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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 1900.

## OUR PRIZE STORY.

A correspondent desires to know if the story which wins the prize of \$50 offered by the Nugget for the best contribution to our special holiday issue, is to be published over the signature of the author.

We will answer the query decidedly in the affirmative. The condition of the contest requiring that all manuscripts be signed by a nom de plume, was laid down merely in order that no knowledge of the actual authorship of the various contributions may be had until the prize is awarded.

It is required also that an envelope containing both nom de plume and actual name of the author accompany each manuscript and when the prize is awarded announcement to that effect will be made, together with the name of the successful contestant over whose signature the story will be published in the holiday number.

The remaining condition limits the number of words to 4000 which allows sufficient scope for the development of a story of some magnitude. It is not necessary that the entire 4000 words be used, that number being the outside limit. The contest will close upon December 5, upon which date all manuscripts must be in the Nugget office.

We are pleased to note the interest which has already been manifested in the contest, which, from present indications, bids fair to develop a surprisingly large amount of literary talent. As has been stated before in these columns we are quite aware of the fact that there is no lack of such talent in the Klondike, the only reason that it has heretofore been kept in the background being lack of occasion to bring it to public notice. The Nugget has furnished the required occasion and we anticipate a ready response from our local story writers.

Considering the fact that the News is owned by a Canadian, it must be said that it has pursued a most un-Canadian policy. Why any paper should attempt at this time to stir up racial discord between the component factors of which the population of Canada is made up it is difficult to conceive. There must be a hidden motive behind it all which sooner or later will be brought to the light of day. It would be charity to attribute the whole matter to the dense ignorance of the News which is manifested on so many occasions, but in this particular affair, the plea of ignorance will scarcely be considered admissible. It is a trite but true saying that murder will out, and there can be no doubt that in the end the reason for the News' implied slander upon the French Canadians will appear upon the surface.

The service now given by the local telephone company is highly satisfactory. As the lines have been extended and new territory embraced the value of the service has proportionately increased. The system of communication with important creek points is most valuable, as it has served to bring Dawson into close touch with all the centers of the mining industry. It has re-

quired indefatigable labor upon the part of the promoters of the telephone company to reach the present degree of efficiency for which they are entitled to no small degree of acknowledgment.

Hockey playing when the thermometer is toying in the neighborhood of 40 degrees below zero is rather chilly sport, but it did not in any way serve to lessen the interest of local athletic enthusiasts who turned out well last evening and witnessed the second in the series of match games. Dawson certainly has its full share of devotees of manly sports.

## Custer Indian Attack.

The late Charles Osborn, the New York broker, and General Custer were intimate friends, and Osborn annually visited the general at his camp on the plains. During one of the Indian campaigns he invited Osborn and a party of friends out to Kansas and, after giving them a buffalo hunt, arranged a novel experience in the way of an Indian scare. As Osborn was lying in his tent one night firing was heard at the outposts and the rapid riding of pickets. "Boots and saddles!" was the order in the disturbed atmosphere of the night, and Custer appeared to Osborn loaded with rifle, two revolvers, a saber and a scalping knife.

"Charles," he said in his quick nervous way, "you must defend yourself. Sitting Bull and Flea-In-Your-Boots, with Wiggle-Tail-Jim and Scalp-Lock-Skowheban, are on us in force. I did not want to alarm you before, but the safety of my command is my first duty. Things look serious. If we don't meet again, God bless you!"

The broker fell on his knees. "Custer," he cried, "only get me out of this! I'll carry 1,000,000 shares of Western Union for you into the firm to get me home. Only save me!"

But Custer was gone, and the camp, by shrewd arrangement, burst into a blaze, and shots, oaths and warwhoops were intermixed until suddenly a painted object loomed on Osborn's sight, and something was flung into his face—a human scalp. He dropped to the ground, said the Lord's prayer backward and sideways until the noise died away and there was exposed a lighted supper table with this explanation on a transparency:

"Osborn's treat!"—Chicago Record.

## Return Postponed.

London, Oct. 19.—The mayor of Liverpool has received a dispatch from Lord Roberts saying that he is unable to attend to receive the freedom of the city before January.

Commenting upon the activity of the Boers and the statement from Capetown that Lord Roberts has postponed his home-coming, the Standard says:

"There are certain indications pointing to the conclusion that unexpected difficulties have arisen which Lord Roberts considers grave enough to demand his presence for some time to come. All the facts suggest that it is impossible yet to denude South Africa of any substantial portion of the large army now engaged in dominating a sullen and recalcitrant population."

The editorial finally calls for the severest measures against irreconcilable Boers, for a prompt and ruthless punishment of every insurgent burgher caught in delicto.

The editorial concludes with the statement: "The imperial government has the country's mandate, and need not be afraid to act vigorously."

## A New Use for Balloons.

M. Letorey, a French architect, has applied the captive balloon to the cleaning or decorating of cupolas, high roofs, towers and monuments. The balloon can be raised or lowered from a wagon by a windlass, and it can be steadied by stays from the side of the envelope. It has two platforms, or "nacelles," one on the top, the other underneath, and these communicate by a ladder up a central tube. The "balloon scaffold," as it is called, might be useful and safe in many operations, such as now require steeple jacks; for example, the wreathing of Nelson's column, and also in wireless telegraphy as an aerial station.—London Globe.

## A Change all Around.

"There goes a party that will be heard from," said Smith, pointing to a young man who was going down the street. "He has managed to keep his head in love and financial matters, and they are the two great tests."

"Two months ago he was a young man with all the world before him and with no prospects ahead of him except a determination to fight life's battles."

"He was in love with a young lady living in this city, but his financial condition prevented him from declaring his passion; besides he was not sure that the young lady in question cared for him."

"But by one of those curious turns of the wheel of fortune an old aunt, that

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he had never seen, died and left him a large sum of money. Without delay he called upon the young lady and asked her to marry him, saying nothing about the fortune that had been left him. He met with a point blank refusal.

"Two days later the girl heard of his unexpected windfall and wrote him a note saying, 'I've chagned my mind.' "His answer was just as short. It said:

"'So have I.'"—Detroit Free Press.

## Buying a Fan.

Miss Katharine Lee Bates, who spent some months in Spain last year, declares that the darkeyed damsels of the fan and lace mantilla are quite as charming as tradition has pictured them. Ignorant they commonly are, their education being of the most meager, but they are not dull. They are quick-witted, high spirited and affectionate, and are possessed of a grace of speech and manner which rarely deserts them. Nor do they reserve their pretty ways only for the ballroom or the parlor; even ordinary shopping is lifted into a scene of elegant comedy by the manner in which it is transacted. This is how a Spanish senorita bargains for her fan:

There is nothing sordid about it. Her haggling is a social condescension that at once puts the blackeyed young salesman at her mercy.

"But the fan seems to me the least bit dear, senior!"

"Ah, senorita! You do not see how beautiful the work is. I am giving it away at six pesetas." She lifts her eyebrows half-credulously, all bewitching.

"At five pesetas, senior." He runs his hand through his black hair in chivalrous distress.

"But the peerless work, senorita! And this other, too. I sacrifice it at four pesetas."

She touches both fans lightly. "You will let me have the two at seven pesetas, senior?"

Her eyes dance over his confusion. He catches the gleam, laugh back, throws up his hands.

"Bueno, senorita! At what you please!"

And the senorita-trips away contented with a sharp bargain, although—for Spanish gallantry, even when genuine, goes farther on the lips than otherwise—the price was probably not much more remote from what pleased the smooth-tongued clerk than from what she pleased.—Ex.

## All for Teddy.

An Arizona delegate, tall, strongly built, wearing a huge sombrero and with a voice like the roll of a snare drum, climbed up on the telegraph desk at the Lafayette in Philadelphia the night before the Republican convention. He lurched unsteadily for a moment and then roared out: "We have come from Arizona, that great and grand state, to tell you benighted dwellers in this City of Brotherly Love that 'Teddy' is all right. 'Teddy' is Arizona's choice. 'Teddy' is the limit and a side bet. In this glorious city, where the spiders spin webs from the cars while in rapid motion to the trees, we declare ourselves. In this beautiful city, where you spent \$3,000,000 for a penholder—and that's the only joke you have got here—we declare for 'Teddy.' Get in line. Join Arizona! Wake up! Yell for 'Teddy!' Hurrah! Hurrah!" And he tumbled off the desk.—Ex.

## He Wanted It Fumigated.

"Disinfect the house thor-r-roughly, me b'y," said Mr. O'Toole, when the negotiations for renting the cottage had been completed, "and wel' move in to onct."

"Why do you wish it disinfected?" inquired the agent. "The place is perfectly clean."

"Shure," replied Mr. O'Toole, as expressive of great shrewdness, "the last fam'ly thot lived in it hod tr-rip-lits."—Judge.

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