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"THE WHITE MAN'S BURDEN."

Uncle Sam is rapidly ascertaining the fact that the "white man's burden" is after all quite a heavy load to carry. The war in the Philippines has progressed sufficiently far to demonstrate beyond a doubt that it cannot be effectually suppressed through ordinary means. Aguinaldo and his hordes of fanatics have imbued new courage by reason of the approach of the rainy season, and are preparing to prosecute their guerilla warfare with renewed vigor. Meanwhile there is, as usual, a "peace" sentiment in the United States which is throwing every possible difficulty in the way of the administration.

The present war is an unforeseen outgrowth of the Spanish-American contest. It will be remembered that Aguinaldo, at the opening of the latter struggle, was a fugitive from the Spaniards, and was equipped and sent to the Philippines as an ally by the Americans. The war being ended, he turned the forces which he had been able to secure through American assistance against his previous patrons and protectors.

Whatever influences for political purposes may be brought to bear in the United States to cause McKinley to abandon the war, it cannot for an instant be supposed that the president or his advisers will give any heed thereto. The United States is committed to the expansion policy. The Hawaiian islands have been taken in, the most important of the West Indies are practically American colonies, and no suspension of hostilities in the Philippines can be looked for until American supremacy in the islands has been definitely established and acknowledged.

The new problems involved by the entrance of the United States into the arena of the world's great colonial powers call for the exercise of new and hitherto uncalled-for executive and administrative talent.

But the American people, as a whole, are not afraid of the experiment. They have unbounded faith in themselves and in their ability to grapple with and solve new and untold problems, and that faith is founded and justified upon the solid rock of experience.

The "white man's burden" will never rest upon shoulders more capable of bearing it than those of Uncle Sam, though even his stalwart back may feel the weight of the load.

WILL IT BE PERMANENT?

It is quite within the range of possibility that the Yukon country will one day become the seat of a permanent and thriving population. This proposition may not appeal very strongly to the average man on the outside, who is accustomed to associate this country with visions of eight months of eternal darkness and four months of typhoid and mosquitoes. But it is a proposition to which, we believe, the man who has spent twelve months in the country can easily agree. An examination of the weather reports for the past winter reveals the fact that the average temperature during the winter will compare very favorably with that of Manitoba and Ontario, while as a place of residence the Yukon Territory may safely be preferred to the Northwest. There has been in the Yukon an almost total absence of the fierce blizzards which make life a burden to the settler in the latter territories. The theory that eternal darkness prevails during much of the winter has been long exploded. For a very few weeks during the past winter there was daylight for only a short period during each twenty-four hours, but that condition lasted for so short a time as scarcely to be noticeable. There was no such thing as a suspension of business either in the city or on the creeks by reason of prolonged darkness, reports of correspondents

for outside papers to the contrary notwithstanding.

The fear possessed by many people that the climatic and other natural conditions are peculiarly favorable for epidemics of typhoid and kindred diseases has been proven to be without substantial foundation. Among people who have observed the ordinary, common-sense rules of health the percentage of fever has been as low as is usual in other countries.

As to the prospects of securing proper and abundant food supplies, especially in the line of fresh vegetables, we believe that sufficient experimental work has already been performed to demonstrate the fact that the Yukon country can and will produce its own vegetables.

There remains to be considered the question whether the country as yet justifies a population of permanent residents. The answer to this must for some time yet be a matter of judgment. Various prophets have predicted the life of Dawson as a busy, hustling mining center at from three to ten years' duration. We are of the opinion that the latter figure will prove more nearly correct than the former. Meanwhile there is every reason to believe that new discoveries will be made which will extend the life of the camp for an indefinite period. More capital is being interested in the Yukon country every day. The influx of capital means the increase and steady employment of labor, which gives the very best backing to a commercial center.

Preparations are being made for the testing of quartz locations, and the success or failure of these will cut considerable figure in determining the future of the country, the outlook in several known instances being very favorable.

On the whole we believe that those men who have located in the Yukon with the expectation that the country will prove worthy a permanent population have no reason to feel that they have made a mistake in their judgment.

MANY improvements are noticeable in Dawson at the present time over conditions which prevailed twelve months ago, and most of them are along lines suggested at various times in the columns of this paper. The facility with which business can now be transacted at the gold commissioner's office is in striking contrast to the wearisome process that was involved in doing the same thing last year. The office is a credit to Commissioner Senkler's administrative ability. The system now observed in the postoffice has brought that formerly much-abused department of the government service into high favor with the general public. Old-timers who are returning to Dawson after an absence of a year hardly know just how to go about it to transact business at the public offices. Their surprise at the change in methods of procedure, however, is usually of an agreeable nature.

The beauties of Yukon scenery can only be appreciated from a high vantage ground. We fail to recall a grander prospect than that seen from the summit of the bluff at the eastern edge of the town. The windings and twistings of the Yukon and Klondike rivers can be traced for miles, while far in the distance, 12 miles away, the forks of Bonanza and Eldorado creeks are plainly visible. No one should leave Dawson without ascending the mountain back of the city and feasting his eyes upon one of the grandest panoramas to be found anywhere.

The prices charged for transportation by the steamboat lines doing business upon the Yukon seem high to many people. It must not be forgotten, however, that the steamboats have less than four months in which to do a year's business, and also are taking risks not run in ordinary river navigation.

Visitors are flocking to Dawson to such an extent that the city's hotel accommodations are being quite heavily taxed to accommodate guests. The Nugget bids all our visitors a hearty welcome, and trusts that they will enjoy their stay in Dawson, whether it be long or short.

The June rains which have prevailed in the Yukon in former years have failed, to a large extent, to materialize this season. July may make amends for this oversight. At any rate it is fair to presume that it will rain on the Fourth.

Among the Best.

Captain James Lee, master of the steamer Bonanza-King, is an old-timer and one of the most successful navigators on the Columbian and Willamette rivers. His work on the upper river of the Yukon system has been especially

marked by those who are acquainted therewith. The recent trip of the Bonanza King was remarkably successful, and the captain has been the recipient of many congratulations. The Flyer Line is rapidly establishing itself in the confidence of the public.

Eat at Gold Hill Hotel Restaurant when at the Forks.

Tea-days to Seattle by the Flyers.
 Tomatoes \$9.75, corn \$9.50, milk \$23 a case. A. W. Hall, next postoffice.

Pond, the jeweler, has removed next to the Dominion.

Luxurious rooms. The Regina

Hand your letters for the outside to the Nugget Express messengers.
 Rates: From the creeks, 50c.
 From Dawson, 25c.

Best regular table board. The Regina.

A Good Map for 50
 The Mine Exchange Map of the Klondike Gold Fields should be in the hands of every miner. For sale at the Nugget office. Price 50 cts.

Best bar in town. The Regina.

The Flyer is the line of the people.

Notice to the Public.
 All parties holding accounts or claims against the firm of Dinsmore, Spencer & McPhee will present same for adjustment as soon as possible. Also, all parties knowing themselves indebted to the said firm are requested to settle same immediately.
 W. H. McPHEE,
 FALCON JOSLYN, Second street
 N. A. FULLER, Second av., Dr. Cafe Royal Agts.

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Come and see us, it will pay you. The Regina.

Gold Hill Hotel Restaurant, Forks, open day and night.

The Flyer will land you in Seattle in 10 days or less.

See the new consignment of men's suits, negligee shirts, underwear, hats, Hosiery, etc. H. Hershberg, first door south of Madden House, Front street.

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 INTEREST PAID ON DEPOSITS.
 Safe deposit boxes free to customers.
 Railway and steamship tickets sold to all parts of the world.

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500 Dogs Wanted.
 -Feed for Them All- Good Coralls-
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 Prices: 20c. a Day, \$5.00 Monthly.
 DAWSON'S ABATTOIRS CO.
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 Leave orders at Madden House.

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Will sail from
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EVERY MONDAY, AT 1 P. M.,
 Carrying Nugget Express, Freight and Passengers.

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SUTHERLAND & CADEUX, Proprietors
 SEVERAL BRANDS OF
WINES, LIQUORS AND CIGARS
 Second Ave., 2 door south Bank B.N.A.

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American and European Plan
 First Class Accommodations. Free Concerts Every Evening.
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 The Forks. SHERMAN DEWEY, Mgr.

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 Next door north of "Nugget" office, Dawson

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 New Faces! New Songs!
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