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And Small Packages can be sent to the Creeks by our carriers on the following days: Every Wednesday and Saturday to Eldorado, Bonanza, Hunker, Dominion, Gold Run, Sulphur, Quartz and Canyon.

TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 1901.

A SIGNIFICANT FACT.

The bridge formally opened for public use yesterday afternoon marks a point in the history of the Yukon territory which may well be remembered. For a period of more than three years all traffic between Dawson and the adjacent mining districts has been carried on in the absence of any public means of crossing the Klondike. During the season of cold weather while the river has been solidly frozen, no injury has been worked to anyone. But in the open season everyone who has had occasion to go back and forth between Dawson and the creeks has been at the mercy of the toll-gatherer either by bridge or ferry. During this time gold dust to the value of upwards of \$75,000,000 has been brought to Dawson from the creeks and thousands of tons of machinery and merchandise have been sent back in return.

It may be said, therefore, in all truth, that the bridge has been built none too early. In fact it has been delayed long past the time it was badly needed. Nevertheless, the value of the bridge to the community for the future is by no means lessened on account of the delays in its construction, though it is undoubtedly a fact that many a man would be far better off today, had the bridge as it now stands been an accomplished fact two years ago.

There is a significant point in this connection which will exercise a strong influence with many in reaching a conclusion as to the future of the country generally. The placer mines of this district have now been worked for a period of four years. When the original discovery of gold was made it was claimed that the life of the camp would not exceed that length of time. Now we find the Dominion government, asserting its faith in the future of the country by undertaking public enterprises on an elaborate scale. The government is in a position to know better than any individual as to the present condition and future outlook for the territory. In constructing the bridge across the Klondike most substantial evidence is given that in the estimation of the government this territory has a long and prosperous future before it.

To this opinion the Nugget readily subscribes.

Any movement in the direction of retiring gold dust from circulation should be made very slowly. A sudden disturbance in any financial system always reacts disastrously, particularly when an immediate curtailment in the volume of circulating medium is effected. The fact should be determined beyond the peradventure of doubt that an abundant supply of currency is on hand for all purposes of trade before any change is made. Whatever plan is decided upon, should not become operative until sufficient time has elapsed to allow general trade conditions to adjust themselves in readiness for the new system.

Considering the general conditions of business in Dawson during the winter,

ter, the local theaters have done remarkably well in furnishing the public with amusement. No matter what receipts may be, expenditures must go along just the same, and it is not difficult to see that it costs money and no small amount of it at that, to conduct a theater in Dawson. Special mention should be given to the efforts that have been made by the different theaters to cater to the demand for legitimate entertainment. The call for such entertainment has constantly increased and it must be said that the managers of the different houses have responded to the same in the most liberal manner possible.

When Uncle Sam finally wakes up to the fact that the combined trusts of the United States can command almost as much capital as the government itself, there will be a shaking up of old bones which will be heard around the entire world. The anti-trust agitation is already reaching tremendous proportions, and is receiving no little attention from the press of the dominant party. By the time another presidential election rolls around it will not be surprising if all the political parties in the States are found arrayed in a hostile attitude toward the inroads of the trusts.

It is a safe bet that Aguinaldo has already received a dozen offers from theatrical and lecture tour managers to appear on the American stage. A dramatization of the Philippine war with Aguinaldo in the leading role would prove a howling success.

Considering the lateness of the season, the trail between Dawson and Whitehorse is still in excellent condition.

Easter in 1848.

Dawson, April 6, 1901.
Editor Klondike Nugget:
Will you kindly tell me through the columns of your paper on what date Easter Sunday occurred in the year 1848, and oblige, A READER.

(In 1848 Easter Sunday occurred on the 23d day of April.)

Curing a Hiccough.

Mr. Smithkin had heard that a sure cure for hiccough was a severe fright.

One evening, smoking at his fireside after supper, he was taken with a hiccough, which continued in spite of all his efforts to check it.

Presently he got up suddenly from his chair and called out in alarm to Mrs. Smithkin:

"I've lost my watch! I've lost my watch!"

Mrs. Smithkin hastened into the room.

"John, dear," she said, "what do you mean? Why, you haven't done any such thing. Here's your watch all right in your waistcoat pocket."

"Don't you think I know that?" said Mr. Smithkin. "I was just giving myself a severe fright, you know, to stop the hiccough."—Ex.

A Cullud Lady.

Is you de young wite 'oman adbertain ter er cook?
Kase I're de cullud lady wants de place.
But fo' w'y cums ter business I'xe disposed ter take er look.

An see of I'xe impressed by your face.
It looks er little easy, but it mout be lookin' wags.
Kase w'ite tolas has some monst'ous funny ways.

But of you're kinder keetful you an' me atn' gwine ter fum.
An now I'll ax how much er month you pays?
W'x, fifteen dollars, 'oman, is er insult ter me.

'Twould hardly buy dis cullud lady's shoes.
I niver wuks fer cheap folks, tell de trute ter speak ma mind,
I niver wuks at all unless I choos.

I speeks you'll want er ref'rence an ter know de reason why.
I didn't keep de job I had bete',
But of you wants dis lady fer ter make your apple pie.

You'll ax dem kinder que's'ions mouty slow.
Four terms don't 'sactly suit me, but I kinder lak your style.
So of you'll please ter make de kitchen fire I'll be here in de mornin' jes' ter try you fer a while.

I allus laks ter know ter whom I hire.
—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Culture Asserts Itself.

Mrs. Watson—Why did you leave your last place?

Would Be Governess—I haven't had my last place yet, I presume. My latest position was in Boston, and I left there because the family unwisely decided to move to Chicago.—Somerville Journal.

Hugh Spencer can learn something of importance to himself by calling at the office of Woodworth & Black in the Victoria block.

Mumm's, Pomeroy or Perinet champagne \$5 per bottle at the Regina Club hotel.
White fish at Denver Market.



"I defies yer ter move der kid. She has er 'stifferte from der docter and her fadder trades at Hershberg's."

When a Woman Wills

Some of the greatest men in history have succumbed to a stubborn woman. When your wife tells you to dress up, you might as well discard your old clothes and loosen up your purse strings; when added to that, you are told to see HERSHBERG, then give up gracefully and accept the inevitable.

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Stewart River Steamers.

Capt. E. J. Smyth is at the Occidental hotel, having come up from Victoria on the Amir. He is the manager of the Stewart River Company, which is to operate steamers on the Stewart this season. He brought with him the woodwork of a knockdown river boat and a crew to put it together at Whitehorse. The material was being made ready for shipment yesterday and will go out in a day or so. The workmen will accompany it and immediately upon its arrival at Whitehorse start to putting the hull together. The machinery and boilers will come up on the Danube the trip after the next one, and it is planned to have the hull ready for their reception at that time. With this end in view everything possible to expedite the work was done before coming north.

The steamer, which will be known as the Prospector, will be 110 feet long over all and 22 feet beam. She is designed to be one of the speediest as well as the lightest draught steamboats on the Yukon or tributaries. Capt. Smyth, in addition to acting as general manager, will command the Prospector.

Talking with a reporter at the hotel, Capt. Smyth said:

"The Stewart river country, as regards mining, is showing up very satisfactorily, and we all look forward to a good season's work. The diggings on Clear, Lost and McQuesten creeks, which are all branches of the Stewart, have in the past been good producers, and this year are expected to yield even larger than before. There are other tributaries expected to be favorably heard from during the year.

"Stewart river, besides mining, has other industries which afford considerable business for steamboats. Quite a large amount of tame hay, chiefly barley and oat straw, was put up in the valley last year, and more will be marketed from there this season. This goes largely to Dawson. Then there are the logging and wood interests, which require many men. Considering all these things, we of that vicinity think we have good reasons to expect a fine year commercially."

The company with which Mr. Smyth is connected will operate two boats on the Stewart river this year, but these are only a nucleus of a large fleet which it will put on as traffic demands. The Quick, one of the boats, is now below Dawson in winter quarters, and about a month ago Capt. Whidden went in to get her ready for traffic. He will be in command of her. Capt. Smyth is an old timer on the Stewart, having operated the first regular line of boats on it. The concern of which he is now the head is composed of Dawson business men. He has never been connected with the Canadian Development Company, as has been published.

Quite an Industry.

New York, March 20.—The fisheries industry is one of great importance in the Dominion of Canada. The amount of capital invested in the industry last year exceeded that of the previous year by \$289,743, and 719 more men were engaged in the work. No less than 79,862 men were occupied in 1900 in exploiting the waters of Canada, using 5,500,760 fathoms of nets and other fishing gear, representing a capital of \$10,000,000.

The salmon preserving industry of British Columbia, comprising 69 canneries and representing a capital of \$1,380,000, gives employment to 18,977 hands.

The total catch of fish in Canada for the year 1899, as reported by the fisheries department, amounted to \$21,891,706, being an increase of \$2,250,000 over the yield of the previous year. The catch for the Province of Quebec was worth \$1,953,134, an increase over the preceding year of \$191,694.

The lobster plant alone is estimated to be worth \$1,334,180. It comprises

88 canneries, dispersed on the seaboard of the maritime provinces.

The sealing fleet last year numbered 37 vessels, an increase of 11 over the previous year and representing an aggregate of 2641 tons register. The total number of fur-seal skins taken by Canadian sealers during the year 1900 was 35,523.

This result is larger by 177 skins than that of 1899, which in its turn largely exceeded the catches of 1898 and 1897. Although the catch of 1900 is slightly in excess of that of 1899, the average catch per vessel would show a falling off if comparison were confined to these two specific years.

Manufactured seal skin goods have largely advanced in price in the Montreal market, and the profits of retail dealers are said to be very high. They can be purchased in the United States quite as cheaply as in Montreal, because retail dealers here are content with smaller profits.

So far as can be learned, there have been no complaints of transgressions of the law or regulations by the sealers last year; nor have any complications arisen through the application of the law affecting the business.

Aggravating the Offense.

The absurdity of many of the common forms of speech comes upon us at times with something like a shock.

A man who was making his way into a crowded omnibus with considerably

more haste than was necessary trod roughly upon the toes of a woman passenger.

"I beg a thousand pardons, ma'am,"

"The original offense was bad enough," she replied, "without asking me to issue a thousand pardons for it. I will grant you just one pardon, sir."

There was a general titter as he went down, and he did not step on anybody's toes when he went out.—Youth's Companion.

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