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In all the churches throughout the brave land of the United States, with the exception of Alaska, the president's proclamation was obeyed and the nation's heart felt thanks for the victories recently gained on sea and land, mingled with the prayers that our brave soldiers may be shielded from harm alike on the battle field and in the clash of fleets, and be spared suffering and disease while they are upholding the country's honor. The proclamation did not reach this far off corner of Uncle Sam's domain in time for our citizens to join with our countrymen in their thanks and prayers. It is not late, however, for the people of Skaguay to send our patriotic rejoicings to him in whose sight "a thousand years are but a day," and next Sunday all the services should be well attended. Every patriot should be there, and the president's proclamation, which in itself is as eloquent a prayer as was ever uttered, should be reverently read to the people. It may be too that Skaguay will have a special cause to be thankful for the time the church bells ring next Sunday morning, and special prayers to offer for divine aid in the continuance of the good work that has been begun.

By midnight last night the streets were more deserted than is usual at that hour, and today there are no crowds and but a very few citizens carrying arms. The battle is over and the excitement ended.

There will be no all Canadian route to Dawson this year. And there will be no St. Michaels route next year, and no Dyea route. The success of the lake steamers will have put an all the year frost on the former, and the Skaguay railroad, now so rapidly progressing, the schemes in the air of Wallace and his gang.

Chicago without the news must be a dull town, yet that was the condition at the beginning of this month. The stero-types struck for an increase of pay and a reduction of hours. The publishers decided that no newspaper should be published until all could be published.

Spain's Throne Totters.

The Matin says the queen regent of Spain desires the intervention of Europe and would "willingly sacrifice the throne for the peace which is imperative in the interests and for the honor of Spain."

The mint at San Francisco is turning out a lot of money. For the first eleven months of the present fiscal year the coinage has been \$53,820,441. This is the largest year's coinage in the history of the mint.

Two important events are about to happen in Alaska, says the Post-Intelligencer. One is the arrival of locomotives at Skaguay, and the other is the appearance on the Yukon of a steamer as a mail carrier. The opening up of the new territory is progressing at a remarkable rate.

The Spokane & Northern railroad has been sold to J. F. Morgan & Co., presumably for the Northern Pacific. The price paid for the property is said to be between \$5,000,000 and \$6,000,000.

The new government assay office at Seattle will be ready for business on Thursday and in good working order by the time the Klondike gold reaches there by way of St. Michaels.

Some of the Yukoners who made such a quick trip from Dawson to Skaguay last week left with their sacks of gold on the City of Seattle and the Cottage City, but the majority took the Tartar to-day, in the belief that it will beat the other steamers down.

Under the new revenue act a stamp tax is required on all customs papers. Customs bond will require a 50 cent stamp, all entries for consumption or for warehouses, 25 cents to \$1, according to value of invoice.

THE SINEWS OF WAR.

The public subscription for the bond issue of \$200,000,000 has been taken up with great enthusiasm. On July 1st it had reached the enormous sum of \$790,000,000, of which amount there had been received at the treasury department and absolutely accepted in subscriptions of \$500 and less the sum of \$40,000,000. What will Spain's minister of finance think of this?

The last party from Dawson say they started on the steamer Ora to come out this way with many misgivings that they would have to pole the steamer up to Five Fingers, and then to take the Dalton Trail. That they made so rapid and easy a journey all the way to Bennett was a surprise to them. So many men with gold dust and nuggets that they have cleaned up are eager to come out that as soon as the news reaches Dawson of the success of steam navigation on the upper river and the lakes the boats will be crowded. And the fame of the route by water to the Klondike by way of Skaguay, the leading seaport of the northern waters, will be carried to all parts of the earth.

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