of inside deals which have been current here for the past year or more.

N. E. Jenkins, the surveyor, who played a prominent part in the survey of the mineral strip, is in the city to-day, and he stated in the course of a conversation that it would be impossible to open the strip before the first of May, as it is necessary before that is done that the three surveyors who worked on the land and afterwards on the plats sign the field notes. As he is the only one in the state, one being in Mexico and the other equally distant from the ground, it would seem that it would take considerable time to get them together. There are many who went to the reservation last summer and who would like to make filings there as soon as the strip is opened up, but if the opening comes in this weather it is not likely that they will be able to get on the ground, as there must be heavy snows there now. The only prospectors who would stand any show at all would be those who were thoroughly familiar with the ground, and who, in addition, have taken the precaution to mark their intended claims before the snow came last fall. That there are such prospectors one can hardly doubt after having heard all the stories which were told here this season.

TERMS OF THE CONTRACT.

Railroad From the Stickeen River to Lake Teslin.

Great Falls, Feb. 10.—It is learned here that the contract for the railway on the Stickeen river from Glenora to Lake Teslin has been signed. It is the road to which the Great Falls & Canada railway recently sold some 80 miles of its track and four locomotives, and as in addition some of the Klondike travelers from this part are going in that way, the terms of the contract are of interest.

A winter road is to be begun from the mouth of Stickeen river to Teslin lake immediately and finished in six weeks, or by March 10.

A railway is to be built from navigable waters on the Stickeen river at a point in Canada to Teslin lake, all through Canadian territory. This road, 150 miles in length, is to be built and equipped and operated before Sept. 1, 1898, or in seven months from now.

The prolongation of the railway to Stickeen river southward to an ocean port in British Columbia may be built when required by the government of Canada, in which case the contractors are to have an offer to construct it if they agree to the terms to be imposed by the government. The contractors are bound to provide steamship communication for passengers and freight from the terminus of the railway at Teslin lake down the Hootalinqua to Dawson City.

All rates on the proposed railway for freight and passengers are to be first settled by the privy council and reduced 25 per cent. at the end of four years, and further reduced by another 25 per cent. at the end of seven years, and after 10 years, such rates are to be fixed under the general railway act.

The contractors are to receive 25,000 acres of land per mile in the Yukon district as a subsidy for building the winter road and the railway lands to be so located that the government and contractors will have alternate lots of the size of six miles by three miles. All the land granted is to be subject to a royalty on the gold contained therein of 1 per cent., payable to the government.

No portion of the lands are to be selected by the company until 19 miles of the railway are first built and operated and 92,000 acres may be selected and run out when each 10 miles of the railway are built and operated.

The lands are to be selected from that portion of the Northwest territory lying west of the Mackenzie river, Third river and north of the 60th parallel of latitude.

All free miners' claims located under government regulations before these lands are selected, and base lines run, are reserved for miners.

The rivers, streams and lakes forming a water stretch from Teslin lake to Dawson City and a strip of land along each bank, are reserved for the public, and public rights of navigation and the use of all navigable and flowing streams are preserved.

The contractors agree to deposit $250,000 as a security for the performance of the contract.

Another important clause reads: "For five years from the last of September, 1898, no line of railway shall be authorized by parliament to be constructed from Lynn canal or from any point near the international boundary between Canada and Alaska into the Yukon, nor shall any aid in money or land be granted to any other contractors for this purpose. Moreover, during 10 years from the 1st of September, 1898, the contractors shall be given preference in any aid the government may see fit to grant towards building a line of railway from the Stickeen river to an ocean port in British Columbia, provided they are willing to undertake its construction within a reasonable time."

GREENE RESIGNED.

The Commissioners Very Promptly Abolished the Office.

Great Falls, Feb. 10.—This afternoon Howard S. Greene, deputy county attorney, filed his resignation with his superior and it was filed by him in the office of the clerk and recorder. Prior to this the board of county commissioners had been notified of his resignation, and they not only promptly accepted it, but abolished the office, so that hereafter the prosecution of state cases and other work properly falling under that head will have to be done by the county attorney himself.

The county commissioners this afternoon drove out to the county poor farm, which they inspected and found everything in good condition. There are at present 22 inmates.

To Our Customers.

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GREAT FALLS NOTES.

Harry Sommers of Helena is in the city looking after matters concerning the Bell telephone.

John Harris of Fort Benton is in the city, having just returned from a trip to Lethbridge and other points in Alberta.

The stockholders of the American District Telegraph company held a meeting yesterday evening at which they re-elected the old officers. No other details of the business transacted were made public.

The death of William H. Thomas is reported from Highwood. The deceased was a prominent rancher of that section and has many friends throughout Northern Montana who will be deeply pained to learn of his death.

A. P. Curtin of Helena has returned to his home after several days spent in this city. While here he stated that the old Boston store would be opened and filled with a stock of hardware, the firm name to be D. R. Edwards & Co.

John F. Patterson, of the Shonkin, has just returned from a trip to Big Sandy. He says that the ice is well out of the streams and that they are running bank high. He expects to go to plowing in a few days if the present mild weather continues.

The merchant tailors of this city met yesterday evening and organized an exchange. For their officers they chose as president, John L. Gelsthorpe; for secretary and treasurer, Eugene Harbordt. The exchange will have for its purpose the fostering and encouragement of home products, and in that line will work with similar exchanges in the state.

Catarrh

Mrs. Josephine Polhill, of Due West, S. C., had a severe case of catarrh, which finally became so deep-seated that she was entirely deaf in one ear, and part of the bone in her nose sloughed off. The best physicians treated her in vain, and she used various applications of sprays and washes to no avail. Fourteen bottles of S. S. S. promptly reached the seat of the disease, and cured her sound and well.

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THE WORLD'S MARKETS

Daily Record of Commercial and Financial Proceedings.

NEW YORK STOCK REPORT

Digest of Exchange News—Mining Stocks, Metal Quotations—Wool Prices and Movements—Grain and Produce—Review of Trade.

New York, Feb. 10.—The most interesting feature of to-day's stock market was the manner in which it regarded the Spanish minister's resignation. In view of the sensitiveness in the recent past to everything connected with the Cuban question, its disregard of an incident involving so acute a phase of feeling is noteworthy.

Prices advanced from the opening of the market. Higher quotations from London gave an impetus to the opening rise. There was no great setback from the opening to the close of the market. The only thing approaching it was an occasional pause in the advance, but this was simply due to a falling off in the buying and not to heavy offerings. Upon a renewal of activity the upward movement began again.

Considering the volume of the trading, the railway stocks were notably small. Local transactions scored the largest advance and showed the heaviest dealings of any group in the list. The strength of the market showed a tendency to run to specialties, and Tobacco, General Electric, Western Union and Susquehanna & Western preferred were conspicuous in the movement. The mainstay of the market was the buying on a large scale of New York Central and the strength of Northwestern, Omaha and the other Vanderbilt stocks.

The grangers as a group were strong. Adams Express was bid up 22 points over yesterday's price without eliciting any offers. American Express sold 2½ points over the last sale, and was bid up two points higher.

The recent slight reaction in speculative bonds terminated to-day and the general movement was again strongly upward on a very large business. It was reported that $1,000,000 worth of a single issue have been taken for London. Total sales, $4,929,000. U. S. 4's were ⅛ lower bid.

New York Closing Stocks.

Hawaiian Sugar	23
Reading, 1st preferred	51¾
Atchison	13⅜
do preferred	32⅛
Baltimore & Ohio	17¼
Canada Pacific	88½
Canada Southern	56¼
Central Pacific	14
Chesapeake & Ohio	24⅛
Chicago & Alton	164
C., B. & Q.	102¾
C. & E. Ill.	59½
C., C., C. & St. L.	36½
do preferred	80
Del. & Hudson	112¼
Del., L. & W.	156¼
D. & R. G.	13½
do preferred	52¼
Erie, new	16
do 1st preferred	42⅜
Fort Wayne	101
Great Northern preferred	153
Hocking Valley	7⅞
Illinois Central	106
L. E. & W.	17¾
do preferred	74
Lake Shore	192
Louisville & Nashville	59⅞
Manhattan L.	117⅛
Met. St. Ry.	164⅞
Michigan Central	114
Minn. & St. L.	26
do 1st preferred	86
Mobile & Ohio	31½
Missouri Pacific	32¾
M., K. & T.	13½
do preferred	39¼
C., I. & L.	9½
do preferred	32
New Jersey Central	85⅞
New York Central	118⅛
N. Y., C. & St. L.	15
do 1st preferred	74
do 2d preferred	38¾
Norfolk & Western	14½
North American Company	5½
Northern Pacific	27
do preferred	67⅛
O. & W.	17⅞
O. R. & N.	51½
Oregon Short Line	24½
Pittsburg	168
Reading	21¾
Rock Island	92⅞
St. L. & S. F.	7⅛
do 1st preferred	57⅛
St. Paul	96⅞
do preferred	147
St. P. & O.	78⅛
do preferred	148
St. P., M. & M.	135
Southern Pacific	20
Southern Railway	9¾
do preferred	32⅜
Texas & Pacific	11⅞
Union Pacific	34
U. P., D. & G.	8¾
Wabash	7
do preferred	18¾
W. & L. E.	3¾
do preferred	12¾
Adams Express	187
American Express	122
United States	42
Wells-Fargo	116
Western Union	92⅜
Chicago & Northwestern	120⅛
do preferred	171
R. G. & W.	23½
do preferred	60½
Chicago & Great Western	13½
St. L. & S. W.	4¼
do preferred	9¾

BONDS.

U. S. new 4's	128½
do coupon	128¾
U. S. 4's	113⅝
do coupon	114½
do. 2ds	100
U. S. 5's registered	113¾
do coupon	113¾

New York Mining Stocks.

Cholar	$ .35
Crown Point	.18
Con. Cal. & Va.	.80
Deadwood	.90
Gould & Curry	.30
Hale & Norcross	1.40
Homestake	37.00
Iron Silver	.40
Mexican	.35
Ontario	2.50
Ophir	.45
Plymouth	.08
Quicksilver	1.00
do preferred	2.50
Sierra Nevada	.30
Standard	1.50
Union Con.	.35
Yellow Jacket	.25

Metal Market.

New York, Feb. 10.—With the exception of pig iron warrants the various branches show well-sustained strength, with an upward tendency. At the close the metal exchange called pig iron warrants dull and easy at $6.45 bid and $6.65 asked. Lake copper was very firm at 11c bid and 11.15c asked. Tin firm at 13.95c bid and 14.50c asked. Spelter closed firm at 4.05c bid and 4.15c asked. Lead strong and higher at 3.70c bid and 3.75c asked. The firm that fixes the rate for miners and smelters calls lead steady at 3.50c. Bar silver, 56½c.

Money Market.

New York, Feb. 10.—Close—Money on call easy at 1½ per cent. Last loan, 1½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 3@4 per cent. Sterling exchange strong, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.85¾ for demand and $4.86@4.86¼ for 60 days. Posted rates, $4.84@4.86½. Commercial bills, $4.82¾. Silver certificates, 56½@57½c. Mexican dollars, 45¼c. Government bonds easier, state bonds dull, railroad bonds steady.

Financial Cablegram.

New York, Feb. 10.—The Evening Post's London financial cablegram says: The stock markets here were dull. Dear money is beginning to have an influence, although it is not expected it will have a really bad effect on the market, because the dearness is partly due to the healthy condition of trade. There were very large borrowings to-day from the Bank of England, amounting probably to £2,000,000. Americans were above the New York parity, but except for Erie preferred and Union Pacific shares the market was listless.

Argentines and Brazils were lower. Mines were easier. Grand Trunk was better on expectation of a favorable settlement. The reported sales of lands by the Northern Pacific for the redemption of its first mortgage bonds is not believed here. Gold is in strong demand, partly for South America. The Paris bourse was better.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

Produce.

Chicago, Feb. 10.—Soon after the opening May wheat dropped to 96⅛@96¼c on realizations. A slow advance started which carried the market up to 96½@96⅝c, where a reaction occurred, May declining this time to 96⅜c. Sellers were not without encouragement. Crop reports were very favorable, Kansas messages stating that the prospects there were the best ever known, and the outlook in Michigan was also good. News from Argentine caused some hesitancy for a time. Broomhall estimated the Argentine shipping surplus at 32,000,000 bushels, and said he looked for shipments from that country to Europe this month of about 8,000,000 bushels.

A report that between 800,000 and 900,000 barrels of flour had accumulated at New York was also in under the second decline. At about 2 o'clock the market became strong and decidedly active.

Everything, however, was overshadowed by the cash news. Reports that Joseph Leiter had contracted to ship 500,000 bushels of wheat by the Lehigh Valley road to the Eastern seaboard, which were circulated yesterday, were confirmed to-day, and it was further ascertained that the wheat was going forward on a through rate to Europe. There was also a rumor of other large lots to be moved out, half of it by rail, and though not entirely confirmed, it was received with credence by traders.

The Atlantic port clearances of wheat and flour were put at 534,000 bushels. By noon there was a big trade in the pit and prices under a general buying demand had advanced to 97@97⅛c. The price was well maintained for some time, but offers became free late in the session and a reaction to 96⅞c took place, the market closing steady at that price.

Corn in the main was very strong, closing ¼c higher.

Oats were active and firm, May closing ⅝@⅞c higher.

Trading in provisions was active with the feeling unsettled, the market closing steady. May pork, 2½c higher; May lard, 2½c lower; May ribs lower.

Live Stock.

Chicago, Feb. 10.—Cattle—Fairly active, prices ruling about steady. Sales were largely at $4.35@5.10; common dressed beef steers went for $4@4.25 and occasionally below $4; Texas cattle, $3.25@4.30 for heifers, cows, bulls, stags and oxen and at $3.80@4.50 for steers; stockers and feeders, $4.10@4.50; prime heifers, $4.30@5.40.

Hogs—There was a further advance in hogs of 5c. Sales ranged at $3.85@4.50 for coarse heavy packers to prime heavyweights, the bulk going at $3.92½@4; lightweight hogs comprised the larger part of the receipts and sold at the usual discount, while pigs went largely at $3.60@3.85, few going below $3@5. The market closed weaker.

Sheep—Trade in sheep and lambs was less active at weaker prices, sheep being wanted at $3.25@4.65 for inefrior to choice grades, ewes selling largely around $4.20. Fed Western sheep sold largely at $4.10@4.50; yearling sheep brought $4.50@5.10 and lambs were in good demand at $4.25@5.25 for poor to prime lots, few going below $5.25. Heavy lambs and sheep sold badly.

Receipts—Cattle, 10,000; hogs, 35,000; sheep, 14,000.

Cash Quotations.

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour, firm. No. 2 spring wheat, 91@92c; No. 3 spring wheat, 86@96c; No. 2 red, 98@98½c; No. 2 corn, 38@38¼c; No. 2 oats, 25c; No. 2 white, 27½@28c; No. 3 white, 26½@27c; No. 2 rye, 48¼c; No. 2 barley, f. o. b., 30½@34½c; No. 1 flax seed, $1.24; prime timothy seed, $2.77½@2.80; mess pork, per barrel, $10.55@10.60; lard, per 100 pounds, $5.02½; short ribs sides, loose, $5@5.30; dry salted shoulders, boxed, 4¾@5c; short clear sides, boxed, $5.30@5.40; whiskey, distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1.18½.

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, barrels	15,000	15,000
Wheat, bushels	93,000	6,000
Corn, bushels	365,000	169,000
Oats, bushels	225,000	233,000
Rye, bushels	6,000	.....
Barley, bushels	24,000	10,000

OTHER MARKETS.

Omaha Live Stock.

South Omaha, Feb. 10.—Cattle—Receipts 1,500. Market steady. Native beef steers, $4@4.65; cows and heifers, $2.65@3.50; stags, stockers and feeders, $3.60@4.75.

Hogs—Stronger—Receipts, 5,000. Market 5c higher. Heavy, $3.72½@3.75; light, $3.75@3.80.

Sheep—Steady. Receipts, 600. Muttons, $3.50@4.70; lambs, $4@4.40.

San Francisco Wool.

San Francisco, Feb. 10.—Spring wools—Nevada, 11@13c; Oregon, 12@14c. Fall wools—Southern coast lambs, 7@8c; San Joaquin lambs, 7@8c; northern lambs, 11@12c; mountain lambs, 10@12c; San Joaquin plains, 7@8c; Humboldt and Mendocino, 14@15c.

Boston Stocks.

Boston, Feb. 10—Oregon Short Line, 24¾; Boston & Montana, 178¾; Butte & Boston, 27½.

Consols and Silver.

London, Feb. 10.—Consols, 112¾; silver, 26 1-16d.

Copper Market.

In the early part of the week the markets were rather dull and there was little life. When the favorable statistics became known that the visible supplies for the second half of January had decreased 1,300 tons there was a perceptible desire on the part of buyers to cover themselves and the market hardened somewhat, with transactions more numerous. The smaller lake companies are still all out of the market, holding for rather higher prices, but the Calumet is understood still to be selling at 11c, which established the quotation. For electrolytic copper a good demand existed and prices are quite firm at 10.70@10.80c for cakes, wire bars or ingots and 10.45@10.55c for cathodes. No business of any importance is quoted in casting copper, whic remains nominally at 10⅝@10½c.

Very large transactions took place in copper shares and some of the leading stocks have made new record prices at considerably higher figures. Thus Calumet & Hecla advanced, with small sales, to $521; Boston & Montana shows a rise of about 13 points, advancing to $175, and Butte & Boston to about $28.

The London market opened steady at £49 and did not show much variation during the first part of the week, but later on the tendency hardened somewhat and prices closed at the best—£49 2s 6d@£49 5s for spot and £49 10s@£49 12s 6d for three months prompt. When the statistics became known buyers were mor eanxious to cover their wants and a good business resulted. We quote: English tough, £51 10s@£51 15s; best selected, £52 10s@£52 15s; strong sheets, £58; India shetts, £57; yellow metal, 5d.

Treasury Statement.

Washington, Feb. 10.—Treasury statement to-day: Available cash balance, $216,787,258; gold reserve, $165,369,712.

A PERSISTENT FIREBUG.

The Fifth Unsuccessful Attempt to Fire Several Sand Coulee Saloons.

Great Falls, Feb. 10.—An attempt was made to burn down the saloons at the back of the St. Louis beer hall at Sand Coulee. The incendiary first saturated a gunny sack with kerosene, and after putting a dose on the walls of the small frame building next the St. Louis beer hall, which is now being used as a coal house, put the sack into a small hole in the wall which had been formerly used to pass drinks through, and touched a match to it. The crackling of the fire awoke Thomas McDonal, who sleeps in the back of the beer hall, and he, with the assistance of Sheriff McCoy, easily put out the fire, it not having gained headway. This is the fifth attempt to set fire to that part of the town, and while the evidence in each case was not conclusive enough to warrant a prosecution, still the insurance agents found it sufficient cause for their cancelling the policy of the suspected party.

THEY KNEW IT ALL.

Amusing Story of a Party of English Gold Seekers.

Great Falls, Feb. 10.—An amusing story is brought here from the northern country by G. J. Ryan. It is told of a party of English gold-seekers who came over here from the old country and started for the Yukon by way of the overland route. The members were well fixed financially and had contracted for a number of horses to be in readiness for them at Edmonton. They had a notion, however, that Canada and the Northwest was a barren waste, and they shipped over from England a liberal supply of baled hay for use on their trip.

The arrival of this hay consignment at Montreal created some amusement among Canadian officials, and their mirth was still further increased by the discovery that these very same bales formed part of a Canadian hay shipment sent from Montreal to England some three months ago.

A Prosperous Season.

Great Falls, Feb. 10.—Among the arrivals in town yesterday was E. W. Ellis, a well-known sheepman of Milligan. In conversation Mr. Ellis stated that all the stock, cattle and sheep in his vicinity were looking well and had passed through the worst of the winter successfully. The ranges are in good condition and free from ice and stockmen are looking forward to a prosperous season. Mr. Ellis was accompanied by his wife, who left this morning for a visit to her old home in St. Louis. She will also visit Davenport, Ia., returning home about the first of May.

A Series of Fights.

Great Falls, Feb. 10.—W. H. Haley, better known as "Yogo Bill," has a series of fights yesterday, the last of which was with Officer Black. Naturally, he got the worst of it there and was landed in jail. He had his trial this morning on the charge of fighting and the judge gave him $10 and costs. As he did not have the cash he will linger in jail for six days. Paul Sitze belonged to the same order of individuals and was very drunk on the street to-day. Officer Curry escorted him to the station.

Mary Jones vs. Fullerton.

Great Falls, Feb. 10.—The district court to-day issued an order for the taking of testimony at Madison, South Dakota, in the case of Mary Jones vs. R. W. Fullerton, an action for the recovery of damages because of an alleged criminal assault. The purpose of the depositions will be to show that the plaintiff's moral character was not of the best during her residence in the South Dakota town.

A Cattle Deal.

Great Falls, Feb. 10.—Robert Coburn yesterday bought the entire band of cattle belonging to Taylor Bros. of Cascade, comprising about 1,000 head. Taylor Bros. are to keep and feed them until May 1, when they will be shipped to the Chicago market. The price paid could not be learned, but they are an exceptionally fine lot of cattle and probably brought the top price.

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Another Libel.

San Francisco, Feb. 9.—Another libel suit was filed to-day in the United States district court by the Portland & Alaska Trading and Transportation company against the British steamer Bristol. This time the suit is for $1,000 damages to the cargo of the steamer Eugene by the alleged unskillful towing of the defendant and for $12,000 damages sustained by six passengers by reason of the defendant's alleged breach of contract in failing to take them to Dawson City.

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