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AID WILL BE FORTHCOMING

The business interests of the community have lain dormant altogether too long and permitted public move ments to drift into the hands of a few irresponsibles. The reorganization of the board of frade and the active steps taken in the direction of ameliorating unsatisfactory conditions in local affairs is an excellent sign. The whole community will rally around the board and lend assistance toward reaching a realization of the purposes now held in view

Efforts at securing needed reforms have failed too frequently owing to the fact that they have been regarded litch as inspired by motives of a political character. The popular method in this territory of gaining public notoriety leading in the direction of political preferment has been through fierce and unqualified condemnation of everything and everybody connected with the government.

This fact in itself has been a source of strength, to the appenents of a liberal Yukon policy who have been able to say on more occasions than one that politics was at the bottom of demands for reforms

No such criticism will be admiss ible in connection with the movement now in progress for the establishment of a government water system

No hostile legislator will be able to say that the requests which will be made upon parliament for aid in consummating this most important unde taking had their origin in any demagogic agitation or for the purpose of advancing any particular political interests.

trade contemplates action along lines which will command the support of the entire territory and which will be recognized as voicing public sentiment in an unmistakable manner.

In the view of this paper, and we believe that our opinion is shared by nine-tentis of the territory's popula tion, the future of the community rests largely upon the successful outcome of this undertaking. The crying need of this territory is water plentiful and cheap. Without that most essential factor in placer mining operations will always be limited to ground of comparative richness and thousands of acres of low grade auriferous gravel deposits will be left for years practically undeveloped.

When the facts are laid before the government, backed as they will be by a perition bearing the signatures of practically the whole territory population, there is the best of reason for belief that favorable action will come.

The merchants and manufacturers of Canada will not sit idly by and see the Yukon market lost when they know that it can not only be retained but immeasureably increased by the expenditure of a few millions of dollars in the construction of a public water system. Their aid will certainly be forthcoming as also that of other equally powerful influences, and particularly will this prove to be the case when it is thoroughly understood that it is the voice of the whole peo ple speaking.

The work has been begun under most, favorable auspices and with concerted, and systematic endeavor there is no reason to anticipate any other than a successful issue.

The most ridiculous contribution that has been made of late to the

The Klondike Nugget discussion of local matters is the . threat of the News editorialist to go to Ontario on a speechmaking tour, Five minutes time would serve to nullify all that he would be able to say in as many hours. A man who raitor to the cause of Joe Clarke strike thing but the jeers of the multitude. just as was the case in the late campaign in this district.

> When all other causes for gratitude particulars for which the mail car iers are in no way responsible the service this winter has been beyond

> There is far greater reason for a tampede to the Duncan district than o Tanana, for the former camp is us showing. Tanana is as yet an unprospected district but it possesses

> difficulty of access which to average tampeders are absolutely irresistible

The Charges Denied.

Salt Lake, Utah, Feb. 26.-Presi dent Joseph Smith, of the Mormon church, was shown by the Associated Press correspondent a copy of the polygamy charges brought against Senator-elect Smoot by Rev. Lei-

"I wish to deny in the most emphatic terms possible," said Presilent Smith, "that there is any truth whatever in these charges. Mr. Smooth oas only one wife, and never has had another, either before or after Utah ler by a contributor seem peculiarly entered the Union. There is no such record of plural marriages kept in the emple, therefore there can be no uch record of Mr. Smoot's plural marriage, as charged by Rev. Leiltch. I wish to repeat, the Mormon hurch does not sanction plural marriages, nor has it since Utah entered he union. The charges against Mr Smoot are absolutely false.

"The ministerial alliance is not oack of the charges of polygamy brought against Mr. Smoot by eilitch," said Rev. W. W. Paden, of he First Presbyterian church, to-

"The charges are brought independently by Dr. Leilitch. I was nformed last night that such charges would be brought against Mr. Smoot. With a load piled high by bungling Although this accusation does not orm part of the formal protest rgainst Mr. Smoot brought by the ninisterial alliance, yet that body will stand back of Dr. Leilitch."

The polygamy charge against Sena tor-elect Smoot was received with he futmost surprise in Salt Lake among Mormons and Gentiles alike.

Traveled on Snow Shoes

Missoula, Mont., Feb. 26 .- After hrilling experience crossing the main ange of the Bitter Root mountains snow shoes, George Walker and harles Pennybaker reached Missoula onight in time to make final proof efore the land office today upon their stone and timber claims located in Missoula county. They walked upon the snow from Pottsville, Idaho, to De Borgia, Mont., a distance of about ifty miles, over snow which often atained the depth of thirty Teet. This vas the last day for them to make

En Route to Coast San Francisco, Feb. 26.—According It seemed as though that blow to telegraphic advices received in this city, Admiral Behley and a parof friends have left New Orleans

a private car for the coast. The admiral will stop first at Los Angeles and will devote a week to sightseeing in Southern California. But he ought not to have lashed old He will then come to this city and from here go to Portland and 'the Puget sound country.

King Edward has conferred the grand cross of St. Michael and St. George on Sir Michael Herbert, the Pritish ambassador at Washington.

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- Stroller's Column. -

The attention of the Stroller has | placing one's trust in high places been called on several occasions to the Stroller is prejudiced in favor of as this one could the fact that over anxious stamped the old time maxim to keep the ers have acquired the habit of load- powder dry at the same time. In other ing their dogs and horses down to a words the Stroller believes that there is good faith behind the acpoint beyond the power of the poor tion of the territorial authorities in animals to sustain. Yesterday mornoutfit left for the Tanana ordering a preliminary survey for a under circumstances that public water system, but he is also seemed to call for action on the part of the opinion that the arguments in of the S. P. C. A., but unfortunately favor of that undertaking should be no one belonging to the organization laid before parliament at the earliest appened to be around at the time. possible opportunity and in the most

It was the usual case of small forcible manner possible. It would horse and big load. It was estimat- be a splendid thing if the government ed by bystanders that the amount of would go ahead with the water sysand thanksgiving fail, the Yukon may freight piled on the sleigh could not tem without any further agitation or have fallen short of a ton.

There were three men with the is the intention. But in any event outfit which consisted not only of no harm will come to the cause by provisions and horse feed but a vast sending along a monster petition amount of other truck taken along coupled with a protest against Treador speculation in the new district But as for the horse. He was such the people are alive to the situation

infinitesimal specimen of the and have full knowledge of what is genus equine that a microscope al- required to insure continued pros needed to discover his perity to the district. identity. Moreover, he had the appearance of being an entire stranger to a square feed of oats. His ribs theatre tells a story on a ticket pur stuck out so plainly that they could chaser who appeared before his winbe counted with out difficulty and al- dow a few days ago and said together the poor little fellow looked better fitted for a 500 mile stampede than a man who has just risen from a month's attack of typhoid fever.

Finally, ready to leave, the horse was whipdready on its feet and during the ped up in regular stage coach fashion and although he did his best the load refused to move. The three men then placed their shoulders against the sleigh and by dint of hard show the advantages of long distance and ing and much shouting at their dimininutive steed the caravan was finally started in the direction of Tanana, but at a speed that was painfully slow. They finally succeeded in reaching the river trail but how they fared thereafter is not known to the Stroller.

It is past the ken of the writer how men are able to impose upon their dumb servants in such manner. He can only explain the phenomeur upon the point that the gold fever is a form of insanity which warps both the minds and consciencies of

In connection with the foregoing the following lines sent to the Strolappropriate

Well, yes-I'm guilty-that's my plea 'Tisn't for such as the likes of me-To evade a charge I'm willing t face.

For I don't set it down as any dis grace-That I struck that man and cause him pain Why, if it just should happen again-

I'd be sore tempted to strike, guess Any fellow I caught abusing Bess. Who is she . Why but I thought you

knew. She's just a horse-a good one, too, That I used to drive, and so today When I saw her toiling along the way fools.

That would tax the powers of twen ty mules My blood-it boiled sir, nothing less,

And I hated the driver and pitied ed then look out!

They claim dur b beasts can't com prehend But Bess, why bless you, knows friend.

And she stopped right still in glad Surprise could read the joy

And neighed a welcome which like Sank deep in my breast till it reached my heart,

for it seemed to say, "I don't complain-But how I long to be back again, With you, old friend, as it used to be When you fed and petted and cared

Then the driver struck her, I saw the

In a moment more I had clutched his throat And hurt him some, I must confess

What's that you say sir? I may go,

didn't expect quite that, you know And after this folks can't tell me That justice ain't delt as it ought to be And so that's all I've got to say-Excepting, perhaps that yesterday,

bought old Bess-she's in my carehe's got an owner who'll treat her Who'll see her through to the very

or to me she's just like an old time friend And never again will she have haul

A three-ton load,-but a big bor stall Will she occupy and reign as queen Of a fine big field where grass grows

When I get back home I'll tell them -- ves-

. ... While not 'wishing to discount in any particular the advisability of

"What's that?" said Bittner, standng straight up in his chair. "Two seats in hell," repeated the stranger, rather surprised

"Come on, move along now," said

Willie impatiently, thinking he was talking to a nutty man. "There sn't any hell around here." "No, no, Hi 'ave a bloomin' cold

and Hi want to get in hell or hem to be hout of the draught, you know." "Oh, you want seats in L." said the manager. Then he fized the Englishman out and the latter went in li and enjoyed the show.

There is a six-year-old boy who ives with his father and mother and five-year-old brother Dawson. From a little incident that came up the other night the boy's future precious in possibilities. The two youngsters had just turn-

ed into their little bed, and Clarence, the vounger, wanted to hit up a conversation with his brother 'Tommy,' he said softly

No response "Tommy," this time a little loud

'Tommy," this time is good plain

It was the third and last call Commy turned fiercely upon Clarence and said

Job Printing at Nugget office.

"Go to h-, I'm saying my pray

Bible School Lesson for Mar. 15

9: 29-40.

serveth the Faithful: " . Ps. 31: 23. The preaching of Paul at Ephesus abundant fruit. But of course his uccess stirred up opposition.

discussion, and it may be that such

gold. It will serve to indicate that

Manager Bittner of the Auditorium

Enhesus was the seat, of the wor hip of the goddess Diana, whose temple was a marvel of beauty and nagnificence. It was currently beieved that her image had fallen from neaven, by that we suppose it may have been carved from some meteoric

of thousands of pilgrims nodels of her temple and image grew to enormous proportions. Christianitv. as a rule, has led to the developthan one trade has been benefited by dissionary enterprise.

A Christianity which stifles relignity of labor, is spurious, not of

But Christianity is opposed to conlitions which perpetuate evil; is at war with every trade which is linked o superstition and vice.

In the lesson we have an example of a trade which was doomed if 'hristianity succeeded. Demetrius the maker of images had evidently ielt the slump in business due to Christian influences, and immediately elf interest. And second, that their from Self interest, justified by reterest.

and Aristarchus, two of Paul's belp- and related his troubles. He informers, they hurried with them into the ed Patrolmen Mayou and Wilson as theatre. The Ephesian theatre was well, as he found the two policemer capable of seating from 20,000 to on the street corner. Believing at 50,000 people. Its huge open arena once that the landlady might have was the seene of contests of various, something to do with the affair, they

gladiator, or with wild beasts. One at the chief rulers of the city, hours' work they were informed by a entitled here "The Chief of Asia," young woman who stays at the Ne gave timely warning to Paul, who vada that James McCollough was

lews, growing fearful lest the rage tion. f the mob might be turned against further to enrage the blindly bigoted near future

Title .- The Riot at Ephesus. Acts | mob, and they shouted their religious cry "Great is Diane of the Golden text: "The Lord Pre-Ephesians," until their throats were

Now was the opportunity for modwas warmly received, and bore eration and good judgment in the person of the town clerk or public recorder, who reasoned with the peo ple, too weary to protest.

His argument was a threefold one First: The greatness of the Ephesian goddess is generally acknowledged and cannot be disputed, which quelled their religious clamors

Second : These men are neithe robbers of temples, a common crime, or blasphemers of the goddess. athered every year the worship at Paul's method was to avoid hurling he shrine of Diana, and the traffic in invectives at those who differed from nim, chosing rather to convince by the superiority of truth. If Christianity were only lived it would prove ment of the arts and sciences. More still to be "a leaven which leaveneth the whole lump.'

The third argument was an appeal to self interest. You may have to earch and fails to fecogmize the give an account to the Roman pro consul for today's uncalled for upoar. This brought them to time. The practical lessons are

Frejudice and self interest are eve inked against righteeusness. Any fool can stir up a row; ikes a wise man to quell it

If your business is out of harmony with right living, then get out of your busine

Truth will ultimately prevail. Seattle, Feb. 21. - F. A. Dolan stirred up the members of his own awoke in a room in the Nevada house craft, on the plea-First, that their early yesterday morning to feel his pusiness was in danger—an appeal to vest with \$100 in one pocket slipping beneath his pillow. At the worship of the great same time he noticed the landlady of would be brought into con- the house in the room with another man and carrying a lamp. He did ligion, makes a strong plea. Self in- not realize then, it seems, that his is, after all, the strongest money had been separated from him. plea. When a man's pocket is touch- but later when he prepared to attire himself the fact became apparent.

mob, and seiging Gaius an appeared at police headquarters sinds. Here gladiator fought with made a careful examination into all the details. At the end of two woman who stays at the Neguilty of the theft, so McCollough the was arrested and booked at the sta-

While the case is still surrounded them prompted one of their number, with mystery the two patrolmen say Alexander, to put up a defense. His they will continue to work on it, and words, however, only served still probably will make other arrests in

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