

THE GOLD CRAZE.

EFFECTS OF THE DISCOVERY ON THE PACIFIC COAST.

How People Poured Into California—Perils and Hardships of the Klondike Region—But Rich Stores of Gold Are Held Fast in a Frozen Embrace.

Special San Francisco Letter.

The gold craze has been with humanity from time immemorial. Periodically the report of some new discovery of the precious metal has caused the wildest excitement and the scramble to get rich quickly has been productive of many such sensations as that created by reports from Klondike.



The Regulation Winter Costume of the Yukon Country.

caused excitement previous to the occupation of the country by the Americans. A piece of native gold was picked up in an excavation made for a mill-race on the south fork of the American river, at a place now called Colona.

The first adventurers came from Mexico, the South American coast and even from the Sandwich Islands. The excitement eventually spread east and in the spring of 1849 the rush of emigration across the plains and by way of the Isthmus of Panama commenced.

Many people who have been in Alaska are now dazed by the reports from there, and one man who has lived there and whose business interests have brought him in touch with the mining region recently opened, when asked by a would-be prospector how to go to the gold fields, gave the laconic, if not original answer, "Don't."

In the whole Klondike region there is not a single claim that has not paid handsomely, and there are still hundreds of claims that have not been worked. In testing a claim the prospector sinks a hole, say fifteen feet, and then tries a pan of dirt.

From that point the man who is looking for gold has to travel hundreds of miles up the river, through fields, over carries and trails, and all along the road he will find toll gates, which have been erected by the syndicate, where toll must be paid and where baggage is closely scrutinized to see that no provisions are being taken into the country, because selling provisions is the prerogative of this syndicate.

No man would travel along these trails without a guide, and the Indians who aid in this capacity charge enormous fees for their services. But even after a man has overcome the difficulties of the trip, he will find himself beset with obstacles greater than those that have yet been discovered.

It is true the cost of a paper, yet by dollar a letter and \$2 a paper, yet by the expenditures of money we are able to keep in direct communication with our friends on the outside.

A DANGEROUS RISK.

A Searcher is Safer These Days Than the Man Who Walks.

It seemed as if everything was settled. The insurance company's physician had reported that the man was not likely to topple over at prayer meeting or to die of laughter in a theatre, and the man himself had certified that he was not engaged in any occupation that took him in the vicinity of dynamite or other high explosives.

"So far as business is concerned," he said, "my life is a very quiet and sedentary one. It is office work and there is no danger or excitement connected with it."

"Very good," returned the insurance company official, who was putting the finishing touches to the examination before issuing a policy; "but how about sports? Men who lead the quietest business lives frequently engage in the most dangerous sports, and of course anything like that counts."

"I care very little for anything in the line of sports," returned the applicant for a policy.

"Never play football, I suppose," suggested the official.

"Never," answered the applicant promptly. "I would as soon think of joining a circus."

"Baseball?"

"I should say not."

"Box a little now and then, don't you?"

"If you ever hear of me putting on my gloves with anyone you can cancel my policy," returned the applicant with emphasis.

"Don't belong to any athletic club?"

"Not one."

"Ever ride in bicycle races?"

"Never."

"Ever do any scorching?"

NOTICE IN PARTITION.

Estate of Lavinia Stout, deceased.

To Fanny, intermarried with Jacob Elder, Shicklesbury, Pa.; Mahala, intermarried with James Shultz, Briarcrest township, Columbia county, Pa.; and...

SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

O. D. McHenry vs. George W. Koons. In the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County, Pa. In Equity. No 1 of July Term 1897.

By virtue of an order of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County, Pa., the undersigned will expose to sale at public auction on Saturday the 21st day of August 1897, at ten o'clock a. m. at the Court House in Bloomsburg Penn.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of a writ of F. Pa., issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia county, Pennsylvania, and to me directed, there will be exposed to public sale at the Court House in Bloomsburg, Pa. on

SATURDAY, AUGUST 21, 1897, at two o'clock p. m. all the following described real estate, situate in Briarcrest township, Columbia county and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

25 ACRES OF LAND, more or less, whereon is erected a FRAME DWELLING HOUSE, stable and outbuildings.

Seized, taken into execution at the suit of Emma G. Jackson, now to use of Henry J. Edwards, vs. Anna M. Stiller Lynn, and to be sold as the property of Anna M. Stiller Lynn.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of a writ of Leva-1 Facias, issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia county, Pa., and to me directed, there will be exposed to public sale at the Court House in Bloomsburg, Pa. on

SATURDAY, AUGUST 21, 1897, at two o'clock p. m. all that certain lot or parcel of land situate in the township of Jackson, Columbia county and state of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

ONE HUNDRED ACRES, more or less, whereon is erected a FRAME DWELLING HOUSE, barn and outbuildings, it being a part of a larger tract in the warrant name of Harman Gearhart and formerly owned by the Assylum Company and conveyed to divers other persons until the 13th day of March, 1873, when the same was conveyed to Albert Williams, recorded in the office for the recording of deeds of Columbia county in Deed Book No. 28, pages No. 314 cc., and Albert Williams and Alice, his wife, conveyed to Joshua Bidler, and Joshua Bidler conveyed to Franklin Bidler, and Franklin Bidler conveyed to John M. Hartman.

Seized, taken into execution at the suit of Franklin Bidler vs. John M. Hartman and Lizzie Hartman and to be sold as the property of John M. Hartman and Lizzie Hartman.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Clinton W. Lewis, late of Jackson Township Deceased.

The undersigned auditor appointed by the Orphans' Court to make up exceptions and to make distribution of the balance remaining in the hands of M. E. Stackhouse, accountant of the said estate, hereby gives notice that he will meet all parties interested for the purpose of his appointment, at his office in Bloomsburg, Pa., on Thursday, September 1st, 1897, at 10 o'clock A. M., when and where said parties are required to prove their claims or to forego their claims, and where all persons interested must appear and present their claims.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Sallie Johnson and Eliza Pruitt. The undersigned auditor appointed by the Orphans' Court of Columbia county to make distribution of the money and real estate of the late estate of Sallie Johnson and Eliza Pruitt under proceedings in partition, by J. B. McHenry, trustee, to and among the parties entitled thereto, and at his office in the town of Bloomsburg, on Wednesday, September 1st, 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m. to perform the duties of his appointment, when and where all persons interested must appear and present their claims.

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE.

Estate of Lydia Keleher, late of Montour township, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration of the estate of Lydia Keleher, late of Montour township, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned administratrix to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payments, and all those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay to CATHARINE K. KILGORE, Administratrix, at her office in Bloomsburg, Pa., on September 1st, 1897.

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