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AFFAIRS AT NOME.

The general tenor of the reports brought from Nome on the steamer Sarah indicates a condition of affairs much in accord with what has been suggested in these columns would occur.

Briefly stated, there are thousands of men at Nome who have nothing to do and no place to go. The beach in the immediate vicinity of the town is practically worked out, and in search of new diggings men are scattering up and down the coast as best they may.

The natural conditions of the country are against them by reason of the fact that no wood is to be had and fresh water is also scarce.

These facts have served to restrain hundreds from venturing on prospecting trips, and keeps the town filled with disappointed, dissatisfied men. Everything in the shape of creeks has been staked over, leaving little or no opportunity for the cheechakos who have rushed in by thousands to secure claims.

The seriousness of the situation at Nome has been augmented by the arrival of steamers with cases of smallpox aboard. Fortunately these were discovered before the ships affected were allowed to land either passengers or freight and they are now in quarantine.

All the facts as brought out by the reports indicate that Nome has been tremendously overdone. The extent of the known gold bearing diggings has been woefully exaggerated, and the opportunities for the poor man to acquire a competence are apparently as scarce at Nome as they are in any other part of the world. The opinion expressed in these columns some time ago that the tide of travel will turn from Nome toward Dawson before the summer ends will, we believe, be borne out by developments in the near future.

PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES.

The two "Bills" will again confront each other for presidential honors at the coming election. McKinley has already been nominated, and Bryan has probably been placed at the head of the Democratic ticket ere this; although it will be a day or two yet before we receive authentic information concerning the matter.

The issues between the parties will be about the same as marked the campaign of '96, with the addition that the administration's expansion or "imperial" policy, as the Democracy terms it, will be made a matter of bitter attack by the latter.

It is a remarkable fact that ultra-conservatives from the New England states will be found fighting hand in hand with the radical free silver advocates of the south and west.

This will not be done as a matter of choice with the "down easterners," but rather because they are forced to choose be-

tween what they must regard as two evils.

They are all of them advocates of the sound money policy, which carried McKinley into the presidential chair four years ago, and in that memorable contest many eastern Democrats of prominence deserted Bryan and publicly supported the Republican nominee.

But while they are still true to the theory of maintaining the gold standard, they cannot support the expansion idea and hence will either rally around Bryan or remain away from the polls.

As a matter of fact Bryan himself is becoming rather lukewarm on the question of silver and would willingly see his former idol relegated somewhat to the rear.

The disasters which were to overtake the country upon McKinley's election have failed to materialize, which circumstance has removed a considerable amount of wind from the Bryan sails. For this reason the apostle of the white metal is devoting more and more attention to expansion and less to his former deity. This change in Bryan's attitude has given hope to the eastern opponents of imperialism, that if elected to the presidency he will be persuaded to leave financial questions alone and devote his energies to undoing what McKinley has accomplished in Cuba and the Philippines. The American people will first be given an opportunity to express their views in the matter and unless all signs fail Mr. Bryan will be no nearer the goal of his ambition in November next than he was four years ago.

Best Age for Men to Marry.

Edward Bok, writing in the Ladies' Home Journal on "A Boy For a Husband," contends that "no young man under 25 years of age is in any sense competent to take unto himself a wife. Before that age he is simply a boy who has absolutely nothing which he can offer to a girl as a safe foundation for life happiness. He is unformed in his character, unsettled in his ideas, absolutely ignorant of the first essentials of what consideration or love for a woman means. He doesn't know himself, let alone knowing a woman. He is full of fancies, and it is his boyish nature to flit from one fancy to another. "He is incapable of the affection upon which love is based, because he has not lived long enough to know what the feeling or even the word means. He is full of theories, each one of which, when he comes to put it into practice, will fail. He is a boy pure and simple, passing through that trying period through which every boy must pass before he becomes a man. But that period is not the marrying time. For as his opinions of life are to change, so are his fancies of the girl he esteems as the only girl in the world to make him happy. The man of 30 rarely weds the girl whom he fancied when he was 20."

A New York Croesus.

"Some years ago," said a St. Louis man, "I spent a winter in Cairo, Egypt, and while I was there a young New Yorker arrived who was the talk of the place as long as he staid. He had nothing but money, was not afraid to burn it and was exceedingly fond of the smell of the smoke it made. A diverting series of balls, dinners and elumming parties followed his advent, and he finally announced his intention of bringing his pyrotechnic career in the country of the pharaohs to a fitting close by making the journey to the second cataract of the Nile. No dahabeah being available to make the trip in by water—they all having been engaged by more farsighted travelers—the young Croesus, perforce, elected to make his trip by caravan and straightway started out to make it the most gorgeous and complete caravan that had ever crossed the desert, and he succeeded. For days all Cairo talked about it, and the morning set for the leave taking all Cairo turned out on the outskirts of the city to see the start. It went off with great pomp and circumstance, and, as the camels disappeared over the desert sands, we made our way back to Shepherd's hotel.

"On account of the great heat of the middle of the day in Egypt a caravan journeys in the early morning and in

the evening. During the heat of the noon hours the tents are pitched, and men and beasts get through it as best they can. Judge of our surprise that evening when that gorgeous caravan again appeared in Cairo and announcement was made that the trip had been definitely given up. One of the guests explained the trouble later. It seemed that when luncheon was served the host drank off a glass of champagne and jumped to his feet in a rage. 'Where's the ice?' he demanded of his terrified valet, who was acting as butler. 'Ice, sir! How can you get ice in such a place as this?' replied the servant.

"Do you mean to say I've got to drink hot champagne for two months?" his irate master demanded. And upon being informed that he had promptly ordered the caravan back to Cairo, despite the protests of his guests and that by so doing he had expended \$10,000 for nothing."—New York Tribune.

A New Rocker.

C. R. McLeod, who recently came in from the outside, is exhibiting an automatic pump and rocker which is claimed to be far ahead of anything in the same line that has yet been brought into Dawson. There are three sets of silver plates attached to the machine in addition to several screens which make it almost an impossibility for any gold, be it ever so fine, to escape. All the parts are mounted on ball bearings and the whole machine is operated by a crank which operates the rocker and pump at the same time. One man works the machine with very little exertion even when it carries a weight of half a ton.

Fire at the Forks.

Tuesday morning a fire broke out in a tent adjoining the cabin of Aunt Dolly, the Grand Forks laundress, which terminated disastrously for her. After the tent and its contents were nearly consumed it was discovered that the cabin was on fire and an alarm was given. Fifteen minutes later the chemical responded, but it was too late to be of any avail in saving the cabin or contents. Among other things lost by the unfortunate laundress was \$500 in currency.

A Missing Witness.

When the cook disappeared from Lynch's claim on Chechako Hill last Friday, and took with him some 35 pounds of dust, he did not travel very far afield. In the neighborhood of 30 below he picked up a man to help him carry the dust to Moosehide. The man who thus helped him carry the burden did so as far as the upper ferry, where the pair put the gold in a boat and went to Moosehide. That the man who assisted in carrying away the plunder is innocent of any share in the crime is pretty clear from the fact of his return. The question now arises, who is he and where is he.

Thebo Returns.

Mr. C. W. Thebo, of the Cattle Syndicate, returned on the steamer Lightning Wednesday, having left Dawson for the outside about the first of the present year, since which time he has visited London and Paris as well as all the principal cities of the United States. He brought with him 80 head of beef cattle and a large number of sheep. He will at once reopen the company's market in the lower part of the city where he will be a candidate for public patronage.

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Mr. W. J. Walther, manager of the Yukon Iron Works, who arrived a week ago with a fleet of machinery laden scows, has gone to the Jack Wade country to look up some property in which he is interested. Later he will go on to Nome and to the Sound en route to Montreal and New York. From the latter point he will sail for Europe, visiting the Paris exposition and other scenes of interest to the curious American.

During the absence of Mr. Walther the management of the Yukon Iron Works will be in the hands of Mr. W. C. Dawson, who has been connected with the industry for several months.

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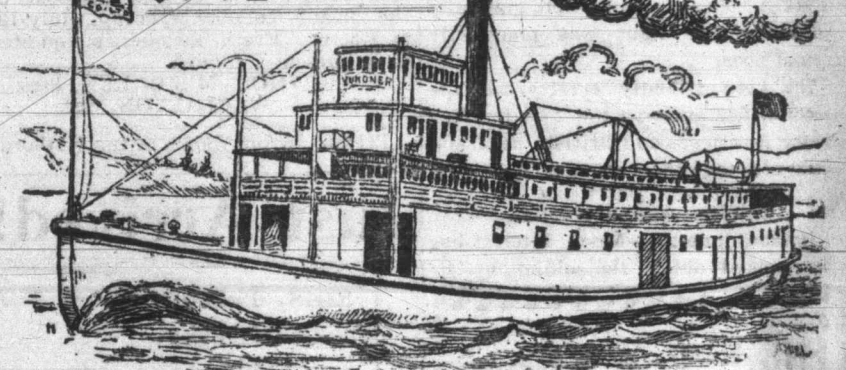
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