CAPE NOME MINES

Richness---Beach Diggings Easy to Reach.

IN UNITED STATES TERRITORY.

Cape Nome projects into Behring sea a little above the middle line of our Alaskan possessions in latitude 67 degrees. An old resident of Portland in a recent letter to a friend in that city writes:

PLENTY OF DUST AND NUGGETS.

"This is a grand place. If you like to see gold dust and nuggets I say come to Cape Nome, for here are plenty of ooth. To have a look at the rich diggings it is only nicessary to travel three hours after leaving the steamer which brings one from civilization.

MINING ON THE BEACH.

"Just think of it! The gold belt runs along the coast, and exceeds only six or seven miles into the mountains. The diggings on the of Crook county, an Albany man beach are pretty good, too, and many years ago, who recently came to Cape Rodney, where hundreds worst in the United States, in fact of people are busy washing gold, is no road at all," It goes all the way from 10 cents Did Mr Culver expect to find a few of the beach workers are doing mountain range across which, for first," said the painter, "but I knew very well. Claims have been laid forty miles, there is practically no added those cars."—Spare Moments. on the beach along this entire settlement. The writer was over distance. An attempt was made most of the McKenzie road this August 16 to have the claims va- summer and without prejudice can cated, but it proved futile. The say that it is an excellent mounonly means by which the gold- tain road. The grades are easy and hunters could be forced off the safe, and culverts and bridges are ground would be to place them in excellent repair. The summit under arrest, and as that would of the Cascade range where the mean an enormous expenditure of several wagon roads cross, easterly money for taking care of the pris- from Eugene, is not less than two oners, no action was taken, and thousand feet above the sea level. rocking goes merrily on uninter- I'o surmount this elevation a steady ruptedly. I don't think the author - uphill grades is required. The Mc ties will hinder any man from Kenzie roal gets over the mountain making a few dollars by his own with the least possible waste of

TWO LUCKY SWEDES.

discovered by two Swedes, Linder- mountain. berg and Linblom, one of them a A DAUG STORE COLLEGE TOWN sailor who deserted the bark Alaska in Port Clarence last year when we The Forest Grove Hatchet charges were there with the Willard Amsworth. The other is a tailor by trade. They are making thousands of dollars daily. A good many of the claims here are held by Norwegians and Laps, who presumably came here via the straits.

BOOM ONLY FAIRLY BEGUN.

"In my opinion the excitement at this time is nothing in comparison with what will follow next season. The boom that will spring up then will certainly cap the and the wrongfulness of bop pick from force of habit, rapped out "Siclimax to anything yet in Alaska, ing and other frivolities. For years lence!" the same as before and from Cape Nome to Cape Prince | the facts have been suppressed | beof Wales, a coast line of two hun- cause if known that liquor was sold dred miles, the coast will bear resemblance to Long Beach at its

A COSMOPOLITAN COMMUNITY.

"Cape Nome is budding fast, too, and all kinds and classes of people are to be met there. Rugged miners mingle with patent-leather. shod Willies, and the burg is rapidly assuming a metropolitan aspect. Wages average \$9 a day with board. Provisions are away up in price, and drinks and cigars 50 and 25 cents respectively."

OUR ASIATIC COMMERCE

John Barrett, ex-minister to Siam, addressed the Portland Chamber of Commerce Monday evening on the possibilities of the line intersects the horizon. development of an immense Asiatic trade by this country. We fear the gentleman is unduly optimistic. ers mere pittances will not, nor can- cause.-Illinois State Register. not become extensive purchasers of products that are brought into the is making arrangements for a course of market through the agency of well popular lectures for the public schools tional actress as she beat an angry tatpaid labor.

CITY AND COUNTY laborers, to be made believe that we can find an extensive commerce on blanching that side of the Pacific occan. The ness and was asked by a family in his Chinaman will live and thrive on what is wasted by our people. For centuries they have developed habits of thrift and sconomical living made necessary by the ter- The hostess pointed as she spoke to a rible crowding to which they are quall table on which were a small dish subjected. It is a continual strug- if salad, some bread and frait, "Well, gle for existence. With a country Wonderful Accounts of Their gle for existence. With a country who drew up a chair and began an on-United States China supports a population about four times as through that he noticed the blank looks great-latest estimates reaching as high as 400,000,000.

Our lawmakers wisely excluded country and its citizenship. They were aware that in the struggle for existence the white man with homes, schools and a liberal government to support could not possibly compete with the hordes of laborers, no better than slaves, that China could pour into this country without even becoming aware of her meal.-Louisville Times. loss. It would become a mere question of the survival of the fittest. And the fittest may not be the best, but that which may pralong existence on the smallest possible sustenance.

THE M'KENZIE WAGON ROAD.

Albany Democrat: "Mr Culver, across the mountains by the Mc-

grade. There are practically no down grade on the line of road to "The Cape Nome gold fields were the summit on either side of the

the municipal authorities of that town with laxness regulating the liquor traffic. Forest Grove will not grant licenses to saloons, that could be subjected to strict accountability to the law, and the result is that this, uniform and uniformly and longi-

The Hatchet wants to know "how three drug stores can find support in so small and so healthy a town?" and cheered, with the usual reprimand, It says meetings were held to dis- near the conclusion, however, the stncuss the evils of patent medicines dents did not cheer, but Lord Kelvin, toriously open, the attack made by thanks, but did not move. the paper is thought justifiable. It the squire. calls the city council's attention and suggests that the law be enforced or repealed.

THE AUTUMN SOLSTICE.

Friday, September 22, is the autumnal equinox. The sun now being on the equinoctial, if its vertical rays could leave a line of golden light they would mark on

the earth the circle of the equator. It is autumn in the north temperate zone, and spring in the south temperate zone. The days and nights are equal over the whole earth, the sun rising at 6 a m, and setting at 6 p m, exactly in the east and west where the equinoctial

According to current advices our Sultan of Sulu in the Philippines is M. Brisson, and for the Vesgos, M. an ardent civil service reformer. The countries that pay their labor- He never discharges a wife without

Albany Democrat: Prof Martindale during the winter, something that will Pacific Co st people are too well acquainted with Chinese methods of living, and their capabilities as and others.

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A local classyman is telling a John on He went to Chicago on busihavely to call on a married daughter The paster called and received a capitable welcome. They urged him and. Then they remarked, "Well, you not eat a little inncheon? less than one half the size of the slaught on the provisions. He fancied they had been arranged expressly for bles, and it was only after he had got of the family. In fact, he had devoured the entire lancheon which all had exsected to eat.

"Madam, what must you think of this people from the benefits of our met" he exclaimed to the hostess. But let me beg of you not to judge all Kentuckians by me. I am the sale

stupid one in our state. He was equal to the lady whose bostess showed her a dish of water cress at a side table just before dinner was served. Thinking it had just been purthused, she stock her hand in the dish and took a handful of it only to find it dressed with French said dressing and prepared to accompany the birds at the

He Noticed the Likeness.

A Parisian swell recently had a crayon picture of himself made, which he afterward pretended to find fault

"It does not bear the slightest resemblance to me," said he, "and I will not

The artist protested, but all to no

After the dandy had left the painteradded to the period a sugnificent pair of ess' ears and exposed it in the window, thus sitered, by the staze of the enrious pulma

dandy entered the artist's studio in a tents may be seen from Cape Nome Kenzie route, says that road is the towering range, and, finding that threats sion that he was a sovereign richer, amounted to nothing, he at test offered to buy it, even at a considerable advance upon the original price.

"It wasn't strange you didn't recogto \$1.50 a pan and I hear that a macadamized road across the nize your recomblance to the picture at on'd notice the likeness as soon as I

Marriage by Halter.

Among ignorant people of English birth it is fully believed that a wife bought with money or goods is legally married if the purchaser leads her all the way home by a halter.

Mr. Baring Gould, the English anti-

quarian, tells of a village post known to him who bought a wife for a half crewn and led her 12 miles to his cot-

The squire and the rector protested to the village poet that he was not legally wedded.

Why, yes I be." he replied. "I'll take my Bible oath I never once took the halter off till she'd crossed the door-Ill and the door was shut."

The latest instances of such wife sales occurred in 1858 and 1850, when womn were sold in Little Herton and in Dudley In these cases a blue ribbon took the place of the straw balter.

Dut, gentle ladies, the symbolic idea. with a first surrow.

A Laugh on Lord Kelvin.

A good story is related of Lord Kel-Ins' lacinging methods at the Glas university. As a professor of science be an use long words in such fermidable rray as world make a dictionary break is limiting with horror. During a course of lectures once on magnetism, for instance, he defined an ideal magit as "an infinitely long, infinitely drug stores do a thriving business, tudinally magnetized bar," and the misgaided students veelf ernsly cheered, which caused the professor to say, "Silencel" This definition was made

A young Iri hman once went to a in the town it would injure the kind hearted old squire for a recomcollege, but within the past six mendation. An elaborate one was writmonths the habit has been so ro- longered to him the tack it with "What's the matter with it?" roared

"Ch. nothin, sorr," said the lad mickly.

"Well, then, why don't you go?" "Sure sorr, I thought on the stringth of a recommind like that you'd be wantin to live me."-San Francisco Argonout.

Sound Transmission.

Water is a very good transmitter of ound. A scientist of the name of Calallos made some experiments on Lake Geneva, Senterland, to demonstrate the power of a and to travel a long way in water. A clock was made to strike under the water and was heard to a distance of 12 miles. In a second experiment the striking of a clock was seard to a distance of 27 miles.

A Triple Coincidence.

An almost incredible triple coincidence was noted in France a few years ago. In 1894 the deputy for the Ardennes was M. Ferry : for Loir et Cher. Hugo. In 1705, 101 years earlier, each district had been represented in the chamber by a man of exactly the sumo name, -- San Francisco Call.

Not Her Style.

"The Mea!" exclaimed the sensa-

ington Star.

Not a Close Observer.

"It seems almost incredible," said the railroad man. "but I saw a man the other day that couldn't give an intelligent description of his wife. He came to the office to get transportation for her, to which he was entitled, and under the present rules we must have a description of the person that is going to use the transportation.

On the margin of the ticket are places where the agent can punch out very good description of the person that is entitled to use the ticket in

his possession.
"I asked the man first how old his wife was. He could not tell within five

"Next I asked him how tall she was. The best I could ascertain was that she was not very tall, neither was she very short. I punched out the word 'medium' and let it go at that.

"Next I asked the man what the color of his wife's eyes was. He studied for a full half minute and said he be darned if he was sure whether they were light blue or gray.

"When it came to the color of the woman's hair, he was again in a quandary. He was not dead sure whether it was dark brown or black.

"The only thing this husband was sure of was that his wife was slim."-Duluth News.

Hook's Lordly Tip.

It required such a man as Theodore Hook to cope successfully with the rapacity of the gentlemen of the hall, in contradistinction to the road, and on one occasion, at all events, he proved himself equal to the task.

It is related that once when dining ent he, before the entertainment came off, provided himself with several bright farthings from the mint and that when proceeding after the festivities to his carriage he discovered several servants, including the cook awaiting him in the hall, he forthwith slipped a coin into the hand of the latter. The man It hadn't been long exposed when the glanced at it, noticed the size and bowed low in thanks, under the impreswhile Theodore, dispensing largesse of a like nature to the other servants, went on his way rejoicing, nor did he ease doing so when, as he stepped into his carriage, one of the footmen, who had discovered the real value of the pourboire, ran out, saying, "Sir, I think you have made a mistake!"

"Not at all, my good man," replied the humorist, with a gracious wave of the hand. "I never give less. Coachman, drive on.

Then He Was Mad.

A Scotch university professor, irritated to find that his students had got into the habit of placing their hats and canes on his desk instead of in the closkroom, announced that the next erticle of the kind placed there would be destroyed. Some days later the professor was called for a moment from the claseroom. A student slipped into his private room and emerged with the professor's hat, which he placed conspicuously on the desk, while his fellows grinned and trembled.

The professor, on returning, saw the hat, thought some rashly obstinute atndent had been delivered into his hands, and, taking out his knife, he cut the offending article to pleces, while vainly attempting to conceal the smile of triamph that played about his counter nance. He was in a very bad temper the next day.

Hall Caine confesses that he likes to be kicked, as long as the thing is done in public and makes him conspicuous prenotorious. He says in the London Mail: "Even the silliest personal reference I ever see, however inspired by paltry feelings, seems to me by implication a tribute and compliment, being a recognition of the fact that I am a factor worth counting with and an adversary worth fighting. And when the most false, the most mean and the most belittling of the kind has ceased to appear I shall know that I am no longer of the least account."

A Cold Night In China. One of the facts that we ineffaceably

cut into my memory during my first winter in Newchwang was the finding on one morning about New Year's time 35 masses of ice, each mass having been a living man at 10 o'clock the preceding night.

The thermometer was a good bit-be-low zero (F.). The men had just left the opium dens, where they had been enjoying themselves. The keen air sent them to sleep, and they never wakened.

North China Herald.

City Boy's Iden.

A Gallatin county farmer hired a boy from the city to assist him through the summer. The farmer told the kid to go out to the barn lot and salt the calf. The kid took a quart of salt and industriously rubbed it into the calf's hide. The colts got after the calf for the salt and had about all the hair licked off the animal before its condition was discovered. - Montgomery Illis.) News.

Knew What Poverty Meant. "You have never known the pangs of poverty!" be exclaimed bitterly. The heiress' eyes softened, though liquid to begin with.

"Indeed I have," said she warmly. "I went to a bargain sale where no one knew me and found I had left my purse at home."-Indianapolis Journal

Their Limitations.

"Some of those postoffice people are very clever. They can read illegible writing and deliver letters when the address is worse than a Chinese puzzle." "Yes, but they can't belp out the man who forgets to mail his wife's lettera "-Brooklyn Life.

The Hope of the Puture. There is no other educational institution equal to a well regulated bome.

— Dallas News.

An Ugly Story of Crugnay,

Here is one of Robert Crawford's stories about Uraguay. Two men surprised a farmer and his wife in their little but while it was broad daylight. The man was seized and bound, and the two villains proceeded to torture him to make him disclose the hiding place man proving abdurate.

"Finally she said she would tell them where the treasure was if they would follow her. One of the two accordingly went over to the chest in the corner with her. She opened it, fumbling about with her. She opened it, fumining about field citizens are afflicted, being such found what she was looking for. In an- ing but chickenpox. other moment the thef at her side was dead and his fellow covered by a large revolver in the hands of a small but eager woman of the people. He got away before she could quite make up her mind to shoot him too.

the neighbors, some miles away, called for missions, \$32 of which not the Word was finally taken to the central police authority of the state; the officers came, viewed the dead thief-and identified him as their attorney neral. It is not unlikely," Mr. Crawford adds, "that his accomplice was the judge of the criminal court."

A Miraculous Escape. It happened that in the last month of the reign of Charles I a certain ship chandler of London was foolish enough to busy himself over a barrel of gunpowder with a lighted candle in his dalls, picture cards and other things to powder with a lighted candle of his folly. A send to Singupore. These will be used,

place was blown up.

The trouble was that the man who did the mischief was not the only one to perish. Fifty houses were wrecked, the number of people who were killed was not known.

In one house among the 50 a mother had put her haby into its cradle to sleep before the explosion occurred. What Blackmore, a returned missionary. became of the mother no one ever She gave the society very many helpknew, but what became of the baby was very widely known.

The next morning there was found upon the lends of the Church of All Hallows a young child in a cradle, buby and cradle being entirely uninjured by the explosion that had lifted both to such a giddy height.

It was never learned who the child was, but she was adopted by a gentleman of the parish and grew to womanhood. She must surely all her life have had a pecaliar interest in that church.

—Sir Walter Besant's "London."

ice Explosions In Siberia.

A recent Siberian traveler relates: 'At Sadonsk in the intensely cold nights the silence was sometimes broken by a loud report as of a cannon. This was the bursting of one of the ice bubbles in the river, a phenomenon I had neither heard nor read of before. The streams coming down from the hills were frozen on the surface some six to nine inches thick. The water beneath flowed faster than it could escape, and the pressure, on the principal of a bydraulic press, became irresistible. First, the elasticity of the ice was seen by the rising of circular mounds from dx to eight feet in diameter and from four to five feet high. The bursting point came at last with a report like an explosion. The water escaped, but soon froze again. I have seen scores of these ice hillocks in a few versts of the

A Bridge of Coffins.

When the British forces were marching to Peking in 1860, after the capture of the Taku forts, one of the rivers became so swollen with the heavy rains that it was rendered almost impassable. While in this quandary a bright idea suddenly struck one of our officers. Being well aware that the Chinese generally order their coffins years in advance and keep them on the premises and also that they are perfectly airtight, he con-sulted with his brother officers, with the result that orders were given to search all the houses of the village and collect every coffin. With the aid of a few empty casks the soldiers constructed a ponteon bridge of coffins sufficiently strong to bear the artillery, and the river was thus passed in safety.

Where the Tail Went.

Do you remember the story of Harry's and George's rabbits—how Harry's rabbit got out of its hutch and disappeared for a week and at last crept home without its tail to die and how, when Harry cried bitterly over his dead tailless rabbit, George tried to comfort

"Don't cry, Harry, dear; don't cry. It's only the body you see! The tail has gone to heaven."—"Memories and Fancies," by Lady Gordon.

Wenry's Friend.

Weary Willie and his friend Frowsy, strolling along the seashore, stop before a sign reading: "Notice! Bathing Is Dangerous. Quicksands.

Weary Willie-Dere, Frowsy; dere's true public spirit for yer. Dat man's a true public educator. I don't know who dat feller Quicksands is, but he's got de right idea uv t'ings an ain't afraid to say so, an if he wuz here I'd take off me hat to him.-Leslie's Weekly.

Holding His Job.

"I think the man who works at that place across the street is the most faithful and conscientious workman I ever saw. He never takes a holiday and always labors away till it's too dark to see any longer.'

"Faithful workman? Great Scott! He's the proprietor of the shop!"-Chi-

Ineligible.

Pilson--Are you going to take part in that guessing contest?

Dilson-Oh, no: they'd rule me out as a professional.

Pilson-Professional? Dison-Yes; you know I am con-nected with the weather bureau.—Columbus (O.) State Journal.

NO SHALLPOX

The Springfield Scare Is Chuk,

Report of a smallpox sorte at Satisfaction field was brought to Eugene nds to make him disclose the manual placed and morning, and the county officials of his hoard. The wind come of the deemed it essential to speedily in red, gate the matter. Dr J W Harri was accordingly dispatched to that place to make a thorough examination. Re reports the scare absoluted unfounted the disease with which some Sping-

Missionary Work.

The Young Peoples' Foreign Ma. stonary Society of the M E church be just finished a very successful year's "Then the husband was released and work. The society this year paid \$40 yearly support of a Bude woman, Morethly meetings have been he 4 and thes a ways prove very interesting, The evering of the meeting is partly taken up with a program consisting of mi-sionary intelligence from different foreign fields, and with Sterary and musical selections. After the program

a social hour is held. During the past week the young ladies of the society fit ed up a box of spark fell into the gunpowder and the for the most part, for Christmas gifts for the children in the missionary schools. During the year very few parelle meetings have been held except in connection with the Ladies'

Auxiliary. The society was very fortunate in having with them this summer, Miss ful hiois and suggestions. She also presented it with an image of Buddha, which she had brought with her from

L A Read went to Portland today, H E Louisbury returned to Part-

land this morning. Hon H B Miller arrived home this morning from routhern Oregon,

Charles Hale and family have gone to their Fall Creek farm to spend a few E ! Van Dyke of Grant's Pass, ar-

rived today to resume work at the U Mrs & L Hestop and family have returned from their outing at Green-

Clifton N McAr hur arrived up from Portland today to resume attendance at the U of O.

The following appears in the same issue of a valley paper: "Presperity is here." "Beggars are plentiful." Dr and Mrs H C Mackey and daugh-

ter, Miss E Mackey, of Harrisburg, are in Eugene. The daughter will study music here this winter. The Corvailis Union says the Gellatly threshing machine recently threb-

ed 850 bushels of wheat in two hours and three-quarters. Medford Mail: Miss Della licke left Medford Tuesday evening for Eugene, where she will resume ber

studies at the State University. Mrs H E Bickers and daughter Miss Hazel, arrived up from Salem today, the daughter to enter the U of O. Mr Bickers is superintendent of the re-

form school. Lebanon Express Sept 15: "Prof C E Woodson of Eugene and Will Ross returned this morning from a hunting extedition in the Big Bottom country. They were very successful, killing five

Dallas Itemizer: "After picking 4,000 pounds, Kirkpatrick & Williams gave up the Uglow hopyard because of so much mold and see. They left about 2000 pounds of fine looking hops standing."

Jacksonville Times: "Ed Helm! condition has improved considerably during the past week. The operation performed by Doctors Hines, Robinson and Reuter promises to be entirely successful,"

Salem Statesman: Russell Coleman. who has been visiting relatives in this city for several weeks, left yesterday afteruoon for Alaska, where he will resume his lucrative position in s large stamping mill near Juneau.

Portland Telegram, Sept 15: Saml Stevens, who has been a clerk and student in Hedges & Griffin's law office, will attend the University of Oregon, at Eugene, this year. Be leaves Monday.

Today's Salem Statesman: Mis-Coleman, of Eugene, is in the city the guest of Mrs A Disque R S Smith, captain of the state university football team, came down from Eugene sestef. day afternoon and is the guest of Claret ce Bishop.

Riddle, Douglas county item: "The few days of warm weather have ripeded the prunes so rapidly that the pickers were forced to quit picking. L Chapman sent one car to Montana and T N Segar of Engene, three cars to the Eastern states."

MARRIAGE LICENSE -County Clerk Lee this forenoon issued a marriage license to Frank Griffin and Eibel Burns.