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SOGGS' SENTENCE

The Court as Well as the Public in Sympathy With the Prisoner.

TWO YEARS IN THE PENITENTIARY.

The Minister of Justice Will Be Appealed To.

A SUSPENDED SENTENCE.

Gogerty and Corkish Are Both Sentenced to Hard Labor—Former One Year.

Today was motion day in the territorial court, and owing to that, and the fact that sentence was to be passed on Nelson A. Soggs and others recently found guilty of criminal offenses, the court room was filled to its utmost capacity.

After disposing of a number of civil cases, Justice Dugas called upon Prisoner Soggs to stand up. In addressing the prisoner the Judge said:

"Whatever my own views may be concerning the matter, I have to respect the verdict of the jury. If it would help you any in your painful feelings, I might add my testimony to that of the witnesses who have testified as to your good character. I have known you myself, and have known you as a good citizen."

The judge then went on to say that it was a case where much aggravation had been provoked, but that the using of a gun was a very serious matter and that the prisoner must have been aware if he had not completely lost his senses at the time that there was great danger of killing at the distance the shots were fired. After summing up the case the judge passed sentence of two years in the penitentiary.

In the case of Gogerty, who plead guilty to a charge of theft, sentence of 12 months at hard labor was imposed. There were no mitigating circumstances in Gogerty's case and the moral crime of ingratitude was added to that of which he was charged and to which he admitted guilt.

Corkish, who beat and kicked in some of the Soggary ribs some time since, and who plead guilty to a charge of assault was sentenced to three months in jail at hard labor, during which time he will be at liberty to cogitate upon the evils arising from kicking a man when he's down.

Stjepovitch, convicted of hay stealing was called, but not sentenced. The judge merely saying that he would be called at 10 a. m. tomorrow to receive sentence.

Public sympathy for Prisoner Soggs is so manifest that the petition in his behalf to the minister of justice, which is being circulated this afternoon, will no doubt find a large number of conscientious signers. It is hoped by the movers in the matter that the petition will be signed with sufficient expedition to admit of its transmission by the same mail that carries the verdict of the jury and the sentence of the court.

Branching Out.

Craden & Wilcox have leased the Aurora dock and have opened a branch office there. They are also arranging to open an office at Whitehorse. They are preparing to do business and in order to carry out these intentions, will get locations in business centers.

Gold Commissioner's Court.

In the case of Gandolfo vs. Peterson, involving a bench claim opposite 5 above on the right limit of Hunker creek, a part of the evidence was heard, and the case enlarged till next Friday.

Notice.

We, the undersigned, have purchased Louis Golden's building, The Exchange, and business. Anyone having any debts due please present the same to EDWARDS & DFLONE, c42 Props.

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70 TONS OF STUFF

Principally Perishable Goods, Arrived on Columbian This Morning.

VERY LARGE LIST OF PASSENGERS.

Nora Arrived Today and Will Sail Tomorrow.

TYRRELL LEAVES TO-NIGHT.

With Large Crowd for St. Michael—Large New Warehouse—Lightning Sails Tomorrow.

The steamer Columbian arrived this morning with a large number of passengers and some 70 tons of freight, principally perishable goods. Many of the passengers have come to Dawson anticipating making connections here with boats to the lower river. A considerable amount of baggage was left over from this boat and will be brought down by the Canadian, which is now on the way down. She brought 20 sacks of mail. Following is her passenger list:

J. Cochrane, Mrs. C. H. Roselle, Bert McAlpine, Mrs. P. Roselle, Dr. E. H. Chambers, S. S. Blizart, Chas. Selmer, Mrs. Max Keller, Neil C. White, Edwin Vozburg, Lee Wilkins, A. N. Berglous, Mrs. Berglous, Pauline Pearsons, J. Marks, Jas. Calder, Wm. Keys, J. B. Sutherland, Mrs. P. Keys, Mrs. G. Keys, E. O. Keys, Mrs. B. T. Proudhomme, Mrs. Goble, Mrs. Morgudge, A. H. Morgudge, W. C. Watrouse, T. H. Adair, John Campbell, R. Clarkins, Dan Boise, Mrs. R. Cook, Mrs. L. A. Mason, E. W. Turner, Geo. Mitchell, A. L. Cheney, R. M. Wier, E. M. Carlson, Mrs. Cauckein, Ernest B. Scroggins, W. H. Scroggins, G. Anderson, W. M. Kaarsberg, C. J. Perry, J. M. Perl, P. L. Hope, F. D. Crooker, Edw. Ison, E. W. Ison, Mrs. W. S. Ison, W. S. Ison, J. N. Wheeler, Mrs. Wheeler, J. W. Ivery, Mrs. Ivey, A. W. Treadgold, Ida Bowdin, J. W. Auld, Geo. R. Nash, Louis Walsh, Leuit. Adair, J. T. Wilkinson, D. C. Jackson, John Sergemeister, A. Hannithon, Geo. Hardie, Pierre Polie, J. C. Hill, M. Rosthe, John Anderson, Alfred Johnson, Ernest Fulton, E. J. Kusel, John Nebbe, Harnish, J. H. Swalling, H. H. Prekli, Mrs. Decker, Mrs. L. A. Mason, N. A. Proudhomme, They, J. A. P. Gray, D. S. Swordfiger, J. Hahson, J. O. Cox, D. Nicholson, E. W. Haddock, A. M. Johnston, E. Meeker, Mrs. Max Murphy, Virgie Levy, Mrs. R. Graves.

The Nora will probably arrive this afternoon. She is billed to sail for Whitehorse tomorrow at 2 p. m. This gives three speedy and light-draught boats to this company and will allow the sailing of a boat every three days from Dawson.

Lancaster & Calderhead are increasing the size of their dock and have commenced the erection of a large warehouse which will be 50x100 feet in length and made of corrugated iron as an insurance against fire.

The steamer Gold Star is expected from up river today.

The Clara broke her capstan going through Five Fingers, but managed to pull through all right. She will return immediately to Dawson after loading at Whitehorse.

All first-class tickets have been sold on the steamer Tyrrell, which sails tonight for St. Michael, many having to be refused passage. Arrangements are perfected now for the sale of a number of second-class tickets. The boat will carry a very large passenger list, even more than was hoped for by her owners.

The swift steamer Lightning is billed for departure to Whitehorse tomorrow. She will probably make the record trip this season as she is a very fast and powerful boat.

The Nora arrived at 3:15 this afternoon none the worse for her daring trip through the canyon and rapids.

Warm Weather.

If there is any snow and ice to melt in the country tributary to the upper rivers and lakes, the weather of the present will do away with all cause for complaint regarding low water. From Bennett along the line this morning shortly after 9 o'clock the mercury was reported to be at about 70 degrees above zero, and there is no doubt but that the 80 mark was reached by 1 o'clock in the afternoon. Yesterday and today are the two warmest days experienced in Dawson this season, thermometers registering 84 here this afternoon.

Should Be Sat On.

The practice of the expressmen in Dawson of, every time a steamer whistles, blocking the entrance to the dock with their horses and wagons is one, which should be summarily squelched. This morning long before the Columbian had tied up to the C. D. Co.'s dock, wagons were backed up to the warehouse door until only a gangway less than four feet wide was left, the only means of egress for the steamer's passengers, where there was no business for the wagons for fully half an hour after the steamer tied up. It is not a pleasant experience to land from a steamer and be compelled to wander around among horse heels in order to reach the street, and the practice of the drivers in blocking the dock entrances should cease very suddenly.

Many Scows Arrive.

Sergeant J. J. Wilson, whose duty it is to keep tab on the number of scows arriving from up the river, is authority for the statement that up to this morning 300 scows have arrived from up the river since the opening of navigation. As the scows average six persons each, a total of 1800 people have come in by that means of transportation. A large number of scows have arrived during the day and from the officers of the Columbian it is learned that hundreds of others are strung along the river as far up as Whitehorse and that scow building at Bennett is reported more active at present than ever before.

The Klondike Gold Fields.

Through the kindness of Dr. J. N. E. Brown, secretary to Commissioner Ogilvie, the Nugget has been favored with a copy of the preliminary report of the Klondike gold fields as compiled by Mr. R. G. McConnell who was here last year for the purpose of preparing the annual summary report of the geological survey department. The work is the most complete yet issued on the subject and is a systematic detail of the geological conditions of the district.

Extending Streets.

A gang of prisoners is at work today clearing the nigger heads from Third avenue, between Fourth and Fifth streets and fronting the lower police station. The avenue will be opened clear through to Sixth street and will be properly graded and sidewalked. This is a much needed improvement and one which will add greatly to the appearance of that portion of the city. Other streets and avenues will be opened and extended during the summer.

The First Presbyterian Church.

The sermon delivered last evening by Dr. Grant to the congregation of the First Presbyterian church was listened to by a large and attentive congregation, who were more than satisfied with what they had heard.

Notice.

J. E. Binet, formerly proprietor of the Madden house, has transferred his interests in that hotel to his brother, J. O. Binet, who will pay all bills and receive all moneys due to that concern. c27 Signed, J. E. BINET.

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CUT AND DRIED

Was the Republican National Convention Held Last Tuesday.

McKINLEY'S NAME WAS ON THE SLATE.

He Would Be Nominated and Could Name His Vice.

HORTON MURDERER'S TRIAL.

Conviction in First Case—Skagway Will Vote Thursday—Big Fire at Port Townsend.

Philadelphia, June 18, via Skagway, June 23.—The Republican convention is likely to be all cut and dried. The nomination of McKinley will probably be unanimous, and his selection of vice-president will be carried. The three mentioned as candidates are former Secretary Bliss, Dolliver and Roosevelt. The latter is not a candidate and refuses acceptance, but the convention will probably stampede for him. It is believed the attendance at the convention will be slim.

The Democratic convention at Kansas City on the Fourth, is not likely to cut much figure, as it is quite evident that Bryan has enough votes to make his nomination a certainty. His running mate is not yet selected.

Incorporation at Skagway.

Skagway, June 23.—An election to decide the question of incorporation will be held next Thursday. More objections were raised against enclosing the Moore tract wharf in the new city limits, but were overruled.

Horton Murder Case.

Skagway, June 23.—Jim Williams was found guilty of the murder of Mrs. Horton this morning. The jury was out 17 hours and returned a verdict of murder in the second degree.

Fire at Port Townsend.

Port Townsend, Wash., June 18, via Skagway, June 23.—Fire today destroyed the largest block on Lawrence street; loss \$40,000.

At the Palace.

A splendid show is booked for the Palace Grand this week including the best newly imported and sour dough talent in the city. Features of the week will be a wrestling match on Friday night between Billy Long, champion of the Pacific Northwest and Senkler Swanson, champion of British Columbia. There will be a grand masque ball on Thursday.

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\$30 Suits are selling for \$20.00 \$6.50 Shoes are selling for \$4.50
\$25 Suits are selling for \$14.50 Golf Hose are selling for \$1.25
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MONDAY, JUNE 25, 1900.

LABOR LIENS.

There is clearly need of legislation to protect the laborer against possible loss of his wages. Many men worked all winter long under contracts, the provisions of which they did not know themselves, and when time for settlement came found that their signatures were attached to agreements which practically relieved their employers of all responsibility. There are men who must be protected against themselves and who require to be restrained by law from signing away their rights. On the other hand, there are employers who will take every advantage of the ignorance of those in their employ and defraud them in every way possible. Restraints must be placed against them that they may not take too great advantage of their men.

Care must be taken, however, in granting legal protection to the laborer that no injustice is done the employer. The latter has his right also, which must be respected. A contract once entered into must be observed by all parties thereto with equal strictness.

We are of the opinion that a laborer should have a first lien for his wages upon the dump he takes out or assists in taking out, but if employed by a layman we are unable to see any legitimate reason for holding the claim owner beyond the value of the dumps. In many cases the claim owner is not in touch with the work done on his ground, and a law making him responsible for the obligations of his laymen would give advantages over the former, which would result in doing away entirely with the lay system.

If a dump fails to yield the amount due for labor performed upon it the deficiency should be met by the man or men who contracted with the workmen. We agree with the opinion that the whole dump, including both claim owners' and laymen's share, should be held for the payment of wages. But in such a case the claim owner should not be held beyond his interest in the dump, where the layman has assumed entire responsibility of employing the labor.

A striking feature about the life we lead in this northern country is its isolation from the rest of the world. Political revolutions may take place with results seemingly far reaching enough to affect the uttermost parts of the earth, and yet the even tenor of the Klondiker's way is not in the least disturbed.

Wars may be fought and great nations grapple at each others throats, but so far removed are we from the theatre of the world's activities that the effect upon us is nominal. We could take no part in the great doings of the powers of the earth even if we so desired. Great policies may be planned and executed before we

are even aware that they are in contemplation. In fact, the Klondike is a sort of second Arcadia where an asylum may be found in which is complete separation from the turmoils of the busy world. All we require is the poetic genius who will portray in proper form the joys incident to the Klondiker's life of "splendid isolation."

The Ontario government is in a fair way to make a big thing for the people out of its resources in pulp wood. Several American paper men are arranging to set up large mills in that province, and the United States newspapers are agitating for the abolition of the duty collected on paper on account of the avaricious spirit of the trust, which has advanced the price of paper beyond all reason. The newspapers of the United States wield a great influence, and it is not unlikely they may carry their point. They have had the iniquities of protection brought home in a striking way and have had a forcible illustration of what consumers in other lines are compelled to endure, but have not the facilities of the press for making their grievances public. The duties on all kinds of paper at present are so high that none can be taken into the states from foreign countries. Monopoly in this case appears to have killed the goose. —Victoria Times.

Miners Have Narrow Escape.

Glouster, O., June 8.—Two hundred miners were imprisoned at 7 a. m. today by an explosion of gas in mine No. 2. It was thought at first that the loss of life would be very large, but the work of the rescuers was carried on so energetically and successfully that all were rescued and saved by tonight except three. Evan Joseph, John McClelland and Aaron Swanson were killed and their bodies cannot likely be recovered tonight, as the mine is still on fire.

These men were engaged to watch the large mine at night and see that it was in condition for the miners to enter in the morning. They were cut off from all means of escape at the time of the explosion, and their horses perished with them. William Williams, also employed in the mine, had his leg broken, and others suffered slight injuries.

The explosion set the mine on fire, and the rescuing party has been working with great difficulty. This evening about 6 o'clock a second explosion occurred, and shortly afterward a third, in which the system of fans used to force fresh air into the mine was destroyed. Further attempts will continue to be made to rescue the three bodies throughout the night and on the morrow.

There were 400 men employed in the mine. Had the explosion occurred a few moments later, after all the men had entered and taken their positions, the destruction of human life would have been fearful to contemplate.

Mine No. 2 is owned by W. P. Rand & Co., of Chicago. The shaft is 125 feet deep, and it was sealed up tonight in the attempt to smother the fire.

My Generous Boer.

The only Boer I ever was personally brought into contact with seemed to me a delightful person! This is how it happened. Soon after my arrival in Maritzburg, a bazaar was held in aid of some local literary undertaking. Bazaars were happily of very rare occurrence in those parts, and this one created quite an excitement, and realized an astonishingly large sum of money. The race week had been chosen for the purpose of catching customers among the numerous visitors to Pietermaritzburg in that gay time, and the wiles employed seemed very successful.

I never heard how or why he got there, but I only know that a stout, comfortable, well-to-do Dutch farmer suddenly appeared at the door of the bazaar. He was, of course, at once assailed by pretty flower girls and lucky-bag bearers, and cigars and kittens were promptly pressed on him. But the old gentleman had a plan and a method of his own, on which he proceeded to act.

He had not one single syllable of English, so it was a case of deeds not words. He began at the very first stall and worked his way all round. At each stall he pointed to the biggest thing on it, and held out a handful of coins in payment. He then shouldered

his purchase as far as the next stall, where he deposited it as a gift to the lady selling, bought her biggest object, and went on round the hall on the same principle. When it came to my turn he held out to me the largest wax doll I ever beheld, and carried off a huge and unwieldy doll's house, which entirely eclipsed even his burly figure. My next door (or rather stall) neighbor had a table full of glass and china, and she consequently viewed the approach of this article of bazaar commerce with natural misgiving, but as this ideal customer relieved her of a very large ugly breakfast set, she managed to make room for the miniature house until she could arrange a raffle and so get rid of it.

The last I saw of that Boer, who must have contributed largely to our receipts, was his leading a very small donkey, which he had just bought at the last stall, away by a blue ribbon halter. I believe it was the only "object" in the whole bazaar which could possibly be of the slightest practical use to him, but the contrast between the weak-kneed and frivolously attired donkey and its sturdy purchaser was irresistibly comic.

No one seemed to know in the least who he was, but we supposed he must have come down for the races and backed the winners very successfully. —Lady Barker, in the Cornhill.

The Meat Market.

Judge Irwin landed from a scow at West Dawson Saturday evening, from Yakima, 18 head of beef cattle. Mr. Rudio got in Saturday evening with 90 sheep, 49 head of hogs and has a drove of cattle following him, which should arrive within a day or two.

The tendency of the market is downward on account of the arrival of fresh supplies, but the general opinion of dealers is that prices will hold up to pretty nearly their present rate.

A Miner's Inch.

Editor Klondike Nugget,
Dear Sir: Please state through your columns what constitutes a miner's inch of water, and oblige
A SUBSCRIBER.

(A miner's inch is a measure for flow of water, and is an opening one inch square through a plank two inches in thickness under a head of six inches of water to upper edge of opening. It will discharge 11,625 U. S. gallons water in one minute.—ED.)

Unique Expedition.

A unique expedition in the interests of science, which is to include the shores of British Columbia in its travels, has started out from New York. According to some American exchanges the object of the expedition is to prove the startling theory now entertained by some that the Klondike was the original garden of Eden. Morris K. Jessup, a millionaire New York banker, and president of a big museum, is backing the enterprise with \$50,000. A party of three have set out, leaving San Francisco on the steamer Doric recently, intent on starting their labors on the Amoor river, in Asia, from which point they will travel northward to Bering sea and then southward along the coast to the Columbia river.

Don't Sleep in Church.

Harry Tidd, a young druggist, attended the service in the Bethany Presbyterian church at Trenton, N. J., last night, says the New York Sun, and went to sleep. While he was asleep he stood up and removed his coat and waistcoat. Two women who sat in the same pew with him moved to a far corner. Then he unbuttoned his collar and took off his cravat, and next his shirt came over his head. He was about to slide out of his trousers, when several women shrieked and he awoke with a start. His trousers were dangling about his feet as he ran down the aisle to the vestry. An usher handed him his clothing, and he put them on and went home.

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Notice.

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LATE NEWS FROM BIG SALMON

Which Reports That Country as Being Rich in Gold.

Many Large Nuggets Found, Some Near the Surface—Demand for Labor But Wages Are Low.

The Nugget is frequently asked by mining men for information concerning the Big Salmon river country and is, therefore, pleased to be able to reproduce the following from the late issue of the Alaskan:

W. L. Norrington, of Seattle, returned yesterday evening from the South fork of Big Salmon and gives a good account of that expansive mining district, or of the patches of it that have come under his personal observation. He says that Lowe & Peterson and a man from South Seattle, whose name he could not for the moment recall, have spent \$5000 on lower discovery on Livingstone creek, and have the creek flumed and are ready to do extensive work. He says:

"These men took out of that claim last fall, just in a sniping way, without sluice boxes, between \$5000 and \$8000, and in sluicing over the ground where they had taken this out the day I was there they took out over \$25. The day before they took out a little over \$100 out of a pocket on bedrock, and the day before that one \$25 nugget."

"On this same claim last fall an old California miner named Louis Kezer, pulled a bush of that was growing on top of a boulder and a \$230 nugget rolled down."

"What is known as the Black party has nine men on upper discovery, sluicing. They are just beginning and expect to take out good money this week."

"On No. 1 above, Mike Sheehan has a number of men at work. He has put in a wing dam and a big flume and is just about ready for work. He has taken out some dust in his prospecting."

"Dan Snore, who has the roadhouse at the mouth of the Hootalinqua, has a party on No. 6 above, and expects to turn out considerable, and there are many other parties prospecting their claims to see where they can strike the pay streak."

"The great difficulty on Livingstone is the depth of bedrock, from 25 to 50 feet. Of course the government gets the next ten claims below discovery, the first four of which are supposed to be very rich, and if sold in July will bring good prices."

"Cotinea is another creek that is being worked. This is five miles below Livingstone on the south fork, and heads in the same range of mountains. Good prospects have been found on Cotinea and Louis Kerzer's party are developing discovery. Out of this claim they took about \$500 last season. It is pretty deep to bedrock, and there are many big boulders. They had no derricks or other machinery last year to move these boulders, so could not go ahead. Now they have, and are ready to do extensive mining. There are about three other claims being worked on this creek, and a number of men are prospecting."

"I should say there are about 50 men on Livingstone and 20 on Cotinea working, and others prospecting. How many there are in the South Fork district I could give no idea, as it is a vast district taking in everything on the Pelly west to the Hootalinqua."

G. E. Zinkan, of Skagway, has returned after an absence of two months in the Big Salmon district. He went in over the ice and snow with a sled, and prospected the country, and after carefully considering the situation says the Big Salmon is not a poor man's country. He says further:

"The country has attracted no great number of people. There are three creeks in the district, namely Livingstone, Cotinea and Martin. There are 65 people on Livingstone, seven or eight on Cotinea and scarcely any on Martin. I staked on Cotinea but I do not know just what the property is worth. I got colors but nothing big. Cotinea may prove a hydraulic proposition. So far as I know Livingstone is really the only creek that has yielded any gold, and the yield there is an uncertain quantity so far as I learned. Two claims are being worked and the results of the work on them this spring may prove whether or not they are of value as placer propositions. Should they pay good wages and hire a large number of men I should think they were doing well. As it is they are paying only \$3 a day and board and men are hard to get. That is on the discovery claims. Sheehan, Lowe, Peters and Cavanaugh are sluicing upper discovery

and Black is working lower discovery. No one on any other claims in the district are known to have gotten any gold. Still there may be ground there which if thrown into hydraulic proposition and worked on the wholesale order would prove a good dividend payer."

"Livingstone is staked up and down the creek. Cotinea is liberally staked but there has not been much staking on Martin."

"The recorder's office of the district is at Hootalinqua, 60 miles from the creeks and therefore it is no small task to get to the recorder's."

"In going into the Big Salmon country we took an overland cutoff from Lebarge and traveled easterly, striking Hootalinqua 30 miles out and well up from its mouth. Twenty miles more we were on Martin creek, and only a few more took us to Livingstone. A little distance beyond is Cotinea. All these three creeks flow into the Big Salmon. The trail into the country leads over what is now a marshy and boggy country, and one oftentimes sinks in the mire. It also is hilly, but underbrush is not thick, and the weather is fine."

"There seems to be no wind in the country. Rotten trees which one can push over are common."

"God Save the Queen."

A curious incident occurred at the reception tendered to the Boer delegates on their landing at Hoboken. The reports of the proceedings state that the members of the Native Hollanders' Association were present to show their sympathy for their assumed blood relations from South Africa. As the envoys stepped ashore, these patriotic gentlemen welcomed them with singing "America," a patriotic hymn arranged to the ancient, world renowned tune of "God Save the Queen." The effect on the Boer trio, who knew the anthem well and hated it cordially, is said to have been startling, and the reverse of cheerful and agreeable. They came to the United States for sympathy, and the first thing they were greeted with was an enthusiastic crowd singing the national anthem of their enemies! Their surprise and resentment were soon made known, and a damper was put on the proceedings by the frantic efforts made to choke off the singers. Explanations were then in order, but the disconcerted envoys showed plainly that they painfully felt the omen of the incident. The music of "God Save the Queen" was known all round the world before the United States became a nation as the British national anthem. It is played by military bands whenever a member of the royal family visits a foreign country, and every day at sunset by naval bands on board warships in harbor. When Admiral Dewey was at Naples the Italians were surprised to hear United States musicians play "God Save the Queen" on his ship, just the same as on board the British ship in harbor at the same time. They understood it as a compliment to the British, who also took it in the same way, and thought it very nice of the "Americans." The moral of the matter, however, is that, as the Latin proverb has it, "They change their sky and not their heart who cross the sea." The same old speech, the same old folk-songs, the same martial and patriotic airs—for this is not the only one which our brethren have innocently appropriated—make the same people. Marching to Pretoria to the tune of "Marching Through Georgia" is a favorite in the London music halls just now.—Montreal Witness.

A Pair of Blue Yarn Socks.
"Judge Emory Speer had a wonderful gift of repartee," said a former resident of Georgia, "and in his early campaigning days he frequently impressed that fact upon his opponents on the stump. Years ago, when he was running one fall against Col. Blount for congress, the two candidates made a tour of the districts and engaged in a series of joint debates. As the story goes, they drew an immense crowd of horny handed south Georgia farmers at a certain country settlement, and Blount, noting their rugged faces and homely attire, attempted to score a point against his opponent by depicting him as a haughty aristocrat."

"You might suppose that he was a plain, everyday kind of a man from the way he looks now," he said, "but you ought to see him when he gets to Washington. He's a regular Jude, and if one of you honest, hardworking farmers was to happen to meet him on Pennsylvania avenue he'd no more think of speaking to you than he'd think of jumping over the moon."

"While Blount was haranguing the crowd in that strain Speer chanced to notice that he had on a pair of white socks, and when it came his own turn to speak he began somewhat like this: "My friends, I am greatly surprised that Mr. Blount should have the audacity to refer to me as an aristocrat,

especially in view of a little incident which occurred only yesterday in the town of Macon. We were standing in conversation on the street corner, arranging for this very trip, when a good old country woman approached and endeavored to sell us some socks. They were old fashioned, plain, honest, blue yarn socks, gentlemen, the same kind our mothers used to knit, and when she drew out a pair from her basket our friend, Col. Blount, gave them one contemptuous glance, turned up his nose and walked away. I don't know, of course, but I would wager that he has on a pair of fine, city made white socks at this very moment. As for me, whom he terms an aristocrat, I bought the homely socks he professed to scorn, and—here he pulled up his trousers, exhibiting a couple of blue woolen tops—"I have 'em on right now! Colonel, let's see your socks!"

"Needless to say, Blount collapsed, and that township returned an overwhelming majority for Speer."—New Orleans Times Democrat.

The Masonic Excursion.

The excursion given yesterday on the steamer Tyrrell under the auspices of the Yukon Masonic Association in commemoration of Masonic day, June 24th, was not so largely patronized as the nature of the outing and beauty of the day warranted. As it was, however, the advantage was on the side of those who did go, as they had ample room without being crowded. It was a few minutes past 11 o'clock when the steamer pulled out from her dock and headed up the Yukon. Except one time for wood, no stop was made until Indian river was reached, which was 7 o'clock in the evening. The steamer landed in front of the N. W. M. P. station where a stay of an hour and a half was made, and where everyone took advantage of the fine opportunity to gather wild roses and get bitten by mosquitoes as big as sandhill cranes. Those who did not have luncheon with them were well cared for by Restaurant Bruce, who had the dining saloon privileges, and by Mrs. West who provided the ice cream and confectioneries.

On the return trip the happy excursionists were regaled with several songs from Miss Marion Tracie and Mr. Tony Sala. At a few minutes before 11 last night the steamer swung into her berth at the A. C. dock, and one of the most delightful outings in the history of the Yukon was among the events of the past.

N. A. T. T. Vice President.

W. H. Ison, vice-president of the N. A. T. & T. Co., left Skagway last Monday on his way to Dawson and the lower Yukon, on a tour of general inspection. Mr. Ison will probably remain in Dawson two or three weeks before leaving for the company's lower river posts.

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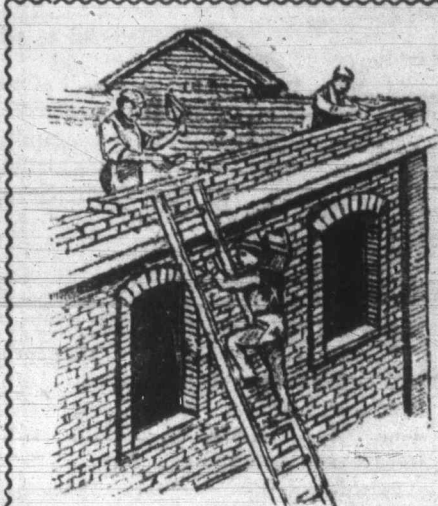
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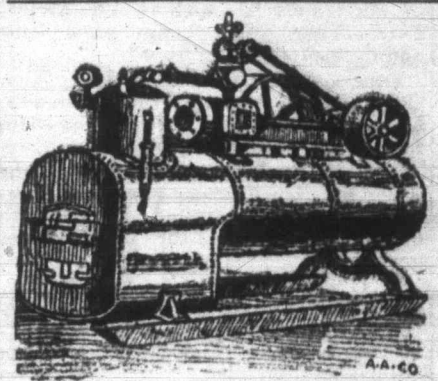
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