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Hs condition. 'lhey went out agalu last July with $\$ 00,000$. I was well acduabited with the man, a very decent. mitelligent man. He told me one day that if he could remain in thls cautitry froin three to tlve yeatre and go out with \$j.000, he would conslder himseli lucky. He has gone out with \$5.000. and after the prospecting he has done. a lltile in the middle and at the end of the clalm, be belleves that the bass $\$ 00.000$ there.

On the other hand, however, a Scotchman named Marks has buen in there eleven yeurs. I have knowin him Well, and once last Fall when he was slek I asked him how long he had been minlnis. His reply was forty-two yeuris -In all purts of the world. excent Austrulla. In reply to the question as to whether he had ever made hls stake. le hatl mever yet insale more than ot lifing: and very often a scinty one. This. of course, is the opposite extreme. I could quote scores of cases similiar to that. so that 1 would not have you fook too much on the bright slde.

There are men in that cuuntry who are poor, and who will remain so. It hats not been their "luck," as they call it, to strike it rich. But I may say thist that country offers to men of great fortitude, and some intelligence and stcadiness an opnortunity to make more money in a given time than they lossibly could make anywhere elsc. you have, of course, a good deal to contend with: your patience will be sorely tiled. for the conditions are so unigue that they have surprised many who have gone in. and they have left in disgust.

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When I was in that country first, everything was arderly. the miners attinded to their business: they did not know anyone, and if a man kept himself pretty fair in his dealings. there was no danger of trouble, Jut a fensears afterwards, saloons came into voguc. and many old miners stayed around them all day. The saloon-keepcrs'were their partners, and miners' mectings began to be recognised, which werce rttended by saloon-keepers and loafers. They carricd things to please themselves, and great injustice was :iometimes the result. As a conseduence, miners meetings came Into cisrepute, and ns soon as the police came. they were louked upon as unnecessary. To furnish you with yet another instance: A tallor sued a-barber for the sum of fifty cents, whilds for clained the latter owed him. The Cierman objected to paying, and aprealed for a miners' meeting, which declded that instead of the barber owing the tailor 50 cents, the tailur must pay the barber one dollar. The latter was naturally surprised, and in answer to the verulict, he said rather than pay the amount he would Doat down the

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