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And Small Packages can be sent to the Creek by our carriers on the following days: Every Wednesday and Saturday to Eldorado, Bonanza, Hunker, Dominion, Gold Run, Sulphur, Quartz and Canyon.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1900.

AN ENEMY OF THE COMMUNITY.

Last night's issue of the News bore out in a remarkable manner that paper's reputation as a journalistic faker. With absolutely nothing in the way of reliable information upon which to base such a story, the News with its usual sensational headlines, published a groundless rumor respecting a strike alleged to have occurred in the Tanana country.

On another page of this paper will be found an interview with the gentleman who, according to the News' own story, is the only man who has accurate information respecting the new "strike." What he has to say effectually disposes of any importance which might otherwise be attached to the story, but it does not in any way relieve the News of the odium which attaches to it for such exaggeration and misrepresentation in a matter so serious. No more cruel or malicious action could be imagined than an attempt of this nature to induce people to rush off on a false stampede in the middle of a Klondike winter. The offense is all the more aggravated by reason of the air of mystery with which the News endeavored to surround the matter, knowing full well that its groundless fabrication would have all the more effect on many people on that very account.

It is fortunately a fact that the reputation of the News for unreliability is so well known. No one who is at all familiar with the past history of that paper would give credence to such a story as was published in its last night's issue without thorough personal investigation.

It is difficult to understand, however, why the News, thus, time and again, should out of pure maliciousness do what it can to injure the community to which it looks for its support. Apparently it matters nothing to the News if with its falsehoods and exaggerations it induces people to leave Dawson on a wild-goose chase four or five hundred miles down the river.

It makes no difference to the News that many men may be persuaded through its lies to leave comfortable homes or remunerative positions, to participate in such a stampede at the end of which inevitable disappointment awaits them. Nor does it seem to affect that sheet in any particular that the circulation of such wild and senseless rumors is a direct blow at the business interests of our community.

None of these things concerns the News. It does not bother itself about facts. A sensational rumor, no matter how little there may be upon which to base it, is picked up with avidity and published broadcast for the mere sake of selling a few extra papers. What is the resultant disaster and disappointment compared with the joy incident to the jingle of the extra quarters? That is the way the News looks at the matter and conducts itself accordingly. The most dangerous enemy which the city of Dawson has within its midst is the Daily News.

OUR "ISOLATION."

When the news of the discovery of gold upon Bonanza creek was first heralded around the world, the word most commonly used is descriptive articles relating to the country was "isolation." This word was doubly suggest-

ive, for not only did it bring clearly to mind the idea of absolute remoteness but the first syllable conveyed to the reader an impression of the eternal cold which in the popular mind was supposed to hold undisputed sway.

Like every other evil which is combated with a determination to conquer, the "isolation" of the Klondike so much discussed by descriptive writers of '97-'98 has yielded up the ghost and became a thing which may possibly once have been but no longer is.

The first men who made the journey from Dawson to the coast over the ice were regarded with the veneration due to heroes. And indeed the trip in the early days when provisions and camp equipment had to be carried the entire way was no small undertaking.

But that time has long since gone by. Roadhouses every few miles furnish the traveler with everything he requires and if he so desires he can make the journey without encumbering himself with a single pound. Ten days is now sufficient time to make the distance between Skagway and Dawson in winter and half that time only is required during the season of open navigation.

And the telegraph line now brings us within four days of Victoria and Seattle. Dawson is no longer isolated and alone. On the contrary it is a part and parcel of the great, throbbing world of trade and commerce.

Silk in Lyons.

The manufacture of silk has for several centuries been the chief business of Lyons, France. The Romans established works there in the third century A. D. for the manufacture of cloth of gold and silver, but every vestige of these was swept away by northern invasions. The present silk industry was taken there from Italy and Spain and the Levant about the year 1486 under the fostering care of Louis XI. He imported machinery and weavers with the expressed purpose of diminishing the stream of gold then flowing into foreign countries. It is recorded that five aunes of silk at that time cost from 300 to 400 francs, or from 48 to 60 francs (\$9.26 to \$11.58) a yard, money then being worth about four times its present value.

An Impudent Question.

The Home Magazine recalls a good story which Dr. Newman Hall used to tell on the lecture platform. An illiterate negro preacher said to his congregation:

"My brethren, when de fust man Adam was made he was made ob wet clay and set up ag'in de palings to dry."

"Do you say," said one of the congregation, "dat Adam was made ob wet clay an set up ag'in de palings to dry?"

"Yes, sar; I do."
"Who made the palings?"
"Sit down, sar," said the preacher sternly; "such questions as dat would upset any system ob theology."

Majuba Hill.

Here's the story of Majuba Hill in a nutshell: Sir George Colley had between 600 and 700 men; the Boers numbered about 150 men, under General Smits. The British camped in a natural bowl at the top of the hill, and set no sentries; the Boers clambered up the hill by night and attacked in the early morning, taking the British completely by surprise.

Townsite Johnston Dead.

A private letter received yesterday from Hootalingua states that Fred Johnstone, better known as "Townsite" Johnstone died there on the 14th inst. The cause of the death is not stated.

The Young Plunger.

London, Nov. 28.—Joe Leiter is still in London. Nina Farrington is also here, and common report has it that Leiter is having a hard time trying to arrange matters so that he can marry Mrs. Stuyvesant Leroy, who is still in Paris.

Nina Farrington refuses to be shaken off. Leiter is much infatuated with Mrs. Leroy. He followed her from Chicago to New York several weeks ago and urged immediate marriage, wanting her to leave the train at Albany, but Mrs. Leroy refused. Mr. Leiter and Mrs. Leroy were dining together in New York a few evenings later when the Farrington woman entered the restaurant and saw them. She went to Mrs. Leroy's hotel the next day, and there was a scene between the women, Nina Farrington threatening the deepest vengeance. Leiter gave out a report that he was going to sail for Europe on the Saturday steamer and then planned to take the Wednesday steamer in order to fool the actress. Before the steamer was out of New York harbor Mr. Leiter was astonished to meet Nina Farrington on deck. She had divined his trick and taken the same steamer.

It is currently reported that Mrs. Leroy refuses to marry Leiter until he frees himself from all entanglements

A Klondiker's Christmas

Has been the subject around which startling stories of unusual hardship and privation have been woven, in the past. Today the Klondiker can enjoy the festivities of the holiday season much the same as though outside—in fact he will probably eat as good a dinner and wear better clothes than if at his old home.

Of course, in talking about good clothes, we are thinking of our Tailor Made Suits and Overcoats from the Famous Wholesale Tailors, Stein-Bloch & Co., of New York.

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The Reliable Seattle Clothiers
Opp. C. D. Co.'s Dock.

with the other woman.

Nina Farrington is staying with her former bosom friend, Fanny Ward, now Mrs. Joe Lewis. They are having a gay time around London and making Joe Leiter join them.

Southern Pacific Rumors.

New York, Nov. 26.—The Times says: The Vanderbilts have obtained control of the Southern Pacific system. Negotiations aiming at this accomplishment were begun two years ago, but were summarily disposed of by C. P. Huntington. The property was his, he said, and, owning it, he proposed to keep it. He wanted no alliances which could only in extent make him dependent upon others, for which he himself stood. Thus the important deal, to which the New York, London and Berlin houses had committed themselves, was disposed of.

The death of Mr. Huntington brought about a complete change in the situation. The personal equation disappeared. A German syndicate, bidding for a large block of the stock, in September, was not without encouragement that its bid would be accepted for 100,000 share en bloc at an average of \$42 per share. For reasons which on a business basis were considered satisfactory, both here and at London, however, the bid for this 100,000 shares was rejected.

The control of the Southern Pacific system, it can now be said, has been obtained by American financial interests not hitherto identified with the property. Conspicuous in the syndicate obtaining the new control are William K. Vanderbilt, E. H. Harriman, James J. Hill, Norman P. Ream and James Speyer, the latter, as the associate of Mr. Huntington, having been conspicuously influential in the direction of the company's affairs for years past.

Bowling Championship.

The matter of the bowling championship in Dawson has been settled, the winning team, being Rainbow and Harwood, they having defeated Schwartz and Hall by a team score of 1856 to 1831. The best individual score was made by Schwartz, 1075; the others being, Hall, 756; Rainbow, 971, and Harwood, 885.

SOWN BY GUNPOWDER.

A Curious Way of Covering a Rocky Crag With Plant Life.

In the grounds of the Duke of Athol and near Blair castle, England, stands a high, rocky crag named Craigebarns. It looked grim and bare in the midst of beauty, and its owner thought how much prettier it would look if only trees, shrubs, etc., could be planted in its nooks and crannies. It was considered impossible for any one to scale its steep and dangerous acclivities, and no other way was thought of to get seed sown.

One day Alexander Nasmyth, father of the celebrated engineer, paid a visit to the duke's grounds. The crag was pointed out to him, and he was told of the desire of the duke regarding it. After some thought he conceived how it could be accomplished. In passing the castle he noticed two old cannons. He got a few small tin canisters made to fit the bore of the cannon and filled them with a variety of tree, shrub and grass seeds. The cannon was loaded in the usual way and fired at the rock from all sides.

The little canisters on striking the rock burst, scattering the seeds in all directions. Many seeds were lost, but many more fell into the ledges or cracks where there was a little moss or earth. These soon showed signs of life, and in a few years graceful trees and pretty climbing plants all sown by gunpowder were growing and flourishing in nearly every recess of the formerly bare, gray crag, clothing it with verdant beauty.

Jesse Moore AA, Old Crow, Hermitage and Cyrus Noble by the bottle at the Pioneer.

Large Africana cigars at Rochester.

Seagram, '83, at Rochester Bar.

Short orders served right. The Holborn.

Special Power of Attorney forms for sale at the Nugget office.

Funeral Notice.

The funeral of the late Alexander Godfrey will take place Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from Masonic hall on Mission street and will be under the auspices of the Masonic Association. All Masons and friends are requested to attend.

DR. C. H. WELLS,
Chairman Association.
J. A. DONALD, Sec.

Candies for the Millions.

I have enough candies, nuts, and toys to supply the whole population of the Yukon country. My stock is complete. Plenty of Lowney's chocolate and Gunther's bon bons in any quantity; cigars by the box. Bring your friends and as I am a Missourian, I will show you the finest store in the Yukon territory.
GANDOLFO,
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Six varieties fresh vegetables at Meeker's.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that a list of all placer mining claims in the Yukon territory which were sold at public auction and which have not been taken up, is being prepared for publication at once, and after the first publication

thereof no grant will be issued, under such sale as aforesaid, for any claim so advertised. All purchasers are, therefore, notified to apply for their grants immediately.

(Signed) J. LANGLOIS BELL,
Assistant Gold Commissioner.
Dated at Dawson this 14 day of December, 1900.

Diamond mounting by Soggs & Vesco.
Films of all kinds at Goetzman's.

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Why to the

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