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Misconception of Alaska.

The annual excursions of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company, stray congressmen, senators and touring committees from house and senate, who have made vacation trips into the country; returning argonauts attaches of northern corporations, have done much to disabuse the orthodox idea that the shores of Alaska are ice-bound and that the country is covered with eternal snow. But the old misconception that prevailed at the time of the transfer yet maintains throughout the world to too great an extent. Pictures of ice-covered craft, icebergs, glacial pinacles, snow fields, sledding scenes and denizens clad in fur, parkas and mukluks tend to foster this very unjust belief in the forbidding frigidty of Alaska. There has been too much written of "the vast white silence" and not enough about the pleasant realities that make Alaska the delightful country that it is.

It is strange that it is not yet generally conceived that a vast country—a third the size of the United States—can have within its boundaries a variety of climates.

One of the great lessons that should be taught the world by the Alaskan exhibit at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition is, that there are portions of Alaska where vegetation grows with almost tropical luxuriance. That there is a vast empire in Alaska where the mercury does not fall below zero, where native grasses grow taller than a man's height and cattle and horses can winter without care or shelter. That the climate of the Southeastern Alaskan coast is more equable than that of any northern states east of the Rocky mountains. Let summer scenes hang upon the walls of Alaska's show building—pictures of fat Aleutian cattle, the rank vegetation of gardens, the dense foliage of yellow cedar forests and their towering trees. And a few Fourth of July picnic scenes portraying ladies in gauzy garments and men with straw hats might hint at the idea that should be conveyed.—Skagway Alaskan.

Cable for Douglas.

On the last Al-Ki, the Electric Light company received two large cables that they have been expecting for the past four months. The reason for the delay was that the cables had to be made especially for the company. The two large spools, weighing in the neighborhood of 7 tons each, were loaded on a scow and towed up to the crossing above Gold creek, to await a favorable time when tide and wind would permit the cable being laid.

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ALEX. THOMPSON.
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