

Stroller's Column.

The Stroller has lately heard of a conspiracy that was directed against him but which failed to materialize. It was this way:

At a recent Sunday he invested a horse and cutter to drive up Hunker to see there were no bells on his harness. There were no bells on his harness for three reasons: First, the Stroller did not wish to disturb the quiet which was broken only by the rattle of the buckets inverted over the dumps. Secondly, the horse he drove did not go fast to rattle bells, and, thirdly, they would not give him bells if he hired the horse.

It was that the Stroller glided rather creep, along the road without creating much disturbance. However, it became noised about that he had passed Gold Bottom going further up the creek than he then was. The conspiracy was hatched. The conspirators were "Paddy" Ryan, Malcolm Campbell and Jack Black, the latter of the Group Road house above on the plan was for Black to telephone to Gold Bottom when the Stroller passed on his way back and when he reached the latter place he was to be held up until he could exchange his possession of the horse and the gliding, the snail-like, passed down as silently as the dew while Black was taking an afternoon snooze. Gold Bottom passed in the same serene and snail-like manner, and the conspirators, who had taken a number of their friends into their confidence as to how they were going to put the Stroller in a box, waited until a quarter of eight when some of the conspirators had passed through the embryo city at four o'clock in the afternoon.

The Stroller mentions this matter to prove his oft repeated assertion that there is no protection in this country for the innocent and defenseless. When a man can not drive into the bosom of spring without being conspired against, things have come to a bad pass.

From Jane, the Stroller has a friend on Hunker, even the most popular man having become so mean and spiteful in his demeanor. These conspirators gotten the Stroller within their clutches the way are that they would have held a bottle on him. But there is where they would have been fooled. The Stroller would not have touched a drop for two reasons. The first would have been that nearly 20 years before he had gazed into the awful eyes of a dear young lady and promised her to never touch a drop of liquor as long as he lived, and the second reason would have been that he had just had a drink ten minutes before.

There is a precocious five-year-old boy at Caribou on Dominion who has knowledge of the creek far beyond what would be expected of one of his age. The little lad attends the public school at Caribou and the other day, a young lady, was one day conversing to instill into the little boy's mind some knowledge of the principles of addition.

"George," said the teacher, "if a man goes up the road two miles and then goes two miles further, how far will he be?"

"I would be 'bout to William's road," answered George in a tone that left no doubt as to his knowledge of that section of the country.

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DOWN SOUTH IN ALABAMA

Every once and awhile the Stroller meets in his pathway through life certain individuals, the sight of whom recalls to his mind the very truthful, if homely, expression once made by an old minister in Ohio in the early days. He said: "My beloved brethren! A man may lose his wealth and afterwards by good management and economy, restore it to himself. A man may lose his health which by the science of medicine may again be restored to him; but, my dear hearers, once a man loses his self-respect, it is good-bye, John."

Public Notice.

Public notice is hereby given that the Dawson City Water & Power Co., Limited, has decided to remove all the public water taps off the main streets of the city during the summer months. It will therefore be necessary for those wishing to be supplied with water to connect their houses with the company's water mains. The company has on hand all the material necessary for that purpose, and will make all connections at cost price. Those desiring to have their place connected should make application at once at the company's office, as it is a case of first come first served.

DAWSON CITY WATER & POWER CO., Limited.
Per D. A. MATHESON, Manager.
Dawson City, Yukon Territory, Canada, April 7th, 1902. c9

From Spokane

Spokane, April 7. — The Mrs. Fairbanks and two children burned in the Boyne City, Mich., fire, were residents of this city, who were visiting relatives.

COURT OF APPEALS

Met Yesterday With All Members Present

For First Time Since Judge Craig Left for the Outside Last Summer.

The court of appeals, consisting of Mr. Justice Dugas, Mr. Justice Craig and Gold Commissioner Senkler sat yesterday for the first time since the return of Mr. Justice Craig. It was expected that a number of judgments would be rendered upon cases heard at the last sittings, but Mr. Justice Dugas announced at the opening of the court that such would be deferred until the first day of the next sittings. In many of the cases already heard the opinion of Mr. Justice Craig was received by mail during the winter while that gentleman was outside, but at the time it was decided that no action would be taken upon them until his return. It is now only necessary for the associate justices to either concur or dissent in those opinions when they will be ready to be given out to the public.

The first matter taken up was a motion to correct a clerical error that had appeared in the judgment previously rendered in the celebrated Fleischman-Creese case. The error did not become apparent until after the departure last fall of Mr. Justice Craig. It then was brought up before Mr. Justice Dugas upon a motion directing the clerk to make the desired change, but it was held that no one judge had the power to alter the judgment of the court sitting en banc, no matter how palpable such clerical error might be. Upon that ruling the matter was allowed to rest until the full court was again in session. After little argument this morning the motion was again adjourned for the time being.

The case of Davis vs. Adams, heard at the last sittings and now ready for judgment, came up on a motion for permission to introduce further evidence, equivalent, so stated one of the judges, to asking for a new trial. The argument was based on an affidavit of one Anvik who is alleged to be the original staker of the hillside on the left limit of Magnet gulch, which is in controversy, and as such is conversant with the position of the original stakes he used. Decision reserved.

Among the cases that will come up for a hearing, probably the greatest interest centers in that of Hartley vs. Matson, better known as the Matson concession case.

DOWN SOUTH IN ALABAMA

Depicted at Auditorium This Week

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A beautiful play, handsomely staged and strongly characterized—such is Augustus Thomas' play "Alabama," as produced at the Auditorium theater this week.

"Alabama" is a pretty picture of southern life showing the truly hospitable nature of the southerner, his love of home institutions, and the promptness with which he resents an insult or a slanderous remark.

Taladega, Alabama, is chosen as the scene of the play and around the home of Col. Preston, an old southern planter, is woven the story.

Ned Armstrong, the advance agent of a prospective railroad, has been negotiating for a right of way through the district and during the time of his sojourn in the village has been living with Col. Preston. The colonel has a granddaughter, Carey, with whom Armstrong falls in love, which is reciprocated by the maiden.

The colonel objects to a marriage because of Armstrong being a northerner and although 30 years have passed since the civil war the colonel retains a strong prejudice against the north because his son joined the northern army and was supposed to have been killed.

The lovers finding themselves balked by the old man arrange to run away, but they are discovered by Capt. Davenport, who in reality is Col. Preston's son, and their flight is arrested. A clever ruse is practiced on the old man and he is allowed to think Carey has run away, but when she returns he is so overjoyed that he withdraws his opposition. Capt. Davenport then makes his identity known, making his father happy and at the same time frustrating the villainous plans of Raymond Page, who in order to get possession of his sister-in-law's property, his brother being dead, is asserting that they were never married. Davenport is able to disprove the assertion, as he was present at the marriage, and he then offers Page the opportunity of fighting or apologizing all around and he accepts the latter alternative.

Mr. Cummings takes the part of Capt. Davenport, the long lost son, who returns a wealthy railway magnate but nevertheless a truly noble and brave man. Mr. Cummings is excellent in the part and does it full justice.

Mr. Layne takes the part of Ned Armstrong in a most acceptable manner.

Col. Moberley, a typical southerner is represented by Mr. Southard. In a character of this kind Mr. Southard is particularly adapted and shows his ability to excellent advantage.

Squire Tucker is another southern type, being a generous, large-hearted man. Mr. Bittner takes this character and makes it one of the strongest in the play.

Wm. Mullen has the part of the aged Col. Preston. In this character Mr. Mullen is at his best and makes a vivid picture of the old man's emotion at losing and regaining his granddaughter, and the recognition of his son is another affecting scene.

Mr. Sedley as Raymond Page looks and acts the part of a sneaking blackguard ready to do a despicable act if he thinks he can make money by so doing. Mr. Sedley does excellent work in the part and makes a good display of his ability.

Harry Cummings makes the most of the minor part he assumes, that of Lathrop Page.

Miss Lovell as Carey, the grand-

daughter of Col. Preston, is excellent in her part and shows her talents to the best advantage.

Mrs. Bittner has one of the strongest parts she has assumed since her arrival in Dawson as Mistress Page, and does it full credit.

Miss D'Avara has a small part as Mrs. Stockton which does not allow much scope for action.

The scenic effects are the best and most elaborate yet attempted in Dawson and transport the audience in an instant from the cold, bleak, ice-bound north to the sunny, verdant, glorious south and the picture is a most pleasant and acceptable one just at the present time when everyone is disgusted at the manner in which the cold weather is continuing.

To Protect Women and Children

Rome, March 23.—By a vote of 136 to 50 the chamber of deputies has adopted a bill for the protection of women and children employed in mines and factories. The minimum age at which children can be thus employed is given as the end of their twelfth year. The bill also prohibits women from working at night.

Train Wreck

Spokane, April 7.—A disastrous train wreck occurred on the Great Northern near here today. Physicians have gone from this city to the scene. No passengers were killed.

Relic of Condon

Victoria, April 7.—The sealing schooner Mary Taylor picked up a marked buoy from the lost Condon off Cape Flattery.

Too Much Sleep

Dundas, Ont., April 7.—T. A. Wardell, M.L.A., died while under the influence of chloroform.

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