

THE TRAITOROUS OPPOSITION.

If anyone has any doubts as to the strong wish of a large number of the American members of congress to seize whatever may be seized for the United States in the Yukon region, he must be very hard to convince. The Hansborough bill which was discussed the other day in the Dominion house is only one of the many proofs that the Americans are determined to hamper Canada in every way they can in regard to entrance to the Klondike gold-fields.

A JOURNALISTIC CAT-FIT.

If the writer of the leading article in this morning's Cololist did not burst a blood vessel after the ebullition it was because "Heaven lies about him in his incoherence." And he may thank his stars it is only Heaven that lies about him.

Adjectives more or less abusive—"gross, unjust, (twice), disrespectful, low, insulting, coarse, vulgar, (twice), guilty, Billingsgate, qual-representative, discreditable."

What a murderous state of fury the gentleman must have been in to commit himself to such an article. This is the month of March, to be sure, and maybe that accounts for the hare-brained nature of the screed.

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"The World seems to think the 'author' of the World goes on to have a few more fits of hysteria, and taking advantage of goodfellowship and camaraderie existing among newspapermen of Vancouver, Well, this is news, indeed. We have heard different stories. The article winds up thus:

"We need not stop here to refute the perle attempt of the Cololist to twist our charge against the delectable representatives to a personal charge. It was not so in any particular, and it is dishonest and unjournalistic of the Cololist to state the contrary. What we wish to impress upon the electors of Victoria is that they elected Messrs. Prior and Earle to represent them in the Dominion house, and if those gentlemen see fit to neglect their duty and set aside their pledges to the electors of Victoria, it is well that the public here should know it. We have considered it

our duty to lay these charges against Messrs. Prior and Earle, and as the Cololist (their self-elected defender), has nothing relevant to say in reply, the justice of our charges is established. The place for Messrs. Earle and Prior, if they be true to their constituents and to their conscience, is in the Dominion house under the eye of the session. It is inexcusable silly, as well as vulgar, of the Cololist to say that Messrs. Prior and Earle should be allowed to neglect their public duty that they may make a little more money. Those gentlemen surely knew what they were about when they accepted office; they knew they would be expected to do their duty, not shirk it whenever trade got better. We say they are shirking their duty, and the Cololist has not yet, in spite of its outbursts of nonsensical scolding succeeded in proving that they are not. The Cololist "thinks they have made a mistake in holding their influence against the Yukon Railway Bill," a very pleasant euphemism, indeed. We have another name for it.

Now we come to the kernel of the whole thing as regards the March hare vagaries of the Cololist writer. The public may wonder what motive could lead him to such a sudden flood of untruth; we shall briefly relate the cause. He is in the same boat exactly with Messrs. Earle and Prior, he has no private interests as well as public duty to look after. Being a director of a certain lucrative Klondike company (certainly employed advisedly and specially) something must suffer, hence (perchance) the consumptive character of the matter appearing lately on page four of our esteemed contemporary, and the consequent gumballing in the part of a certain well known gentleman who is said to be very heavily interested financially in the said newspaper. The Cololist writer is trying to serve two masters, and Mammon "has the pull" just now. And yet, this is the gentleman who sets up to criticize Senator Templeman and who attacks the Times for doing its plain duty to the public of the city. When one understands the motive, one is no longer mystified. In this history of unimpaired interest led the writer of the Cololist leader to make such an exhibition of himself. We shall have more to say on the duty desertion and company-mongering questions.

AN AUTHORITY TALKING.

Really the Vancouver World as a comic journal is quite distinctive in its make. The Cololist. In the Vancouver evening screamer of Friday, March 11th, appears an "article" on ruffian journalism by the greatest authority on that subject in British Columbia, a gentleman who has proved himself without an equal as an exponent of "toughness" in newspaper writing. He opens his "article" in this characteristic fashion: "We have intended the days of ruffian journalism were over in British Columbia." That is, on the face of it a ridiculous thing to say; for how can it be possible for ruffian journalism to be a thing of the past in British Columbia so long as the World writes on writing? "The same hand that committed the foregoing error of absurdity continued it in this truly glorious fashion:

"If we may judge from the leading article in the Victoria Times of Thursday evening they are still with us, intensified by a vigor and audacity which has done good for the profession in this province, whose 'insignificant' scenery and grand things opening up before it ought to inspire lofty thoughts and noble impulses."

"We are not so uncharitable as to suppose that the person who wrote that thing slaked his thirst upon spring water. The closing sentence is like a distillery advertisement, it breathes poison in every word. The World writer then goes on to defend the Cololist's shabby trick in attempting to put a speech in the mouth of the Cololist's mouth he never uttered. The World says:

"We do not grant, because we know nothing whatever of the circumstances that the reporter in question was exhilarated (sic) on the occasion referred to, but surely his brother craftsman ought to be the last to herald the fact abroad to the world."

"And the World seems to take the heralding as a covert reproach to itself. The World then goes on to have a few more fits of hysteria, and taking advantage of goodfellowship and camaraderie existing among newspapermen of Vancouver, Well, this is news, indeed. We have heard different stories. The article winds up thus:

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will be in some mysterious way much dismayed by this announcement and passing by on the other side; the World seems strangely uninformed in regard to certain facts. The whole trouble about the World's article is due to the same brand of Yukon-blend that has so often cropped up in the Cololist, Cololist and World also to see through a glass darkly. The World also has a pass key to the Tupper-mix cask, and the article from which we have quoted amply proves that that cask got a horrible punching before the said article was indited.

HINTS TO GOLD SEEKERS.

From several old Hudson Bay men with whom we have conversed lately we have learned a few of the secrets which have enabled these hardy pioneers of the north country to withstand the rigors of the winter climate in these desolate regions of the Canadian sub-arctic. No ordinary man can wrap himself in a fur robe and lie down to sleep under the stars on the northern prairies with the thermometer registering between sixty and seventy degrees below zero and expect to wake from that sleep in this world; nor can any ordinary man cope with frost-bite as it takes hold of human flesh in those high latitudes. Nor can any but the trained and experienced woodsman manage the Arctic life, and a breakfast of gold so excessive that even the Arctic birds and animals freeze to death on their perches and in their lairs. Now, it is quite certain that a very large proportion of those who are rushing headlong to the north, intending to spend a year or two prospecting in the wilderness around the Yukon and Stewart, are practically unfit to endure the intense cold. Such is the verdict of the Hudson Bay men already referred to, and their opinion has been sustained by Captain Henry J. Woodside, of the Royal Manitoba Dragoons, who is now in Victoria bound for the north as the correspondent of a number of American, Canadian and London newspapers. Captain Woodside is a native of northern Canada who has spent years in the great lone land, and endured all the hardships incident to winter life there, and it is his opinion that many of the men now going north will have a bad time of it, to say the least, owing to ignorance of how to take care of themselves. Just as in the old days many a fine soldier perished miserably on the battlefield of insignificant wounds because he did not know how to apply the simple remedies now taught in the ambulance classes, and with which all soldiers, policemen and railway servants are familiar, so many of the prospectors are likely to perish in the snows, and especially through not knowing the various little tricks of trappers' therapeutics by means of which the hardy hunters of the north "doctor" themselves when necessary. Beyond question all a northern prospector's knowledge should not consist of acquaintance with geological formations and the use of a geological hammer, but be supplemented by some skill in salves and simples and hand surgery, for his own and for his comrades' sake. What good will the richest "strike" do to a man slowly dying of frost-bite, or what value the most extensive knowledge of geology if he cannot save his life by knowing how to fend off a dangerous attack on his health? Some of the old stagers should start a school in Victoria for the special instruction of tenderfeet in the art of bush-doctoring.

WARSHIPS ARE SOLD

Brazil Sells Two to the United States—Spain Unsuccessful in Her Various Attempts.

London, March 14.—The Brazilian minister confirms the report that the warships Amazonas and Admiral Brea have been sold to the United States. The contract is to be signed today and the Brazilian officers' crew on board the Amazonas will return to Brazil by the next mail steamer sailing for that country. The press association says Spain has purchased the battleship Obligator, built by the Armstrongs for the Chilean government, but the Chilean charge d'affaires does not confirm the report. He says the crew for the vessel is expected here next week to take the Obligator to Chile.

COMMUNISTS DISBAND.

Toledo, O., March 14.—To-day marks the end of a communistic society of one of the most remarkable experiments in this regard that has ever been tried. The Society of the United States, as they termed themselves on March 10, decided to disband and to place the entire belongings of the society in the hands of three disinterested men for distribution. These commissioners are Samuel Fols, of Philadelphia; Henry S. Kline, of Bolivar, and M. Boeker, of Stark county. The society owns over 7,000 acres of the finest land in Ohio and famous herds of fine blooded cattle.

HEART MIRACLES.

Suffocation — Fluttering — Palpitation — Acute Pains — Certain Signs of the Heart's Weakness. Agnew's Cure for the Heart. Lives in 30 Minutes.

In cases of heart trouble Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart has proved itself the quickest acting remedy in existence. It is a simple, safe, and reliable remedy for heart disease, and has saved many lives. It is a true heart medicine, and will do all that is claimed for it.

Dr. Agnew's Liver Pills are the cheapest liver corrective known.



The raging fever that ravages the earth, and a multitude of other ailments, which it may devour in a few days, is a dangerous enemy. It is always easier and better to avoid it than to fight it. It comes in various guises. At first it is usually as a trifling indisposition, or a slight attack of biliousness. Then it follows loss of appetite, or headache, or nervousness and sleeplessness, or dropsy. These are the advance heralds of consumption, malaria, nervous exhaustion and prostration, and a multitude of other ailments.

There is an easy way to avoid, and a sure way to escape from, ill-health. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery gives edge to the appetite, invigorates the liver, makes the digestion perfect and the blood pure. It is the great appetite-sharper, blood-maker, flesh-builder and nerve-tonic. It cures 90 per cent of all cases of consumption. It does not make fatty flesh like cod liver oil, but builds healthy tissue, without corruption. Honest doctors don't urge substitutes for a little extra profit.

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NEW WESTMINSTER.

Next month there will be two or three parties leaving here for the gold regions in the north. Although the people in this city have not lost their heads over the Klondike fever, there are a few who are awaiting the time when they can get in quickly, and without the inconvenience attending the usual mode of travel.

PROFESSOR SEES McKINLEY.

Washington, March 14.—Senator Proctor called at the war department to-day to see Secretary Alger. He was given the right-of-way over a number of persons waiting for the secretary, and for nearly half an hour he recited to Alger events and observations of the late President McKinley.

SAINT CROIX, CAL.

Saint Cruz, Cal., March 14.—The powder works were in full blast Sunday making government powder. It is unusual for the works to be in operation on Sunday, as extra men are being employed. It is presumed that orders have been received to increase the output. The works are owned by the Government.

PARIS, MARCH 14.

Paris, March 14.—The Temps says: Spain does not deceive herself when she counts upon the sympathy, at least latent, of European governments. It is not likely that she will take for her to expect any effective support from either Great Britain or the triple alliance. Before all she must rely upon herself.

Provincial News.

VANCOUVER.

Vancouver, March 15.—The city council has consented to endorse the petition of the city letter carriers to the postmaster-general for an increase of wages and a fortnight holiday each year without suspension of pay. The board of works is considering the question of drainage for Mount Pleasant. Owing to the shallow water in False creek it will be necessary to drain that part of the city either into Burrard inlet at a cost of some \$170,000, or into English bay at nearly as great a cost.

ROSSLAND.

Rossland, B. C., March 12.—Mainly through the efforts of the department pointed by the Rossland city council to interview the provincial government regarding the needs of West Kootenay, but more particularly the Trail Creek mining division, the district will receive upwards of \$100,000 for public works. There is general rejoicing throughout the district in consequence of this sum. Trail Creek will get \$20,000 for roads and trails, a court house and educational facilities.

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person or persons have seen the city at this time, and have had the opportunity to give a much better account of the city than has been given for many years.

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