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Famous Rushes for Gold Romance of the World's Richest Mines.

"Stewart went mad. Walters dropped their trays, workmen their tools, drivers their reins, and stamped." Thus a daily paper, in its description of the excitement created in Stewart, British Columbia, when the report came that seventeen miles distant, at a place called Bitter Creek, a great discovery of gold had been made. It is the old, old story of human avarice and greed. Reason disappears when the gold fever seizes on man.

Two years ago three mining prospectors tried their luck in the Nevada Hills, 200 miles northeast of San Francisco, where they discovered a wealthy deposit of gold. They told some acquaintances at the nearest town, whereupon 200 railroad laborers dropped their tools and began the mad rush for gold. The news spread like wildfire, and in a few weeks the camp of the three prospectors, which had been named Rawhide, had a population of 10,000 people, and miners were arriving at the rate of 200 a day. Lots were sold at anything from £1,000 to £5,000, while some mining magnates purchased one claim, which had been staked out by a syndicate of twenty miners, and had made a phenomenal yield, for £160,000.

Hundreds Died on the Way.

The story of Klondyke is even more amazing. The first find of gold of any importance was made in 1897—not by gold prospectors, but by a fisherman—at the junction of the Klondyke and Yukon rivers. Immediately the news of the rich deposits of gold which were to be found got abroad, there was a mad rush, not only from all parts of America, but also from Europe. Soon 30,000 people were on their way to the diggings, many destined never to return; for some 500 miles of the roughest Alaska country had to be traversed, and the route was literally paved with the bones of those who had joined in the mad rush without stopping to con-

sider the difficulties the journey presented. Husbands deserted their wives, while clerks, merchants, doctors and lawyers sold all they possessed to pay their way to Klondyke. But where one unpractical man succeeded in enriching himself, scores of American professional miners came away, worth hundreds of thousands. In spite of the warnings issued, however, and the fact that it needed a capital of something like £300 to get from England to Klondyke, hundreds of people went from this country, only to return wrecked in health and pocket.

A Shrewd Prospector.

It is a curious fact that when Harry de Windt, the well-known explorer, returned from Klondyke, in 1897, he said, during the course of an interview published in The Strand Maga-

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zine, that the Stewart region was richer even than Klondyke. And after a dozen years there comes the recent romantic corroboration.

The fact is not generally known, perhaps, that it was the discovery of gold in California in 1847 which led to the discovery in Australia. Within four years the annual output from the fields of California reached £12,000,000, and it was a Mr. Hargreaves, who went as a miner to California, who first discovered gold in Australia. He was struck by the resemblance of the rocks near his home in Australia to the gold-bearing rocks of California. He systematically searched for signs of gold, and on February 12th, 1851, he found some of the precious metal for the first time.

Big Nuggets.

The excitement created by the discovery was intense. Towns grew up as if by magic. Even police left their employment to try their luck at the diggings, while sailors deserted from their ships as soon as they arrived at a port near the fields. Men flocked in their thousands to Ballarat and Bathurst, and it was at these places where the world's biggest nuggets were found. Fifty miles north of Bathurst three quartz blocks containing 112 lbs. of pure gold were discovered, and the famous "Victoria Nugget," a single mass of pure virgin gold weighing 340 oz., was brought from Bendigo. But the largest nugget of all was that christened the "Welcome." This was found at Ballarat on June 4th, 1858, weighed 2,516 oz., and was valued at over £9,582. Within ten years gold to the enormous value of £96,000,000 had been brought to England from the two colonies of Victoria and New South Wales.

Two years ago one of the discoverers of the famous Kalgoolie goldfield in Western Australia passed away in the person of an Irishman named Daniel Shea. He and a compatriot named Hannan, while prospecting for gold, camped on the site of Kalgoolie when it was a wilderness. Hannan, in searching for a horse, kicked a nugget of gold. The news spread, a rush set in, and the wealth of the place soon became apparent. Hannan and Shea as the pioneers were awarded pensions of £100 a year—not a great sum when one considers that the annual output of the Kalgoolie goldfields is between £2,000,000 and £3,000,000 sterling.

More Mines to be Found.

There are, however, no gold mines so rich as those of the Transvaal. Since 1884—the year the world's greatest goldfield, Witwatersrand, was discovered—until June, 1908, the total of the gold production of the Transvaal amounted to no less than £211,535,995. It was a prospector named Arnold who first discovered that gold lay among the bare and lonely hills of Witwatersrand. In this case there was no great rush, for the simple reason that there was no chance for the miner without capital. The Rand's pre-eminence amongst goldfields is not due to the exceeding richness of its deposits, for in their percentage of the yellow metal they do not compare with the mines of California, for instance. But while its ores are of low grade, they are found in much more extensive bodies than those of any other fields, much machinery and many workers being required to unearth the gold.

There are still more chances, however, for prospectors, like Croesus, the first really rich man known to fame, who is said to have discovered a gold mine of his own, to find one for themselves; for, according to authorities, the world contains several unworked goldfields quite as rich as any yet discovered. Parts of Siberia are alleged to be richer in gold than Klondyke, while Sir Martin Conway some time ago that along the eastern slope of the Andes run many rivers rich in gold.

Perhaps, however, in these days of oil booms it would be more profitable to search for oil rather than gold. For, after all, it must be borne in mind that it was oil, and not gold, which made the world's richest man—John D. Rockefeller, master of many millions.—Tit-Bits.

Construction Camp Burned.

Kingston, Ont., July 14.—News of a disastrous fire in a construction camp on the National Transcontinental has just reached here. P. Courtney, one of O'Brien's contractors, situated at about 100 miles west of Cochrane, was burned out last Sunday by a forest fire. The entire camp was destroyed, amounting to \$25,000 damage, partly covered by insurance.

The men sought refuge in the Valentine river and had to stand in water up to their necks to keep from being burned to death. One man, Dan Egan, suffered severe burns on the arms and face and had to be taken to the hospital at Missarable river, 100 miles away.

The powder house, containing five tons of dynamite and five hundred cases of powder, was saved through the foresight of Courtney in having it banked with two feet of clay.

Socializing the Church Parlor.

Sitting one day last summer at his study window, the Rev. W. L. Armstrong, of the Metropolitan Methodist Church, Toronto, noticed that a large number of young women were seated on the lawn during the noon hour. It struck him that these young people would have nowhere to go at noon during the winter, so he proposed to open the church parlors for their accommodation.

The first day the experiment was tried four young women came in. Within a week the number had increased to fourteen, and in a short time the average attendance had grown to fifty. At present about seventy make use of the privilege.

It soon became evident that a rest-room met only a part of the need. An inexpensive lunch is therefore provided daily. The girls are supplied, practically at cost price, with nourishing food, and they can find rest or recreation, as they please, in the rooms, which are provided with an abundance of chairs, lounges, a piano, games, newspapers and magazines.

The pastor's assistant is in attendance also to assist strangers and others seeking employment or lodgings. The rest department is under the charge of one of the deaconesses, assisted by the Ladies' Aid Society.

This is a sample of what may be done by city churches, and it is an example which might profitably be followed by many. The criticism of the church with doors closed against the needs of men is not always unfounded.

But it appears to me that the need in the evening hours is quite as great as at noon. Our churches might provide a cheery meeting place for many a lonely roamer, and they might help to draw from the dangers of the street and the moving picture show and theatres large numbers of young men and maidens who drift aimlessly along in search of something to do.

This has all been said before, but may bear saying again. There is a social use for the church parlors that stand too often empty and dark—dead capital sunk in service that does no service efficiently.—Christian Endeavor World.

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In Case of Invasion.

What Britain Must Do to Protect Her Shores.

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His performance negatives the assertion which has been so often made that invasion of Great Britain is impossible. Nothing is impossible in war, when the unexpected so often happens, and on several occasions these imaginary descents on our own shores have been carried out with great success.

If in the next naval war the fight for sea supremacy takes place on the North Sea, as most authorities believe it will, no Englishman can escape from the depressing feeling that on any morning he may awake to learn that the country has been raided by a foreign horde, and that his own life and property are in peril, and that his fellow countrymen have been plunged into the worst horrors that



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Los Angeles, Cal., July 11.—A new note of independence was struck at a "ladies' stag party," given at the Ranshaw by Mrs. May Monica, of Kansas City. When the guests arrived the hostess was surprised, for instead of being in gowns, they had forsaken skirts and in men's attire were striding about "with an independent air." Not a man was present.

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Ottawa, July 13.—An attempt to wreck the Gatineau train of the Canadian Pacific Railway near Kirk's Ferry, four miles from Ottawa, was made last night.

An inspection of the track showed that horseshoes had been cleated to the track for a distance of 30 feet. Fortunately a piston rod broke and the train was delayed an hour. Meanwhile section hands discovered the obstruction and removed it in time to prevent an accident.

The down coming train had 500 excursionists returning from an Orange celebration. A deep rock cut was chosen for the location of the obstruction.

Montreal, July 14.—While a passenger train bringing immigrants from the steamer Royal Edward at Quebec to this city by the Canadian Northern was nearing Cape Rouge today, a little above Quebec, two cars left the rails and at once caught fire. The passengers, so a report says, all escaped except one man, whose name is not given, and his injuries are very slight. He was taken back to Quebec and treated and as soon as the road was cleared the immigrants were brought on to Montreal. The loss will not be very large.

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