PRISONERS AT WORK.

Board of Public Works Perfects Its Plan.

MAKE A PARK AT THE LAKE.

They Own Five Acres of Unimproved Land Near the Lake Washington Pumping Station, and Here the Hobos Will Get Their First Taste of Work—New Mayor Says There Will Be No Humes Policy.

The board of public works has about [illegible] on the policy that it will pursue [illegible] the city prisoners, who under [illegible] ordinance of the city council [illegible] to work. Out near the Lake [illegible]ington pumping station the city has [illegible] acres of unimproved land, and [illegible] that the prisoners will get their [illegible]te of hard work. The board of [illegible] works considered the matter for [illegible] time yesterday. There were a [illegible]many little details that had to be [illegible]ed, and the subject in general is [illegible] of the easiest for the considera[illegible] any public body.

[illegible]-long time the board has wanted [illegible]ove the city land near the Lake [illegible]ington station, and the ordinance [illegible] city council gives an opportunity [illegible] that want. The land will be [illegible] into a park, and a roadway sev[illegible]thousand feet in length will be con[illegible] through it to the pumping sta[illegible] stumps and trees will be removed, [illegible]ound leveled and other improve[illegible] will be made. The idea of the [illegible] is to get the roadway constructed [illegible] prepare the land for a city park.

[illegible] when the prisoners will go to work [illegible]not been decided, but the chances are [illegible] some time next week they will be [illegible] a dose of the new medicine. They [illegible] conveyed to the lake in a wagon [illegible] put to work. A guard or two [illegible] employed to watch them. As soon [illegible] land has been put in proper shape [illegible] work will be given them. The city [illegible] some bad streets, which would be [illegible]much improved if properly filled in [illegible] broken stone. It may be that later [illegible]site will be selected in South Seattle [illegible]some other convenient place for a city [illegible]pile. In time the site will be fenced [illegible] every day the city prisoners will [illegible] there under escort and work until [illegible].

[illegible] board of public works and the chief [illegible]olice will use their own discretion in [illegible]ting prisoners who shall work. "New [illegible] will not suffer as severely as will [illegible] who are constantly finding their [illegible] into the city jail so as to get a place [illegible]eep and food. As a matter of fact, [illegible] believes that the work system will [illegible]it in cleaning the city of a great many [illegible] the hobo element who have for years [illegible]ated the southern quarter and made [illegible]lves troublesome to society. They [illegible] whenever the opportunity presents [illegible], but being acquainted with the law, [illegible]er go beyond the crime of petit lar[illegible]y. In California old offenders are sen[illegible]ced for the crime of petit larceny ac[illegible]ding to their past records. The pres[illegible]e of such a law on the statute books [illegible] that state has enabled the authorities [illegible] rid the cities of this undesirable ele[illegible]nt. In this city the petit larcenist may [illegible] his vocation year in and year out, [illegible]d so long as he sticks to the lesser crime [illegible] punishment does not materially in[illegible]ase or diminish.

"I am of the opinion," said a city of[illegible]er yesterday, "that the city will in a [illegible]ort time be compelled to abolish its [illegible]ork system because of a scarcity of pris[illegible]ers. If they are worked sufficiently [illegible]ard they will make it a point to reform [illegible] go to some other city where the sen[illegible]ence is not so severe. There is every [illegible]eason why criminals should under the [illegible]ent state of affairs steal and go to [illegible]il for it. They get a good bed, have [illegible]od things to eat, do no work, and are [illegible]ell taken care of generally. But it will [illegible] a different proposition when they come [illegible] getting out of bed at an early hour, are [illegible]urried into a wagon and conveyed to a [illegible]tone pile, and there compelled to slave [illegible]ntil nightfall. There will no longer be [illegible]ny beauty or romance in the crime of [illegible]etit larceny, and none will so quickly [illegible]ecognize it as the local larcenists, who [illegible]ave for years made Seattle their home [illegible]nd have come to think that they are [illegible]ere to live until death calls them to an[illegible]other land."

There was no meeting of the city council last night. It is customary to meet Monday, but during the mayoralty fight there were so many meetings and so much general business cleaned up that there is very little left for consideration. When Judge Humes was elected mayor the council adjourned to meet at his call. Mayor Humes said yesterday that he had not called a meeting, and would not unless requested to do so by members of the council. Thus far there has been no change about the city hall because of Mayor Humes' election, and the chances are that there will be none of any importance. The mayor was about the hall yesterday morning, but in the afternoon was at his law office in the Bailey building. He said to a reporter for the Post-Intelligencer that it was not his intention to send a message to the council. "Even if I were inclined to send one," said the mayor, "I don't know what I would tell them. It seems to me that the council is able to look after its affairs without any great assistance.

"My policy? There is no 'Humes' policy; there won't be any. All I want to do is to work to further the interests of this city. I think we are all working to that end, and so there will be no conflict or any necessity for a Humes policy."

The board of public works was in session yesterday afternoon and considerable business of importance was disposed of, including the acceptance by the board of Grant street bridge, Fremont bridge and Sixth avenue south, which have been undergoing extensive repairs.

Will H. Thompson, whose residence on Drexel Heights was destroyed by fire some weeks ago, sent a communication to the board for permission to dig a ditch across Thirty-second avenue and lay a sewer pipe to a cess-pool which he proposes to have constructed. It was stated in the communication that the improvement is necessary in order to improve the sanitary condition of the city in that vicinity. The board referred the petition to the superintendent of streets and sewers.

George F. Cotterill, representing the board of state tide land commissioners, answered the petition of E. E. Caine for permission to extend Arlington dock. Mr. Cotterill in a communication to the board said:

"I would report that the wharf extension desired is within the harbor area owned by the state of Washington. From conversation with the commissioner of public lands recently I understand that no lease has been applied for or granted concerning this portion of the state's property. I cannot see any way by which the desired permit can be granted until petitioner shows some title from the state."

The board placed the communication on file.

Richard Saxe Jones, representing property-owners, stated in a written complaint that the Fremont Milling Company is maintaining a nuisance by not netting the top of its burner, as provided by a city ordinance. The company will be notified of the written complaint and instructed to meet the provisions of the city ordinance relating to burners.

A petition from W. A. Underwood, of the Seattle City Railway Company, for permission to open up the streets at the intersection of Yesler way and Occidental avenue for the purpose of putting in a curve to be used in operating the road, was referred to the superintendent of streets.

Six property-owners on Minor avenue, between Pine and Olive streets, filed a petition for the repair of the street and for the enforcement of the sidewalk ordinance. The petition went to the superintendent of streets.

Cooper & Levy urged the board to hasten the repair of Occidental avenue in front of their store. With the present condition of the street the firm states that traffic to and from its place of business is seriously interfered with.

The board authorized Chairman Thomson to enter into a contract with the South Seattle Fertilizing Company for the use of property in South Seattle as a depository for dead animals.

Patrick Flynn in a short communication to the board notified it that block 27, of Pontius addition, owned and occupied by him, is being flooded with water collected by means of sewers and ditches constructed and operated by the city, to the great injury of the property. Flynn stated that unless the nuisance is abated an action for damages against the city will be brought.

TOMORROW NIGHT.

The Street Car Men's Seventh Annual Ball Will Be Held at the Armory —The Committees.

The seventh annual ball of the Street Car Employes' Benefit Association, Friendship Lodge, No. 1, will be given at Armory hall tomorrow night, and promises to eclipse all previous efforts, both in point of numbers in attendance and in the carrying out of the idea. The programmes for the dances are out and are very neat. There are twenty-two numbers, and each one is coupled with some suggestive line in keeping with the calling of the hosts that is entirely characteristic.

The proceeds derived from the annual ball of the street car employes are applied to a fund for the relief of members who may be sick or injured. The benefit is in no way a charity, as ample return is made to purchasers of tickets for the small investment. The music will be furnished by Wagner's orchestra. The committees having the various matters in connection with the ball in hand are as follows:

Committee of arrangements—W. S. Jennings, E. L. Marsh, J. H. Bates, G. S. Fenwick, George Gau.

Reception committee—T. D. Finn, J. H. Bates, E. L. Marsh, J. J. Murphy, Mrs. T. D. Finn, Mrs. H. M. Bemiss, George Gau, George Delght.

Introduction committee—All members of the association.

Floor manager—W. S. Jennings.

Floor committee—J. E. Doney, J. Stringer, O. M. Snyder, B. M. Burnett.

Nine tickets to the rich gold fields are being given away by the Post-Intelligencer, which allows you to earn a grubstake at the same time. Are you in the race? If not, send to the manager today for blanks.

AMUSEMENTS.

A Frohman Success.

Considerable interest is being manifested over the coming of "The Late Mr. Castello," the farcical comedy by Sidney Grundy, which will be presented at the Seattle theater on next Thursday and Friday evenings, November 25 and 26. "The Late Mr. Castello" is a three-act comedy, having for its central character a gay young widow. On account of her over-indulgence in flirting, and the way she does, hinges the fun, which is a prominent factor of the play. This character will be portrayed by Miss Rachael Ford, a young and beautiful actress, who is said to be winning considerable praise from the critics for her clever work in this character.

At the Y. M. C. A.

A large and enthusiastic audience of ladies and members witnessed the games and sports at the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium last night. The programme was interesting and full of life throughout.

On next Thursday evening the Tacoma Y. M. C. A. will play a return game with the home team. The Tacoma boys have chartered a boat and will come over in large numbers. Among the other features introduced will be fancy club swinging by Eugene Detwiler and instrumental music by the Y. M. C. A. Mandolin, Guitar and Banjo Club. Members and accompanying ladies only admitted.

Loleta, the Child Actress.

Loleta, the child who takes the part of Little Eva in "Uncle Tom's Cabin" at the Third Avenue theater, is one of the brightest children who has ever appeared on the stage in this city. The child who was cast for the part was taken sick the day the company left Portland. Loleta was engaged and given the part to study on the train. Without a stage rehearsal she went on the stage Sunday night, and not only played the part without being prompted, but played it exceedingly well.

Crowds at the People's.

The standing room only sign was hung out at 8 o'clock at the People's theater last night as a result of the splendid bill offered by the management for the current week. Heading the list of good things is the production of the farce-comedy, "You and I," presented by Post and Ashley, supported by the theater's stock company. The vaudeville features of the programme include Cad Wilson, Mlle. Lira, Eva Brant, Trixeda and others.

A young girl living at the Forks of the Quillayute created a sensation last week. Having been reproved, she left her father's house and took to the woods. She was gone all night, one of the stormiest of the year, while her parents and neighbors were scouring the woods looking for her, and turned up next morning all right, having found shelter in an old barn.

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WHERE IS W. B. GAMBELL?

He Left Seattle for Vancouver, B. C., on November 12.

HAS DROPPED OUT OF SIGHT.

His Father, Who Lives at Portland, Nor His Wife Can Give Any Reason for His Disappearance—He Had a Good Business, and His Home Life Was Happy—Intended to Go to Hastings' Mill, but Did Not

William B. Gambell, of 340 Twenty-third avenue south, is the subject of most anxious inquiry by his wife and his father, City Auditor A. N. Gambell, of Portland, Or. For nearly five years the son and husband has been a resident of Seattle. He is the agent of Leonard & Ellis, a San Francisco wholesale oil house, and maintained an office in the Starr-Boyd building.

Friday night, November 12, Mr. Gambell left his comfortable home on Twenty-third avenue to take the steamer Kingston for Vancouver, B. C., where he intended visiting the Hastings mill on a business mission. Since that night Mrs. Gambell has not heard a syllable from her husband.

Mr. Gambell's father arrived in the city yesterday from Portland to assist in searching for the missing man. With F. M. Muldoon, a neighbor of the Gambells, he visited police headquarters last night to give a description of his son and to enlist the services of the department in finding him.

The Gambell case appears to be a singular one. The missing man's description, as given to the police last night by his father, is as follows: Height, 5 feet 10 inches; weight, about 140 pounds; fair complexion, gray-blue eyes and light mustache. He was quite bald and was dressed in a brown suit, with brown derby hat and black shoes.

Mr. Gambell's business is such that he is compelled frequently to be absent from the city for several days at a time. It was his custom, however, to keep his family and his office employes posted as to his movements almost daily. He would telegraph or telephone to the office to inquire about business matters and would inform his wife by wire of his movements from day to day. If, by chance, he was unable to return home at the appointed time he would invariably telegraph Mrs. Gambell that he was delayed, and would tell her when he would be able to start for home.

Mr. Gambell left his home Friday night to take the steamer City of Kingston for Vancouver, B. C. His intention was to return home not later than Sunday or Monday a week ago. Mrs. Gambell expected him home on Sunday, but did not worry on his failure to put in an appearance. She confidently expected him on the following day, and when Monday had passed and the following day brought no word from her husband, she became very uneasy. As the hours lengthened into days and, linked together, the days made out a week, and still no word was received from the missing man, the wife's alarm and grief became pitiable, and finally in despair she went to her neighbors for help and telegraphed her husband's father to come from Portland and direct the search for his son.

A telegram was sent to the Hastings mill people at Vancouver Saturday. W. B. Mearns, one of the managers of the mill, is personally acquainted with Mr. Gambell. Yesterday a reply was received, stating that he had not been at the mill at all.

Of course, the receipt of this unwelcome bit of news brought terror and despair to the Gambell household. From that time it was like groping in the dark to look for the lost husband and son. Mrs. Gambell clung all last week to the hope that her husband might have changed his plans on reaching Vancouver and have decided to return to Seattle by rail instead of steamer, visiting the shingle mills on the route in quest of business. It was believed that he might have gone to the mills at Whatcom and Blaine and have been caught between railroad stations by a washout. The fact that the storm of last week laid low some of the wires running north out of Seattle encouraged this belief, because if Mr. Gambell has been detained by floods his silence could be explained by the fact that there was no communication by wire with the lower Sound points. Sunday, however, found all the wires to the points likely to be visited by Mr. Gambell up and working well, so that had he been delayed in the manner indicated he would have been able to notify his wife, as was his custom.

Mr. Gambell's business affairs are said to be in good shape and he has prospered so as to be able to set a store by for a rainy day. His domestic relations were of the happiest and he had no bad habits. His family are completely in want of any plausible theory on which to predicate a belief that he has purposely absented himself from his family circle and his business. Those who know him say that there is no business reason for his leaving the city and that his home life here was happy and full of contentment.

The case is now in the hands of Chief of Police Reed and his assistants. A systematic search and inquiry into the case was begun last night. Today telegrams will be sent out containing a description of the missing man.

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J. C. C. Lewis Writes of Great Copper River Country.

WHAT OUTFIT MUST CONSIST OF.

A Klondike Pack Would Not Very Well Answer the Wants of a Copper River Trip—Game and Fish in Great Abundance—Indians Say the River Is Navigable—Lewis Was in Country Twenty-nine Years Ago.

J. C. C. Lewis, a civil engineer, who makes his home at Salem, Or., has written to the Post-Intelligencer, giving information of great value to those who will join in the Copper river expeditions to Alaska in the spring. Lewis is in position to speak intelligently of the country, for he explored it many years ago when Alaska was almost unknown to the average resident of the United States. Twenty-nine years ago he was one of two white men who, with an Indian guide, visited the country. They were not burdened with any great amount of provisions or heavy outfits. In fact, they traveled with very light packs. Flour and salt were their only provisions, but they encountered game enough to feed a regiment. Moose, caribou and bear were plentiful wherever they went. Then, too, the streams were found to be stocked with fine fish. Lewis will lead a party into the Copper river country in the spring. He has written to the department of the interior at Washington City, suggesting in the name of humanity that the United States government build a government military road from the mouth of the Copper river to the Klondike, the distance being about 350 miles.

"I informed the department," writes Mr. Lewis to the Post-Intelligencer, "that the Indians had told me that there was a low pass in that course, also that the lower Copper river had a great quantity of water and that a large boat could easily go down it to the coast. I never was on the lower river. My information concerning it was derived from our Indian guide while we were about 250 miles above its mouth, near the point where we struck across the Shushitna river. We descended the northern branch of the Copper river about 150 miles.

"I believed the Indian when he said the Copper river was navigable, as it was an immense stream at that point, and I think I was fairly excusable in writing the government that I believed it would prove navigable. I yet believe a railroad would be feasible in that section and that it can be had upon safe grades.

Not Much Snow.

"I notice in your paper several routes to be opened by rail and river navigation in conjunction. From my knowledge of those regions, I think that would not be an economical measure, as the rivers, as a rule, are not clear of ice only from five to seven months each year, and the winter season up there is the very best for railroad business. Cars can run every day. There is not snow enough in the Yukon country to blockade trains. I dare say there is far more snow in the very small strip along the coast than in the whole broad expanse of the Yukon basin. Up in the Copper river and Cook inlet regions, where it snows, it pays attention to it, and does it up in great shape, and keeps it up. But the weather is never very cold, possibly touching zero a very few times in the winter; while in the Yukon region it gets so cold it cannot snow, and most of the snow they get is from the frost falls.

"Any corporation wishing to open up a line of commerce into that region would better leave the rivers entirely alone. Then they will do well. The first all-rail route into that region is all right.

Copper River Outfit.

"I further notice in your paper of that date several estimates of provisions necessary for the amateur, tenderfoot and miner. Some seemed to be altogether too elaborate, and all would appear quite confusing to the novice, who wished to outfit with actual necessaries and no more. I will write out the list which I expect to take as my essentials next spring upon my trip to the Copper river. This is not a Klondike outfit, but only for the Copper river, and we expect to return in November.

	Lbs.
1 sack white flour	49
2 sacks graham flour	98
3 sacks yellow corn meal	30
1 sack 5 lbs each of rolled oats, hominy and rice	15
3 sacks beans	45
9 packages evaporated potatoes	45
3 packages evaporated onions	12
3 packages evaporated apples	15
3 packages evaporated blackberries	3
3 packages split peas	9
12 packages compressed soups (about)	6
3 packages yeast cakes (perhaps)	¼
3 packages baking soda	3
6 cans baking powder	3
3 cans evaporated vinegar	3
6 cans tomatoes	12
12 bottles extract of beef	3
3 packages tea	3
6 cans ground coffee	12
3 cans mustard, 3 cans ginger, 2 cans black pepper, one can cayenne, 3 cans matches (good)	3
Several bottles of pepper sauce, French mustard and curry	3
3 cans pickles (packed in brine, equals about 8 gallons in vinegar)	15
6 packages granulated sugar (5 lbs each)	30
3 packages salt (dry ground rock)	15
3 pieces best bacon	60
3 pails lard (Western)	30
15 cans fresh butter (hermetically sealed)	30
3 pieces dried beef	15
6 cakes laundry soap	6
6 cakes toilet soap	3

"This makes nearly 600 pounds, which constitutes the loads of three burros. Each pack should have a waterproof covering over it also, which will bring each load up to about 200 pounds. The fourth burro, for I think each man will need four, will be loaded with the following, excepting, of course, that which the person wears and carries himself:

"Whetstone, screw driver, nippers, machine oil, ammunition, hatchet, knife, belt, revolver, rifle, match safe, can opener, snow glasses, jack knife, compass, watch, drinking cup, frying pan, gold pan, large pick, prospector's pick, prospector's hammer, shovel, fish hooks and lines, 100 feet half-inch rope, pair scissors, 6 darning needles, 12 button needles, 2 dozen pants buttons, 1 dozen bachelor coat buttons, 1 skein yarn, 1 iron thimble, 2 spools black No. 10 thread, 1 spool white No. 10 thread, 2 spools black linen thread, 1 small cake wax, 1 coarse comb, 1 fine comb, 1 hair brush, 1 tooth brush, hand mirror and 1 medicine chest, containing extract Jamaica ginger, rheumatic remedy, arnica, camphor, alum, borax, potassium tablets, Chamberlain's Diarrhoea Cure, tincture nitre and buchu, tincture iodine, carbolic acid or ointment, vaseline, liver pills, cough tablets, salts, quinine capsules, fever tablets, citric acid, sulphur, anti-fabrine, sweet oil, absorbent cotton, castile soap, 3 sponges, needles, silk, lint, belladonna and mustard plasters, oil of pennyroyal, extract of tar, surgical adhesive plaster.

"I do not consider all the above medicines necessary, but it is a good list to select from. One will choose some things which he deems essential, while another will choose others. The pennyroyal and tar are essential on account of the mosquitoes and moose flies, and a white-legged variety which is still worse. The fourth burro will also carry the clothing. That which is necessary is as follows:

"One rubber blanket, 2 pair woolen blankets, one oilcloth suit (short coat, pants and sou'wester), one summer hat, one common pair trousers, two duck suits (frock and pants), two mackinaw suits (frock and pants), one corduroy suit (coat and knee pants to wear en route), one soft hat to wear en route, four outing flannel overshirts, four suits light underwear, six pair woolen socks, twelve pair cotton socks, two pair wool mitts (leather faced), two pair buck gauntlets, one pair snag-proof rubber boots, one pair light shoes or boots, calked soles for traveling en route, two pair strong sewed shoes, two pair duck leggings (to wear en route), two silk handkerchiefs, six bandana handkerchiefs, six napkins, six towels, six yards cheese cloth (mosquito fender).

Should Go in Company.

"In going to the Copper river in April or latter part of March, a party will find snow and much ice to pass over in the passes, and their boots should have heavy caps studded with caulks. In this kind of enterprise there should be banded together not less than four companions, but six to eight would be far better. Then in company they would purchase and own the following necessary articles, and it will give each of the eight burros about forty additional pounds' weight and bring their burden about to the 200-pound mark with the provision carrier's pack. The company articles for eight persons:

"One tent and ropes, one tarpaulin to cover packs when encamped, one sectional canvas boat, 200 feet inch rope, one stove and pipe, three galvanized pails (nested), three granite buckets (with covers) nested, for boiling with, two granite cups (large), three granite plates (for meat, fish, etc.), eight tin pint basins (soup dishes), three tin two-quart basins (vegetable dishes), twelve tin plates, eight tin tea cups (handles), eight knives and forks, twelve teaspoons (white iron), twelve tablespoons (white iron), two iron basting spoons, one soup ladle, one butcher knife, one large knife and fork for cooking with, one tea pot, one coffee pot, one small dish pan, one patent bread pan, two iron drip pans (nested).

"Tools, etc.—10 pounds assorted wire nails, twenty pounds quicksilver (or less), one gold scale, ten pounds lead, one fish spear, three awls, three gimlets, three corkscrews, one auger, one howel, three chisels, one hand vise, one large screw driver, one short hand saw, a draw shave, one brace and three bits, three files (assorted), one hand ax, one light chopping ax, two large axes, two extra shovels, two extra picks, two extra pick handles, one strong grub box and thirty pounds daily rations carried in it.

"This list from tent down will weigh about 350 pounds, and will give to each of eight burros about forty-five pounds. The personal belongings and clothing together will foot up about 150 pounds. So you see, a company of eight persons would have thirty-two burros, and each burro would carry about 200 pounds, and that is enough in consideration of the road.

"On account of the moose fly and other flies, I would suggest a twine fly-net next to each animal's body; and two pair of overalls for each one's legs as well. It will be little money well expended, as the animals will then not try to rub against every rock and tree, or try to rush into every bush or creek to get rid of their tormentors, and thereby disarrange or break their trappings.

"In conclusion, I will say that those who like milk and sweetening in tea or coffee could add to the above list condensed milk and saccharine tablets. Some may think I am light on flour, but upon scanning the list carefully you will find enough in the vegetable line to do. I take little meat, because every stream contains an abundance of fish, and I think game is very plentiful. Observe, all kinds of provisions are in three, six or nine parcels, so each animal can take an equal portion of everything. It is best to do that, for if an animal slips into a crevasse or the river and is lost, you only lose one-third of everything and not all of many things."

THE GOLD LAND.

Charles W. Seymour Delivers an Interesting Lecture on Alaska.

Charles W. Seymour, of Tacoma, who has at his tongue's end everything that goes toward making up interesting and valuable information concerning Alaska, and who possesses the charming gift of eloquently and in choice language telling all he knows, appeared before a small but appreciative audience at the Seattle theater last evening and talked for more than an hour on the subject which has been and is now agitating, and will continue to agitate the civilized world for years to come. Before he appeared on the stage Miss Amy Corey and Miss Annie Sutter, two pretty young girls, rendered a difficult instrumental duet.

Mr. Seymour made the trip to Dawson City by the overland route last fall, and was able to place before his audience up-to-date information and incidents of the country.

His description of how the Indian packers take to their work was one of the best features of the lecture. He spoke of how a little French bride with her husband had gone north with over 2,200 pounds of provisions and outfits. They were bound for the Klondike, and when they were landed near Dyea the little woman climbed up on the pyramid of "baggage," while her husband went dickering with about nineteen Indians about packing the outfits and supplies over the summit. He completed his work before the little French woman knew what was going on. In less than a minute the nineteen Indians had dived into the pyramid and the little woman was on her back on the ground, with her dainty little French feet high in the air, and the Indian packers were off for the lakes.

The lecturer's stories of life at Sheep Camp and at Dawson City, "where they have a piano, a game that has been going for six weeks, and no churches," were decidedly entertaining and called forth well-deserved applause.

Mr. Seymour toward the close of his lecture told what he believes to be the vast richness of the country and gave much sound advice to the miner who contemplates going to the gold fields. If 500,000 miners were to work in the Alaska country for 100 years, the speaker said, he did not believe they would take out all of the gold.

"The reports," said Mr. Seymour, "have not been exaggerated. I don't mean those reports about vast stores of gold at Dawson City, which interfere with one's travels about the city, but I mean the reports which have been sent out by men who have been there for years and who are in every way competent to size up the honest resources of the country.

"There is no chance of the Alaska country filling up. It would take too many men to fill it, and there is gold for all. As one man said, the golden gates of the country have just begun to squeak on their hinges. The miners up in that country are not bothering with the quartz gold. They are leaving that for the next generation."

In closing, Mr. Seymour said: "And we all want to work to see that the United States government does that which it should have done long ago—namely, give Alaska good government. Today it is like the baby in the cradle with only a rattle to play with. We want in Alaska a body empowered to make laws that will meet the demands. We want our land laws extended so that they will include Alaska, and we want other laws for the country."

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