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SUNDAY, JANUARY 20, 1901.

## From Saturday's Daily. FREIGHT TARIFFS.

The question of freight rates for the coming season should be given careful consideration not only by the transportation people who make the tariffs, but also by the local merchants and claim owners on the creeks, who ultimately must settle the entire bill. We must have lower freight charges or the development of the country is absolutely certain to be hindered, and its growth retarded to an extent entirely unnecessary.

Every item of expense involved either in the operation of a claim or in the prosecution of a business enterprise in Dawson, or in connection with ordinary household affairs, is determined to a large extent by the cost of shipping a pound of freight from the coast cities to Dawson. That cost it is the belief of a large portion of the community is entirely too high.

High freight tariffs mean high priced commodities, high cost of living and high cost of labor—the whole thing resulting in confining the scope of mining operations to a limited area of rich ground which will show a profit after paying the enormous expenses involved. It must not be overlooked, however, that such rich ground will not last forever. In fact we are confronted now with the statement that much of it is already worked out.

In view of this condition it becomes at once apparent that the future prosperity of the country rests largely upon the possibility of placing the enormous stretches of low grade ground along our creeks and rivers, upon a basis which will admit of its development at a profit to the operator. This can be accomplished in no way other than through a material reduction from the prevailing freight tariffs.

We are quite agreed to the idea that the present stage of development which the Yukon territory has reached is largely due to the splendid transportation facilities which have been furnished in the past three years. But we are further impressed with the fact that the country must support a large productive population or the heavy investments which the transportation companies have made in equipping themselves for business will not prove permanently profitable.

There is no questioning the fact that we have resources of sufficient extent and value to maintain a much larger population than we have at the present time. It rests largely with the transportation concerns to determine whether the territory is to expand and grow or whether it is to remain at a standstill, or possibly begin a retrograde movement. There is no reasonable excuse to be advanced why either of the last two conditions should prevail. Everything is favorable for a long term of prosperity for the Yukon if the question of freight tariffs is adjusted in a fair and equitable manner. If the Huntington theory of charging all the traffic will bear and possibly more—is pursued, the country is absolutely certain to go behind. If, on the other hand, the transportation people make up their minds to be satisfied with rea-

sonable profits, the Yukon territory will go forward with leaps and bounds. Which shall they do?

The English language is rapidly making strides in the direction of adoption as the language of universal intercourse. Already the number of English speaking persons is far over and above the number who make common use of any other European language. French, which until comparatively recent years, was the accepted language of diplomacy, has given way very largely to English, and as the trade relations of the race are extended to the various corners of the globe, the influence of the tongue experiences a corresponding growth. Who knows but that the time will come when all nations of the earth will have speech with each other through the language of the Anglo-Saxon, which language is largely made up of borrowings from other tongues.

Technically speaking, the truth may sometimes constitute a libel, but it is the history of libel suits that justification for telling the truth is usually found. If heavy damages against defendants were the ordinary thing in such cases, free speech and a free press would soon be numbered among things of recollection only.

The News is a century behind the times.

Mr. Bryan has said labor has no use for a cross of gold, but when it comes to a souvenir pan full of gold nuggets from the Klondike it is probable that a free silver candidate for the presidency will not object to receiving the gift.—Seattle P.-I.

## The Prize Story.

Dawson, Jan. 16, 1901.

Editor Klondike Nugget:  
Dear Sir—Will you kindly publish in your daily edition your Christmas prize story, as I with several of my friends have been unable to procure a copy of the Christmas edition, and oblige yours faithfully,  
A CONSTANT READER.

(We regret that we are unable to comply with this request, because the story is of such length as to render its publication in our daily issue impracticable. Our correspondent or any one else who desires to read the story will be perfectly welcome to the use of our files.)

## Comes Back at the News.

Dawson, Jan. 18, 1901.

Editor Klondike Nugget:  
Dear Sir—In the Dawson Daily News of January 18th, 1901 (today) I saw an article which I wrote for the Detroit Sunday Free Press and which was published December 16th, 1900. To this I wish to say every line that appeared in the Free Press is facts—all facts. I am sure that ninety out of every hundred miners in this country believe the same as I do. Respectfully,  
FRED A. HARTGEN.

## Credit Man and Bible.

A jeweler in Iowa, writing a jobbing house that questioned his credit, quoted, "What is not of faith is sin," conveying the inference that the jobbers were sinners. The house replied, "Faith without works is dead," and "There is none perfect—no, not one." They are now sorry they replied in kind, for this is what the next mail brought: "See what Gen. vi. 9, says about a perfect man. See what we are told to do, Math. v. 48. Here is a good thought, James iii. 2. Can we do it? See Job vii. 20. The trouble with people is this, Jer. xvii. 9. See what is said in I Sam. xvi. 7. If it were not for this, we would all be lost. Cannot everybody be perfect if they would see what is said, I Cor. x. 13? Here were two good people. They tried Luke i. 13-16." Which shows that there are jewelers in Iowa whose time is not entirely occupied with business cares.—Jewelers' Circular Weekly.

## 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. LANGLAIS BELL,  
Assistant Gold Commissioner.  
Dated at Dawson this 14 day of December, 1900.

The Pacific Cold Storage Company paid the collector of customs in Dawson \$10,000 duty on the cargo of fine meats they are now offering to the trade.

## STROLLER'S COLUMN.

Every good housewife knows that to "put bread to bed" means to wrap it up closely and set it near, either behind or under the stove in order that it may "rise."

A Dawson lady has a 14-year-old daughter in whom she is desirous of inculcating the art of house keeping. A few days ago the mother was going out for a few hours and told her daughter to mix up some bread and put it to bed. The daughter took the instruction literally, mixed the bread and carefully placed it between the blankets of the bed nearest the stove which happened to be her brother's. That young man soon after entered the house and having been in the Klondike sufficiently long to adopt the customs of the country, threw himself down on the bed. Something hit him about the small of the back that did not feel natural, but he supposed a spring was working through his homemade mattress. After a while he dropped off to sleep. When he awoke in an hour his head and feet were both considerably lower than the center of his body and a part of the bed was swelled up like a garter snake that has swallowed a toad. Investigation revealed the embryo bread, also the fact that it had risen until dough was reaching out all over the bed. The young man swore, his sister cried and the mother who wished to teach her daughter housekeeping looked disgusted.

This girl will make a suitable wife for the printer who obeyed instructions and followed copy when it was blown out through the window.

"It is very disgustin' ter me," said the sourest dough in the Yukon yesterday, "ter hear fellers talk about weather what ain't had no more nor 20 years' experience in the country. They don't know nothin' about cold weather, an' let me tell you right here that so long as ther temperature can be kept track of by these things called theolifers, 'taint very dam cold. Now I remember well ther fourth winter I was in ther country. It was ther winter of '67. Reason I remember it so well is that me and an Limping Grouse was married that winter. She limped when she walked, havin' had her foot smashed when a child by havin' it ketched between daylight an' dark. Well, that winter it fruz pure alcohol till it bruk like glass, an' ther strangest thing erbout it was 'at ther colder it got ther harder it snowed, an' ther snow was as blue as ary bit o' sky you ever seed. An' I say 'at these here fellers what ain't seed blue snow ain't got no business talkin' erbout cold weather. Talk erbout ice worms er foot long! It makes me ache. We had 'em that winter as long as rake handles. They just et up all ther ice in ther river ther wern't none left ter go out in ther spring.

"Ther nex cold weather wer in ther winter o' '73, it being a dead ringer ter '67. Considerable blue snow fell in '73 but ther ice worms wer sort o' puny, not bein' over four foot long an' not hev'in' ther flavor they'd order had. "Since 'at time ther ain't bin no winter weather ter speak on. One thing I think keeps ther temperature up is these yer fellers wot ain't bin here mor'n no year is always erspoutin' 'bout wot they seed arter we'd stopped havin' cold weather in ther country. If they'd quit usin' s'much wind er talkin' it might hev erchance ter git cold once more."

When David the Psalmist said: "The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof," he doubtless realized that all through the long line of humanity to come cheap jays would bob up here and there and endeavor to elbow the Lord to one side. This has always been attempted, but has never succeeded for any great length of time. Roman dictators have been dethroned; men who imagined they stood next to the Chinese throne have been hot-potted; ward-healers to whom "every bloke on de Bowery done obeysance" have been "Black Mariahed" 30 days for offering bribes. All of which goes to confirm the statement of David that "The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof." David could very truthfully have gone further and said: "Man is small potatoes, few in a hill and the hills a long distance apart." For no matter how much a man may be vaunted with a sense of his own importance, he may be turned down as easily as rolling off a log. Kings may be dethroned and presidents of everything from a republic down to a free library may be turned down.

Verily, the earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof.  
That all is not gold that glitters and that the show business in Dawson is not what it is cracked up to be were

forcibly impressed upon the mind of the Stroller who chanced to walk along the street today behind a well-known and popular actor who, to other than a close observer, was quite comfortably dressed. As the Stroller, owing to the many glaciers on the streets, has recently had a few tumbles, he has learned to keep his eyes on the sidewalk instead of reading signs during his perambulations. It was while keeping his eyes on the walk near the actor's heels that the Stroller received the above mentioned impressions, for both the actor's felt shoes were bursted at the top of the stiffening and through the apertures gleamed and glistened two shining bare heels with naught between them and the arctic climate. It can be said to the actor's credit that both heels were as clean and bright as new silver dollars, which they very much resembled everytime a step was taken, at which times the apertures appeared to wink at the Stroller.

## The Harz Peasantry.

The Harz peasants are an honest, thrifty lot, very independent and proud, but also full of religious feeling, and a book might be written on their beliefs and customs. At funerals, births and marriages every act is invested with meaning, and a legend or proverb is quickly brought forward to combat skeptical doubts. Godfathers and godmothers to the number of 24 sometimes accompany the baby to the baptismal fount, and little gifts are exchanged and refreshments of sausages, cake, beer and brandy are served before and after the ceremony. The young girls wear wreaths, from which they pick flowers to give to the young godfathers, and these in turn present them with an orange or lemon, which they carry in their hands. They have a curious superstition that the child will die if it receives the name of either parent, and this is only done when they wish it to be the last baby in the family. A grand supper of chocolate, soup and roast pork, with preserves, is served after the baptism, and the festivities end with a dance. Everything begins and ends with a dance in the Harz mountains, and their balls begin at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.—Catholic World.

Seagram, '83, at Rochester Bar.

Eggs 75 cents at Meeker's.

Steel marten traps, just in—0, 1 and 1 1/2. Shindler's.

Cyrus Noble whisky. Rochester.

## LOST AND FOUND

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## FOR RENT

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## PROFESSIONAL CARDS

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## MINING ENGINEERS.

J. B. TYRRELL, mining engineer, has removed to Mission st., next door to public school.

## SOCIETIES.

THE REGULAR COMMUNICATION of Yukon Lodge, (U. D. F. & F. M.), will be held at Masonic hall, Mission street, monthly, Thursday or on before full moon at 8:00 p. m.  
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