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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23, 1901.

TO INCREASE REPRESENTATION.

Among other important matters recommended to the federal government by the Yukon council is the election by popular ballot of several additional members to seats in the territorial governing body. The section of the memorial covering the point in question is as follows:

"That the territory be divided into electoral districts to be entitled to representation in the local council; the proposed division is as follows:

"That the Klondike river with its tributaries constitute one district; the Indian river and its tributaries a second; the Stewart river and its tributaries a third; the City of Dawson a fourth; and that all that portion of the territory lying south of the southerly end of Lake LeBarge constitute a fifth, and as the population increases in other parts of the country, further electoral districts be created and representation given as necessity calls for it; and that the Yukon council be authorized to erect any such electoral district when necessary."

In making this recommendation the council is wisely looking ahead to the future. From present conditions we believe it quite safe to argue that during the coming year the various mining districts outside of the territory immediately adjacent to Dawson will experience a marked growth. The Stewart river country has already attracted much attention and within another 12 months there is every reason to believe that it will be the scene of several thriving mining communities.

Clear creek will be opened up this winter sufficiently to demonstrate the value of the claims made for it as a gold producer and it may be said that those who are best acquainted with the district are most hopeful of its future.

Whitehorse is already a strong claimant for recognition, both on account of its geographical situation and its approaching importance as a mining center.

It is apparent, therefore, that the time will soon be at hand when these more remote districts will require important legislation to meet their growing necessities. Their interests will need watching as closely as do the affairs of our own community and it will readily be conceded that the desired end can be satisfactorily accomplished only through direct representation on the Yukon council.

The Yukon territory has now reached a stage in its development where it may be said with perfect safety that it has before it an indefinite term of growth and prosperity. Recognition of this fact may be read in every line of the memorial addressed by the council to the federal government and more particularly in the paragraph quoted above. By the time representation is granted to the various outlying portions of the territory they will be ready for and fully entitled to receive it.

The management of one of the local theaters announces that one evening each week will be devoted hereafter to the production of legitimate entertain-

ment, with the bar and all other objectionable features removed. If the promises made are faithfully carried out, we are of the opinion that the enterprise will receive liberal patronage. The Nugget has frequently expressed the belief that Dawson offers a field for clean, wholesome public entertainment and we are still of the same opinion. It is to be hoped the experiment will prove successful.

The Australian colonies have agreed upon a plan of federation similar to the Canadian system and on the first of the present year the machinery of the new commonwealth was placed in active motion. Discussions in favor of the action which the Australian colonies have just taken was begun upwards of a century ago. The imperial spirit aroused by the late war was largely influential in bringing the matter to a focus. Under the new system Australia will forge to the front much more rapidly than she has done in the past.

In one day the business men of Seattle raised \$34,500 or a little more than one-third the total amount required to secure for Moran Bos, the contract to build one of the new warships for the United States government. Greater enterprise has seldom been shown by any city of similar size.

The gentlemen who recently were so enthusiastic over the question of incorporation have one by one retired from public view. The greatest mistake they made was in emerging from their accustomed seclusion in the first place.

Two loaves of bread for a quarter—and still there are people who maintain that it costs money to live in Dawson.

It doesn't look as though Dawson will have free beer after all.

Miss Ruth Hanna.

Cleveland, O., Jan. 1.—The coming out party of Miss Ruth Hanna, the youngest daughter of Senator Hanna, tonight, was a pronounced success. The reception and dance were held in the Chamber of Commerce, which was engaged for the occasion because of the distance of the Hanna home from the center of the city.

The guests included all the leading society people of Cleveland. The ball in which the party occurred was decorated in a most artistic way. The debutante received in a bower of palms at one side of the hall. She was attended by her father, her mother, her sister, Miss Mabel Hanna, and her grandmother, Mrs. D. P. Rhodes.

Miss Hanna wore a beautiful gown of white spangled gauze, made over white satin with a fold of pink liberally draped over the shoulder and down the back of the waist, skirt and train. In her hair she wore pink velvet bows, a diamond crescent and tortoise shell combs. About her neck was a pearl necklace given to her by her father.

Mrs. Hanna wore a magnificent court train of silver brocade, white satin over a petticoat of pastel blue satin with a flounce of duchess lace ornamented with rhinestones.

The senator and his family will go to Washington this week. They will make their home in the old Don Cameron residence, and expect to entertain much during the winter.

Watching New Comet.

Lick Observatory, Cal., Jan. 1.—The comet recently discovered by Giovanni Giacomini at Nice, France, in the constellation of Thetis, has been observed here the past week by Mr. Aiken. It is a faint object of the eleventh magnitude, and therefore requires a telescope of considerable size to observe it. Mr. Aiken has determined that this is the comet that is moving. Its perihelion passage or time of nearest approach to the sun occurred on December 1 at a distance of only 2 per cent smaller than the earth's distance from the sun. The plane of its orbit makes an angle of 31 degrees with the ecliptic and intersects it is longitude 193 degrees. The present distance of the comet from the earth is some 80,000,000 miles, and the distance is increasing. The brightness is decreasing, so that there is no chance that the object will be visible without a telescope.

Steel marten traps, just in—1 and 1½. Shindler's.

We fit glasses. Pioneer drug store.

The Pacific Cold Storage Company paid the collector of customs in Dawson \$10,000 duty on the cargo of fine meats they are now offering to the trade.

STROLLER'S COLUMN.

"A pebble in the streamlet cast Has changed the course of many a river, A dew drop on the tender plant Has warped the giant oak forever."

Likewise has a determined woman with an ax, not a broom, deterred a whole theatrical outfit from presenting its program in its entirety, and all because the woman with the ax had the courage of her convictions.

How different with frail man. He would have dropped the ax and ran howling into the house lest the hose might have been turned on him. When a woman wills she wills and man wits. All of which corroborates the belief that even a theatrical outfit must not walk on people with hob nail shoes, for there are others who can wield an ax besides old Horatius who alone defended the wooden bridge tergo ruptus sunt.

Considerable has been said in the Dawson papers lately about the Moores at Skagway who have lately acquired the most of the property within that town's confines. Old Capt. Moore is a man of both iron will and iron constitution. Approached in the right manner, he is free hearted, kind and easily led; but rub his fur the wrong way and the veteran skipper and pathfinder will fight an entire precinct. He has convictions and the courage to stand by them.

Bernard Moore, the old captain's youngest son, familiarly called Ben, has lived in Alaska for 14 years, his wife being to the manor born. While Ben Moore is universally liked, he is in temperament the very reverse of the doughty old captain. Ben thinks more of a dance and a good time, although a strictly moral man, than his father does of a corner lot.

Having passed his early life on the north end of Vancouver Island, Ben Moore never saw a railroad train until the White Pass company began operations at Skagway the summer of '98. The Stroller, who was in Skagway at that time, well remembers that when the road was completed to Rocky Point on Porcupine Hill, a distance of seven miles out from Skagway, Ben Moore rode out and back on the train nearly every morning for a month or more. The train consisted of a locomotive and one flat car on which were railroad ties for seats. The train would return by noon of each day and Ben Moore would devote the afternoons to picking cinders out of his eyes in order that he might be ready for the ride the following forenoon. The fare for the round trip, seven miles and back, was \$3, but that cut no ice with Ben, who was getting experience and who was willing to pay for it even to jeopardizing his eyesight.

According to dispatches, Ben Moore is now in the east reading signs and seeing the world, and it is safe to say that although between 40 and 45 years of age, he will enjoy the novelty as much as ever a country boy enjoyed a county fair.

When "Swiftwater Bill" told Helen Dare, who was sent by the Examiner to interview him when he landed in San Francisco late in the fall of '97 or in early in '98, "I'll cut de cards wid yer fer a 'ousand, fer I se de swiftest ting dat ever hit de Klondike," his statement was generally believed for in those days Swift was not slow.

A year later the sobriquet "Slackwater Bill" was attached to him and not without reason, for his temperature had moderated several degrees and all symptoms of swiftness had oozed out like kerosene from a cracked lamp. When another year had been lain away on the shelf of eternity the name "Swiftwater Bill" had lapsed into memory and the man who once cornered the egg market of Dawson at \$1 per egg, came to be known as "Stagnantwater Willie." It was while this appellation clung to him that he quietly left Dawson in a small boat for down the river to avoid, it was said, the unpleasantness of facing men who had been employed by him and to whom he was indebted. From that time on until very recently the wearer of the various names has been known in Dawson only as a memory.

However, from the telegram received by and published in the Nugget of Monday, the fires of youth and swiftness have been rekindled beneath the vest of the once intrepid "swift ting." The smouldering spark has leaped, as it were into a conflagration and William C. Gates is again all that he told Helen Dare that he was when she asked him for an interview. In addition to his being the "swiftest ting dat ever hit de Klondike" he is also probably "de swiftest ting" that ever hit the Lamore family.

An Original Drama.

A Los Angeles woman, who is the mother of three very interesting chil-

ren, has also a small conservatory filed with potted plants. Upon returning home from making some afternoon calls recently she was surprised, when passing through her conservatory, to find it nearly empty; but on entering the drawing room she discovered her palms, ferns and rubber plants artistically placed in groups of two or three among gilded chair, tea tables and bric-a-brac.

Her surprise was augmented at beholding her eldest son and little daughter as-naked as they were born, walking about under a Japanese umbrella.

"Children," she exclaimed, "what on earth are you doing?"

"We're playing we're Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden," calmly announced the girl.

At this moment, the door opened and the five-year-old—nude as an infant cherub, wearing his father's silk hat and carrying a gold-headed cane; stepped in with a pompous air.

"And what are you?" gasped the astonished mother.

"I'm Dod A'mighty walkin' in the garden in the tool of the evenin'," he cherub replied.

"Dod A'mighty" was instantly persuaded to get into petticoats, while the other children were admonished to confine their games hereafter to such as could be based on more recent historical situations.

Killed by a Burglar.

Pueblo, Col., Jan. 1.—Walter C. Casley, a druggist, was shot through the head and instantly killed in his store this morning by a burglar. The body was found by a clerk in the employ of Casley when he entered the store at 6:30 a. m. The cash register had been rifled, and every pocket in the murdered man's clothes had been turned inside out. The murderer escaped.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that a list of all placer mining claims in the Yukon territory which were sold at public auction and which have not been taken up, is being prepared for publication at once, and after the first publication thereof no grant will be issued under such sale as aforesaid, for any claim so advertised. All purchasers are, therefore, notified to apply for their grants immediately.

(Signed) J. LANGLOIS BELL, Assistant Gold Commissioner.

Dated at Dawson this 14 day of December, 1900.

All watch repairing guaranteed by C. A. Cochran, the expert watchmaker, opposite Bank B. N. A., Second street.

LOST AND FOUND.

FOUND—A black-and-tan sporting dog. If not claimed in 14 days will be sold.—The Land Dry, Caribou, Dominion Creek.

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SOCIETIES.

THE REGULAR COMMUNICATION OF YUKON Lodge, U. D. A. F. & F. M., will be held at Masonic hall, Mission street, monthly, Thursday on or before full moon at 8:00 p. m. C. M. Wells, W. M. J. A. Donald, Secy.

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