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GOLDEN DREAMS SHATTERED.

A Not Very Encouraging Letter Regarding Prospects in the Klondike.

AUBURN, Me., Dec. 26, 1897. Friends here have received letters from S. C. Parker, formerly of this city, who is now at Seattle. The letter is dated Dec. 9, and, coming from a man of known intelligence, honesty and good judgment, it is of unusual interest to those who have friends in or who are in any way interested in the Klondike region. Among other things, Mr. Parker writes:

"Many, many of those who gave up their all in the barter for one golden but elusive chance now linger in the inadequate coast towns of Alaska and Puget sound (very few were lucky enough to get back to the sound) their blighted hopes marking the rugged passes to the interior with many milestones of failure and despair. Abandoned sledges, outfits and dead horses along almost every foot of the way to the lakes relate the tale of some of the golden dreams. Many will so fall next year. Those who were successful in reaching Dawson City are now facing the possibility, almost probability, of starvation before relief can reach them.

"Next year some of the difficulties will undoubtedly be eliminated, but new difficulties are created by every individual who sets a stake. Even now, for many weary miles east, north and south of Dawson City, every inch of ground is staked, and although the Klondike and its creeks stretch over a great extent of territory, it will take very few men to exhaust every possible region in that country. Seventy per cent. of the claims are absolutely valueless.

"Those who are going to the Klondike or Alaska had better know just where they are going and why, with a great amount of health, strength, pluck and small hopes, along with a full year's provisions in their outfit.

"Alaska is a very large country of wonderful natural wealth. Beside its gold and seals, great lakes of the finest quality of oil, immense coal fields and rich marble quarries have been discovered. In spite of all this, more than 50 per cent. of the adventurers will never locate even a color, and will pay for their inordinate dreams with broken health, exhausted resources and diseased minds and morals.

"Take a solid, simple outfit with you, and pay no attention to schemes of any kind. Start early, but not too early, for this is an expensive place to live in."—Boston Herald.

DYING MAN GRASPS AT A STRAW.

"Dr. Agnew's Cure for the heart has done so much for me that I feel I owe it to suffering humanity to give testimony. For years I had smothering spells, pains in my left side, and swelled ankles. When I took the first dose of Dr. Agnew's Heart Cure my friends thought I was dying, it gave me almost instant relief, and six bottles entirely cured me."—Mrs. F. L. Lumsden, Scranton, Pa. Sold by Garden Bros.

Beef And Dairy Feeding.

Test Every Beast for Results—Raising Calves for Milk.

Prof. C. F. Curtiss, an American Agriculturist: In many dairies of say 35 cows, part of them will not pay for their keeping, while others will more than do this, and thus the entire herd will yield a profit. It is not always the cow which produces the most milk or butter that is the most profitable. One which produces 260 pounds may pay better than a 300-lb one, for in the first case the yield of butter may not be proportionate to the amount of feed eaten. The herd should be subject to rigid tests. The selection of calves which are to develop into dairy cows is very important, and especially so in dairy breeds. After the calf has been selected, feed it for the special purpose desired. Keep thrifty while growing and feed as much skim milk, bran, etc. as possible. For cows succulent food is best. Roots are very valuable and not properly appreciated by farmers in the United States. Oats cut quite green and fed on the straw are of high value. Feed these with roots and ensilage corn. Barley also is good. Most of the dairy feed should be produced on the farm. \$1,000 in butter exhausts the soil but a trifle, while that amount of wheat takes off \$100 worth of soil constituents. Clover hay is a valuable crop, but if sold the soil is also depleted. To meet low prices and sharp competition, farmers must select and keep only the best cows.

In feeding for beef, snap corn, leaving on about one-half the inner husks. Cut the ears into three or four pieces. Feed with hay, blue grass and corn fodder to which has been added a little bran, or oil or cottonseed meal. Don't give too much at a time, but see that the stock eat their feed up clean. Give one to five pounds of roots daily, for more grain will be consumed if a little succulent feed is added. It hardly pays to grind corn, although a little corn meal may be of advantage when finishing for market. It requires some little time to get cattle on to full feed, and they must be kept gaining constantly, on toward the end. Corn is the best single feed, but it can be profitably combined with oats and roots. In winter break the winds by yard fences and open sheds. Give plenty of good water, hay, rock salt and bedding.

BALL ROOM HEROES.

Rare Courage Shown by Some of Society's Spoiled Darlings.

London Tit-Bits: The men who frequent dancing-rooms are not by any means so effeminate as some scornful members of the stronger sex would have us believe. Scented dandies are capable of courage in emergencies and brave deeds are occasionally performed even in the enervating atmosphere of the ball-room.

While in the act of snatching a kiss from an attractive girl under the mistletoe a young masher felt a breath of hot air on his face, and, glancing up, saw that the evergreens on the large chandelier had caught fire and were blazing away merrily. A quick look round the room told him that the other dancers were unaware of the catastrophe, so he drew back a pace, measured his distance, and with one gigantic spring managed to catch hold of the chandelier. Hanging on by one hand, he rapidly pulled down the burning evergreens and cast them to the floor, scorching his arms terribly in the process, but never once flinching.

Not until he was satisfied that every bit of inflammable material was safely accounted for would he relinquish his hold. Beyond a doubt his ready resource prevented a conflagration, but he suffered so much that one of his hands had to be amputated. His beautiful moustache, of which he was inordinately proud, was also frizzled up by the fire.

A somewhat familiar feat was performed by a conceited but daring young coxcomb in a crowded ball-room last winter. Several ladies had fainted for want of air, and as the ventilator in the roof would not answer to its pulley, the young dandy volunteered to scramble up the fragile rope and see what was amiss. This was the only practical method of obtaining relief for some larking guest had locked the door of the room on the outside, and it was impossible to break it open.

The young fellow cut his hands almost to ribbons before he reached the ventilator, and even when he got up he found it impossible to open it. Undeterred by this, though, he unhesitatingly banged his head through the thick glass, and then slid to the ground, where he fainted from loss of blood.

During a dance in a Spanish ball-room a heavy plaster cast fell from a bracket, and would certainly have injured one of the host's daughters had not her partner warded it off with his arm. The accident frightened the girl a little, for she was extremely nervous, but the gallant who was dancing with her insisted on continuing the waltz, and assuring her that he was not in the least hurt.

Accordingly, the couple kept up to the music for fifteen minutes more and their consummate dancing drew admiration from everyone in the room. The girl was the first to plead fatigue, so her partner led her gracefully to a seat and went off, ostensibly to get refreshment, but really to get the doctor, for his arm was broken in two places and his shoulder was dislocated. With remarkable endurance he had refrained from mentioning the injury which the plaster cast had done him, and had suffered acute agony for fifteen minutes rather than alarm the sensitive daughter of his host.

ALMOST UNBEARABLE

"I suffered from kidney trouble so much that the pain in my back was almost unbearable and I felt tired and worn out all the time, my tongue was coated and until I took Doan's Kidney Pills I had been unable to do my housework for over a month. These pills have made a complete cure, all my kidney and bladder troubles have disappeared and I feel like a new woman." Mrs. Presley, Kingston, Ont.

Postal Note System.

Canada will adopt the postal note system in vogue in the United Kingdom. Mr. Mulock has been studying the question for some months, and is now considering the details, with a view of bringing the system into operation on July 1, 1898. Paper notes about the size of a bank bill will be printed on thin linen paper of the following denominations: 20, 25, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80 and 90 cents, \$1, \$1.50, \$2, \$2.50, \$3, \$4 and \$5. The cost of obtaining these notes will be one cent each up to 40 cents, two cents between that figure and \$2.50, and three cents each for all above that. These postal notes will replace the postoffice money orders for the transmission of all small sums through the post. The present money order system is a cumbersome and indirect method, and wastes much time. It will be continued, however, with some improvements, for the transmission of sums up to \$100. These postal notes will serve a great public convenience, doing away with the payment of accounts in postage stamps, the postal notes being payable at any money order office without the identification of the payee or any condition, other than the presentation of the note. It is expected that the rates, low as they are fixed, will give a small profit. The system is very popular in England. The number of notes issued in 1881-2, a year after the system was established was a little over 4,000,000, which had increased in 1886-7 to 67,000,000 notes.—Toronto World.

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Slept in a Furnace.
After starting a roaring fire in the furnace of the New Jersey Steel and Iron Company Works, at Trenton, early Monday morning, the fireman began shoving in more coal.

Then something burst through the flames and smoke. Scorched, hideous and with distorted face, it looked like a fiend from the infernal regions.

The fireman shrieked and fell as if he were shot.

The man, for that the being was, fell beside him, and there the two were found one unconscious from fright, the other dying from horrible burns.

Late at night Patrick Comery stumbled into the mill. He had been drinking and was looking for a place to sleep. A cold furnace was as good a place as any, better, because a surly watchman would not be likely to find and disturb him.

So Comery crawled in to the far end too sleepy or stupid to see that every preparation had been made to start a fire.

A little after midnight an employee applied the match and soon there was a roaring fire. Comery was awakened by the heat and smoke and found a wall of flame between him and the only means of escape—the small door through which the fireman was then feeding the flames with coal. It was slow death to remain, perhaps a fearful but quicker death to venture. If Comery thought of anything at that moment he probably thought that he had died and awakened in hades.

Then, through the wall of fire, into the dense smoke, over embers that burned his shoes from his feet and through tongues of flame that licked the clothing from his body, and stripped the skin from his breast, face and hands, the despairing man scrambled with a wild scream.

The wonder is that two men will not die instead of one. When that begrimed, blazing, hideous nightmare leaped from the roaring furnace with a yell the fireman seemed paralyzed, and will not recover soon from the shock. If the exterior burns do not kill Comery, his scorched lungs will. The fire surface of the furnace is large, and in his mad scramble for the door inhaled the flames.

An Easy Place.

I received a letter from a lad asking me to find him an easy berth. To this I replied: "You cannot be an editor; do not try the law; do not think of the ministry; let alone all ships, shops and merchandise; abhor politics; don't practice medicine; be not a farmer or mechanic; neither be a soldier nor a sailor; don't work; don't study; don't think. None of these are easy. Oh, my son! You have come into a hard world. I know of only one easy place in it, and that is the grave."—Ex.

Does Not Always Follow.

A man strolled into a fashionable church just before the service began. The sexton followed him up, and tapping him on the shoulder and pointing to a small cur that followed him into the sacred edifice said: "Dogs are not admitted." "That's not my dog," replied the visitor. "But he follows you." "Well, so do you." The sexton growled, and immediately removed the dog with unnecessary violence.

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