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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1901.

THE GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPITAL.

Elsewhere in this issue of the Nugget is published an interview with Mr. H. Te Roller, chairman of the board of directors of the Good Samaritan hospital. Mr. Te Roller's statement is called forth by reason of certain reflections upon the management of the hospital which have recently been made in a more or less public manner. These reflections for the most part have been rather of an insinuating than a direct nature and tend to give strength to the opinion that they have originated in a desire on the part of certain individuals to work out private grievances against the hospital and its management.

Certainly any person who has just ground for complaint against the hospital should be willing to attach his signature to any statements he makes. Otherwise the public is quite justified in refusing to attach any importance thereto.

The Good Samaritan hospital is a public institution, inasmuch as it depends to a certain extent upon public subscriptions for its maintenance. This being the case it is quite right and proper that mismanagement, if it exists, should be brought to public notice. There is no one, however, so cowardly or whose statements are less worthy of credence than the man who hides behind a non deplume for the purpose of gratifying personal spite.

Mr. Te Roller's statement is a clear and succinct presentation of the position taken by the hospital management and should accomplish immediately one of two results. Either the parties interested must come forward with definite and specific charges over their own signatures or cease from making anonymous insinuations.

Meanwhile for the information of the public at large we suggest to the hospital board that a report of the business of the institution for the past year be prepared and published at as early a date as possible. A statement of sources of revenue, cost of operation, receipts and expenditures, number and classes of patients treated, cures effected, etc., would furnish the people of Dawson with an intelligible basis from which to judge the merits of the hospital as a public institution. We are of the opinion that such a course on the part of the board of directors of the hospital would meet with general approbation and probably settle all criticism.

The cadets at the West Point military academy have voluntarily agreed to give up hazing. The only real effect of this promise will be a change of name. Hazing called by any other name will be as great a terror to the first year men as ever. West Point would not be West Point without hazing or something akin thereto.

One year ago everyone in Dawson who could secure a dog team and a small grubstake was making preparations to leave for Nome. One year ago a large portion of the business district of the town was a mass of charred ruins. One year ago, the Yukon territory was the victim of all manner of bad mining laws. At the present time there is no stampede in progress threatening to

depopulate the country; there is no burned district to frighten investors and discourage business men, and the mining regulations will compare favorably with those of any other newly settled country. Still we have within our midst the man who is able to prove beyond the peradventure of a doubt that the whole country is rapidly going to the dogs.

The supreme court of the United States has under consideration the right of the United States government to collect duties at Puerto Rico. There is involved in the case an amount of money already collected which will aggregate several millions of dollars.

Commissioner Ogilvie has at last received official information respecting the death of Queen Victoria. Ottawa has always taken its own good time in looking after Yukon affairs and no exception has been made in this instance.

This is the late queen's burial day and that fact will be recognized by suitable observances throughout the civilized world. The death of no prince or potentate was ever more generally mourned.

Further information is coming to hand respecting the construction of the proposed Alaska railway line from Valdez to Eagle City. Apparently Uncle Sam means business.

Mr. Bryan's letter should be accepted as addressed personally to every man who voted for that gentleman in the Nugget's election.

Queen of the Viola.

To be only 20 years old, to be good looking, modest, unaffected and to be the leading American violinist of her sex—such is the happy fate of Leonora Jackson. This young American girl has won by her playing the applause of all the critics of America and what amounts to more in the musical world she has charmed the best judges of Europe with her playing. Since her first public appearance before one of the great European musical organizations, which was in October, 1896, her career has been one of continuous triumph.

Miss Jackson has played before many of Europe's sovereigns and has received gifts from many of them. The gift from Queen Victoria, which she prizes very highly, is a jeweled star of rubies and sapphires, bearing the queen's monogram, V. I. R. This she received in July, 1899. The king of Sweden publicly complimented the young violinist in Paris and told her it was a pleasure to find young America sending such accomplished artists to soothe and charm the old world. In October, 1897, Miss Jackson won by her playing the most important musical prize in Germany, the Mendelssohn state prize, of 1500 marks (\$375). But of all the honors and prizes and compliments she has won none is placed higher than a scrap of paper from her old master, Joachim the leading violinist of the world. After she had played a most difficult piece of music, Brahms's concerto, at the famous Gewandhaus, in Leipzig, and played it in masterly style, the old master wrote, "At last, Leonora, thou canst play it," and musical Europe agreed that only Joachim himself could have played it better.

Miss Jackson is about to make her second tour in her native country. Her first, in the spring of 1900, was eminently successful.—Ex.

For Lower Cable Rates.

Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 2.—Sanford Fleming, one of the principal promoters of the Pacific cable, has written an open letter to Hon. William Mullock, postmaster general, in favor of a state-owned telegraph line, encircling the globe. This is said to be the beginning of a movement to nationalize the cable and telegraph service of the British empire. If this were done, Sir Sanford says, it would reduce the price of messages to one-eighth or one-tenth of what it now costs to distant British possessions.

Elegantly furnished rooms with electric lights at the Regina Club hotel.

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STROLLER'S COLUMN.

The buying and selling of—and trading and trafficking in provisions in the city of Dawson is an industry that sustains a large number of men, many of whom are honest and legitimate commission brokers, while others operate on a basis of misrepresentation and "skin." A number of these pretended brokers watch the big companies closely and when the latter have some old goods to almost give away in order that the warehouse room occupied by them may be saved, these fellows get in and buy the old stuff, ostensibly for dog feed, but the portion of it that the dogs get would, as a rule, scarcely pass muster as a soap fat.

Considerable venerable meat was disposed of in Dawson last fall and sold by the companies at such price as made the purchase of it as dog-feed a good investment, but the new owners were not content with anything short of a big cleanup, with the result that old meat has been and is being offered for sale around town at prices that would yield big profits to the broker and still enable the retailer to almost double his money on his investment.

A few days ago a broker whose office is under his hat, carried a sample ham to a certain First avenue grocery store and, on entering the store asked for and was given a butcher knife with which he cut the ham in the center clear in to the bone and then inquired "Vere ish der brobrieter?"

On being informed that the proprietor was out, the ham owner said "I will return in 'halluf an hour," and went away, leaving the ham.

Then it was that a couple of clerks in the store got in their deadly work. Taking some limburger cheese, they cut off a few very thin slices which they carefully placed in the cut in the ham. After a few minutes the proprietor returned and later the ham owner walked in. "I haf," said the latter, "a sample of der finest hams in Dawson vich I can sell you at a very low price; now just—schmell dot ham vere ish cut, unt see if it aind as fresh ash any ham vot you ever schmelt."

The merchant picked up the ham and held it to his nose. Then he dashed it on the floor and done a turn at artistic cussing such as is seldom heard off the bridge of deepwater sailing vessels. "Get out of this with your rotten—ham or I'll put you and it both in the stove!" yelled the thoroughly enraged merchant. The man with the rosette name sorrowfully picked up his ham and walked out. Just outside the door he carefully raised the article to his nose and took a long whiff. "Ugh!" he was heard to exclaim, "Dot is really vorse ash I tot it vas!" However, as he wished to investigate further, he carried his ham out upon the broad bosom of the Yukon for more careful dissecting. Then it was that the limburger in all its assertiveness and vigor was discovered and Ichabod tumbled to the fact that he was the victim of a foul, bad smelling joke. The blood of his fathers boiled within him and he danced a can-can on the ice until a hole melted beneath and he was in danger of dropping through.

"By the jumping Jehoiadah," he exclaimed, "I vas been bucced, unt dat store moost bay me fifty thousand tollar!" He rushed back to the store and began in an excited manner, frantically waving both hands and pawing the air. "Bay me ten, dwenty, tirty tousand tollar! You half ruined my beesiness."

"Here, porter!" said the proprietor of the store, "put that wild man in the stove. He brings a bad smell with him."

And thinking that he was about to be cremated the ham dealer glided out the door and passed up the street wringing his hands and crying, "My beesiness is ruint, unt I am von lost man! It was hell, don'd it?"

"Goodby an' may God bless yer!"

The speaker was the sourest dough between Whitehorse and St. Michael. The time was Wednesday morning of this week. The old man had two slabs of dried salmon and an old blanket for an outfit. "His three-legged dog was at his heels and he looked as though he was all ready for a trip, when the Stroller asked "Where are you off to at this season of the year?"

"Huntin' decent weather," said the old man. "Two weeks ago when the glass tubes said 'twas 68 degrees below zero I vas beginnin' to feel sort o' comfortable an' vas in hopes we was goin' ter have a few weeks o' decent weather, although I wer'n't 'specting' no blue snow like I seed in '67; but I did 'spect it ter be at least comfortable, an' the prospects was good for a fair crop of ice worms. Fact is, I went out and ketch'd enough fer several messes, but they wren't mor'n six inches long an' tasted zif they'd been

raised under glass in'er hot house. Then, first thing I knowed, it gets warm er'nuf ter bile eggs in their sun, an' every blessed ice worm died dead-er'n a door nail. So I'm off fer Point Barrows or some other place whar I won't perspire myself ter death while I'm still in the vigor of manhood. Goodby!"

"Don't go, Dad!" said the Stroller slipping a dollar into the old man's hand, "you are needed here and we will miss you. Please don't go."

The old man was touched and two glistening tears rolled through the wire grass on his face.

"Them's the fust kind words as has been said ter me since Limpin' Grouse died an' if you'll make it nuzzer dollar I'll stay."

The "nuzzer" dollar was forthcoming and an hour later the old man was on his favorite stool "pechewing" at the crack in the barroom stove.

The man that Tom Chisholm and a dozen or more others said in police court yesterday is like the lilies of the field in that he toils not, neither does he spin, is averse to "popularity." Yesterday after his narrow escape from a term at the end of a royal saw he called at the Nugget office with the modest request that his name be kept out of the paper. With look, demeanor and lingo that betokened that his early life was spent in Hogan's alley, he said: "Ise' one of doze yer modest fellers wot ain't lookin' fer no popularity. See?"

Dawsonites Arrive in Seattle.

Among the passengers from Dawson by the Victoria were Mr. and Mrs. William Minter, who in coming out from the Klondike metropolis, had an unique experience. A pucker named G. B. Scott offered to take them out for \$25, of which \$15.00 was to be paid down and the balance of \$75 paid at Whitehorse. They agreed and on the day of starting Scott showed up with a dilapidated horse and sled. He told them to get in and drive on and that he would soon overtake them. They did so, but Scott failed to put in an appearance. The horse and sled were both worth less than \$70. Scott cleared about \$80 out of the transaction.

Mr. Minter drove all the way out, his bill for horse feed amounting to \$100. Scott, it seems, is a notorious character in the North. His scheme is said to be quite the vogue along the trail at present.

J. H. Hughes, of Victoria, who is well known in Seattle, also came down on the Victorian. He was accompanied by his wife. Another passenger was D. Burns, a large cattle dealer of Whitehorse and Dawson.

Passengers on the Victorian report that Stephen Brown, one of Dawson's best known characters, had arrived in Skagway from the Klondike. Brown reports, it is stated, that wolves are very numerous near Tulare and they attacked a dog on the trail and killed him recently. A pony is said to have been killed and eaten by the ferocious animals near the same place after the driver had made his escape.—P. I.

An Iceboat's Speed.

To those who have never seen an iceboat dart away and shrink to a mere speck on the horizon in a few minutes, the speed, were it not well vouched for, would be wholly incredible. A gentleman residing at Foughkeepsie wished to speak to his brother, who had just started by train for New York. He therefore sprang upon his iceboat; soon passed the train, although it was an express, and was on the platform of the station at Newburg when the train drew up. At one point of his journey he had made two miles in one minute. Nevertheless, in spite of the various published records, it may confidently

be stated that the greatest speed never recorded.—Cassell's Magazine.

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(Signed) J. LANGLOIS BELL,
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