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## LOCAL PRIDE.

When the first cabins were built on the townsite of Dawson, few, if any, of the builders anticipated that they were founding a permanent town. Cabins were built as though they were to be used for the time being only and then deserted, the consequence being that no thought of constructing permanent residences was entertained. At the present time, however, a different sentiment prevails. Confidence in the permanence of the town, and a consequent realization on the part of many of our citizens that they will spend a good many years in the country, have brought about a general desire for the comforts and conveniences invariably associated with the word "home."

It has resulted, therefore, that new residences are taking on a more pretentious appearance. Some consideration is being paid to architectural effect. Indoor furnishings are becoming more elaborate and tasteful, while greater attention is being given each day to surroundings. These are all evidences of a feeling of pride in the appearance of the town, and indicate an increasing conviction on the part of Dawson's inhabitants that our population is permanent and the claims of the country to a lasting existence are based upon solid grounds.

This feeling of confidence will, we believe, be amply borne out by future developments.

## HILLSIDE SLUICING.

The problem of bench and hillside sluicing seems to have been pretty well solved by the introduction of pumping machinery. By means of pumps, which are now being successfully used in a number of cases, a small quantity of water may be made to accomplish an indefinite amount of sluicing.

The water is raised from one tank into another, sufficiently elevated to give the required force for sluicing. It flows from the upper tank into a series of boxes, from which, after performing the work required, it finds its way into the original tank, and thus is used over and over again.

The process, while somewhat more expensive than under ordinary circumstances, where the dump is located close by the creek side, does away with any fears on the part of the miner, whose pay dirt is several hundred feet above the creek, that he may not be able to make his clean-up. The introduction of improved machinery has worked revolutions in methods of mining, none of which are more important than the plan of hillside sluicing above described.

## DEWEY'S EXPERIENCE.

The news received in the latest papers from the states that Admiral George Dewey has withdrawn from the presidential race comes to the great majority of

the people of this country as the wisest act that he could at this time perform. But there was a wiser one that he might have performed, and that was to have refused to follow the alluring goddess of fame so far as to have consented for his name ever to be used in connection with the presidency.

It will ever be the opinion of the public, however, that the ambition of Mrs. Dewey was directly responsible for his action in agreeing to stand for the presidency. In his announcement he spoke with no certainty as to whom he wished to tie to, and, if straws are an indication, it was not so much the hope to serve his country as it was to obtain higher favor from the people, that prompted Dewey to declare his intentions to go before the people.

When he returned triumphant from Manila, his cup of glory was running over. He was given all one could wish, and he might have lived until the end of his days without an error of consequence in his public life.—Skagway Alaskan.

Water will have to come down from the side streams far more abundantly than is the case at the present time before the Yukon will break. The prevailing warm weather will have no appreciable effect on the ice. It must be raised and torn loose from the banks, through the agency of heavy volumes of water, before the break will come. However, the necessary water will come in a hurry when it is once started. Parties who have banked on the break-up coming before the 10th inst. have no reason yet to consider that their judgment is wrong. But, just as gold in this Klondike country is wherever it happens to be found, so the Yukon will open when it opens, and not a moment before. Signs may count in other countries, but up in this northern neck of the woods they cut but little figure.

In view of the immense sums which have been expended by claim owners in placing machinery upon their property during the past season, in addition to other necessary expenses involved, we believe there is no exaggeration in the statement that the royalty will almost, if not quite, equal the profit on the aggregate work of the winter. The heaviest operators are the ones most seriously affected, and, therefore, they are interesting themselves in a movement to contest the legality of the royalty. We wish the movement success.

We wonder if any connection exists between the facts that the arrival of the citizens' petition at Ottawa and the fire, which partially destroyed that city, occurred on the same day. We knew that there were several warm features about the petition, but scarcely thought the effect would be so marked.

## The Providing Elder.

Walking through the streets in Franklin, Tenn., I called to an old darky just ahead of me, "Uncle, please tell me who lives in the red brick across the way?"  
"Why, bless me, missis, dat is whar de providing elder lives!"  
"And who lives up the hill in front of us?"  
"Dat am de pasturage for de passon who am de Priseterne preacher."  
"Thank you, uncle. You have given me a great deal of information."

Two bits for joy at Rochester Bar.  
Chloride of lime. Pioneer drug store.  
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Steam launch, with boiler and engine complete. Apply Nugget office.

## STROLLER'S COLUMN

"If I could take time to walk up on the bluff above Klondike City and take one peep at a certain mark on a certain tall point a few miles to the southeast, I could come back and give some valuable pointers to some of these fellows who are making bets about the ice going out."

"On what do you base your information," asked the Stroller of the speaker, a man who claims to have shot cariboo on the exact spot where now stands Bonfield's bank and exchange.

"I have a never failing sign and it is this: On the high peak or bluff that is seen from the hill above Klondike City is a backbone between two gullies, and when the snow melts from that backbone, the bare ground revealed is the exact outline of a well-formed, fashionably dressed woman. As the weather grows warmer and the snow gradually melts away, the tip of the nose begins to turn up. It continues to turn up in a circular manner until the end of the nasal appendage touches the center of the forehead; and I am telling the truth, if I never told it in my life before, that the ice goes out in just two days and seven and one-half hours after the nose and forehead meet. This sign has not failed nor varied a half hour in the past 12 years. I offered to go up the other day and take a survey of the elevation of the nose and give the result of my observation to a fellow for a second-hand pair of pants, but he would not bargain with me. Now I hope he will lose his money, and, to tell the truth, I don't care two whoops whether or not the ice goes out this year."

As a rule, the laws which apply to this country are fairly administered and impartially enforced; but there is one section that, if more frequently applied, would result in many men being able to get a few hundred dollars ahead for the maintenance of those dependent upon them. The section or statute referred to is the one that provides for the interdiction of habitual soaks. I would not insist on total abstinence, for some times a nip is good for a man, but when a man insists on keeping soaked to the neck every day in the week, it is a kindness not only to his family but also to himself to interdict him; which judicial order precludes every liquor dealer in the district where the man is billed selling him intoxicants. Increased interdiction would result in increased happiness in many families which in many cases are thousands of miles away awaiting the return of husband, father or son with a small fortune which, instead of saying for them, the expected one is spending in Dawson in riotous living.

## Mrs. Lease's Daughter.

Following in the footsteps of her famous mother, Miss Evelyn Louise Lease has blossomed out as a lecturer and reformer. She is a bright, talented and rather attractive young woman of 20, and her prospects of success are brilliant.

In 1890, when Mrs. Lease went through Kansas making political speeches, Miss Louise accompanied her, and at the conclusion of the latter's address the little girl often made a short speech to the assembled crowds.

During her high school days Miss Lease held a high position for scholarship in her class, particularly along the lines of science and languages. She contributed poems and articles to the high school paper. In her senior year she was elected class poet, and the class poem composed by her for commencement received favorable comment.

While in high school Miss Louise took a prominent part in debates. She was always at ease while speaking and showed great aptness at repartee and in rebuttal. She took much interest in the important questions of the day and was always ready to discuss them. As was natural, she took views much the same as those held by her mother.

In appearance Miss Lease is tall and slender, with heavy black hair, blue eyes and a saucy, tip tilted nose such as novelists delight to describe.

Miss Lease is a vegetarian, and one of her aims in life is to convert people to her way of thinking. She gives as the reason for holding her views on this subject that once she visited the stockyards at Chicago and there saw a steer slaughtered. The look in the dying animal's eyes haunted her, and she determined that the animals had a right to live and that she would no longer eat meat. A short time later she met a Hindoo, who further convinced her upon this subject. She has studied law and attended a woman's college. Now she has accepted an offer to go on the lecture platform.

Will the party who took a book from the dressing-room of the McDonald hall, Saturday night, return it to the Nugget office.

When in town, stop at the Regina.

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