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It is somewhat strange that in view of the fact that we have quite a numerous floating population of prospectors and miners, men thoroughly understanding their business, that the island of Wrangell has been neglected by the searchers for the precious minerals. Parties leave our city and scour the islands far and near, but do not seem to give a second thought to this island, and why? The formation, a tilted slate upheaval, is good, the "country rock" promising and the labor in prospecting light? The history of mining is full to repletion of great strikes made in totally unexpected places close to the haunts of men. Ogden, Cripple Creek, the Turon, Mount Brown and the great Jonannesburg mines are a few instances.

Take a look around boys and see what we have at our back-door!

General J. D. McIntyre, a prominent mining engineer of Seattle, has written to parties in this town that he will pay Wrangell a visit in the near future, and as the General is eminent among mining operators and is desirous of obtaining control of some good mining properties, we trust he will succeed in acquiring mining interests in this vicinity as we must always class mining operations among the varied industries which will make our town one of the foremost in Alaska, Wrangell being situated in the centre of a great mineral belt, possibly one of the greatest the world has ever known. General McIntyre is the mining engineer for the Seattle Mining Exchange, and we may hope that he will identify himself in the development of some of our vast mineral wealth.

It is a matter of history that on their numerous hunting excursions, that the old Russian voyageurs used copper bullets for their muzzle loading guns.

Now, with the crude appliances at their command the copper must have been native, in a state of great purity, for them to have fashioned it into bullets. Also the location of these deposits was undoubtedly somewhere in our immediate vicinity.

Copper is coming to the front in a remarkable manner of late, owing to the enormous development of electrical appliances. Copper which a short time ago was selling at \$7.50, being now quoted at \$19.25. Keep your eyes peeled for copper boys, it is a better all-round proposition than a gold mine.

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## LOCAL NEWS.

Fresh Bread at Weigels Bakery.

Newton Spicer, late manager for the McKinnon wharf Co., has returned to Victoria.

W. A. Beddoe, late editor and publisher of the Alaska Miner, made this office a pleasant call on Sunday last.

Ben Kibbler and wife returned on the Cottage City on Sunday last, after several weeks absence visiting friends in the Sound country.

Dr. Stanton, who has been under the weather for the past few days, is rapidly improving.

Weigel makes the best Pies, Cakes and bread in town.

We are very glad to announce to the many friends of Duncan McKinnon that he is rapidly improving in health, and we trust that ere long he will be enjoying his usual robust health.

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The s. s. Rosalie called at this port on Tuesday last; and notably among the passengers who left for the Sound were D. R. Irvine, E. Langworthy, and W. P. Watson, the latter two being on their way back to England.

M. S. Bell and Al. Osborne returned on Tuesday last from a two days hunt bringing back 198 mallard and teal ducks.

We acknowledge the receipt of a pair of very nice fat teal ducks. Thank you Mr. Bell, call again!

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H. C. Tait announces that on and after the first day of November Fresh Milk will be 12 1/2 cents per quart. \*

C. W. Feickert and Harry Day, two well known and respected young men, late of Wrangell, returned to his from Ketchikan having had a very rough trip in which the rudder and centre-board of their sloop Mamie was carried away. The JOURNAL congratulates them on their narrow escape.

Doc Lapsley is developing a decided taste for ganning, more so than ever since the memorial duck hunt of last week. Doc has procured for himself an air-rifle with which he daily amuses himself by peppering all the unlucky members of the canine tribe which stray within range of his deadly weapon. As the doctor stood in his shirt-sleeves, and the light of battle in his eye, he forcibly reminded us of his prototype Dr. Jameson making his celebrated raid on the Boers of the Transvaal.

J. A. Stephens left on the s.s. Cottage City for Ketchikan where he has several contracts of artistic decoration.

Joseph Clearibue, the popular Glenora merchant, left on the Cottage City for Victoria where he intends purchasing a large consignment of general merchandise with which to replenish his stock.

Charley Walker, of Walker Creek fame, is reported to have made several rich finds near the trail which runs between Glenora and Teslin lake.

Mr. Duncan McKinnon, our popular and highly esteemed merchant has gone to Victoria on the Cottage City. Mr. McKinnon has been ailing somewhat of late and the change will unquestionably be of material benefit to him.

R. D. Irvine, a mining engineer of Victoria, returned to Wrangell on Monday last, after an absence of seven weeks.

Mr. Irvine has been in the Dease Lake district looking up hydraulic property in the interest of a London (Eng.) syndicate. We were unable to glean any information as to the movements or intentions of the company; but Mr. Irvine reports favorably of that country, both for placer and quartz.

The s.s. Alaska with the Garnet in tow returned on Thursday last from Juneau and Skagway.

## Bon Voyage.

We regret to chronicle the departure from our midst of our esteemed fellow citizen Mr. Chas. Merrill who with his wife and child left Wrangell on the s. s. Cottage City for their old home at Fairhaven. Mr. and Mrs. Merrill will leave behind them a host of friends to whom they have endeared themselves by their many good qualities of heart and head.

While regretting their departure the Journal wishes them both "Bon Voyage."

## The Kissing Bug.

The kissing bug of which we have all read so much about has suddenly appeared in Wrangell; and all those fair damsels who are in the habit of enjoying a kiss from a bearded lip are warned to beware; for it has been proven beyond a doubt that the sting of this bug is death.

## The Hunt Grocery Co.

Are still here and serving customers to please, mutually.

The ever genial Jack Collins made this office a pleasant call early this morning, and was accompanied by a fine, juicy, well stuffed, and well cooked duck, which he kindly presented to the bachelor editor.

N. B. No fault of the editor's that he is a bachelor.

Mrs. Alice K. Foster returned from Juneau on the s.s. Dirigo, Thursday, broke all up over missing the surprise party, but fully recuperated at the ball of Wednesday last. Mrs. Foster is passionately fond of dancing, and she certainly excels in that most graceful art.

Dad Gilman, our popular jailer and city detective, is greatly improving his residential property by resodding his lawn and clearing various other portions of his estate. Dad is a rustler and a worker and he certainly has our very best wishes.

Roy Cole returned on Wednesday last from a prospecting trip. He reports fair success; but that the season is too spent to be at all comfortable for Mr. Prospector.

Missionary A. Stark, late of this city, made this office a pleasant call and stated that he had met with a good field for his work at both Douglas, Juneau and Skagway. Mr. Stark will remain in Wrangell for the next ten days for the purpose of resting from his pastoral labors.

John E. Sales is still making improvements in Wrangell, not only as regards business, but also socially; for, under expert tuition of Prof. Edson, he is making rapid strides in the Terpsichorean art.

Dr. B. W. Woods has decided to locate here in Wrangell. He will in all probability occupy Dr. Lapsley's office.

Mr. John Hyland, J. P. of Telegraph creek, is in town and made us a friendly visit, he arrived with the Case party. Mr. Hyland is identified with considerable mining interests in this section, also owning some valuable properties in the Yukon.

Our little boy was afflicted with rheumatism in his knee; and at times unable to put his foot on the floor. We tried in vain everything we could hear of that we thought would help him. We almost gave up in despair, when some one advised us to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm. We did so, and the first bottle gave so much relief that we got a second one, and, to our surprise, it cured him sound and well. J. T. BAYS, Pastor Christian Church, Neodesha, Kan. For sale by Wrangell Drug Company.

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