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THE SAME OLD STORY.

With the breaking out of the Kiondike fever, and long before it became epidemic, THE CHRONICLE, along with the majority of the papers of the Northwest, pointed out the fact that the stories of the great area of rich placers on the Klondike were lation. grossly exaggerated. That while the evidence of the richness of the claims was sufficient, there was not ago that Joaquin Miller wrote an a strong probability of the area be- idyl about the Klondike. Then he ing large. We fixed the limit of was on the steamer, and his vision the claims on Bonanza and Eldorado ran something like this: "I will, creeks at 200 each, the Klondike at with my little pack on my back and perhaps as many more, and we point. my little camp outfit, saunter over ed out, as best we could, the difficul. the mountain pass to the lakes. ties under which prospecting must There I will build or buy a boat and be done. Attention was called to float into the new Eldorado. I will the fact that less than 200 Indians show these pessimists what a man across the mountains, and that with. ent song. He writes that an "Alaska out their aid it was impossible for mile, with a fifty-pound pack on your the man not backed by unlimited back and the mud and ice water to capital to get across the mountains, your knees, is the biggest mile, the Besides stress has been continuously hardest mile, the thickest, longest laid upon the danger of starvation and hardest to get through of any for those who reach the mines this mile on earth. The first tale was fall.

The latest reports show that the prose. editors of the Pacific coast did not "One does not hear anything now," lose their heads, and that every pre- says the Indianapolis Journal, "about diction made by them is true, or to there not being money enough to do become true. Practical miners, the business of the country. Busifresh from the mines, give the num- ness has improved wonderfully, and ber of rich claims on all the creeks yet there is no complaint of scarcity at 140. These, they estimate, will of money." Just wait until the auyield \$70,000,000 in three years, but tumn winds sigh and sob with resoan outsider has just as much chance lutions about the scarcity of the cirto get an interest in one of them as culating medium and the insufficient

These same miners report that pro- No article in the whole Populist already there.

and miles from no place, and this in Sun. the edge of the Arctic circle, with scanty supplies and no preparations to withstand the cold, means annihi-

Let's see, it was only a few weeks were available for packing supplies can do." Joaquin now sings a differthat of the poet; the second is plain

he has to buy an interest in a bank, amount of circulation per capita,

visions are used as fast as delivered dream book is more sweetly matheby the boats, and that the supply matical than this per capita article. will be totally inadequate for those "My cow eats so much hay a day," says the Populist economist; "there-The first chapters of the Klondike fote every man, woman and child Safford, Ariz., writes: "Dr. King's New story only have been told and mark must have so much money. At Discovery is all that is claimed for it; it the prediction that the tales of the least there must be some money survivors next summer will make which they could have if they could one of the most gruesome chapters get it." If business has improved New Discovery for Consumption, of the world's history. Spavined under existing conditions, it would Coughs and Colds is not an experiment. dog will be a luxury by Christmas, have improved twice as much if there It has been tried for a quarter of a cenand cannibalism will become a part were twice as much money. That tury, and today stands at the head. It of the social functions before spring. is the theory. However, some emi-The history of every mining ex- nent authorities, Democratic as well citement has been one of suffering as Populist, attribute trusts, and, and want, and this where the climate consequently, all evil, to the scarcity was not vigorous and the walking of money. So complaints about it cream. The Elite candy factory serves was good. Eight months a thous- will not be wanting .- New York just that kind. Also soda, ice cream

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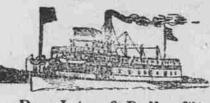


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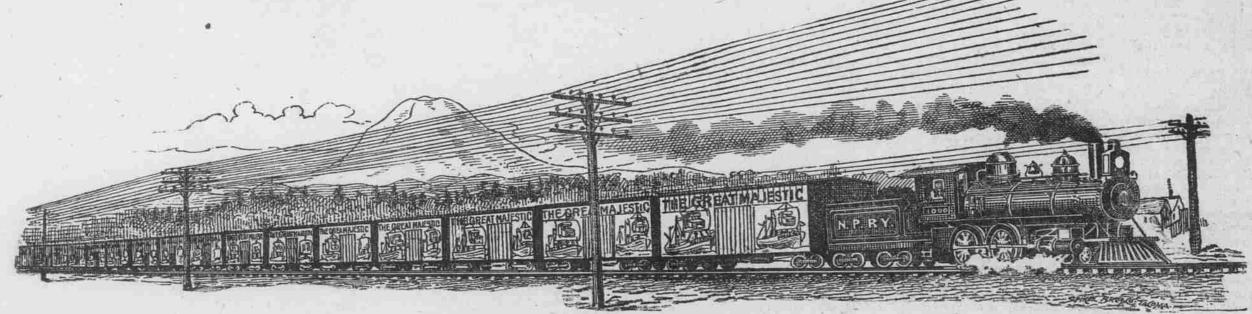
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