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Standing upon the very edge reached out to catch the hook which dangled near him. It was winter and he wore thick buckskin gloves. The hook slipped from him as he leaned out, but caught into the fastening of the glove. The swing of the great boom took him off his feet in an instant and carried him out into giddy space with his life depending on the glove's holding fast.

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Goethe had produced a number of poems and dramas before he was 20.

**THE STUDIOUS GIRL.**

AN INTERESTING LETTER FROM A YOUNG LADY'S COLLEGE.

Race Between the Sexes for Education. Health Impaired by Incessant Study.

"The race between the sexes for education is to-day very close.

Ambitious girls work incessantly over their studies, and are often brought to a halt, through having sacrificed the physical to the mental.

Then begin those ailments that must be removed at once, or they will produce constant suffering. Headache, dizziness, faintness, slight vertigo, pains in the back and loins, irregularity, loss of sleep and appetite, nervousness and blues, with lack of confidence, these are positive signs that women's arch enemy is at hand.

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**LAND OF MIDGES.**

**REST AND TERROR OF THE ALASKA GOLD HUNTERS.**

**Louds of Insects Make Life Almost Unbearable—Native Alaskans and Their Houses—The Casinos.**

ALL the experts who have visited Alaska say that there are tons of gold there. Some say that it is the richest gold country that the world has ever known, and all agree, declares the New Orleans Picayune, that it is the toughest to live in on the face of the earth, and the unanimous opinion of those who know what they are talking about is that the man who goes there without an abundant supply of health and strength will probably stay there for all eternity.

Many men, lured by the wonderful tales of gold, have doubtless decided to join the miners of Alaska. For a few facts concerning a country will be given, so that they will know what to expect. From an intimate standpoint Alaska is easily attired to the blue ribbon for having so meager a creation. In winter the average temperature is 60 degrees below zero, while in summer it jumps as high as 100 degrees above. This is almost a clean leap from the north pole to the equator.

The rich placer mines on the Yukon River, which have given rise to all the glittering stories, are not easily reached. The "forty-niners" who crossed the continent in prairie schooners in the early California days had a pleasant saunter compared with the hardships of the journey to the Yukon. This latter trip is only a trifle more than 100 miles, but it means more concentrated misery than the imagination of most people can picture.

From Sitka the gold diggers must travel by wagon or on foot a hundred miles or so over the divide, where they must hew trees and build rafts on which to descend until they are about twenty-five miles to the west of the boundary line between British America and the United States. Here are the small creeks and streams where the gold is found.

To make the trip in winter is next to impossible for any one not accustomed to living in the most intense cold, and to make it in summer time is torture because of the swarms of every variety of insect which infest the river countries. Volumes could be written about these insects. It may seem trivial to attach any importance to them, but when it is said that more than one miner has lost his mind on account of the pest some idea of their torturing power can be gained.

On the subject of these insects an expert sent out by the Washington authorities reported: "When the waters of the river come down in the spring the mosquitoes, by far the most annoying of the insects, come along in swarms. Gloves were worn at all times, and the faces of the miners were covered, but even then the mosquitoes would get to their flesh, crawling up the wristbands of their gauntlets and down their legs into their boots, until the miners almost lost their senses from the continued battle with their small poisonous foes."

From one end of the warm season to another there is no let up by the insects. Indoors and outdoors, in daytime and night, it is the same. Clouds of midges penetrate everywhere, and ordinary netting is perfectly useless as a safeguard, for these insects pass through the meshes without difficulty. Out of doors one is completely at their mercy. They fly into the eyes and lodge under the lids; they cluster in the ears, crawl up the arms and down the neck; in fact, omit no chance of causing intense annoyance.

But for these insects life in Alaska in summer time would be bearable. In winter time, of course, the intense and lasting cold is the great drawback. Even the natives can scarcely stand it. They are probably the dirtiest race of beings on earth. In their dress, habitation and diet they are utterly filthy. There is nothing too foul for them to eat. They are always covered with dirt and vermin, and their houses are truly like pig sties. None of them can approach you unawares, as you are sure to smell them from afar.

An Alaskan's costume consists of a fur parki and a pair of long boots. The parki is a long, loose garment, made of skins. It is provided with a capacious hood, which is bound along the edge with a strip of the longest fur which they can obtain, that of the wolf being the most desirable. When the hood is drawn over the head the long hairs of this band project outward, and thus it shields the face from the torture caused by the flying snow of the winter storms.

In very cold weather the natives wear a second or over parki made of fish skin. Although this is a stiff article of dress, yet it possesses one great advantage, that in a case of necessity the wearer can eat it. This proves the superiority of Arctic attire, for no broadcloth overcoat would ever serve as a lunch.

There is a universal taste for jewelry among the natives; all are very fond of adorning themselves with earrings. The nose ring is confined to the gentler sex. They pierce a hole through the nasal septum large enough in some cases to admit an ordinary lead pencil, and through this they pass ivory ornaments. A few large blue beads strung on a wire form the common every day jewelry.

Both sexes wear labrets, and there is a great variety in the style of inserting them. The women pierce two holes in the lower lip near the base of eye teeth, while the men insert labrets close to the corner of

the mouth. Often these labrets are very heavy, and the weight distorts the features and impedes articulation.

In each native village is a large house, in which they meet for various purposes, mainly to clean themselves and give their clothes an airing. This house is unique. Some Alaska travelers call it a casino, but the native designation is kosiga. It can best be described as simply a cellar with a roof over it. It is a deep, square excavation, with a pyramid roof of rough logs, covered thickly with earth. At even a short distance it can be easily mistaken for a small hillock. The only light and ventilation is by a little opening at the top which is protected by a curtain made of fish skin. The internal arrangement varies in different respects to details, but the main features are the same. Around three sides of the interior a bank of earth is left, which extends like a broad step or divan. On this the natives sit in their customary squatting attitude. Some casinos have a second and narrower divan, extending from the wall above to the other. On extraordinary occasions a third one is added. This is formed of three little flat sleds called kamagatak. A line of these kamagataks suspended from the roof by skin ropes will extend all around the casino. This space is consumed and a large number of persons accommodated. On the fourth side of the casino the main divan extends only a short distance from the corners, leaving free the middle portion where the entrance is situated. In the center of the floor is a large square pit, covered with logs. In this pit a large fire is built.

The casino has no door in our sense of the word. The following ingenious method is used instead: Close by there is a little structure which serves as a vestibule. This has a large hole in the door, and from the bottom of this hole or shaft extends a tunnel, which terminates in the pit of the casino. A person desiring to enter a casino goes into the vestibule, jumps down into the hole and then crawls along the tunnel until he reaches a corresponding hole in the floor of the casino.

Crawling along the dark, slippery tunnel is not a graceful proceeding, and this bobbing up from the hole is decidedly an abrupt manner of making one's appearance in society. The interior of the casino is always gloomy; the sides and roof are blackened with smoke and covered thickly with soot.

The barrabaras, or private houses, are constructed on the same general plan as the casino. They are somewhat smaller, and have one very broad divan above; as they are never used for the vapor bath they are without the fire hole. Several families generally occupy the same barrabara. Sections of them can be allotted to each, and these are by large strictly

lively women assemble the matting commonly used in the United States.

Mining for gold in Alaska is not the easiest thing in the world. The country is almost barren of machinery, owing to the difficulties of transportation. The miners, during the winter, light large fires over the surface that they desire to dig and thaw out the ground to a certain extent in this way. They then remove the earth until they get down to the frozen ground again, and then they build another fire, and so on. When the spring freshets come they have water enough to wash out the loose, surfurous earth they have obtained in this arduous way.

**Frontier Surgery.**

"While traveling in Southern Oregon a few months ago," said Attorney W. W. McNair, "I saw a beautiful piece of dental surgery. A teamster developed a toothache while on the road. He thought it would soon be better, but it kept getting worse and worse, till he could hardly handle the reins. He put a chew of tobacco on it, but it only jumped the harder. Then he stopped his team, built a little fire, heated a needle red hot, and had another teamster jam it down into the cavity to kill the nerve. Still it jumped and thumped till the poor fellow was pretty near insane.

"'Boys, she's got to come out,' he shouted to his companions, as he pulled up his team.

"They all stopped, wound their lines around their brakes and climbed down.

"'How can we get her out?' asked one of them.

"'I don't know,' groaned the victim, 'but she's got to come.'

"'He opened the jockey box on his seat and rummaged around in it, finally producing a small hatchet and a big nail.

"'I guess you'll have to drive her out with this,' said he, and he sat down on the ground and hung on to a buckeye bush with both hands while one of his companions placed the end of the nail against the side of the tooth and hit it with the hatchet. The first lick made the teamster jump and yell, but he settled down for another one. The second stroke loosened it up, and after a lot of groaning the teamster wiped the perspiration off his face, climbed on to the buckeye and said:

"'Hit her again, boys.'

"'The third lick sent the offending molar flying.'—San Francisco Post.

**Lantern Mad.**

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