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JUNEAU, ALASKA, DECEMBER 26, 1912.

JUNEAU, CHURCHES AND CIVILIZATION.

JUNEAU is a city of churches. This remark has been made before in connection with this city. It is repeated here for the sake of emphasis. There are many good people who look upon Alaska as a barbarian land, without the pale of civilization, not to mention religious influences. And yet there is scarcely a hamlet in this wide domain that has not a church, or at least religious services of some kind, some portion of the year. All of the more substantial towns have churches of the various denominations and all work together in harmony for the common good.

Yesterday and on Christmas Eve the churches held services in keeping with the season; the children of the Sunday Schools had entertainments, also in accord with the spirit of Christmas. Such things are helpful—to the children, to the grown-ups, to all the community, whether they be church-goers or not. With these things go the spirit of brotherhood. It matters not whether we subscribe to religious dogmas or not, it must be admitted that the churches have carried to those who need it, of every land, the best of our civilization.

The unthinking sometimes sneer at missionaries and deride their work, yet these are the men who have crossed the turbulent frontiers and have shown more physical and moral courage than the soldier in battle. It was a base columny when it was said that English missionaries in Africa carried the Bible in one hand and gave the natives rum with the other. All the missionaries who have embarked in the work of civilization have not been single-minded, but the work that has been accomplished cannot be justly condemned because of the lapses or greed of the few. The influence exerted by devoted men has always been for the good of humanity.

With seven new House smelling committees added to the present list there should be an odorous time about the purlieus of the national capitol.

The Christmas celebration at the Native church was among the best in Juneau, say those who attended it.

And your Uncle Woodrow may also be a "wet blanket" on the hope and ambition of many a placeseeker.

There is little doubt that President Taft met with a warm reception at Panama.

THE SENATE AND CONFIRMATIONS.

SENATOR GORE, of Oklahoma, seems to be the official watchdog of the Democratic party. He is opposed—pointedly opposed to confirming Republicans in office, even though they have been appointed to the bench. After sixteen years of Republican rule and Democratic exile, he says, in substance, he cannot see the propriety and advisability of nominating and confirming a Republican judge, to a bench that is unanimously Republican.

And the Senators have the last word. "Senatorial courtesy" in the matter of the confirmation of nominations made by the President, is a mighty weapon. It has dashed to the ground the budding hopes of many an aspirant for office. And sometimes worthy ones, whose only fault was that they were non persona grata to some Senator or the friends of the Senator.

President Taft has many offices to fill between now and March 4, next, and what course he may elect to pursue in view of the conditions that have arisen will be interesting to note. He knows that he faces a Senate, the majority of which is hostile to him, if we include the Progressives with the Democrats; and the pressure upon him from without is strong. As many offices as possible must be preserved to his party, he may reason, what though their stay therein may be brief. The burden of their removal, or the propriety of their filling out the terms for which they are appointed, may be passed on to the incoming administration, along with the tariff and other measures.

Seattle merchants were stealing two ounces on each quart of cranberries they sold until the sealer of weights and measures made them sell the berry by the pound. Seattle is sometimes satisfied with small pickings if the whole hog cannot be had.

A TOPSY-TURVY CIVILIZATION.

NOTWITHSTANDING the demands of the Balkan States that nearly the whole of Turkey be divided among them it is scarcely probable that their wishes will be gratified, but that they will get substantial slices is a forgone conclusion. The prospect of a general European war growing out of the Balkan embroglio is mere flubdub. For economic and social reasons war among the great nations is now impossible. Amazing progress is being made in arbitration and in treaties giving better and better machinery for peaceful settlement of international differences. These differences themselves are being reduced to trifles, mostly not worth a second thought on the part of civilized peoples.

In one respect our civilization is topsy-turvy. The dominant note of life is trade. Commerce brings the nations together. It induces mutual respect. As Benjamin Franklin observed long ago, it hurts trade "to hit our customer on the head."

Yet the expenditures on behalf of suspicion and hatred are growing as never before. In the United States today seventy-

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three percent of the national expenditures goes to one or another of the war accounts. In most of the European countries the expenditures for civil purposes are relatively negligible, while thousands of millions of dollars are chargeable each year to the war accounts.

In this era nations fight by taking up one another's war loans. In lulls of peace they build for one another the ships they would be presently bombarding one another with. The financial kings are iron men; the crowned and automatons. The former look after commerce and armament alike. They play no favorites. Their business is to absorb and adjust the debts of nations. The house of Rothschild long ago succeeded the house of Bonaparte as the arbiter of the fortunes of Europe.

There are so many "sure cures" for the many ills that flesh is heir to that it is little wonder that so many die.

Why keep Don Castro out of the United States? It might civilize him a bit to touch a few of the high places.

**PREPARING FOR
BIG BUSINESS**

Edward Morgan, traveling agent for the Alaska Steamship Company, arrived up on the Mariposa and will spend a few days in Juneau.

Mr. Morgan is in a very optimistic frame of mind. He says things look mighty good around here and that people on the Outside are taking heart over the prospect of remedied legislation for Alaska from the new administration.

"Our company," he said, "is preparing for the increased business sure to result from the new order of things. The Dolphin is to be replaced at once by the Jefferson which will go on a ten day schedule giving Juneau a boat every five days in every direction by our vessels. Still other changes will be made in the spring, increasing the efficiency of the service for Juneau."

A number of witnesses have been summoned from Seward to appear in the government coal cases, at Chicago, against A. C. Frost, former president of the Alaska Central railroad. The men subpoenaed are: Geo. Sexton, F. M. Hale, W. H. Whittlessey, J. J. Fenegan, H. H. Hildreth and C. M. Hill. The case is set for February 17.

The Prince Rupert Inn, the finest hostelry in British Columbia, north of Vancouver, was burned to the ground a few days ago. A fireman named McIntosh was badly injured during the fire.

BIRTH AT HOSPITAL

A baby boy was born to Mrs. Card, a native woman from Haines, at the government hospital this morning. Dr. Mahone was the attending physician.

Winter & Pond have fresh holly. ***

The Japan current has caused a 20% discount on all Ladies FURS until January 1st, at W. H. CASE.

Chili con carne served every night at Lockie McKinnon's, on Second avenue. tf.

What could be more appropriate than a beautiful umbrella for Christmas? Valentine has them in countless styles. ***

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LOST—A Greek letter Sigma Chi fraternity pin, cross-shaped, enameled front, gold base. Reward; H. E. Meyer, Surveyor-General office. tf.

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The United States of America, District of Alaska.

WHEREAS, on the 13th day of December, 1912, B. B. Metz and F. M. Flak filed a libel in the District Court of the United States for the District of Alaska, against the launch "Murrelet" her boats, tackle, apparel and furniture, in a cause of wages Civil and Maritime.

AND WHEREAS, by virtue of process in due form of law, to me directed, returnable on the 13th day of January, 1913, I have seized and taken the said launch "Murrelet" and have her in my custody.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a District Court will be held in the United States Court Room in the City of Juneau, on the 13th day of January, 1913, for the trial of said premises, and the owner or owners, and all persons who may have or claim any interest, are hereby cited to be and appear at the time and place aforesaid, to show cause, if any they have, why a final decree should not pass as prayed.

H. L. FAULKNER,
U. S. Marshal.
Shackelford & Bayless, proctors for libellants.
First date of publication Dec. 13, last date, Jan. 1, 1913.

The Juneau Steamship Co.
U. S. Mail Steamer
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Juneau-Sitka Route—Leaves Juneau for Hoonah, Gypsum, Tenakee, Killisnoo and Sitka—8:00 a. m., Nov. 5, 11, 17, 23, 29, Dec. 5, 11, 17, 23, 29, Jan. 4, 10, 16, 22, 28, Feb. 3, 9, 15, 21, 27, March 5, 11, 17, 23, 29.
Leaves Juneau for Funter and Chatham, 8:00 a. m.—Nov. 17, Dec. 11, Jan. 4, 28, Feb. 21, March 17.
Leaves Juneau for Tyeed, 8:00 a. m.—Nov. 23, Dec. 23, Jan. 22, Feb. 21, March 23.
Juneau - Skagway Route—Leaves Juneau for Pearl Harbor, Eagle River, Yankee Cove, Sentinel Light Station, Juallin, El dred Rock Light Station, Com. et. Haines, Skagway, 8:00 a. m.—Nov. 3, 9, 15, 21, 27, Dec. 3, 9, 15, 21, 27, Jan. 2, 8, 14, 20, 26, Feb. 1, 7, 13, 19, 25, March 3, 9, 15, 21, 27.
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FERRY TIME SCHEDULE

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Lv. Juneau for Douglas and Treadwell	Lv. Treadwell for Juneau	Leaves Douglas for Juneau	Leaves Juneau daily for Sheep Creek	From Juneau for Sheep Creek Saturday Night Only
*8:00 a. m.	*8:25 a. m.	*8:30 a. m.	11:00 a. m.	11:00 p. m.
9:00 a. m.	9:25 a. m.	9:30 a. m.	4:30 p. m.	for Juneau
11:00 a. m.	12:00 noon	12:05 p. m.	Leaves Sheep Creek for Juneau	Returning Leaves Sheep Creek 11:40 p. m.
1:00 p. m.	1:40 p. m.	1:45 p. m.	Leaves Sheep Creek for Juneau	Leaves Treadwell 11:45 p. m.
3:00 p. m.	3:25 p. m.	3:30 p. m.	Leaves Juneau	Leaves Douglas 11:50 p. m.
4:30 p. m.	4:55 p. m.	5:30 p. m.		
6:30 p. m.	6:55 p. m.	7:05 p. m.		
8:00 p. m.	8:25 p. m.	8:30 p. m.	11:40 a. m.	
9:00 p. m.	9:25 p. m.	9:30 p. m.	5:10 p. m.	
11:00 p. m.	11:25 p. m.	11:30 p. m.		

Sunday Schedule same as above, except trip leaving Juneau at 8 a. m. is omitted

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