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ARE STILL GRINDING AWAY

The Revising Barrister Holds Session This Morning and 24 New Voters Placed on the List—All Persons Named on the Supplementary List Must Apply in Person.

If the mills of the Gods grind slowly they are not more sure of their efficiency than is the court of revision sitting today on the Kid Committee's supplementary list. His honor has stated upon several occasions that it is his earnest desire to see that everyone who is entitled to a place on the voters' list will be put there, but he will not permit any railroading on the part of the Kids and everyone coming up for such purpose will be subject to such cross-examination as may be deemed necessary to fully establish their right to the franchise. At this morning's session several attempts were made to push things along with undue haste, Attorney Ridley several times being most flagrantly interrupted while cross-examining an applicant, a persistent determination being apparent to force matters without any regard to the wishes or respect to the dignity of the court. So annoying became the Other Fellow at one time that Judge Macaulay was compelled to address him something after this fashion: "Your remarks are perfectly idiotic. You have no right to talk as you are now and have done on several previous occasions and I shall not tolerate it any further. I have been extremely lenient with you and it is my desire to expedite matters to the greatest possible extent, but you must not interrupt the counsel in his line of cross-examination. I consider that I am able to tell to what extent such should be carried; in fact, I do not think that I am presumptuous in saying that I am more competent and able to judge of such questions than you are and the quicker you understand that the better."

In order that there may be no misunderstanding as to the position in which the Kid Committee's big list now stands it might be stated that since the knock out blow administered Saturday by the Hon. Mr. Justice Dugas the Kids have been compelled to adopt different tactics. The supplementary list was held to be illegal, as far as being accepted by the assessor in the same manner as the original list he himself had prepared, was concerned, but by reason of there being an application attached to it in writing applying for its ac-

ceptance and a place on the regular list and because it was filed prior to midnight on December 31 Judge Macaulay has decided to accept it as is any single application made in due form. It is necessary, however, before any of the names on the list are added to the regular list, that each person so desiring must appear before the revising barrister in person and be examined as to his qualifications. In that manner a great many fictitious names and also those of town residents upon the Kid's list who would not be able to qualify will be stricken off.

At the opening of today's session Judge Macaulay made a ruling in reference to those British subjects who had taken out their first but not their final papers in the States. His honor holds that by such action, merely a declaration of intention, one does not cease to be a British subject, and such can vote without being naturalized. The four names examined last week were ordered added to the list.

Those allowed this morning included Wm. Inkster, Wm. Rose, George Whitehead, R. L. Ashbaugh, T. B. Haddock, S. E. Pelland, W. S. Gowler, C. R. Sinclair, H. H. Smith, G. D. Edwards, Hugh McDermid, Walter R. Hamilton, N. J. Caron, C. W. Franklin, Wilfred Delage, Charles Smith, J. D. McMurray, H. Lange, J. L. Nadelman, A. H. Anderson, B. R. Dusenberry, D. D. Doyle, J. K. Campbell and W. J. George. J. P. Daumerie, a resident of Canada for ten years and married to a Canadian wife, was disallowed on account of never having taken out his naturalization papers.

If it is found necessary in order to accommodate everyone entitled to a place on the list Judge Macaulay has signified his intention of holding night sessions.

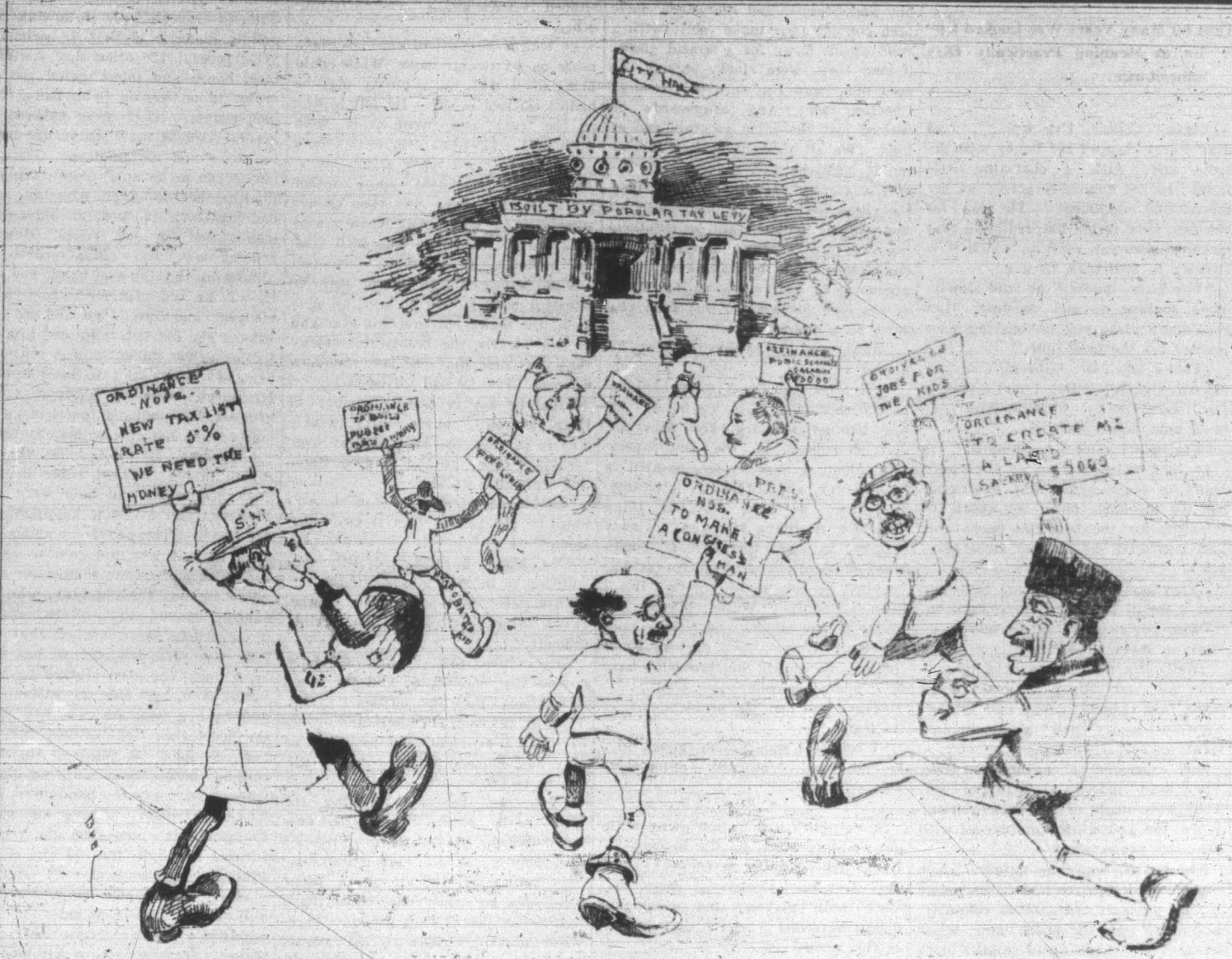
TOO MUCH CONCESSION Causes Miners at Atlin to Register Protest. Vancouver, Dec. 17.—A special from Atlin, B. C., says that a meeting of miners from all the creeks has been called for December 20, to protest against the issuance of hydraulic leases. The meeting hopes to impress upon the provincial government the necessity of recognizing the rights of the individual miner. Last season there were many complaints of large companies being allowed to swallow up the water privileges on many creeks, to the detriment of work by the individual miner.

The winter diggings on Boulder creek are turning out very satisfactorily. Several large nuggets have lately been taken out of the Delaware properly and big returns are being obtained from the drifting operations on Spruce creek.

The first case of freezing this winter has just been reported. Louis Landerling, an old prospector, was badly frozen coming in from Skagway via Warm Pass, and is now at Tepee. He was caught in a heavy snow storm and was four days in making twenty-five miles.

The weather in town is mild, and a chinook wind is blowing. Ice formed on Atlin creek on the 12th, but is unsafe for the lightest travel. Other water connections are in a splendid condition, with but little snow.

Freighters have condemned the new winter trail by the government between Log Cabin and Tepee, and will open up the old one.



SOME ORDINANCES WHICH MAY BE EXPECTED IF THE "KIDS" WIN.

OREGON POLITICS

Editor Harvey Scott and Mitchell Bury the Hatchet.

The Republican leaders of the State of Oregon are cultivating a spirit of brotherly love similar to that which exists in the party in this state. The party leaders, in order to encourage and perpetuate the condition of peace in the party ranks, are sleeping each with a long keen knife concealed on his person, each awaiting the first stir on the part of any other prominent member of the party as a signal for a swift and vicious thrust in that direction.

The most recent development of importance in the Oregon political situation is the mention of the name of Harvey W. Scott, the veteran and accomplished editor of the Oregonian, as a candidate for election to the United States Senate to succeed Senator Simon. In the furtherance of his desires to be elected to the Senate on the occasion of the coming vacancy Mr. Scott and the Oregonian, his paper, have recently adopted and praised the acts of Senator Mitchell. Until quite recently Scott had for twenty-five years fought Mitchell with all of his characteristic vigor. But recent indications sustain the theory that the editor and the senator have formed an alliance, offensive and defensive, the ends of which are to elect Scott to Simon's seat and return Mitchell to Washington as his own successor, at the end of his present term. If this be accomplished it means the defeat of the Simon-Corbett alliance, which has for its purpose the return of Simon and the election of Corbett, instead of Mitchell, at the end of the latter gentleman's present term.

This, in brief, is the situation in the state as outlined by Judge H. R. Kincaid of Eugene, a man who for thirty-five years has figured prominently in the politics of the state and who during that time has held several political positions of importance. Mr. Kincaid was formerly secretary of state and is at present county judge of Lane County, having been elected on an independent citizen's ticket. He is, and for thirty-seven years has been, the editor of the Oregon State Journal, which he edits with marked vigor and political independence. Judge Kincaid is at present in the city on an errand, combining business and pleasure, and in an interview given to a reporter for the Times at the Northern Hotel, he said:

"The Republicans of Oregon are torn up with internal dissensions. Editor Harvey Scott of the Oregonian is said to be a candidate for the United States Senate to succeed Senator Simon and for some time past the Oregonian has been persistently exploiting and praising Senator Mitchell. This is significant in view of the fact that for twenty-five years the Oregonian fought Mitchell bitterly.

"This development in the light resolves the political situation into a fight between the faction headed by Scott and Mitchell on the one side and that headed by Simon and Cor-

FOR AN Appointive Commission

The advocates of the above form of local government have opened headquarters in the Rear of the Bank Saloon.

All who are in sympathy with the movement are requested to call and register their names.

All voters favorable to a commission whose names are not on the voters' list are requested to report at headquarters AT ONCE. A rig will be provided to take them to the office of the Revising Barrister, where they may be enrolled.

Economy and Efficiency

...Our Motto...

best on the other. Senator Mitchell was the leader of the Silver forces in the State of Oregon, but when he abandoned the Silver cause, in the memorable campaign of 1896, the opposition, which that act aroused was so great that his enemies succeeded in defeating him for re-election. To do this they prevented the organization of the state legislature. After the succeeding legislature was elected Governor Lord called a special session of that body and that session elected Senator Simon. At the regular session which followed Corbett was the regular nominee, but a combination was formed by the Mitchell men with the Democratic members,

and Mitchell was elected by a small majority. The coming session will have to elect a successor to Senator Simon, and while the legislature is normally Republican, it remains to be seen whether the time-up will show it to be controlled by the Simon-Corbett or by the Mitchell-Scott faction of the party. —Seattle Times.

Chipped diamonds, yellow diamonds or fawed diamonds, can not be bought at J. L. Sale & Co.'s. They carry only the best. Nicely furnished rooms at the Coping House, 7th Ave. and 3rd St.

GOV. ROGERS BURIED

In Cemetery Near Puyallup, His Old Home.

Olympia, Dec. 30, via Skagway, Jan. 6.—Governor Rogers will be buried on New Year's day in the cemetery near Puyallup, his former home. Olympia, Dec. 24, via Skagway, Jan. 5.—Henry McBride, the Lieut. Governor, has been sworn in as Governor, vice John R. Rogers, deceased.

TO SETTLE BOUNDARY

British-American Dispute to be Adjusted.

Washington, D.C., Dec. 29, via Skagway, Jan. 5.—It is expected that efforts will be renewed ere long for the settlement of numerous controversies which for a long time have existed between the United States and Great Britain over the Canadian border. The matter of the Atlantic fisheries, warships in the great lakes and Alaskan boundary question will be taken up. Lord Lansdowne has frequently expressed a desire that these matters be taken up and Sir Julian Pauncefote has labored for years to clear up all pending differences. It is thought all the questions will shortly be adjusted with satisfaction to all concerned.

SEATTLE THE CENTER

All Mail for Atlin and Yukon Sent From There.

Seattle, Dec. 31, via Skagway, Jan. 8.—In compliance with an order received from the post office department yesterday, mail of all classes for Atlin and the Yukon district will hereafter be forwarded from Seattle. This relates to all United States and Canada mail.

Arrived Today. The following parties arrived from Whitehorse today: Wm. Zahn, Geo. Laing, Fred Granann, Geo. Zahn, Gottlieb Speidel, Harry I. Clegg, J. E. Boynton, S. R. Weiss, Robt. Larch, Sam Fraser, Wm. Davis. Sam Fretwell's stage also arrived, bringing four passengers.

LOST.—About two weeks ago, male mule puppy, female, about 4 months old, dark muzzle. Reward on return to Lennie Macdonald, corner 8th avenue and Hansen street, of court house.

THE VOTERS ARE AROUSED

The Public Sentiment Turns In Favor of an Appointed Commission—Economy and Efficiency Are the Watchwords—The "Kids" Demoralized—Promises Unfulfilled.

The Kid Committee are moving heaven and earth to recover the ground lost by them on Saturday when Judge Dugas declared their stuffed supplementary voters' list illegal. The plot to vote the fictitious names with which the supplementary lists were crowded has ended in dismal failure and the Kids have been compelled to produce their famous "six hundred" before the revising barrister.

When their voting qualifications are scanned and the wheat garnered from the chaff—or in other words, when those who are really entitled to vote are placed on the list the "six hundred" will be in a vastly worse condition than was that other six hundred who in a thousand times nobler cause went to glory and death at Balaklava. The more closely the taxpayers scan the personnel of the leaders of the elective movement and examine the motives which lead them to make the extraordinary efforts they are putting forth to secure control of Dawson, the more united they become in standing together in favor of an appointed commission. It may be taken as a cardinal principle of the Kid Committee that if they are placed in charge of Dawson during the coming year, the game will be worked for every dollar there is in it. They understand perfectly well that under no conditions can they hope to hold the reins of office for more than one year. The promises they are scattering broadcast cannot be fulfilled under any circumstances and the Kids themselves realize that their own supporters will turn against them when they discover that pre-election promises are not carried out. That promises of all sorts of patronage are being freely made there is not the slightest doubt. An amusing instance in this connection occurred a few days ago. A supporter of the gang entered the store of a prominent merchant and asked for credit for a suit of clothes. When requested to produce some assurance that he would pay the bill, the storekeeper was informed that the would-be purchaser had been promised a job—as soon as the Kid Committee came into power.

A point not generally understood may be cited in connection with the qualification of voters. At the approaching election the qualifications are vastly different from what they will be next year. After the first election the charter provides the following qualifications: 1. Every person rated upon property within the City of Dawson shall be qualified to vote at an election of Mayor or Aldermen who— (a) Is a British subject of the full age of twenty-one years or upwards (b) Has been rated upon the previous year's assessment and has fully paid his rates and taxes of all kinds before the day for nominating candidates.

At the first election the qualifications are much easier to meet and it is this fact which has given the Kids hope that they will be able to win out. Under the above qualifications they would stand absolutely no show and hence their desperate effort to get in office for the coming year. Should they by any inadvertence carry their plans to success they propose making hay while the sun shines. Meanwhile, however, their hopes have grown less and less each day. Public sentiment has been thoroughly aroused in the vital question of the day and the taxpayers of the town almost to a man are rallying in favor of an appointed commission. Business men have thrown themselves into the contest and from now until the day of election will give their personal attention to the details necessary to make the fight for a commission a success.

Two days yet remain before the election and during that time there is work for every man who wishes to see economy and efficiency prevail in the conduct of Dawson's affairs. It is of vital importance that each voter favorable to a commission should have his name placed on the voters' lists, and to this end the committee urge that every voter so inclined should call immediately at the committee's headquarters.

Fatal Disaster.

Skagway, Jan. 5.—The Cottage City brings full details of a fatal marine disaster. The collier Bristol, owned by Premier Dunsuir of British Columbia and bound for Treadwell with 2000 tons of coal, struck a reef near Green Gray's island at the southern end of Dixon's Entrance at 12 o'clock on the night of Jan. 3. The ship sank almost immediately. Fourteen of the crew of 21 were rescued by the Cottage City. Seven, including Capt. McIntyre, Pilot Roberts and C. E. Vincent are missing. The Cottage City cruised around for two hours but failed to find the missing.

JEFFRIES AND SHARKEY

Will Test Strength and Science at Frisco.

New York, Dec. 30, via Skagway, Jan. 6.—Jeffries and Sharkey are matched to fight before the Yosemite Club, San Francisco, between March 17th and April 30th. The articles specify that the bout is to be declared off if Maher defeats Sharkey in Philadelphia in January. Fitzsimmons is anxious to arrange a match with Jeffries.

BERRYMAN'S HOOTCH CACHE

Was Found Saturday by Deputy Sheriff Richardson.

Acting Deputy Sheriff Richardson executed a clever piece of work late Saturday afternoon when he succeeded in laying his hands on over 10000 worth of wines, liquors and cigars which Chas. Berryman had secreted prior to his hurried departure. The attachment was made by George de Lion who had sold the goods to Berryman some weeks previously. At the time Berryman's departure was made known last Thursday a search of the premises at the Villa de Lion failed to reveal any stock on hand and it was not until Saturday that a portion of it was located. The cache was found in the loft of a small cabin on the alley near the rear of the Ladue Company Store occupied by a man whose only name that could be learned was Frank. How the liquor was transferred from West Dawson can only be surmised, but it is supposed that it was brought over in a small quantity at a time by some of Berryman's confederates who are still in town. It is thought that still more of the stock will be unearthed in a few days.

Fred J. McCarty the freighter arrived today with a four horse team from Coffee creek and reports the trail very heavy from Eastern down.

Stage From Whitehorse. A stage from Whitehorse arrived this forenoon with six passengers.

Hot and cold lunch at the Bank Saloon.

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MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 1912.

\$50 Reward.

We will pay a reward of \$50 for information that will lead to the arrest and conviction of any one stealing copies of the Daily or Semi-Weekly Nugget from business houses or private residences, where same have been left by our carriers.

AMUSEMENTS THIS WEEK.

Auditorium Theatre— "Woman Against Woman"
 A JUST JUDGMENT.

The opinion rendered on Saturday by Judge Dugas in connection with the so-called supplementary voters' lists, affords no opportunity for adverse criticism.

That the list in question contains the names of scores of men who are not entitled to vote, is as well known to the "Kid" Committee as it is to their opponents. On this account if for no other reason it should have been disallowed. Again, the list was posted only two days before the sittings of the court of revision began which fact in itself made it illegal—the law requiring that 7 days notice be given. The long and short of the whole matter is simply this: A deliberate attempt was made to corrupt the ballot by placing on the voters' list some hundreds of names of parties who do not possess the right to vote.

In justification of that action the "Kid" Committee set up the plea that they were merely endeavoring to offset the alleged misdoings of the assessor in preparing the original list.

The weakness of such a plea is at once apparent. If there were irregularities in the preparation of the first list, the law provides a remedy which was available to correct every wrong which had been done. If the assessor failed in the performance of his duty a proper and legal method of procedure was open by which reparation could have been secured.

Instead of applying the remedy which the law gave them, an effort was made to "stuff" the lists with an enormous number of names of non-voters.

The system by which the original list was prepared has nothing to commend it, as has been observed in these columns before. The ordinance should have provided for the opening of registration books and every qualified voter should have been compelled to present himself at the assessor's office and have his name recorded. The plan of allowing the assessor to prepare the lists was clearly a mistake, and to that mistake may be attributed much of the difficulty which has followed. The promoters of an elective government claimed that a wrong had been worked against them in making the lists, and in order to even matters up they sought to perpetrate a wrong ten times as great. In consequence they are forced to do their work all over and do it in the manner required by law.

There is no desire on the part of any one, so far as the Nugget is aware, to deprive a single qualified voter of the rights he possesses under the law. The voting privilege should be protected at all hazards, and there need be no fear that such protection will be wanting.

On the other hand it may be observed that any efforts to force upon the voters' lists the names of people who are not entitled to be there will end in failure.

The incontestable claim is made for an appointed commission that it will give to Dawson a government just as efficient as can be secured through an elected mayor and council and far more economical. Dawson has reached a period in its existence when the dollars and cents must be looked at

ter with the utmost care. It is not a time when the town can plunge ahead into a career of extravagant expenditure, but rather every means should be observed to keep expenses down to a minimum. That end will be accomplished through an appointed commission.

If the average business man were not so engrossed in his everyday cares there would be no possibility of a half-dozen political adventurers getting control of public affairs. Such a possibility confronts Dawson at the present moment and it can be averted only by the united efforts of every person in the town who possesses a dollar's worth of taxable property.

The "Kids" have nothing to lose and everything to gain. If the tax rate ran up to 10 per cent., they would not contribute a single dollar more to the public funds than they do at the present time.

The taxpayers should not forget that a man who is empowered to distribute public funds will use a very liberal hand, if he has not contributed toward raising the money himself.

We don't blame the "Kids" for wanting to get control of Dawson, but we blame the taxpayers if the latter allow such a thing to happen.

The question of representative government does not figure in this election. It is merely a matter of securing protection for the taxpayers.

Decent government vs. Tammanyism.

Yukon Day.

Editor Daily Nugget:
 I have been interested in the work your enterprising paper is doing in rallying and centering the interests of the Yukon people in patriotism for this Yukon country.
 Now let us have a "Yukon Day." If Gov. Ross would appoint a holiday of this kind for some time in June, when the schools are in session, the pupils could be trained with songs and essays appropriate, and we could have a holiday in which all nationalities could unite heartily.
 On such a day an appropriate memorial could be made to the many who have lost their lives in the development of this country, and "Yukon Day" could be to this country what the Fourth of July is to the United States and what the King's Birthday is to Canada.

A CITIZEN.

LOCAL FIRE EXTINGUISHER

Is Found in the Five Gallon Cans Labeled "Standard Oil."

That Mr. Rockefeller has "watered his stock" or otherwise tinted his oil to such an extent as to render it practically non-inflammable, is apparent from attempts to produce light with some of the alleged kerosene now in Dawson. All the local stock is not bad, but an occasional can is found that would make "kifnre" ashamed of itself. From all over the town complaints of a poor, lightless quality of oil are heard.

GASOLINE STOLEN

Several Cases Taken From Rear of Emil Stauff Residence.

A few nights ago several cases of gasoline marked "Pratt's Astral Oil" were stolen from the rear of Emil Stauff's house on Third avenue and should anyone mistake the label on the boxes and use the stuff as kerosene, there will probably be work for the fire department. The gasoline was used by Mr. Stauff in his little launch that for the past two seasons has been wont to puff and pant on the placid bosom of the Yukon on the long summer evenings.

Stage for Whitehorse.

A new concern will enter the list of stage operators between Dawson and Whitehorse tomorrow when Mutchler Bros. will dispatch a stage up the river. They have half a dozen passengers booked for the trip.

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We have very little left but you can have your choice at

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CHESS PLAYING OLD CRANK

Who Left His Nephew a Peculiar Legacy

That for Many Years Was Looked Upon as Meaning Practically Disinheritance.

"Mate! There, I've won!" And May Patey clapped her hands with delight and, with a charming little laugh, looked roguishly across at her discomfited opponent. He was, for the first time in his life, realizing that circumstances can exist in which it is sweeter to lose than to win.

"You have, indeed," he said slowly. Then, looking up and smiling, "Let me congratulate you on beating your teacher for the first time."
 "Thank you, Mr. Gibson," she answered, lightly. "But I don't believe you were really trying. Not your best, now, were you?"
 "I'm sure I was, I tried hard."
 As they were setting up the pieces ready to begin again May expressed, not for the first time, her great admiration for the beautiful chess-table and men with which they were playing.

"They are lovely, and you said they had a bit of a history," she went on. "Twice you've promised to tell me, but you never have."
 "Well, it's not much of a history after all, and it's a subject I don't often talk about. The fact is they were a legacy—and a disappointment."
 May expressed a natural surprise. They were indeed a beautiful set. They were made of the finest African ivory, red and white, and carved with exquisite perfection.

The board, too, was unique. Each of the white squares had in its center a tiny portrait of a chess celebrity, and each of the black and white squares was made up of smaller black and white squares, so as to form in itself a complete little chessboard or diagram, on which appeared either a problem or the critical position of a game won by a stroke of genius, selected from the work of the master whose portrait adorned the adjacent square.

"It had, in fact, been the perfect loveliness of the outfit as it stood in the little front room at Ivy Cottage—Mrs. Gibson's, where she and her mother were staying for a brief courtly holiday—that had first caught May's eye, and prompted a remark about how much she would like to learn how to play. Mrs. Gibson's son, Frank, had professed his aid. And thus had begun an acquaintance now fast, developing into a higher game, in which both the players may—and thank Heaven, sometimes do—simultaneously secure a mate.

Mrs. Farcy had that day gone to town on business, and as it was Frank's half-holiday, the suggestion to continue the chess lessons had been hailed with delight by both parties.
 "A disappointment," Frank explained, smiling, "because I was led to expect a small fortune, and I got only the chess-table and men and a problem."
 "Were you disinherited, then?"
 "Not exactly disinherited. They were not my father's, but Uncle Jeff's—Geoffrey Chechem, of East-hampton, the famous problem composer; he was my uncle, mother's only brother. He was very clever; not only in chess, for he carved these himself from his own designs.
 "A thorough enthusiast himself, he was very anxious that I should be a good player too. He took lots of trouble, and taught me to play and do problems, though not like him, of course."

"Did you offend him?" asked May.
 "I suppose so. Or, rather, he took offense. I mean nothing wrong. You see, he was very eccentric, as so many geniuses are, especially old bachelors, like him. Good-hearted and all that, but terribly eccentric, and all that, but for what was proper, everything must be perfect—just so. And that was where the offense came in."
 "I often used to go over to his place at Easthampton and stay a few days. This particular time he had just begun carving these men. So he showed me what he had done, and I admired them very much. Now, the last game I had played before I went and in it I had been fortunate enough to 'queen' a pawn before I had lost my original queen. I had been in a fix to know what to use for the second queen. So, having the point fresh in my mind, and thinking it would please the old boy's vanity to have a set more complete than any one else, I quite innocently suggested that he should make an extra queen of each color for use in such cases."
 "He ignored the question, and asked in a chilling tone if I had ever seen a set with four queens."
 "I admitted that I never had."
 "Or draughtsmen, twenty-six to the set?"
 "I could not at the moment recall that I had."
 "Oh, then, perhaps, he ran on, sarcastically, 'you've seen gloves three to the pair—or boots? Or a man with two wives? Or a pack of cards with eight aces? Or—'"
 "As he paused I mildly suggested that I had heard of such things. That finished it. He jumped up and went on like a maniac.

"You—you—confound you, you never have! Two wives at a time! Why—why—that proves him not a man but a maniac! Eight aces! Good heavens! Swindlers, sharpers, thieves, scoundrels! How dare you class me with scoundrels like that?"
 "And did he never forgive you?"
 "That's the strangest part of it. After a while he cooled down and said: 'No, no, Frank, my boy, Morphy and Steinitz and Blackburne have been content to make shift with a rook upside down for a second queen, if ever they were lucky enough to need one, and I'm sure old Geoffrey Chechem can.' And afterwards he seemed just the same as ever, and as kind. We all thought he had forgotten it, until he died suddenly and his will was read. He had left me—only the chess outfit and a problem, with the stinging remark that he left them to my nephew aforesaid can complete the set by having as many queens as he likes made to match out of his own pocket. Everything else went to a distant cousin."
 "What was the problem?" May inquired.
 "I'll show you." A moment later he returned with it in his hand. It was like an ordinary chess diagram, such as appear in the newspapers, only about a foot square, painted in water-color, and framed as a picture.
 "You see," he said, "the only thing in which it differs from an ordinary problem is that there are no conditions—nothing to say which side has to play, or how many moves. But I soon solved it. White plays and mates in five moves, and a very poor problem it is. Not one of Uncle Jeff's best—at all, his problems have been much admired."
 "Have you had the problem out of its frame?"
 "I believe I was foolish enough to," he admitted; "but of course there was nothing."

off his shoes and crept downstairs, returning soon with an old pocket-board long disused, on which he set up the position, and again lay down in the freight.
 Ten minutes passed—fifteen—twenty. He might have been asleep, he was so still, but his brain was at work. Now he moved one of the cardboard men, and after a pause slipped it back again. Presently another.
 At length he noticed that if Black made on particular move, White could bring off a mate by a pretty play he hadn't noticed before. He felt he was on the track, and went at it with fresh zeal. He went over each attack and defense, tried move after move. At last he stumbled upon another pretty bit of play, and then he felt sure he knew which was White's winning move, but he was still one line of defense he could not overcome.
 Minutes passed interminably until he wrestled with it, till at last, all in a flash, the scales fell from his eyes and he saw clearly the beautiful strategy that overcame that one last stubborn defense. Yes, he had solved it!

With the day returned thoughts of his troubles, but a merry twinkle was in his eye as he told May over breakfast how he had solved Uncle Jeff's problem at last.
 She looked puzzled. "How do you mean?" she asked; "has it two solutions?"
 "No, May," he explained, "the real solution is in his moves, so the one in five goes for nothing, of course. It's a beautiful problem, and terribly difficult."
 After breakfast Frank carefully dusted the chess-table and the ivory men ready for the broker's visit. Then he lathered himself and set up his uncle's problem, and as soon as May had finished washing-up he called her to come and look.

"You see," he said, moving the pieces as he spoke, "this is the key move—White plays there. Black's best defense is to take a rook—so. Now comes the difficult part. White must offer his other rook, which Black takes—like that. Then for move three White plays his pawn to the corner square, so, and claims a queen for it. The original queen is still on the board, so we must put on a rook upside down and call it a queen."
 "Why, that was uncle's identical fad, wasn't it?" May interrupted.
 "Exactly; and that's about why he left me the problem. Spite, I suppose," he exclaimed, irritably. Then, going on with the problem, "Black's best reply now is to take bishop king, and then White mates by bringing his new queen down into the opposite corner—so," picking up the inverted rook and bringing it down the diagonal as he spoke. There was a tiny click, and a little disc of ivory rolled across the board.

"What's that?" both exclaimed.
 "Frank turned the rook in his hand right way up. The little circle of ivory that had been within the battlements of the miniature castle was now exposed. May was stooping to pick it up when he exclaimed excitedly:
 "Oh, May! look here! There's something inside. It looks like paper rolled up." He shook it, and at last it came out.
 "It sounds like a five-pound-note."
 "Exactly," said May, tremulously, as he smoothed out the rustling paper.
 "It's not a 'five,' May, he replied very huskily; "it's a 'thousand!'"
 May never knew after whether she laughed or cried, of a little of both. But it was she who recovered first sufficiently to wonder, "How if we had used the other rook?"
 Then there was Frank bringing that down the diagonal, and—yes, another click! more picking out, and another rustling note.

Meanwhile his little wife had discovered that the needles they had used for picking out the notes were sticking to some of the chessmen, which solved the mystery. For when Frank collected his thoughts, he saw how it was. The pieces forming that particular combination had been drilled and furnished with needle-like fragments. The two white rooks each contained a tiny electro-magnet, and as they passed between the hidden magnets its soft iron core for the moment became a magnet too, drew back a tiny bolt otherwise held by a spring, and released the ivory disc. Take away any one piece from the magical combination, and he found the power was too weak to draw back the bolt. And the fact that ordinarily a rook never moves in that direction, nor ignominiously stands on its head, showed how carefully thought out the scheme was that no chance bit should reveal the secret.

Two thousand pounds! To them it seemed more than a hundred thousand to some. Did it not mean, well, no, not the life of their son, but at least the means to try that one thing that might mean his life?
 Needless to say the broker was not asked to leave his sovereign. And, though years have passed, and the Gibsons are now respected citizens of our great Australian Commonwealth, they never tire of showing their wonderful chess-table and men, and the wonderful solution, letting friends hear for themselves that thrilling "click!" which had meant so much. Their eldest son, Frank, is now the strongest of the family—Til-Bits.

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BRITISH "BARBARITY"

How a General Wished to See and Saw "The Baby."

A Colonial trooper, serving in the Boshof district, sends to the "St. James' Gazette" the following appalling instance of British barbarity: "Our general the other day visited a farm house and interrogated the old woman in possession (who had a 10-inch waist). After some palaver the general said he must search the house for arms and ammunition. The old lady made no demur, merely requesting that her daughter, who, she said, had just been confined, should be left undisturbed in her room. But the general was too old a bird to be shamed by that kind of chaff, and said he was an old man with children of his own, and would go and see the baby. The old lady implored him not to go; as her daughter was still very ill, and ought not to be disturbed. His suspicions being more than ever aroused, he went and found in an upstairs room a young woman in bed.

Advancing to the bedside, the old ruffian in his silkiest tones inquired how the mother and babe were progressing, and asked if he might see the latter. The proud mamma replied that it was too cold to expose her offspring to his inquisitive gaze. At this point the old lady, who was dancing around in a perfect ecstasy of apprehension, remarked that the babe was very delicate and had to be kept under the bed clothes to avoid taking cold. At this the gallant general took a pace forward and pulled the bedclothes right off the bed. Lo and behold! in place of the sweet smiling cherub, there were six Mauser rifles, and several handiars filled with cartridges. There was silence for a minute, and then the general, turning round to the old girl of the 140-inch waist, said, "I suppose you'll be a fifteen-pounder!" We would willingly (says the "St. James' Gazette") have withheld this shameful incident from publication, but candor compels us, with regret, to expose this monstrous example of British brutality.

And He Told Him.
 Counsel: "I insist on an answer to my question. You have told me all the conversation I want to know everything that passed between you and Mr. Jones on the occasion to which you refer."
 Reluctant Witness: "I've told you everything of any consequence."
 "You have told me that you said to him, 'Jones, this case will get into the court, some day.' Now, I want to know what he said in reply."
 "Well, he said, 'Brown, there isn't anything in this business that I'm ashamed of, and if any snooty, little yee-hawin', four-by-six gimblet-eyed lawyer, with half a pound of brains and sixteen pounds of jaw, ever wants to know what I've been talking to you about, you can tell him the whole story.'"
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ALICK'S
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Bob Melbur interesting. But he was and that t Farquhar's qualities. his way bo hailed him. and went on fore he had through a w uniform, and apparition w Allick's sworl an attempt t Bob now the better part o "Come, ba low" shout ing to touch look at this. "This" was bulgy (strut boys love) Allick bega Bob was inta Big blades, buttonhook. "Has it a "It had. "And a bri it had that Bob was w "It ain't you're going you? Useful service" "Bob took paigner. "I shall ta but this one low who wou (Joe before I "Meaning "If you'll may as well "Spat it ou "You know tongue" "Rather, B lows made t ey's door, th sprained his from the top got suspected room to be p thing out of "Yes, you' this is quite. Allick fumble brought out to—to give t she's alone. "I know—a go to shed y try. They al sort of rot t to skip to ge fighting and you go up home. "I jolly w your pater to before I went for the army, steam to my rows, and I to your plac check for a think of a be "Oh, stow rather ugly. Bob turned heavenwards. "Now I ha cross and ha Allick's fing troiled his de solence. But world air "Glad to b below, before Hand over th than" guess Take my wa Allick saw t pointed in B ed over the back towards in the hold ery buildings from which p portance, and lower school all his school Sandbury on the lower and the vane beside it, m marking the solid dark b brown, with far as the Nugget is aware, to deprive a single qualified voter of the rights he possesses under the law. The voting privilege should be protected at all hazards, and there need be no fear that such protection will be wanting.

On the other hand it may be observed that any efforts to force upon the voters' lists the names of people who are not entitled to be there will end in failure.

The incontestable claim is made for an appointed commission that it will give to Dawson a government just as efficient as can be secured through an elected mayor and council and far more economical. Dawson has reached a period in its existence when the dollars and cents must be looked at

They were indeed a beautiful set. They were made of the finest African ivory, red and white, and carved with exquisite perfection.

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Advertisement for 'R' (likely a brand of goods or services) with various sub-sections and promotional text.

ALICK'S LETTER WENT ASTRAY Through Bob's Perversity and His Strong Boy Nature. But He Weakened When Trouble Came and Confessed All—A Happy Outcome.

Things fellows care for; cricket and football news, and runs of the rounds, and now, though she's grown up, she's just the same, never wanting to dress up and go to swell parties or anything like that.

Good-bye, I must run back or I shall be late for supper. "Though he made light of the loss of the letter to Emma, it worried him, and he ate his supper gloomily.

When they had lost scent. Meantime he had wandered up to a coppice on the brow of a low hill beyond the pond, thinking he would look at a mole-trap he had set there; when between the saplings he saw what seemed to be a bundle of clothes.

POLITICAL ROTTENNESS Exposed by Trial Over Corruption Fund at Whatcom Wash. Whatcom, Dec. 17.—Hearing upon the petition for the disbarment of Major A. S. Cole was begun this morning in the superior court.

bringing this suit. Deponent further says that Cole told him that the money had been used in a political contest to defeat certain prominent men, whom he well knew, and that he had promised that it should be returned to him right after the election.

Advertisement for Hicks & Thompson, Flannery Hotel, and B. A. Dodge Stage Line, listing services and contact information.

Advertisement for F. S. Dunham, The Family Grocer, and Rochester Bar, including details about products and services.

Advertisement for 'Hurry-Up Jobs' and 'The Nugget Printery', featuring a graphic of a person running.

Advertisement for 'Growing Like a Snowball Rolling Down Hill!', featuring a graphic of a snowball and promotional text.

Advertisement for 'The Idiot and the Jury', featuring a graphic of a person and promotional text.

GUSTAFSON GETS BACK

And Tells of Many People Coming Over the Ice.

Gustafson, the well-known cattle importer and all-round ruster, arrived yesterday from the outside, bringing with him his bride whom he recently married in Vancouver.

WOOD PRICES ON DECLINE

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Within the past few days wood for fuel has declined from \$14 to \$12 per cord, the latter price now commanding the very best quality to be had.

EAGLES ELECT NEW OFFICERS

Who Will Serve for Succeeding Six Months.

At the regular meeting last night of Dawson Aerie, No. 60, Fraternal Order of Eagles, the following officers were chosen to fill the various chairs for the coming six months: President F. W. Clayton, re-elected; Vice-President C. W. Larry; Chaplain, S. Marks; Secretary, Dr. Edwards, re-elected; Treasurer, John Mulligan, re-elected; Conductor, Frank Boyles; Trustees, J. A. Green, A. G. Martel, Gilbert Sinclair; Physician, Dr. J. A. Sutherland.

WILL ARRIVE WEDNESDAY

A Consignment of 700 Pounds of Mail Passed Selwyn.

An incoming consignment of mail, 700 pounds, passed Selwyn today at noon and should reach here sometime Wednesday unless a day and a half is consumed in coming from Ogilvie to Dawson as was the case with the last mail to arrive.

The B outfit.

The heaviest snowfall of the season at any one time occurred last night, when an average of about four inches fell. As it was very light the high wind caused it to drift considerably, but for all that it will greatly improve the roads. However, the river trail in places is said to be entirely obliterated.

Statutory Holiday.

Today was the Feast of the Epiphany, a statutory holiday in the province of Quebec, and was generally observed by the Roman Catholics of the city.

CASES WERE PROLONGED

Legal Luminaries Cause Slow Progress in Police Court.

When an attorney is employed in a police court case it means that the case will be long drawn out and the same questions will be asked from three to a dozen different times, thus revolving recollections of James Whitcomb Riley's story of the country school teacher and the peanut.

Inspector Starnes sat as magistrate in police court this morning, the regular magistrate, Judge Macaulay, being engaged as revising barrister in the territorial court room.

The first case called was that of Harry Langelier and May Leslie, the two being jointly charged with stealing wood at West Dawson from Geo. De Lion to the value of \$100. De Lion and Dan Stewart each testified, the former that he had owned and had not sold the wood in question to anyone, and the latter that he had purchased wood from Langelier which wood had been hauled from West Dawson when delivered to him.

Considerable legal hickering was indulged in by the opposing council in the case which was finally adjourned until 2 o'clock this afternoon in order that certain documentary evidence might be produced. During the hearing the man and woman both stood in the prisoner's box and it was probably the first time in its history that it ever drew a pair.

Harry Edwards of the Exchange saloon and dancehall was up on the charge of having sold liquor during prohibited hours, to-wit, early Sunday morning of December 29th. Both the prosecution and defence were represented by attorneys and the manner in which questions were asked, re-asked and then asked again was wonderful. The first witness was Miss Annie Johnson. From a standpoint of general intelligence Annie would appear to disadvantage if com-

DOG MARKET LOOKING UP

Mushers to Koyukuk Will Stimulate Trade.

For the past year and, in fact, since the mad rush to Nome two years ago this coming spring dogs have not been remunerative property in Dawson. They having passed down the line with hoon, beans and mackinaw clothing. But just at the present time when reports are thick of hundreds of people intending to go over the ice to Koyukuk in February and March, dogs are becoming of more value in the eyes of their owners and ordinary curs are now being held at from \$40 to \$75 per head.

ARE MAKING HARD FIGHT

Against Re-enactment of Chinese Exclusion Act.

Washington, Dec. 7.—Singular as it may appear, one of the biggest fights of the present session of congress, according to present indications, will be on the question of the extension of the Chinese exclusion act.

As is well known, the law expires in May of next year, and already the opposing forces are lining up for the struggle. It has been the general impression that the proposed law extending the time so that Chinese shall not be allowed to enter the United States for another twenty years would be passed without much trouble. On the contrary, a strong opposition has been developed, and it is already assured that there will be a bitter fight.

The principal element which favors the removal of restrictions upon Chinese immigration comes from the manufacturing states of the east and middle west. The argument that is used is that if the United States expects to gain trade from China this country must treat the Chinese with as much consideration as the people of other nationalities.

They say, and quote statistics to prove it, that the trade possibilities in China and the far east are enormous; that one of the principal objects in keeping the Philippines was because as forming a gateway or entrepot to this trade, and that if the United States only gets its fair share of the great commerce that is awaiting development in that quarter it will far over-balance any disadvantage we might suffer through the abandonment of our exclusive policy toward the Chinese.

On the other hand, labor is up in arms on the subject. Senators and members of congress are being bombarded with letters and petitions from labor unions and organizations of all kinds in every part of the country, urging the prompt passage of a bill to extend the exclusion act.

Besides the arguments which were used with such effect twenty years ago it is now claimed that the trusts and combinations are at the back of the opposition which has sprung up against the extension of the law.

It is declared that they want the cheap Chinese labor to enter into competition with the white labor here so that they may increase their profits at the expense of the laboring man. The unions declare that the fight on this bill is but another phase of war between capital and labor, and there is a hint on the urgency of their demands which suggests that the congressmen who fail to prove themselves the friends of labor now will be remembered when the time comes for their re-election.

There will be a number of bills on the subject introduced early in the coming session. Among others who have given the matter consideration is Senator Fairbanks. He has prepared two measures on the subject. One of these is a simple proposition for the extension of the Chinese exclusion law, now on the statute books, for a further period of twenty years. The other is a bill providing machinery whereby the courts can hear appeals in cases where the right of Chinese to remain in this country is called in dispute, without unnecessary delay or expense.

LOST—Long black pocket book on evening Jan. 2nd, near Pioneer barber shop. Finder will confer a favor to owner by mailing same to box 584 and may keep the money contained therein as a reward for his trouble.

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Seaside Cranks.

A popular south-coast watering place visited each year by a London merchant and his family, and one of the fads of this man is to drink a pint of salt water, which he takes from the sea, before breakfast every morning. This, perhaps, would not matter much, but unfortunately he insists not only on all the women and children of his family but on all his acquaintances, doing the same. His craze about this decidedly unpalatable drink has caused him to be voted a "crank," and his friends are very chary indeed about accepting any invitations to join him on a holiday.

Some Famous Customers.

Yes, I've had many distinguished customers in my time, said a retired second-hand bookseller who for thirty years had a shop within a stone's throw of the Strand, and I have many most interesting memories of them.

The most delightful of all was Mr. Gladstone, who, I believe, spent many of his happiest hours rummaging among old books, and rarely talked to discover a few treasures. Nothing amazed me more than the wide range of subjects that he studied, and I really think if I could give a list of all the books he bought of me it would surprise even those who think they know most of his marvellous versatility and range of knowledge.

The first book he bought of me was a treatise on the atomic theory which he unearched from the twopenny box, and the last, which he purchased less than two years before his death, was a German work on the "Composition of the Odyssey," but there is scarcely a subject you can name, from law to astronomy and from anthropology to nomenclature, that he didn't pick up at one time or another during the twenty years I knew him as a customer.

He loved to talk of books, too, and as I have always been a book-lover as well as a bookseller, he has often spent as much as half an hour charming me with his views on all kinds of books and their authors. He would never allow me to send the books home, but many a time has walked off with half-a-dozen or so volumes, simply tied round with a piece of string.

Another of my distinguished customers was Thomas Carlyle, who for many years used to pay me two or three visits a year. I saw him many times, turning over the books, beside, with an occasional grunt or a smile before he ventured inside, and our first encounter almost ended in a quarrel.

It was a German volume on the "Life and Deeds of Frederick I" that was nearly the cause of our quarrel. I wanted 6s. 6d. for it, and it was cheap at the price, but Mr. Carlyle was determined to pay no more than

5s., which he candidly confessed was all he had with him at the time.

At last he threw down the 5s., saying: "Ye can tak' it 'or leave it—I'll no give ye a hawbee more," and when I decided to "tak' it he put the volume under his arm and walked out with a grunt "Gude day," as if to signify that it was the last I should see of him.

But, in spite of all that has been said of his churlishness, Carlyle was no man to bear malice. He came again, and again, and as I was a "brither Scot" we had many a long chat together in broad Scots, which he loved to lapse into at all times, and especially with one who could talk it as well as himself.

The last time I saw him was only a few months before his death. He looked ill and feeble, and when he walked off with his purchase, saying with a pathetic smile, "I've no time for a crack 'the day," I had a presentiment that I should never see him again. Aye, in spite of all his roughness, he was a grand man and a formidable, was Thomas Carlyle.

Tennyson, too, paid me quite half-a-dozen visits. When he called the first time to inquire for a book I had not in stock I thought there was something about the rough-bearded, keen-eyed man, with his wide-awake hat and cape, that I ought to recognize him, but I could not for the life of me identify him.

But when I asked his name and address, so that I might inform him when I got a copy of the book, he handed me his card with the name "Mr. Alfred Tennyson." I was so "taken aback" as the ladies say, that I ejaculated, "Are you the great Tennyson, sir?" "Well," he answered, with a smile, "if there is a great Tennyson I suppose I must be him."

Dickens, too, was a customer and friend of mine during my first year or two of business. He had a positive passion for the twopenny and sixpenny boxes, and he was as delighted as a boy with his discoveries. He would never, however, pay me less than a shilling a volume, and for one somewhat rare book, which by an oversight I had condemned to the

Willie's Idea of It.

When Willie came home the other night he was more convinced of the uselessness of schools than he ever was before. Asked the nature of his latest trouble, he explained the "postpone" had been one of the words in the spelling lesson of the day. The teacher had directed the pupils to write a sentence in which the special word should appear.

Along with others, Willie announced that he didn't know the meaning of the word, and so could not use it in a sentence. The teacher explained that it meant to "put off," and encouraged the youngsters to try. Willie's thoughts were on pleasant things than school, and his made-to-order sentence was, "Boys postpone their clothes when they go in swimming."

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Origin of That Quarrel. The young Queen of Holland sat at the breakfast table and proudly presented a euchre deck of wheat cakes to the Prince Consort. "Henry," she asked, while eager hope trembled on her lips, "don't you think they are just lovely?" Henry set his teeth into one of them and bravely sought to look pleasant. "Very good, my dear," he answered, "but of course, they are not quite equal to those my mother used."

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