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From Friday's Daily.

THE YEAR OF JUBILEE.

The pleadings, petitions and prayers of the Hunker people have at last been heeded and in the course of a few days a good road for travel at all seasons of the year will span that creek its entire length. Men and money can accomplish wonders and there are both back of the proposition. The men now at work on the creek roads, 100 being employed on Hunker alone, are receiving good wages and will not be required to sue for its collection; neither is it a bedrock proposition of no dust no pay. The government has undertaken the proposition and the government is sufficiently strong to carry it to successful completion. Commissioner Ross knows what he wants and he is going after it in a manner that will accomplish the desired end.

The result which will accrue from the construction of good roads to and along the various creeks are almost incalculable as it will lessen the cost of working claims to a very great extent. Machinery and supplies can be put on the ground in many places for less than one-half the former cost of transportation and many claims that it was formerly impossible to reach with machinery at any price will now be developed and operated. To the claim owners and miners of the district surely the year of jubilee has come.

SCOTCH MANENESS.

Hinnissey, the Scotch are a mane lot and English are quite right to soak them for it. We have had some striking examples of Scotch maneness in Ameriky, and it's high time this maneness should be exposed and put forruist the public in its thrue light. There is Andrew Carnagy, who is a type of a mane Scotchman. He is apprehinsive that he may not be able to spind all the millions that he has made before he dies, and may die worth somethin'. So he flings the stuff away from him as fast as he can, in Ameriky, in Canady, in the United Kingdom, any ould place; for all I know the Hottentots and other dirty nagars may be indebted to him for a livelihood. He has founded more libraries and mussyums than you can shake a stick at and kapes on founding. There is another mane Scotchman of the same kidney over the bordther. He has a lot of titles tacked onto his name now, but the name he started wid was Donald Smith. He lived for a number of years in Monthrayal, for he has spent money like water on the place, and by right it should be called Smithville. He is like Carnagy, apprehensive that he may be worth somethin'. The Boer war gave him a great chance to unload. There were no private gifts from the English, for though they are generous they are deliberate, and they were afraid the war would be over before they had time to plank out, but the mane Scotch Canuck took his chances, and paid out a million with as little fuss as we would lighting our pipes. He raised a regiment of horse, and sent out to Afriky 50 Western Canucks, broths of boys, who could ride, shoot or swear wid the best of them. They do tell me, Hinnissey, that it was the best found regiment in the whole shooting match. When you get a real mane Scotchman, Hinnissey, there's no limit to his maneness.—The Lounger.

The four young men who left their positions in the Canadian Bank of Commerce to explore the practically unknown territory surrounding the headwaters of the Stewart river are possessed of that intrepid spirit that discovers the resources of a country, but the journey undertaken is very apt to develop the resources of the young men before it is completed. A full realization of the meaning of the Carolinas' gubernatorial remark will probably be experienced by the members of the party ere they return to Dawson. That they may have all the pleasure from the trip anticipated is the wish of the host of friends they leave behind.

The sad death of an eight-year old boy by drowning in the slough near the barracks is a warning by which many parents can not profit as in many cases something more than parental instructions is required to keep small boys away from water. A strict order issued by the police would be much more effective in the case of the ordinary small boy.

That business is dull and times hangs heavy on the hands of Skagway people was evidenced when an effort was made to release "Kid" West from the custody of the officers who had him in charge. Had they succeeded the kid would have probably stolen the townsite away from both Moore and the people before he left.

The fact that this was a hot day was accepted by many as a good omen and many were the smiles of pleasure noticed. This condition is due to the telegrams of yesterday which brought information of 400 barrels of beer being on the way in from the outside. Limburger and wienerwursts will probably follow on the next boat.

MAY COME TO DAWSON

Many of Seattle's Toughest Characters Travel Northward.

Seattle, July 3.—Ten day's administration of the affairs of the police department at the hands of Chief Sullivan has witnessed an exodus form this city of questionable characters which detectives on the local force admit will shortly insure a condition of affairs which has not existed for many months. The departure from their accustomed haunts to other localities, principally Alaska, of persons who have been under police surveillance since the new chief assumed control of the department is taken by close observers as significant of the policy which Chief Sullivan will pursue in the future in dealing with this class of floating population.

Since Sunday last detectives and patrolmen traversing beats in the infested parts of the city, say that the exodus of suspicious characters has been little short of remarkable. In several instances disreputable characters of the more dangerous sort have been stopped on the street by policemen for the purpose of inquiry as to their means of support, and in each instance the person under surveillance has promptly produced a ticket for some other locality as an evidence of his intentions to leave the city at once.

Probably the most noticeable feature of the exodus has been discernible among that class of characters designated by the police as "female dips," another word for women pickpockets. At one time during the past winter a carefully prepared census of the women plying this vocation in the city placed the number at forty-five, exclusive of those who occasionally were placed under arrest for taking advantage of an opportunity afforded them for robbery in connection with their ordinary vocation. Such women as Stella Nelson, Minnie Wilson, Laura Colman and May Woods, than whom it is admitted by veteran detectives, there exist no shrewder or more daring members of their fraternity in America, have all gone to Alaska.

For three days, beginning on Wednesday last, two detectives scoured the city in search of Stella Nelson for the purpose of placing her under arrest on a charge of vagrancy. Their search proved futile and it was afterwards learned that she had been hidden in a lodging house in the outskirts of the city awaiting the sailing of a vessel for Nome. One of the detectives who had been searching for her happened on the wharf a few minutes before the vessel departed only to be beseeched by the Nelson woman to permit her to take her departure unmolested.

It is conservatively estimated that Stella Nelson, since October last, has accumulated over $8000 by picking the pockets of victims whom she enticed into saloon boxes or this purpose. The record shows that during this time she has been arrested not less than thirty-five times, but in each instance succeeded in either spiriting away the prosecuting witness or defeating the case on technical grounds.

STROLLER'S COLUMN.

"Here I am at last!" said a stowaway as he crawled out from the hold of the steamer Clifford Sifton a few minutes after that steamer arrived from Whitehorse and tied up at her dock yesterday. The speaker was a typical trans-continental brakebeam tourist whose face and neck still bore samples of real estate picked up along the route from St. Paul to Seattle. Continuing the speaker said:

"I have been from the middle of May until now in covering the distance from Chicago to Dawson, during which time I was side-tracked in a box car seven days without food or water, was kicked off from behind blind baggage cars 37 times, fell from trucks three times and was stoned off 24 times; but except when locked in the box car which contained a lot of coffins for a Seattle undertaker, I never laid over in any one place more than 12 hours. I did not eat regularly but when it came to amount I guess I hit the average. My sense of honor was offended but the only straight out, open insult I received on the entire trip was at Whitehorse and from a man whose name was something like honey, lovey-dovey, darling or some such Vermont maple syrup name. He sized me up one day on the dock and then gave me the greatest spell I ever heard. He said if I would sign articles binding myself to not desert when the steamer reached Dawson, also to agree to not use butter or sugar and to not skin potatoes when eating, nor use soap in washing my hands, likewise not tear splinters from the cordwood for toothpicks, to work 20 hours every day and be docked for sleeping the other four hours, he would pay me at the rate of $60 and that after making one round trip I might get master's papers and if I did he would not only put me in charge of one of his boats, but would allow me $15 more each month; also allow me to eat a little butter, use one spoonful of sugar at each meal and skin my potatoes provided I saved the skins for the boys in the fo'castle. He said he was trying to make a name for himself with his company; that if it wasn't doing any business, he was determined that it wouldn't have any big bills to pay, and that if an occasional boat took to the woods and jabbed a hole in her hull it could be plugged up with a bale of hay; that the company had more boats than it needed; that economy must be practiced even if every boat is wrecked and the company has to resort to scows for carrying the mail. 'Are you my meat?' said he. With soil from nine states on my face, I could not turn up my nose without cracking the skin so with thoughts of my family tree, a tree that never bore a Chinaman, I turned my back on him and sought passage in the wood bunkers of another company's steamer. You see, I wanted to get here."

Before the day was over the new arrival was making $10 an hour selling a mixture of brick dust and flour to warehouse owners for rat poison.

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"I will give $100 in spot cash," said a prominent Dawsonite the other day in the presence of the Stroller, "to the man who can name for me a single time in the history of Dawson when a little excursion has been given up of down the river on which from one to half a dozen usually, and so far as business is concerned, respectable young men do not become beastly intoxicated and go all over the boat leering into the faces of respectable ladies. Usually there is some dance hall "bat" in the crowd to add luster to the degradation. The young man or men who thus behave in public have not mothers, sisters or wives present to see them, but they should remember that other mothers, sisters and wives have sensibilities to which a brazen, drunken leer is most shocking and repulsive. The Bible tells us that one star differeth from another in glory. This may be true of stars, but so far as I can see all drunks are alike. My offer is good any time. There is $100 in cash to the person who can mention a general excursion out from Dawson on which there has not been some fellow who made a holy show of himself by getting disgustingly and familiarly drunk."

When the above offer was first made the Stroller thought he would win the hundred plunkers, but after considerable study he gave it up as he could not remember an occasion on which the gentleman's remarks did not apply.

Committee Meeting.

The various committees of the Yukon council have been very busy, attending to matters of interest to the government of the territory, during the past week.

On Tuesday night the public works committee held a meeting, Wednesday night the municipal committee and yesterday evening the civil justice committee met.

Some evening next week the council will hold a special session as matters of importance are ready to be acted upon.

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