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E. HAZARD WELLS, EDITOR... E. F. CHASE, BUSINESS MANAGER... One cent per copy six cents per week...

We are inclined to think that the noted treaty which Brig. Gen. Bates negotiated August 10 last with the Sultan of Sulu...

As a purely military measure, perhaps the so-called treaty with Gen. Bates negotiated with the Mohammedan ruler of the Sulu islands may be justified...

The Star yesterday printed a signed communication from Mr. Dexter Horton, protesting against the proposed encroachment of the Northern Pacific Railroad upon the water-front...

Both of these citizens are too well known in Seattle to need any introduction. They are representative men, and their opinions carry weight.

The people are against the N. P.'s scheme.

MR. WHITE'S REASONS FOR OPPOSING THE N. P. WATER FRONT SCHEME

I read Mr. Dexter Horton's letter in last night's Star and I endorse every word that the old pioneer said.

He might have added that after the railroad was located at Tacoma, the N. P. built a branch line to Seattle, which it refused to operate after two or three years...

Serious questions of a financial nature will arise should this city attempt to vacate the streets asked for by the Northern Pacific Railroad Company. Some of these streets are outlets to tide water...

I am not acquainted with President Hill, of the Great Northern, and am not in any way under obligations to his company.

I have read what President Hill has said on this subject, and I believe he is right when he says that the water-front should be preserved for the ordinary Puget sound steamboat traffic.

If the N. P. wishes to build a depot for the accommodation of its own passenger traffic on one of the blocks owned by that company on the water-front, it would be sufficient for many years to come.

The bribe held out by the Northern Pacific Railroad Company to induce the citizens to vacate our streets, is simply to enable that company to bottle up the water-front of the city of Seattle as they have bottled up the water-front of Tacoma.

Never for an instant should our people consider the proposition. W. H. WHITE.

NEW BRANCH OF AN ILLINOIS O. R. & N. LINE GOLD MOUNTAIN

PENDLETON, Or., Dec. 15.—It is conceded that the building of a railroad into Granite district would receive a patronage of no small magnitude from the mines alone.

But the greatest inducement for the construction of the road would be the livestock interests. Were a branch line to be built from Pendleton to that region, it would necessarily pass through the greatest stock region on the Pacific coast.

The Great Northern overland was six hours late in leaving, on account of slides at Sultan and Index.

The Utopia brought down a heavy mail from China and Japan, which came to Victoria via the Empress line.

FUNERAL OF H. P. PIGHT

The funeral of Henry Phillip Picht took place yesterday afternoon from Ross Presbyterian church. Rev. Mr. Chaney and Rev. F. J. Edmunds officiating.

NEW RULES FOR COLLECTING MAIL

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 15.—The postmaster general has issued a general order announcing the determination of the department to provide for the registration of valuable papers as first-class matter by letter carriers on their routes of delivery in cities.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—What is declared to be a mountain of gold has been discovered in Southern Illinois, near Cairo, and several Chicago men are developing the immense claim.

For months those interested have been hawking little bags of quartz sand among the assayers in Chicago, getting tests and analysis. The samples were represented sometimes as coming from Colorado, and again as from California, or from the Klondike.

Three of Prof. Gibson's tests showed a yield of \$254 to the ton. The test which gave the maximum yield of \$545 was made by George H. Ellis.

RESOURCES OF THE TRANSVAAL

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 15.—Some interesting light is thrown on the Boer question from Consul Chas. Macrum, of Ohio, at Pretoria, published in the consular reports. In dealing with the gold and diamond outputs of the Transvaal, he says: "The total quantity of diamonds found in 1898 in the Transvaal was 22,843 carats, valued at \$212,812.04."

FATAL COLLISION ON THE B & O.

MANSFIELD, O., Dec. 15.—A serious wreck occurred about 4 o'clock this afternoon on the B. & O. three miles west of here. A work train en route to Newark crashed head end into westbound freight No. 99, which was leaving the siding.

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LOOKING

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MAY CLOSE THE HALLS

Where Girls Drink With Men.

Police Officer M. M. Freeman has sworn to complaints in Judge Austin's court, charging Hermann Quandt, proprietor of the Bella Union saloon and concert hall, and C. W. Shomo, proprietor of the Klondike saloon, with employing women in places where liquors are sold.

POLICE AGAIN AFTER QUANDT

Proprietor Shomo Also Gets a Call From the Officers of the Law.

Two concert halls which have been running in the tenderloin district for months, contrary to the state law, may soon be in a peak of trouble.

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The law under which Quandt and Shomo will be prosecuted, has not been enforced since its passage, but its validity has been passed upon by the supreme court of the state.

In Quandt's "joint" a dozen young girls are employed to drink with the men and are given a percentage of all profits due to their efforts.

From 8 o'clock in the evening until the early hours of the morning the strains of a noisy piano announce to passersby that the "concert" is on and their patronage solicited.

Many girls of scarcely eighteen years of age can be seen in the room drinking and playing cards with men old enough to be their fathers.

At one time Quandt ran the "Rais-killer" in Chicago, alleged to be one of the most pronounced affairs of its kind in that breezy city.

Quandt has been arrested several times by the Seattle police for employing girls in his saloon, who were not 18 years of age, but has never been convicted.

Last week he was arrested by Detective Cuddehe on a warrant charging him with the larceny of \$95. A woman by the name of Thatcher claimed that she entrusted the money to his keeping. She was drinking and Quandt claims that she authorized him to use the money to pay her bills. Judge Cann discharged Quandt.

Shomo's saloon is an alleged hang-out for sick people. It has been charged that a number of nearly women, who are in the city at present, were imported by a certain police court barrister from Chicago to rob returning Klondikers. These women have been arrested but never convicted. Their bail is in nearly every case furnished by the Klondike saloon, where it is alleged that they make their headquarters. This place has never been "pulled" by the police.

Gold From Sea Water.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—A provisional patent has been granted by the British government for the extraction of gold from sea water. The patentees claim to have discovered a combination of chemicals which will precipitate not only the organic matter in sea water, but the gold also without the use of electricity.

Church on a Roof.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The new People's Church will be built on a roof of one of New York's skyscrapers, and will be constructed of glass walls and roof that may be practically removed in the warm months. Dr. A. C. Dixon says that he secured the idea of the roof auditorium from the theaters.



CHRISTMAS.....

AT THE BON MARCHE

All Seattle, and everybody beyond our borders who can, must come to this store and enjoy the Bon Marche's Christmas. If there is any one time when business is carried on in

A Most Unbusinesslike Way

It is during the month of December, and yet we were never so busy, we never worked so hard, and, strangest of all, no task ever rested so lightly on hand and brain. What philosopher said:

"Love Lightens Labor?"

News today of gifts for gift buyers. May we ask you to do your shopping early? It will be handier for you and for us, for we are using six horses now, and it looks as if we'd have to get more.

We've a Real, Live Santa Claus

and generally a hundred little excitable running up and down stairs to catch a look at him. The letter box has been filled twice already, and we shall have to get more stenographers, for every letter will be answered, for we promised it. Let the children write and send their letters by mail if they can't come to the store. They'll enjoy a visit, though, and everybody is very welcome.

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