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FARTHER NORTH.

The News is floundering around in a vain endeavor to determine its status politically. Since the News became a "Canadian newspaper"—notwithstanding the sworn declaration of its manager, that the owners, editor and manager, are all United States citizens, it has been feeling around in the dark trying to find out where would be the most opportune place to land.

Having been persuaded by certain of its admirers that the Conservative party would win on the outside, the News conceived the idea that it would gain fame and fortune by becoming the organ of that party in the Klondike. As usual, however, lacking the courage of its convictions, or to put it more exactly, possessing neither courage nor convictions, the News since the great landslide which wiped the leaders of the Conservative party entirely off their feet, has been throwing out intimations that it wouldn't mind "standing in" with the powers which are to be for the next five years. The poor old News. It has never yet started off with the right foot. Every time it happens to gain a little speed in one direction it immediately becomes frightened at its own momentum, puts on the brakes, and starts off on a new tack only to repeat the process ad infinitum.

Like every other opportunist, the News has been a rank failure. It is discredited among those it professes to represent and is an object for ridicule to its enemies.

The News ought to go farther north. We think within the shadow of the North Pole among the polar bears and sea lions, there would be a splendid field for its talents.

The Nugget's Semi-Weekly issue is the most widely read paper on the creeks. Each issue of the Semi-Weekly contains practically everything that has appeared in the Daily during the three days preceding the date of issue. Our creek patrons are, therefore, kept as thoroughly informed upon all matters of public interest as though they received the Daily Nugget each evening. Since work for the winter has fairly begun, the circulation of the Semi-Weekly has advanced with big strides. Every creek in the district, including Gold Run and Quartz, is reached by as perfect a carrier service as is maintained by any of the metropolitan newspapers on the outside. The Nugget is always ahead of its competitors on the creeks, just as it is in Dawson, the very best evidence of which fact rests in the constantly increasing demand for the Semi-Weekly.

Skating is the king of winter sports. No more healthful or invigorating exercise could be imagined and certainly no better opportunities for the full enjoyment of the sport can be desired than are presented in Dawson. The hockey tournament now in progress is attracting widespread public interest and as the season advances, this interest is bound to increase. For a town of its size Dawson possesses a fine array of athletic talent and what is more to the

point our local athletes are possessed with the proper spirit of enthusiasm.

The analysis, published elsewhere, of the water furnished for local consumption is very satisfactory. As long as the present purity is maintained, there need be little fear of typhoid or similar epidemics. Dawson is a healthy town and the knowledge that pure water in inexhaustible quantities is at hand for domestic use serve to add to our naturally favorable sanitary conditions.

The News gravely asserts in a recent issue that "nothing succeeds like success." That was just what the Nugget had in mind when it scored five separate and distinct scoops on the News last week. Our erstwhile competitor gets things right sometimes in spite of itself.

Toilers of the Air.

The workmen on the cables follow closely after the builders of the iron roadway. These men are engaged in more perilous employment, if anything, than the former. They climb nimbly up to the very summit of the huge towers, and then without flinching proceed to descend the inclined cables. It makes the spectators below tremble for them, so dangerous is the descent, but the workmen have no fear, else they would be unfitted for the duty required of them. After sliding down the cable a dozen feet they stop and turn around and face the towers. The men working the derrick slowly swing out to them the end of a cable about three inches in diameter. Another man carries out to them by means of a small hand pulley and rope a red-hot band of steel, which the cable workers seize with their pincers and clasp around the large cable on which they are resting. Then while the steel is still hot and malleable the small cable, with its end secured in a thick bolt of steel, is brought into position and the end welded into the red-hot steel band circling the main cable. The workmen pound and forge away, hammering, twisting and bending the metal, before it cools off. The welding must be done rapidly, and the workmen have no time to stop and think of the dangerous position in which they are placed. Probably the only support they have comes from their legs, which they wind tightly around the cable, as they swing their arms and upper part of the body with violent exertion.

When this cable is forged into its place, the workmen take a few moments of rest, and then slide down to the next joint, where the same operation is repeated. Cable after cable is attached in this way, until there is a regular tangle of steel work and dangling cables, looking for all the world like a spider's web. But there is order in this colossal spider web, such as never existed in the home of the insect that weaves the webs in our homes and woods. Gradually one part of the bridge after another is finished, and when the "false work" of scaffolds is removed the structure stands out in all the beauty of its finished state.

The bridge builders must not only be skilled in their work, but they must have the hardihood and daring of the sailor, for most of their work is performed at an altitude higher than the topmast of any sailing vessel. They labor in all kinds of weather—when the sun is pouring down its torrid rays in midsummer, or when the mercury registers zero in winter.

To them their dizzy height is no more than the 15 or 20 feet is to the ordinary carpenter or house painter. They seldom use ladders. They would be constantly in the way. If they want to reach a higher frame work they climb nimbly up the steel works or jump lightly across from one truss to another. A jump of three feet from girder to girder is a commonplace occurrence to them.—Godey's Magazine.

An Innovation.

The visitors at the Standard library were treated to a pleasant surprise on yesterday when Librarian Horkan invited them to the conservatory where was spread a splendid lunch of which all partook, and were as unsparing in their compliments as the chef, Mr. Mulcahey, was lavish in supplies. Mr. Horkan believes that the physical as well as the mental wants of the people can be satisfied without spending fortunes, and the prices and quality of the refreshment department proves his faith. The steady growth and popularity of the library, reading, writing, chess and smoking rooms has induced the new departure, and will doubtless add still more to the already large numbers that frequent our most popular institution.

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CURRENT COMMENT

Tired of Waiting.
Editor Nugget:
It has now been more than a month since an election was held by which two members of the Yukon council were chosen and yet those two newly elected members have not taken their seats. My understanding was that two additional members on the board were needed at once, and for the purpose of supplying that need was the election held. If you can explain the cause of their not being seated you will greatly oblige one who is not, even in the face of the news received here during the past week, ashamed to sign himself
CONSERVATIVE.

(We presume the only reason for the delay in issuing to the members-elect their certificates of election is the fact that the ballot boxes from several of the up river polling stations have not as yet been received by the returning officer. The reason for the delay in receiving the official returns is that the election was held just when navigation for the year was closing, and fully a month before travel over the ice is safe or expedient. For this reason the boxes have not been received, consequently the official canvass of the returns has not been made, and until such canvass is made the respective certificates of election cannot be legally issued. It is probable, however, now that travel over the river is possible, that the boxes will be received, the official canvass made and the certificates of election issued within a week or ten days.)—ED.

Sugar as a Stimulant.
The Swiss guides fully appreciate the value of sugar as a stimulant, and always carry it in their kits, preferring lump sugar or highly sweetened chocolate. The muscular lumbermen of Canada consume an extraordinary large amount of sugar during the season in the woods, taking it in the form of molasses. They sweeten their milkless tea with it, make cakes with it and even add it to their tried salt pork, which is the only meat they get during the time they are in the woods cutting lumber, and this is practically half the year. In the "black belt" of Alabama the staple articles of diet are also molasses, salt pork and cornmeal. These simple articles form the diet day in and day out, year about, and yet the negroes seem to thrive on them. But it is on the sugar cane plantations, perhaps, where the value of sugar as an article of diet is most apparent. A pamphlet entitled "Sugar as Food," recently issued by the department of agriculture, referring to this fact, says: "For months the chief food of the negro laborers on the plantations is said to be sugar cane, and they are seen to grow strong and fat as the season advances. They go through the hard labor of harvesting the crop and come out in fine condition, although they began it weak and half starved."

It should be added, however, that the entire juice of ripened cane is more complete food than sugar, containing, as it does, other food constituents besides carbohydrates. Children have a natural craving for sweet things, and the sugar of milk, which makes up from 4 to 6 per cent of it, forms an important part of baby's first nutriment, taking the place of starch until the child's stomach is able to assimilate it, so that a 2-year old child drinking two quarts of milk a day consumes in this way about three ounces of sugar.

A lump of sugar contains as much nutriment as an ounce of potato and is far more easily assimilated. In times of great exertion, as are likely to occur in army life, this feature is particularly valuable. In warm countries sugar takes the place of fat and either sugar or sweet fruits, as dates, figs, etc., are eaten in large quantities in tropical climates. As a source of muscular energy, sugar is rapidly becoming recognized, so that training diets are sometimes made to include large quantities of it, as, for instance, in the rowing clubs of Holland.—Philadelphia Record.

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