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Work to be Done: The taxpayers and voters of Dawson are confronted by a situation of the importance of which some of them do not appear to appreciate.

Wanted: A Self-Made Man's Letter: Dear Pierrepont: No, I can't say that I think anything of your post-graduate idea.

Manitoba Farm Hand: Shot Deal by an Unknown Would-Be Robber: Cartwright, Man., Nov. 26 - About dark last night W. Bourne, living three miles south of here, and his man, J. Asling, were sitting down to supper when a man called and asked to be directed to Mr. Wright's place.

Across the Continent: Three Children Travel From Montreal to Portland: Seattle, Dec. 18 - Little Miss Pearl Driscoll, an eight-year-old young lady travelling from Montreal, Canada, to Portland, Ore., in charge of two younger sisters, aged five and three respectively, arrived in Seattle last evening over the Great Northern.

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The Department conducted every of the children, a pleased to contact with their. If there is any written a poem of favorite puzzle of. One evening, as just after the rain and made all the glisten with pre a small crept out and looked about. Ah! it was a y saw-tall trees huge gorgeous fl heads high up, f was so small th leaves and plants ests to him. Far, far away heavens the sun w rest. That sight of the snail, so after for a short time, voyage of discover he came to was gate pink boat, clear water. "Oh, pretty boy will you let me "Nay," said the fallen roseleaf, "your weight, snail fragile." The snail watching gracefully away with a sigh, beautiful too, like Soon his sight of to a feeling of al great two-legged with white feathers. "Quack, quack!" and the snail knew quack!" meant, mail for supper. Well, he felt de and did not know fortunately, there ing in the path, and his tail his. Then he peeped or was safe, and a quite disappeared, crawled along ov and then entered a small thought this and his heart swel the beautiful thing give him a then way he sang a so Creator. The leaves of th

The Nugget's Department for Children

A LITTLE FRIENDLY TALK.

This department of the Nugget is conducted every week for the benefit of the children, and the editor would be pleased to come more closely in contact with them.

If there is any boy or girl who has written a poem or a story or has a favorite puzzle or knows of anything

else that would be of interest to the other lads and lassies of the Klondike, write a letter to the Children's Department and you may be sure it will be received with the greatest pleasure. I wish every boy and girl to feel that he or she has an interest in this section of the paper and by

writing something to be published you will help the good cause along. There are a great many matters of which you all could write something, and in so doing you will greatly assist and oblige

The Editor of the Children's Department.

The Adventures of a Snail.

One evening, as the sun shone out, just after the rain had fallen down, and made all the flowers and trees glisten with pretty diamond drops, a small reptile out of his hole in a wall and looked about him.

Ah! it was a very lovely world he saw—all trees waved above him, huge gorgeous flowers reared their heads high up, for you see, the snail was so small that the flowers and leaves and plants were like grand forests to him.

Far, far away in the beautiful heavens the sun was slowly sinking to

ting with diamond rain-drops, and the snail thought, "How I should like to possess one of those diamonds, all for my very own."

Just as he thought this, down dropped one of the diamonds on his head. This made him put in his horns very quickly, for you see, the drop was so exceedingly cold it gave him quite a chill. When he was coming out of the forest, he saw a great two-legged animal, much bigger than his first enemy, and this is what the animal said: "I should think there would be plenty of snails out this evening, namma. I'm going to catch some, to give to the ducks."

"Oh, dear," thought the snail, "I wish I had stopped at home, for it is so very dangerous out tonight. Oh, how frightened I feel!"



He drew into the shade of the forest, and wasted till he thought all danger was past, and then peeped out; but he drew in again very quickly, for there was the two-legged animal peering about near the leaves in which he was hid. Presently he heard it say, "Well, I think I have got all the horrid snails from this bed. I shall go into the other garden."

How glad the snail felt when he heard this cruel creature patter away.

"Ah," he thought, "though I can't sing like the bird, and I am not beautiful like the roseleaf, the good God has placed me in the world to do some little thing for Him, so I'll try and be content with my lot, and not grumble any more."

Then he crawled home, feeling very grateful to the kind voice that had said something good of him, and assured that he too had his little work to do, and was not utterly useless in the big world.



That night was too dazzling for the snail, so after gazing about him for a short time, he set forth on a voyage of discovery. The first thing he came to was a most lovely delicate pink boat, floating in a pool of clear water.

"Oh, pretty boat," said the snail, "will you let me come into you?"

"Nay," said the boat, which was a lily roseleaf, "for I could not bear your weight, snail; I am much too fragile."

The snail watched the roseleaf floating gracefully about, and then turned away with a sigh, because he was not beautiful too, like the flower.

He rested for awhile to recover from his fright, and then he came out of the forest. As he was crawling quietly along, he suddenly heard lovely sounds. A bird, lifting its little head towards the sky was singing its evening hymn. Higher and higher, richer and richer, came forth the glorious notes, and the snail paused in delight to listen. Suddenly the song changed. First the bird sang a few little notes sweetly and faintly, then it made a little trill, and then it poured forth joyously a full song of praise, so loud and clear that the snail held his breath in wonder.

Poor snail! he turned away sadly, for he felt so low and mean; such a dirty dingy thing, compared to the roseleaf and the bird, and he felt a strange longing to possess something beautiful. Somehow the world did not seem so lovely now the sun had

And the sun shone bright on the waving corn, And Ragamuff isn't so very forlorn With a song-bird in his breast!

Puzzles.

WORD PUZZLE.
No. 45.
A word of nine letters which is both old and new:
1-1, 2, 3, 4, is a trial, a standard.
2-3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, is a part of a flower.
3-4, 5, 6, 7, is the reverse of wild.
4-5, 6, is a part of the most irregular of all verbs.
5-5, 6, 7, 8, is a word that expresses agreement.
6-6, 7, 8, is a large portion of the human race.
7-The last letter is the same as the first.

TRANSPPOSITIONS.
No. 46.
Transpose the following words so as to make sentences of the nature of proverbs:
1-Anger than kindness better governs.
2-Prudence and industry to honor climb by men.
3-Another's burden feel can none of the weight.
4-The thief opportunity makes.
5-Perfectly weary perfectly idle one will be that is.

ANSWERS TO PUZZLES DECEMBER.
WORD SQUARES.
No. 46.
L A R K.
A S I A.
R I O T.
K A T E.
No. 31.
C O I N.
O G R E.
I R I S.
N E S T.

ANAGRAMS.
Girl's Christian names:—
No. 42.
1, Bertha; 2, Agnes; 3, Dorothy.
DIAGONAL ACROSTIC.
No. 43.
France—Cross-words: 1, famous; 2, arrive; 3, cradle; 4, cringe; 5, de face; 6, pounce.

WORD PUZZLE.
No. 44.
Atonement.—At, to, tone, one, me, men, atone.

MARRIED LAST NIGHT
And Now Their Two Hearts Beat as One.

"Well, yes, of course, it must be so. No argument can shake it. If one will offer up a heart. The other need but take it."

The groom is a promising and popular young business man who has charge of the meat business of Bartsch & Co. at Caribou and on the surrounding creeks. His bride arrived by yesterday's stage, she having gone to the outside last fall. After spending a few days in the city they will leave for their future home at Caribou.

Train Robber Identified.
Knoxville, Tenn., Dec. 17.—Lowell Spencer, a Pinkerton detective, today positively identified the man under arrest here as Harvey Logan, one of the alleged Great Northern Express robbers. He says this man was seen in Nashville with the woman who was arrested there with a quantity of Montana bank money. The man still refuses to talk.

Murdered by Burglar.
Pittsburg, Dec. 17.—Harriet P. Murphy, prominent in church and social circles, and treasurer of the Kingsley house fund, was murdered at her home, 6221 Howe street, East End, by a burglar this morning. The murderer escaped.

Growing Like a Snowball
Rolling Down Hill!
That is the way the Nugget's circulation has increased since the subscription price was reduced to

The Future of Dawson

(The following essay was written in competition for the prize of \$25 offered by the Nugget for the best essay written by a pupil in the public school on the subject: "The Future of Dawson.")

What will Dawson's future be? This should not be difficult to foretell. Its very existence was the result of the discovery of placer gold in the immediate vicinity, and its future prosperity depends largely on the continued production of this very precious metal.

While it is true that a few of the richest mines are nearly worked out, it is also a fact that more claims are being found in their stead, more men employed and more gold taken out each successive year.

Stewart river is producing gold in paying quantities. A man who has spent the last three years on a tributary of this river has made enough to send for his wife and daughter and the three are living contentedly on a small creek one hundred miles up the McQuestion. Some of the recent stampedees to Mayo creek were entertained by this family and given enough provisions to enable them to reach Dawson.

Miners realize that while seeking for gold the discovery of other valuable minerals is always possible and this gives renewed incentive for renewed efforts.

The ground already partially worked out, which by crude appliances of the early prospectors yielded rich returns, will pay to be worked over again by more modern methods.

Rich hydraulic companies are organizing, who will successfully handle thousands of tons of gravel and bed rock heretofore deemed worthless, and a large part of this will necessarily circulate in Dawson city.

If gold bearing quartz ledges are found near the town it will signify a promising future for Dawson.

The recently reported heavy deal in quartz claims on Ophir creek would seem to indicate that something permanent had been found, though I have heard quartz miners assert that true gold bearing ledge had yet been discovered.

Already small stamp mills for testing ore have been put up near Dawson and one of them seems to be running all the time, but they don't allow visitors, so I couldn't get any information. Although the success of the quartz miner won't establish the future of Dawson—don't think it is essential. The surrounding country is rapidly developing other resources.

located on the different creeks to supply the local trade.

Farming and gardening are carried on very successfully in favorable localities near Dawson. The fact that the same men remain in the business year after year continually increasing the amount of ground they cultivate as do the Fax Bros., is evidence of success. During the past season they produced and sold at a good profit lettuce, radishes, turnips, cabbage, potatoes, parsnips and a few other varieties. Over fifty acres were under cultivation in and near Dawson last summer, but the demand is still in excess of the supply. Hay farms which produce more or less grain are located on the Yukon and its tributaries for a radius of one hundred miles from Dawson. The Sonieskon ranch located between the Mazie May and Black Hills creeks on the Stewart river is probably the largest and best equipped. Mowing machines, hay rakes, stackers and all the modern machinery are evidence of the prosperity of these out-lying homes.

Among other things which will contribute to Dawson's future prosperity are the many miles of wagon road built by our home government. Special mention should be made of the road tapping the Forty-mile mines, i. e., Miller, Glazer, Jack Wade creek. This should throw the balance of trade with Dawson from a district which heretofore produced thousands of dollars in gold dust and unaided has maintained a good sized town at Forty-mile.

So much for the financial outlook of Dawson! But I don't think money is everything.

We have good homes, a fine large school house, competent teachers, churches, Sunday schools, good public buildings, theatres, and other places of amusement. In fact we have educational, social and religious advantages almost equal to the outside world, while it is much easier to make a living here.

So, considering everything, my opinion is that "Dawson's Future" is just all right.

BESSIE.
Seventh Grade Dawson Public School.

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Miss Murphy was the only sister of Select Councilman John A. Murphy, from the Twentieth ward, and was 30 years of age. She, with her brother and two servants, women, lived alone in the house.

Miss Murphy was sleeping on the second floor. She was an expert with the revolver, having practiced many years for the purpose of protecting herself in the event of just such an attack as happened this morning, and she always had a pistol either under her pillow or within easy reach.

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