The Klondike Nugget see how she will be able to with．STROLLER＇S COLUMN draw or avoid responsibilitities which may come as a resulte of the war．Should it appear to the United States government that it is advantageous or neecessary to enter into the settlement of the Oriental problem，in all likelihood a close defensive and offensive
alliance will be formed with Great allianco will be formed with Great Britain．
The step to such an alliance would now be easy and natural． Thedrift of public opinion in both countries has been in this direc． tion for a number of years．The relations between the two have steadily become closer and more intimate，and the consummation of a binding union between the great English speaking powers has been deferred only by reason of the absence of sufficient occ sion．
Shat occasion may be found in the present crisis with China．
The attention of the Council is directed to the fact that street crossings are required very badly in several portions of the town． Property owners have been c pelled to comply with the ordi－ nance providing for the construc． tion of sidewalks，but without the connecting crossings the ordi－ nary pedestrian prefers taking tie miadee of the street．On walks are practically useless ow－ walks are practically useless ow－
ing to the absence of crossings． ing to the absence of crossings．
The Council should perforin its The Council should pertionu portion of the work of improving
the city with as much expedition the city with as much expedition
as is isequired of property owners．
Not a day passes but new build ings are begun and improvements inaugurated by different business concerns who find they have out． grown their old quarters．Thi does not speak so badly for a town Which，in order to make out a
number of local prophets any thing but liars，should by thi time be little more or less than deserted array of $\log$ eabins．
Something should be done with he man who persists in inquiring We respectfully refer the matte We respectfuly refer the matter lo the Yukon Council with a ree
mmendation for speedy and ap ommendation for spee

Insane Patients Shipped Bight insane peroson，seven men an one moman，were esilpped to the out－ side by the stamer Columbian 1 nat
night They will be taken to the
tit asylum at New Westminster，B．C where they will be detained unless
of them is assumed by friends of them is assumed by friends．It
feared that the majority of those tak feared that the majority of those take
are hopelessly insane．A constab from the N．W．M，P．for
in charge of the party，and be winl be
assisted in bis care，of the patients by assisted in his care of the
the members of the Y ．
the members of the Y，F，F．
While．bringing the unfortunates from
He barracks to the steames one of them was very frantic in his appeals to the people along the street to release him from the officers in charge．The man is a Bohemian and is probably incur－
able．With this exception，the patients able．With this exception，the patients were all quiet and apparently in good
humor．The insane woman taken has been cared for at the Sisters＇hospital for the past several weeks．
Steamer Gold Star will leave Yukon
dock for St．Michael， 8 in．m．Satur－ dock for Sth Michael， 8 ．P．Mm．Satur－ opportan of steamers from the mouth ot
arive river．The Gold Star will not take
the the river．The Gold Star will not take
a barge and will make quick dispatch

 Fresh egys just arrived，Mohr
Wilkens．
The Holborn Cafe for delicacies， The Holborn Cafe for delicacies，
Linen coats，straw and linen hats， Linen coats，straw and
the Star Clothing House．

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STROLLER＇S COLUMN
A crowd of a dozen or fifteen men， A clowd of a dozen or fifteen men，
nearly all of them ex－laymen who
hav＇nt made fortunes to any extent， hav＇nt made fortunes to any extent，
were sitting in the shade by the end of were sitting in the shade by the end of
he C．D．warehouse yesterday afternoon． he C．D．Warehouse yesterday afternoos
Hot weather was the topic of conversa－ tion and the general opinion was that
yesterday was about as hot as it ever gets in the Yukon．Not a man in the
crowd， crowd，and some of them had been here
ince＇97，had ever experienced warmer since 97 ，had ever experienced warmer
weather here． weather here．the the subject was ap－ had appeared to be asleep，raised up on bis elbow and said： nowin＇no more nor youse do．Taint spected＇at tenderfeet＇Il know any hing about the country．
＂See that place up there on the hill side that you greenies calls a slide
Well，＇at no more slide nor it is a volcaner．It is simply a case $o$＇the
billside a meltin＇down．It hanper hillside a meltin＇down．It happened
long afore any other white man hit the long afore any other white man hit ther
country，and the same year ther ice country，and the same year ther ice
went out in Februaty，from which time it growed hotter as day follered day growed hotter as day follered day
By the midde of June everything wa burned to a c cisp，and fish in the Yukon
would stick their heads outen the water
and pant like tired dogs
＂But hotter growed the weather，and
ther Fourth of July ther hillside be－ gan to mourth of July ther hillinide be
givn inter the giver，where it made the greatest sizlin
avemene heerd，an fer the next week
the finest biled fish I ever et $I$ picked up right on to oo the weter，b＇gosh，
An，that is what made what youse An＇that is what
fellers calls the slide．，
If there is any satisfaction in com－ mitting a cold－blooded，malice afore
thought murder，I＇ll have it if I ever set eyes on that fellow with his arm
around that girl up yonder by the aft around that girl up yonder by the aft
life boat，＂said a man on the wharf Monday as he pointed towards a very
affectionate looking couple who were waving handkerchiefs from the hurri cane deck of the Tyrrell as she pulle
out for Nome．

## ＂What is

＂What is the matter，＂asked the
troller，in a callow tone of voice ＂Matter？The meanest matter a ma ver had to contend with in nis life，＂ responded the man who acknowledged
to having murder in his heart．＂It is his way：
＂Night before last that fellow you saw with his arm around the girl，came down from the creeks dead broke；and
she and I came down the river to－ gether，I took him up to my cabin，in－ troduced him to my housekeeper and
gave the scoundrel a good supper，bis gave the scoundrel a good supper，his
eating of which put me in mind of a tarved malamute．The way he ate
ny steak was a．corker．After supper he and I walked down town together and I gare him 85 ，just half of all the money I bad in the world．Well，sir， be bought baif a stack of whites and
began playing the bank．Luck was
with the brute and in cashed in $\$ 572$ ．
＂Did he divide？Not a bit of it．
He steered me iuto a room back of a
laundry and got me interested in a
little game of penny ante；then he
sneaked out and bak
sneaked out and back up to my cabin．
He showed myy housekeeper his roll and
coaxed her int
coaxed her into going to Nome with
him，and there they go．What could I
do to prevent it？I was dead broke and
am yet，and all I can do is stand here
and see them waving their handker－
chiefs and throwing kisses at me If
any man says a tiphorn gambler ain＇t
got a heart，juot point me out to him as
年
While a pleasure party was out in mall－boat in the Yukon near the
mouth of the Klondike a few evenings nince，several bunches of radishes wer water and were at onee picked inp by the boatmen．In the party was one man who 18 afflicted with＂denseness，＂ and to him the matter of finding rad－
ishes fluating trom the ishes fluating trom the mouth of
Klondike was incomprehensible ＂By Jove，you know，it is the ＂By Jove，you know，it is the most
remarkable thing $I$ ever saw in my life，＂exclamed the＂deuse＂gentle－
＂Nothing remarkable at all about itt，＂replied one of the others．
are wild radishes thet are wild radishes that grow in great
abundance along the banks of the dike and its tributaries，and the high
water las cuased the banks to cave in，
hence the floating reat haer as caused the banks to cave in，
hence the floating radishes．＂．＂Oh，se simple，ain＇t it，when
you know en you know huw it isple，ain＇t it，when
natural consequence，It is a most
D． Density days later the＂bloke＂said to
Twe mau who bad enlightened him： the mau who bad enlightened him：
＂Dont you kino 1 have been think
ing about them rat evening them radishes ever since the
while I don＇t doubt out in the boot，and that thet
ent wild along the bank of the river，ye
ild cawn＇t for the Hife of me，make
out why every burich of the bloomin
ond out why every bunch of the bloomin
thing had otring tied around them，
don＇t you know？ $\begin{aligned} & \text { We are } \\ & \text { Wilkens．}\end{aligned}$ selling lemons．Mohr \＆

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