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Crossing the Pass.

Port Townsend, Wash., Sep. 1 — The steamer Farallon arrived to night, six days from Dyer and Skagway. The officers of the steamer tell interesting stories of the condition of affairs at both landings. They say that at Dyer the people are slowly but surely crossing the divide and the road for 10 miles up the canyon is strewn with tents, provisions, discarded baggage and dead horses.

Less than 1000 people are on the beach at Dyer, all make efforts to get across the divide as soon as landed. At Skagway things present a different appearance. There is between 5000 and 6000 people at that place. Less than 50 men have succeeded in getting across White pass and hundreds have given up trying to cross until spring. Steam officers say rain had failed there continually for several days and it is impossible to cross. A kind of business is flourishing. Many men are selling outfitts for little or nothing, while others are buying everything for a song and making the same to stock general stores.

New Gold Fields.

Tacoma, Aug. 30 — A letter to the Ledger has just been received from the north fork of McMillan river, Alaska, from George Lemmon, addressed to his wife in South Tacoma giving particulars of a fabulously rich strike on this tributary of the McMillan river. He and his partner went there from the Yukon on information from an Indian who accompanied them last spring and he says they have struck a locality richer than the Klondyke. In three months they have made a cleanup of \$55,000.

He says they have a large luck et and a big can full of nuggets and although they have no scales, they believe it will reach the amount named. They have staked off five claims and he tells his wife to send up four friends, whom he designates as quickly as possible to locate the adjoining properties, the law being that one man can locate only one claim.

The letter was sent down by an Indian, who took \$500 or \$600 worth of the nuggets to lay in a fresh supply for the winter. Lemmon says his friends can reach there by the middle of October over the Chilcotin pass. McMillan is between 200 and 300 miles south of the Klondyke and until lately has been an unexplored region.

Carrying of Weapons.

Writers of the Bert Harte school are responsible for a large part of the revolver carrying practice of the day. They have thrown a halo of cheap glory around the man with a gun, or have written facetiously of an evil which called for severe condemnation. It is refreshing after so much low wit about the "petulant pop of the pistol," to read the following strong, manly and sensible words from a Savannah, Georgia, judge. In charging the grand jury of that city, Judge Robert Falligant said:

Gentlemen of the jury, this carrying of concealed weapons is a violation of the laws that should receive your careful attention. Look around you and see the crimes that have been heralded in the newspapers lately — crimes that would put to shame some of the lurid deeds in the wild frontiers. You will see that they are precipitated by the carrying of pistols.

The man who has a pistol in his pocket and too much whisky in his stomach is the greatest enemy of the law. I know of no better proof than men who commit the gravest of crimes.

Under the heat of unholly passion and the spell of anger, jealous hate, and all the emotions which give birth to disgrace, how easy it is for him with the pistol at his finger's reach to take the life of his fellow man and demand of the court to take his own in shame and disgrace upon the gallows. If he had not the pistol at the time the act would not have been committed in many instances — in nearly every instance, for when reason is restored after drunkenness anger finds expression in humble apologies, while enemies unite and friends find friendship fonder. Thus these, the most heinous offenses against law and justice, may be attributed in nearly every instance to the carrying of weapons.

A New Railroad.

The Columbia Southern Railway Company, a new line in course of construction, from Biggs station on the O. R. & N., south through Sherman, Wasco and Crook counties to Prineville, distance of about 120 miles, will soon be a tangible fact, and the first 10 miles of the road is expected to be completed and operated for traffic as far as Wasco about Sept. 5. This will add a new line to the list of railroads in the state of Oregon and in course of time prove a most valuable feeder to the O. R. & N., which is evidently fostering the

undertaking. The work of construction will be prosecuted vigorously south of Wasco and the company expects to reach a point 40 miles south of the Columbia early next spring. This new road taps one of the richest sections of the state, the only outlet for whose products has been heretofore by wagon over the Divide — Grant

O. goads, who had sonked druggates, and saved the paces that came in each box, wrote western manufacturers asking them what they would send him in exchange for them. They replied that if he would smoke 1200 more they would send him a coffin.

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1/4 mile dash, free for all, purse \$125.

SECOND DAY, OCTOBER 12.

1/2 mile dash, free for all, purse \$150.

2 mile bicycle free for all, purse \$50.

THIRD DAY, OCT. 13.

1/2 mile dash, free for all, purse \$150.

4 mile dash, for Harney county cow horses that have never run for public money, cowboys to ride with vaquero saddles purse \$50.

FOURTH DAY, OCT. 14.

1/2 mile dash, free for all, purse \$175.

Ten per cent entrance fee required in all races. Entries to be made with the secretary on or before 8 o'clock the evening before each race. In all races 5 horses to enter and 3 to start. First horse 20 per cent, second horse 30 per cent. The races to be governed by the Blood Horse Association Rules. R. J. DOXAN, President.



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