DICKENS AS AN AUTHOR: HIS MERITS AND DEFECTS By P. E. M. in the New York Post.

went in his life so sharp a contrast of dous dramatic egotism.

companionship; compared these every- such a character. In all his novels in sameness. day associates with those of my hap- you will meet with no Henry Esmond The deep remembrance of the sense I however selfish its end may have been. have known Dickens' characters, we my pleasure is! and my emulation up by, was passing

The Victim-"You can't say that your face is your fortune."
The Barber-"Well, my fortune lies

tack any more; cannot be written. From that hour until this at which I write, no word of that part of my childhood which I have now gladly brought to a close has passed my lips to any human being. I have no idea! how long it lasted; whether for a year

the foul spots of London, the slime of the river, the inside of Marshalsea covered at last, sinks in her uncle's river—a name that eight years ago prison (where his father was), the arms: "He gazed for a few seconds in goographers did not condescend even pawnshops, and grimy lodging houses; but one thing he did not learn — the how tenderly!—and drew a handker— to mention. The Klondike is what how tenderly!—and drew a handker— might be termed a fourth—ate river, chastening of spirit that suffering is chief before it." The beauty of the ges- in length as well as size; but its mouth supposed to bestow. He came up from ture is all the finer, because it follows spreads out to form a broad flat exthat descent into ignominious drudg-ery in a state of exacerbation which he never outgrew. The memory of it rankled in his mind, and he never forgave his mother for her willingness to abandon him to that unrelieved misery, with his enemy's, in the storm may hill at the foot of which flows the In his art he would describe the spectacle of poverty with enormous gusto, but the dull, aching resignation at the sage to Emily, his last parting with pendicular, like a wall, sheer into the core of it and its discipline he left for David by the boathouse, and then- Yukon. That wall is seen long before

A few years of miscellaneous occupaclerk, and reporter, and then in 1834, ed away. As I looked after his figure, its way, burying, so the tradition goes, at the age of 22, he began to publish crossing the waste in the moonlight, I an Indian village. the "Sketches of Boz." Two years later "Pickwick" opened its career in monthly numbers, and soon raised the author to an incredible pitch of popular-the Waste in the moonlight, I saw him turn his face towards a strip of silvery light upon the sea, and pass on, looking at it, until he was a shathly wall on the distance."

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These there age of 22. He began to publish the moonlight, I saw him turn his face towards a strip of silvery light upon the sea, and pass on, looking at it, until he was a shathly wall on the distance." than a boy, and overweening fame as the company of the greatest. it came to no other man, even in those days of sudden celebrity. And it cannot be said that the effect upon him cessant and sure. I do not mean the other bank of the Klondike, where are was wholly agreeable. Magnanimous in many ways, no doubt he always remained, and lovable to a few people, even to Carlyle, who could write of him after his death as "the good, the gentle, high-gifted, ever-friendly, noble Dickens-every inch of him an honest man." but it is true, nevertheless, that his vanity was brought by all this egregious adulation to a state of unwholesome irritability. Applause could not reach him quickly enough, and loud enough, and in the end he almost gave up authorship for the coarser excitement of public recitation. There are many accounts of his manner of reading, or, more properly speaking, it was emphatic, intense; if anything, over-dramatic, like his writing. had to go yesterday to Dickens' Reading," writes Carlyle; he "acts better than any Macready in the world; a whole tragic, comic, heroic, theater visible, performing under one hat, and keeping us laughing-in a sorry way, some of us thought-the whole night. Alas, how sorry a way! It is not only the waste of so splendid talents that we regret, but there is something distressful in the very thought of this great man brutalizing his face to the ikeness of Bily Sykes, or mopping and mowing of Fagin, out of the mere craving for publicity. To me, at least, it is one of the many painful chapters

in our literary annals. And I think he

could not have so paltered with his

renius if his characters had ever been

To the same cause must be attributof tragedy which involves the losing contest of a strong man with destiny and his triumph through spiritual disin the character of Bradley Headstone. but even here the second element is wanting, and there is more of pain than of liberation in the breaking of that this is not the proper field of the novelist, inasmuch as genuine tragedy requires almost an instrument of ideal elevation which lies scarcely within the reach of prose fiction. So far Dickens was saved by his limitations from an but a questionable success. In place of tragic awe he has rightly given us tears. I know that much of his pathos has grown stale with time, as that emotion is strangely apt to grow; yet here and there it still touches us in his stories as freshly almost as when they York Post as follows: first came to the reader in monthly in-

tion followed, as schoolboy, lawyer's could not enter the old place, he turn- through which a landslide once found

These things came to Dickens at City has a site that is both roomy and ity. Wealth came to him almost at a bound, while he was still little more the bound, while he was still little more the bound of the banks at both at bo

But if his pathos too often failed from has its headquarters, to the terrace



amiable Mr. Pickwick, caught at eavesthinks it transcends the limits of art, ings scattered along the foot of the boxes is spreading rapidly, so I am told, drapping or the dashing Mr. Winkle on Gissing can put no faith in Mr. Peg- hills, climbing the steep grades, or among the Indians. In the line of great dropping, or the dashing Mr. Winkle on horseback, although there is abundance gotty, whereas Prof. Ward finds this towering boldly half-way up the mounof this, too, in Dickens that has not grown stale—but the deeper and more the most perfect part of the book. Only picturesque background for the prosaic there in great demand. The very night thoroughly English humor of charac- he would exclude Rosa Dartle, who, flat section of the town and remind the I left, one Sullivan and one Burley were ter. He is a humorist in the manner nevertheless, is to Mr. Chesterton one globe-trotter of some French or Ger- booked for a fight, and all the dance of Ben Jonson and Smollett and Sterne of Dickens' "real characters." Gissing man village lying along the slopes halls were astir with excitement. and a long line of others—the greatest rejoices to see Pecksniff in the end among vine-clad hills. Here live all of them, it may be, and, alas, that it "felled to the ground," whereas Mr. the state officials and businessmen. should be so, the last, for with his fol- Chesterton deems the penalty one of However, I have seen on one of those without being as extravagant as in the No writer of English ever under- other than the product of a stupen- lowers, of whom Gissing is a type, a the peculiar blemishes in Dickens' de- log cabins in the north section of the early days. Small change 's still unnew spirit of sympathy enters hostile nouements. And so on through the list. town the seal of the German Empire, known, the lowest legal tender being Only One of its Kind in Existence Neither suffering nor prosperity to the old spontaneous joy. It was not Most astonishing of all, both Gissing indicating that this modest and primitive being indicating that the best primitive being indicating the best primitive being the best primitive between the best primitive being the best primitive between the best ignominy and celebrity, and the effect brought him the one gift denied him for nothing that his favorite reading and Prof. Ward find special beauty in tive frontier dwelling was the home of cigar, box of matches, the daily paper, of either condition upon him is equally at his birth, intellectual pudor, and the as a child and as a man was the great that story of David and his child-wife, the Kaiser's representative. Here is you have to put up a quarter. A little significant. Something of his child- absence of that restraining faculty novel writers of the eighteenth cen-

furnished a model for the glorious, but rather uncomfortable, Mr. Micawber; It is wall known, today to use the word gentleman only women on the Pacific Coast. When the saying has gone with a structure for its general offices. Within a stone's throw are three of the abroad that it is vulgar to speak of abroad that it is vulgar to speak of the great novelists. And the reason for hospitals the public school, the athletted to be added to use the word gentleman only women on the Pacific Coast. When the saying has gone with a structure for its general offices. Within a stone's throw are three of the abroad that it is vulgar to speak of the great novelists. And the reason for hospitals the public school, the athletted to be added to the structure for its general offices. By women on the Pacific Coast. When the saying has gone at our peril, and the saying has gone and that it is vulgar to speak of the structure for its general offices. By women on the Pacific Coast. When the saying has gone are native to English the structure for its general offices. Within a stone's throw are three of the structure for its general offices. Within a stone's throw are three of the structure for its general offices. By women on the Pacific Coast. When the saying has gone are native to English the structure for its general offices. By women on the Pacific Coast. When the saying has gone are native to English the structure for its general offices. By women on the Pacific Coast. When the saying has gone are native to English the structure for its general offices. By women on the Pacific Coast. When the saying has gone are native to English the structure for its general offices. By women on the Pacific Coast. When the saying has gone are native to English the structure for its general offices. By women on the Pacific Coast. The saying has gone are native to English the saying abroad that it is vulgar to speak of vulgarity. Nevertheless, it is merely vulgarity. Nevertheless, it is merely develop without restraint. Oute as of it in the case of Dickens is plainly this. his mother apparently was a heartless vulgarity. Nevertheless, it is merely woman. Out of the shifting, and some- woman. Out of the shifting, and some- ten, I should say, they are in reality that his character are so constructed to her dismay "insufficient to meet the a great portion of wall space was ten, I should say, they are in reality that his character are so constructed need to her dismay "insufficient to meet the a great portion of wall space was ten, I should say, they are in reality that his character are so constructed need to her dismay "insufficient to meet the a great portion of wall space was ten, I should say, they are in reality that his character are so constructed need to her dismay "insufficient to meet the a great portion of wall space was ten, I should say, they are in reality that his character are so constructed need to her dismay "insufficient to meet the a great portion of wall space was ten, I should say, they are in reality that his character are so constructed need to her dismay "insufficient to meet the a great portion of wall space was ten, I should say, they are in reality that his character are so constructed need to her dismay "insufficient to meet the a great portion of wall space was ten, I should say, they are in reality that his character are so constructed need to her dismay "insufficient to meet the a great portion of wall space was ten, I should say, they are in reality to her dismay "insufficient to meet the a great portion of wall space was ten, I should say, they are in reality to her dismay the like the character are so constructed to her dismay the like the character are so constructed to her dismay the like the character are so constructed to her dismay the like the character are so constructed to her dismay the like the character are so constructed to her dismay the like the character are so constructed to her dismay the like the character are so constructed to her dismay the like the character are so constructed to her dismay the like the character are so constru

long for the most part to low life, but tricity until the whole demeanor of a only novels at my command were a library, a pretty \$25,000 building, with so high that a special commission from picture here," replied Renetiere, and fle'd's bleak slavery in the bottling establishment of Murdstone & Grinby. In a bit of autobiography which he once confided to his friend Forster, he shows painfully he remembered the waste and degradation of that time:

"No words can express the secret of Dickens in the village that sphere. For the grace and ease that are born of voluntary self-discipling that are born of voluntary self-discipling that a special commission from that as pecial commission from that are born of blockens in the village that are born of voluntary self-discipling that are born of voluntary self-discipling that are born of voluntary self-discipling that are born of blockens in the village that are born of blockens in the village that are born of blockens in the village that are born of blockens in the dominated by it. Their very spec "No words can express the secret ful and insignificant exceptions, equal- desert Mr. Micawber," but more com- out reflection, with the smallest interagony of my soul as I sank into this ly unqualified to create or to satirize monly he invents a wonderful variety missions for sleep. It was an orgy of The emotions in Dickens' work are its excess, a joy never to be forgotten. Cities five times its size. This city is 50 cents a dozen, clothes are less ex- "I prize it so highly," answered pier childhood; and felt my early hopes or William Dobbin, no, nor any Ma- quick to life, whereas the people are Well, I have been reading the novels the distributing center and the main pensive than in the States, but no Renetiere, "that if you were at this of growing up to be a learned and dis- jor Pendennis or Marquis of Steyne, for external to us, if not unreal; to make again, slowly now, and weighing their city, as well as the captal of the Yukon board is to be had at less than \$60 a instant to offer me £3,000 for it I

hopeless; of the shame I felt in my there upon some distorted shadow of doubt, accounts for the surprising di- I think, and he who opens his Dickens of freight and passengers to the newlyposition; of the misery it was to my them which only betrays where the position and passengers to the newly- house. A thirteen-word telegram to not one of the elaborately-engraved young heart to believe that day by master's cunning failed. I do not see his admirers. Take the three critical reservedly to the magician's spell. And Nome and Fairbanks. day, what I had learned, and thought, why we should refuse the word vul- studies that lie before me at the pres- then, what a place is this into which and delighted in, and raised my fancy garity where it so eminently belongs. ent moment-by Prof. A. W. Ward, Mr. he is carried! Who for any realism of Chesterton and Mr. Gissing-and you art would exchange the divine impereway from me, never to be brought ed the absence in Dickens of that kind will find them in a state of most be- tinence of a world inhabited by Mrs. wildering disagreement in regard to Gamp, and Richard Swiveller, and the the value of the various percentages of Marchioness, and Mark Tapley, and the novels. To Mr. Chesterton the epi- Major Bagshot, and Mantilini, and cipline. His nearest approach to it is taph of Sapsea is a bit of "beatific buf- Mrs. Nickleby and the fat boy-but the foonery," the true essential of Dickens, list is as endless as the master's hand whereas Gissing will none of it, and was indefatigable.

of liberation in the breaking of that obstinate soul. It may be said that DAWSON CITY AFTER TEN YEARS: WONDERFUL CHANGE FOR BETTER

attempt that would have been at best Prices Still High, But the Town Has "Toned Down"-Its Busy Streets and Residence Suburbs-A Quarter the Lowest Coin - The Pleasures of a Big Mining Camp.

Othon Gueriac writes in the New Orpheum and the Floradora, with their

stallments; and, after all, they are but first strike of gold was made on the shacks, a hotel, a pawnshop, a secondof yesterday. Most of us may find Dora, klondike River. In 1896 Dawson City hand clothing establishment, a cigar the child-wife, anything rather than did not exist either as a name or as a storepathetic, but there are few who will settlement. Since then a new territory withhold their tears from the death with a new population, new towns, a Dawson City in its business part is of Little Nell. Here is no conflict, no bitter and triumphant self-suppressibiliter and triumphant self-suppressibiliter and triumphant self-suppressibility on the shores of the Yukon Bowery and the English scapert. The

"With a slight wave of the hand, Dawson appears, scarred as it is with as though to explain to me that he an ugly gray streak of rocks, a coulee,

tne opposite bank of the river, Dawson of the river, where the business section mere ludicrousness of situation — the the "suburbs," a section which is partly manufacturing, partly slums or tenderloin, with railroad shops, sawmills,

pleasing and unexpected to one who for ous furniture, carpets galore, mirrors, frequent. The very night I arrived, a three days had met along the shores of couches, a ladies' parlor—ail that is church fair was taking place. the Yukon nothing but narrow stretches required to make it, in winter, warm of cleared land, just wide enough for and cosy. The meals are good. The its eight avenues running parallel to place modern enough. However, for and several women sang, played, and with pride, does not seem to have frozthe Yukon, crossed by as many side this continent, it is not up to the restreets, according to the checker-board quirements of the traveler and in some different selections from popular airs, The city of Dawson is administered ton. It was printed on bluish paper tradition of all towns on this continent. of its features is painfully "Contin- then Caruso gave a duet with some by the Yukon Council, a body of ten and is today reckoned to be worth wide-awake business hustle, its noisy As to the residential section, it is say—but through the gramophone. The pointed), presided over by the comand crowded thoroughfares. Except for both a surprise and a delight for which gramophone is king in the Klondike. the bank and further down the quaint neither Skagway nor Whitehorse had One hears it at every corner playing all tried and failed, so Dawson was will-notable instance being the case of the and stately residence of the governor prepared us. When once you reach the popular tunes that America hums ing to surrender its franchise. The Cape of Good Hope issues of 1861. or commissioner, First avenue might be Fourth, and, of course, Fifth avenue, from Nome to California and New Or- Government seems to do its duty well, In making up a plate for printing the mistaken for any avenue along the you are in the heart of the fashionable leans to Herschell Island. In spite of and the present commissioner, Mr. Mc- 1 penny stamps a careless employe indocks of any seaport. Here are the big town. Simple log-cabins neatly paintwarehouses of the North American ed, frame houses with sometimes amus- to attract the great tenors of France, Trading and Transportation Company, ing architectural details and colored in Germany, and Italy, so it must needs the wharves and offices of the Yukon white, brown, green, or yellow, fresh get them in the form of phonograph Canadian Government has given to this sheet of the 1 penny contained a 4 and White Pass Steamship Company, lawns, little gardens fragrant with pan- records. Once in a while Dawson sothe depot of the new railroad, the sa- sies and sweet peas, well-shaded plazloons and eating places, barbershops, zas protected by red awnings against clothing stores, fruit and paper stands, a sun that in summer burns overtime. jewelry stores, some of them the most easy-chairs and hammocks that speak

lurid and loud display of cheap orna-It is exactly ten years ago that the mentations; further some abandoned

bitter and triumphant self-suppression; it is the picture of perfect meekness and gentleness fading flowerlike in the breath of adversity. At his best there is a tenderness in the pathos of Dickens, a divine tenderness, I had albeing advertisements. The stamps printed and triumphant self-suppression; it is the picture of perfect meekness and gentleness fading flowerlike in the breath of adversity. At his best there is a tenderness in the pathos of Dickens, a divine tenderness, I had albeing advertisements. The stamps printed and appetizing advertisements. The stamps printed and appetizing advertisements. The stamps printed and appetizing and the English scaport. The surprise of the newcomer is to find such large mercantile establishments with such a complete stock and elegant window displays. Several immense cloth-former that is so rare. The 4 cents of extravagance of ignorant workmen in the breath of adversity. At his best there is a tenderness in the pathos of the Arctic Circle.

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dark magenta in color and slightly elists has ever found. Who has been full of all the dramatic stories of the ning over the vegetables, modern and to the city. By common consent the big fortune made is the story of a formulation of the city. By common consent the big fortune made is the story of a formulation of the city. By common consent the big fortune made is the story of a formulation of the city. By common consent the big fortune made is the story of a formulation of the city. By common consent the big fortune made is the story of a formulation of the city. By common consent the big fortune made is the story of a formulation of the city. By common consent the big fortune made is the story of a formulation of the city. By common consent the big fortune made is the story of a formulation of the city. By common consent the big fortune made is the story of a formulation of the city. By common consent the big fortune made is the story of a formulation of the city. By common consent the big fortune made is the story of a formulation of the city. By common consent the big fortune made is the story of a formulation of the city. By common consent the big fortune made is the story of a formulation of the city. By common consent the big fortune made is the story of a formulation of the city. By common consent the big fortune made is the story of a formulation of the city. By common consent the big fortune made is the story of a formulation of the city. By common consent the big fortune made is the story of a formulation of the city. By common consent the big fortune made is the story of a formulation of the city. By common consent the city and able to harden his heart when Copperrush of '98, pictures still as a succession of hardening and adventures is for his heart standard and his heart standa sion of hardships and adventures, is to- big booksellers, with all the American ever, and one single hotel received the rest. with Mr. Peggotty and Ham on the seashore? And when the old man, being asked whether they will desert the so very expensive.

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big booksellers, with all the American and one single hotel received since June as many as 550 of them.

People here read a good deal; the plies, dressmakers and milliners who go ing asked whether they will desert the stranded boat that has been their stranded boat the s "Every night, as regular as the night or Seattle one must count five days: Indeed, Dawson is no longer a provimany a French town of 50,000 would be place—under 3,000 inhabitants. Many printed in 1850 and is of the 2-cent or much more, or less. From that hour until this my father and mother have of glass, that if ever she three days; from Skagway to Dawson and substantial town. The sidewalks from Skagway to Dawson of Stagway to Dawson of until this my father and mother have been stricken dumb upon it. I have heard the least allusion to it, heave heard the least allusion to it. I have heave heard the least allusion to it. I have heave heard the least allusion to it. I have heave heard the least allusion to it. I have heave heard the least allusion to it. I have heave heard the least allusion to it. I have heave heard the least allusion to it. I have heave heard the least allusion to it. I have heave heard the least allusion to it. I have heave heard the least allusion to it. I have heave heard the least allusion to it. I have heave heard the least allusion to it. I have heave heard the least allusion to it. I have heave heard the least allusion to it. I have heave heave heave heard the least allusion to it. I have heave hea



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artistic, but practical.

NOT MONOTONOUS.

tears and laughter, almost immortal in ous, in fact, is more exciting, than in for dinner. A room is only \$2, eggs are quired his incredulous auditor. tinguished man, crushed in my breast. these also are the result of discipline, the inevitable comparison, we seem to effect—and in comparison how meager Territory. It is the terminus of an important line of steamers running up the The patron of the telephone pays \$5 a And the bit of paper that the had of being utterly neglected and Unfortunately you will come here and law being utterly neglected and Unfortunately you will come here and law being utterly neglected and Unfortunately you will come here and law being utterly neglected and unfortunately you will come here and law being utterly neglected and unfortunately you will come here and law being utterly neglected and unfortunately you will come here and law being utterly neglected and unfortunately you will come here and law being utterly neglected and unfortunately you will come here and law being utterly neglected and unfortunately you will come here and law being utterly neglected and unfortunately you will come here and law being utterly neglected and unfortunately you will come here and law being utterly neglected and unfortunately you will come here and law being utterly neglected and unfortunately you will come here and law being utterly neglected and unfortunately you will come here and law being utterly neglected and unfortunately you will come here and law being utterly neglected and unfortunately you will come here and law being utterly neglected and unfortunately you will come here and law being utterly neglected and unfortunately you will come here and law being utterly neglected and unfortunately you will come here and law being utterly neglected and unfortunately you will neglected and unfortunately you will come here and law being utterly neglected and unfortunately you will neglected and un



Wanted to Make Good. "I never knew a girl so susceptible to flattery as Maud." "Yes, Jack told her she was an angel, and she went right off and began to take lessons on the harp."

every creek in the territory. Social pleasures are here more nutinction as the managers can pro-vide. The spectacle of a clumsy solitary couple—a miner, with his hat on his head, whirling around on the deserted floor with a woman, while an orchestra in shirt sleeves—feet on the railing—plays a popular tune and a crowd of idlers looks on, would be melarous for civilization and the enforcement of colored paper and the value today of crowd of idlers looks on, would be melancholy were it not so comical. Here it is that many a small fortune of gold in the looks on the looks on the law here as everywhere else in the Northwest. All evil characters are follows:

Twenty-seven paras, printed in

Under the rays of the rising sun, My hotel was not as well equipped bridge, of course, rages violently. Afwhen I landed on the morning of the last day in August, the effect was both pleasing and unexpected to the last day in August, the effect was both pleasing and unexpected to the last day in August, the effect was both pleasing and unexpected to the last day in August, the effect was both pleasing and unexpected to the last day in August, the effect was both pleasing and unexpected to the last day in August, the effect was both pleasing and unexpected to the last day in August, the effect was both pleasing and unexpected to the last day in August, the effect was both pleasing and unexpected to the last day in August, the effect was both pleasing and unexpected to the last day in August, the effect was both pleasing and unexpected to the last day in August, the effect was both pleasing and unexpected to the last day in August, the effect was both pleasing and unexpected to the last day in August, the effect was both pleasing and unexpected to the last day in August, the effect was both pleasing and unexpected to the last day in August, the effect was both pleasing and unexpected to the last day in August, the effect was both pleasing and unexpected to the last day in August, the effect was both pleasing and unexpected to the last day in August, the effect was both pleasing and unexpected to the last day in August, the effect was both pleasing and unexpected to the last day in August and the last day in A last day in August, the effect was both but it has rich and almost too luxuri-piazzas are always in order, dances are ful.

AN IMPROMPTU CONCERT.

ciety goes to one of the hotels known luxurious in town, the dance halls, the of southern comforts—all these dwell- larity of the various mechanical music- tages of any civilized community.

COST OF LIVING. Living continues to be expensive hood may be read in "David Copperinto his own work. We are permitted the art which his genius was to dekishness.

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negic library, the Masonic Hall, and this feature. "When nickels and dimes valuable picture in the salon. wonlan. Out of the sinting, and some times shifty, scenes of his youth, one experience stands out—his apprentice—ship in a blacking factory, which he was later to describe as David Copper—was later to describe as David Copper—white while the sale in recent criticism, that a strain of vulgarity runs through Dick—the sale in one direction of faculities that they will not bear analysis.

A number of years ago I was living to me, and this feature. "When nickels and dimes of vulgarity runs through Dick—the scape in one direction of faculities that they will not bear analysis.

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A number of years ago I was living to me. The freight charges of the informant.

"It is worth all of £1,800," said his informant.

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"Then it is not the most valuable informant."

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> the best hotels meals are reasonable your beautiful painting." Life in Dawson is not more monoton- -75 cents for breakfast and lunch, \$1 "And pray, what is its value?" in-90 cents, costs \$2 in Dawson. A bot- in all Christendom. tle of beer costs \$1. A pint of cham- MOST PRECIOUS OF ALL STAMPS. pagne is \$5 in Grand Forks.

SALARIES AND WAGES. typesetter gets \$250 a month, a clerk \$10,000 or \$12,000. other teachers \$3,000.

standard of living. They support the from type set up in the office of the local trades—jewelers and milliners Official Gazette. As it was desired and wine merchants. The tourists, on to give an artistic tone to the stamp the contrary, are very bad purchasers, the printers stuck in the center an old so a jeweler told me. But the miner wood cut representing a brig in full who makes a good strike, a workman sail at sea. This picture was taken who gets in a week as much as he from the columns of the paper, in

however far off and remote, from either of them. I have never, until I here's a knock, Ham (particler a soft knock), arter dark, at your aunt's door, own wife not excepted, raised the curtour burst of confidence with anyone, my own wife not excepted, raised the curtour burst of confidence with anyone, my own wife not excepted, raised the curtour burst of confidence with anyone, my own wife not excepted, raised the curtour burst of confidence with anyone, my own wife not excepted, raised the curtour burst of confidence with anyone, my own wife not excepted, raised the curtour burst of confidence with anyone, my of the officials. A local book deal-down the river to try the same design may be had, according to catalogue, for \$150.

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minds that life is too short to spend it dredges, water powers, and pumping a few hundred dollars less. in asceticism. Then the long winter months without sunshine are pretty hard to bear without diversion. So Guggenheim, of New York, who are the vall have "control of the vall they all have "a good time." The min- spending on works of different kinds due to the fact that the postoffice at ers have their saloons, of course, and their dance halls, the latter being a peculiar feature and fixture of all the going elsewhere. Every week some tire stock was destroyed by the

derloin, with railroad shops, sawmills, factories, breweries, and places of unsavory reputation.

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As for health, it is unanimously con- for \$1,750. ceded that the Yukon Territory owes RARE AMERICAN STAMPS. a post of the mounted police, or a company that owns the hotel thinks of An impromptu concert was furnished that is both wholesome and exhibitant- United States the provisional issue woodpile. Nature certainly meant this building one more modern. Many a by local talent—an insurance agent, a ing. The 75 degrees below zero of last of the postmaster at Millbury, Mass., spot for a city—and a city it is, with European town of 30,000 would find the wealthy mine-owner, a state official— winter, which the residents speak of in 1847, stands near the top of the

prima donna-not in person I hasten to members (half elected and half ap- \$1,500. missioner. Self-government has been part to the value of some stamps, a man, is a favorite with the people and a 1 penny cut therefore got in the the officials alike. As a whole, the 4 penny plate. In consequence each territory peace, order, security; it has penny printed in red, while each sheet administered justice, protected prop- of the 4 penny contained a 1 penny for its specially good instrument and erty, built roads, erected schoolhouses, printed in blue. Very few of these there they have a seance of classical carried the mails winter and summer, errors are known, however. The 1. music—on the phonograph. This popu- giving it, in short, most of the advan- penny blue which is the rarer is worth,

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Food is no longer out of reach. At he continued, "is far more costly than

New York State amounted to \$5 75. A and beautifully-colored contrivances A railroad which cost about \$16,000 ten-cent magazine costs 25 cents, and with which the patrons of the mails so does a San Francisco Sunday pa- are familiar, but a crude affair whose A dollar novel goes for \$3. A typographical appearance would not roll of kodak film, sold in Juneau for be indorsed by the humblest printer

> The stamp that Renetiere valued so highly is the most precious of all Salaries and wages keep pace fairly the gems in the realm of philately. It well with the prices. The unskilled is a British Guiana 1-cent issue of laborer, whether he works on the placer 1856, and only one specimen of this or on the roads, gets \$4 and \$5, and stamp is known to exist. While its board. A carpenter gets \$1 an hour, so owner estimates its worth at more that he can send his wife and family than \$15,000, experts do not agree outside in the winter. "My father that it would bring that figure if ofsaves \$100 a month," so a little car- fered for sale, but say they would penter's son told me on the boat. A have no difficulty in disposing of it for

> in a drygoods store, \$200, a jeweler This very valuable stamp was a \$300, a female school teacher in a product of the infancy of stamps, for school on the creeks with only seven 50 years ago this method of postpupils gets \$175. The superintendent age paying was only in its experiof the Dawson-Yukon Territory school mental stage. In 1856 British Guiana receives \$3,600, the principal and the was awaiting a supply of stamps from England, and pending its arrival two Money flows freely. The inhabitants provisional stamps were issued. These are accustomed and resigned to the were crude affairs and were printed

who has just returned tells me that its title from the fact that the in-Dawson has two papers—one morn- the streets there are thick with Daw- scription "Postoffice" was substiing, one evening, paper, equipped with son people, both merchants and miners. tuted for "Post Paid" by the watchlinotypes that the owner showed me SMALL FELLOWS QUITTING. maker who engraved it. Five hundred carried over the ice at a cost of \$10,000. The trouble is not that the Klondike has not more gold. Up to June 30, \$2,
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mining towns. There every night a man may, for the sum of one dollar, have the honor of one dance with such specimens of feminine beauty and distinction as the man to the sum of the sum o Dawson, the mining camp of ill-re- 000 times its face value before it was

ary crime that comes before the courts paper, \$200; but the 81 paras, printed value, but an unusued copy has sold

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