

FIRST STAMPEDERS AT IDITAROD

PROSPECTORS REACH NEW-
FOUND GOLD FIELDS AFTER
LONG TRIP DOWN YUKON.

Iditarod City, Alaska, June 5.—Three hundred and fifty prospectors, the first party of stampeders to reach the new Iditarod gold fields, arrived here from Fairbanks yesterday after a three weeks' trip down the Yukon river. All agree that the stampeders will be the greatest since the famous rush to the Klondike 13 years ago, but many of the old-time goldseekers are pessimistic over the prospects for getting sudden wealth from the gravel along the banks of the Iditarod and Innoko rivers. Conservative estimates place the number of prospectors who will arrive here during the early summer at 5,000. Many men now on the ground express the opinion that the summer camp will not support more than 1,000 miners and that large numbers of the late comers are doomed to disappointment. They say that only seven miles of pay dirt have been located and none is extraordinary. It is believed that at least half of those in the main camp, Iditarod City, will turn back to the Kuskokwim, where they expect to locate a camp, 50 miles across the divide.

At present Iditarod City is but a small camp, consisting of a few cabins. No wharf has been built and freight is being dumped on the ground. During the present high water stage boats from Fairbanks are able to reach here, but later it will be impossible for any but the smallest steamers to get above the mouth of the Iditarod.

BOUCHER ON VISIT TO MISSOULA

PRESIDENT OF SOCIETY OF ST.
JOHN THE BAPTIST HERE
FOR SHORT TIME.

Yesterday was a busy day in Missoula for the members of the Society of St. John, the Baptist. State President Frank Boucher and W. Lepage, Dr. L. Lottie and D. Nadeau, members of the Butte society, were in the city for a short time, interesting the Missoula chapter in the big meeting and celebration to be held in Butte on June 24. At that time all the members in the state of the Society of St. John the Baptist will gather at Butte to celebrate the day. While in the city the visitors were shown about the city by J. Lussner, E. Cyr, George Spooner, E. Lacasse and Eugene Morin. After driving about the Garden city the party went to Frenchtown and called on members in the valley. An informal meeting was held and the state president explained to the Frenchtown residents the nature of the celebration on the 24th of this month. Much enthusiasm was shown and many of the members expressed their intention of going to Butte on that day. On returning to the city the party took a street car to Bonner to meet the society members in that town. Quite a surprise was given the party at Bonner, when 20 applications for membership in the order were presented to the state officers. These men will be initiated into the order next Sunday at 2 o'clock by the Missoula chapter.

It is expected that fully 100 delegates will attend the celebration from Bonner, Missoula and Frenchtown. The state officers desire to have a special train on that occasion, but even if a special train cannot be run, the railroad company has promised a special fare for the round trip.

MISS MORGAN LOOKS AT AQUEDUCT WORK

New York, June 5.—To see with her own eyes the conditions under which the men work who are building the Catskill aqueduct to New York city, Miss Anne Morgan, daughter of J. P. Morgan, went 500 feet below the surface of Roundout valley today and talked for hours with gangs of Italians and negroes. Accompanying her were Miss Frances Keller, secretary of the state immigration department, and Dr. David Flynn, sanitary superintendent of the board of water supply. The trip was made as a result of criticism published by Miss Keller in a magazine article. Miss Morgan had little to say of her observations, but she praised the engineers and begged them to "be kind to the poor fellows."

STATE LEGISLATOR TRIES TO ESCAPE

Chicago, June 5.—State's Attorney Wayman declared tonight that Lee O'Neill Brown, state legislator, accused of bribery in connection with the election of United States Senator Lorimer, will be placed on trial tomorrow morning. Brown declares the criminal court has no jurisdiction in the case and that two hours before his trial is scheduled, he will appear in the circuit court for hearing of a petition for a writ of habeas corpus.

The Kingdom Column

"Thy Kingdom Come."

CONDUCTED BY DWIGHT S. BAYLEY.

OPEN MINDEDNESS.

Prejudice of one kind or another is in evidence on all sides. Open mindedness is less common; in fact, it is rather a rare virtue. Many influences tend to make people act in their views and ways. As children they learn to like some things and dislike others, to believe some things and disbelieve others. The year-after-year example of parents brings people to maturity with many convictions both intellectual and personal; and these are prejudices.

Yet how unfortunate for one to allow prejudice to stand in the way of larger truth, of wider acquaintance, of greater pleasure, or more usefulness to society. How it robs one of many of the best things in life to assume an attitude toward things and people for no reason other than that that was father's attitude, or that it has been in one's community the popular attitude.

How much better to throw open the windows of one's mind to the flooding sunshine of truth, to judge people and things and teachings on merits and not by the opinions of parents or neighbors. How much better to meet the new neighbor kindly, the new minister sympathetically, the new teacher encouragingly, the new doctor or lawyer not suspiciously, rather than holding aloof or criticizing or opposing them because they are new.

It is a mark of prejudice to condemn a man or a plan because of mere newness. To think that things must always continue to be done as one has hitherto done them or seen them done is a mark of narrow mindedness. Yet this sort of thing stands in the way of progress and as a bar to happiness more than most anything else. Families lose good neighbors, organizations good leaders, and communities good citizens because of this sort of prejudice and narrow mindedness.

A recent editorial in the New York American contains an illustration which is applicable at this point. The subject of the editorial is "Prejudice." The extract is as follows:

"It is to be expected that a half-dozen dogs in a farmyard will prejudice a new dog that is added to their company and prejudice him to his advantage. He may be a more kindly, a more intelligent, a politer dog than any of their crowd, but he is new, and, therefore, he must fight prejudice in the person of the strongest of the pack before he can be received on terms of social equality."

"There is excuse for the dogs. Their intelligence is limited. They are without knowledge of past history or hope of future intellectual development."

"But why men, boasting of their minds, and serene in the possession of imperishable souls, should treat one another in the same ignorant and stupid fashion is one of the problems that philosophers have yet to solve."

Let it be honestly recognized at once that it is not easy to lay aside or to overcome the settled beliefs or customs of years. Yet the effort should be made. Progress can come only by change. Things which were good yesterday must give place to something better tomorrow. He who has a new idea, a new plan or a new method should be kindly received and carefully listened to; and if his idea or plan or method be good, no matter how it may differ from that which it would supersede—he should be given earnest support and a faithful following.

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prejudices of centuries and received the teachings and the leadership of Jesus Christ; and only as people of each succeeding generation are willing to receive these teachings and adapt them to their own needs and to follow this leadership will real progress continue. Open-mindedness is truly a great virtue.

THEY KNOW A GOOD THING.

Several years ago a national college for the education of Hindu boys was established in Jaffna, largely as a protest against the way that missionaries "monopolized educational work in Ceylon. Its founders said: 'We want to save our national honor, for it cannot exist when the nation's children are handed over to foreigners for training.' Great efforts are, therefore, being made to secure an endowment, and to raise the standard of the college. In the circular appealing for funds deep regret is expressed that a large majority of Hindu boys still attend the Christian schools, but the reason is not difficult to find. Long before this new institution came into existence the American board had founded Jaffna college, and for more than a generation it has been sending forth a superior grade of students. They fill important positions in every walk of life, on the continent of India as well as the island of Ceylon. Wherever they go their Christian character and sound scholarship win respect and admiration. Parents cannot help seeing the difference between the two types of school and continue to send their sons where the best results in education can be secured. The present is a critical time in India, and the fact that some of the ablest men in the new national congress are graduates of the American board schools is one evidence that training for good citizenship is an essential part of modern missionary work."

GRATITUDE.

I thank Thee, Lord, at break of day
When all the east is red with sun,
For health and hope and heart to say,
"I would be part of any way
In which the will of God is done."

I thank Thee, at the time of rest,
For strength that held the long day
Through
Footsore and worn, yet peace-possessed.

I know the honest toll is best
Of him who strives Thy will to do.

And though the task that I have sought
Transcends my hands' unaided skill,
I thank Thee for this mighty thought—
That all the wonders to be wrought
Lie hidden in Thy perfect will.
—Grace Duffield Goodwin.

LETTER FROM PERSIA.

(Continued.)

Last week there was printed in this column the first installment of a letter recently received by the writer of the column from his sister, Mrs. H. P. Packard of Urmia, Persia. Mrs. Packard's husband is a medical missionary at that place. The letter continues as follows:

This year, for the first time in its history, the Moslem Girls' school will give diplomas to a graduating class. There are four girls who have reached a certain standing in reading, writing, arithmetic and sewing. The reading and writing are done in three languages—Turkish, Persian and English. At least one of the four girls means to come back for more study next year, chiefly in English. This is most remarkable, for the girl is 15 years old. At the beginning of the year there were five girls in the class, but one, a girl of 12, dropped out, and this week is to be married to a man she never has seen.

Early marriages in this country constitute one of the most dreadful features of life. But people are slowly learning that there is a better way. Here and there women are saying that their daughters shall not be married as young as they themselves were. One day we called on a wealthy lady, who had with her a little girl that we took to be her sister. But when questioned, the lady said: "This is my daughter and she is 12 years younger than myself. She is 16 years old now, and we do not mean to give her in marriage for at least two years more." The Syrians as well as the Moslems marry young. My Syrian teacher is a theological student in the college. He is 36 years old, has been married three times and has a son 20 years old in the United States. Quite a record, isn't it?

Speaking of Syria, I want to echo the sentiment of a missionary in Japan, applying it to this language instead of the Japanese: "I believe it is an invention of the devil to try the souls of Missionaries." Syria is much harder than Turkish and as ugly a tongue, I am sure, as any known to men.

Last week the closing-day exercises of the Moslem girls' school were prettier than ever, and almost a quarter of the girls wore dresses instead of their regulation Moslem costume with chudras. There were recitations in Turkish, Persian and English, one Persian and one English song, several songs in Turkish and an exhibition of the girls' sewing. The four motion songs which I had taught them were specially enjoyed, and the last song was very pretty, indeed. All the girls stood together, 40 or more, in colors that would make a rainbow look pale, and sang the good-bye song that many of you must know, "Our Sunday School is Over." The words they sang were these: "Madrasatun taminun dur, bogoun awazad oluk, Khodaw hawfiz, Khodaw hawfiz, elizin mamun oluk," which, being interpreted, is: "Our school is over, today we become free; God keep you, God keep

you, to you we are grateful." With each "Khodaw hawfiz," they all bowed with a dignity never attained by a westerner.

I must not forget to tell you of two wonderful events in our life here. Last November our piano finished its two-and-one-half-year journey, and it now stands in the room where I am sitting, a joy unspeakable to all of us. It was, like many who come to this compound, a cripple when it got here, and required the doctor's attention for most of one day and the work of two carpenters for three days before its health was restored. It looks never will be entirely restored, but it looks surprisingly well and its voice is as sweet as ever. In December came last year's Christmas boxes, two from Denver and one from Seattle. Their contents were quite unimpaired and gave great joy to each member of the family. Wouldn't it be interesting to know where they spent the year after they were forwarded from England? (To be continued.)

GRAHAM DEFEATED FOR NOMINATION

STEPHEN G. PORTER WINS OUT
IN CONGRESSIONAL RACE
IN PENNSYLVANIA.

Pittsburg, June 5.—Almost complete returns received in the Twenty-ninth congressional district indicate the defeat for Congress of W. H. Graham for renomination by his opponent, Stephen G. Porter, chairman of the republican city committee. In the Twenty-eighth, with only a few districts missing, Joseph H. Sibley, a former congressman, has defeated the present congressman, Nelson P. Wheeler. J. Davis McMunkin was nominated in the Twenty-second district. Congressman George Huff retiring. Congressman John Daboll of Pittsburg, an "old guard" of 22 years' experience in Washington, is declared to have won a renomination in the Thirtieth district over former Mayor Robert J. Black of McKeesport. The victory, according to latest count tonight, with three precincts missing out of 265, shows a majority of but 403 for the veteran, and Black has not conceded his defeat.

BELGIUM ELECTION IS WATCHED

FRANCE IS INTERESTED IN RESULTS OF SYSTEM USED BY NEIGHBOR.

Paris, June 5.—In France, where electoral reform is now the issue of the hour, the recent elections in Belgium were watched with special interest, because their "representation proportionnelle," or R. P., as it is familiarly called here, is in full operation. R. P. is an elaborately-worked-out system to give all political parties representation, according to the number of votes polled; in other words, the abandonment of the absolute domination of majority rule, now in vogue in France and most other continental countries. In France, especially, the existing system of electing members to the chamber of deputies, in whose hands the political power of the state is concentrated, is severely criticized, not only on the grounds that majorities in small local districts make local considerations outweigh the national interests, but on the broader ground that the minorities, oftentimes only a few votes behind the majorities, have no representation at all.

PROHIBITION LAW GOES IN SUNFLOWER STATE

Topeka, Kan., June 5.—A decision of Judge John C. Pollock of the United States circuit court, announced here today, will, it is believed, settle the controversy between Kansas pharmacists and the courts as to the validity of the prohibitory act of 1909. Judge Pollock upheld the act absolutely, and in his opinion, liquor is nowise can be sold in Kansas, except on a physician's prescription, and then only by the physician himself.

OLD-TIME AFFRAY.

Florence, Colo., June 5.—A "few bars in the key of G" probably cost the right foot of J. I. Loney, a cowboy once employed on a ranch near here. Loney was sitting in front of a store here today when Al Johnson, also a cowboy, passed by, whistling a popular air. Loney mechanically took up the refrain. Johnson, angered by the impression that Loney was mocking him, drew a revolver and shot Loney in the right foot. Amputation probably will be necessary.

A BROKEN HEART.

Monroe City, Mo., June 5.—John M. Proctor, father of Mrs. Anna P. Vaughn, who is under indictment for the murder of her husband, Professor John M. Vaughn, died here today at the age of 76. Death is said to have been superinduced by grief over his daughter's arrest. He was said to have been worth a half million dollars.

TRAIN WRECKED.

Birmingham, Ala., June 5.—The Southeastern limited on the "Frisco" system was wrecked this afternoon in Walker county, about 60 miles west of Birmingham, and 36 people were injured, six of them seriously.



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