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FROM KLONDIKE

Tom Brace, Hale and Hearty, Wr From Nome, Alaska, of His Life in the Gold Fields.

NOME, Alaska, Aug. 29, 1907.

DEAR SISTER AND BROTHER:

I received your letter some time ago, but we have had such poor mail service this summer that I have not taken time to write home only to tell the folks that I have expressed them two Ptamigans. We have been as long as 30 days without a boat from the States.

Business is very quiet here this summer. Governor Hoggatt has been here for about a week taking in the sights, and has made a few talks to the people trying to tell us that we are foolish to want self government and home rule and a territorial form of government. Hoggatt is not much of a talker. But say! there is a lad from New York who is an orator, his name is Senator Sulzer from the tenth district of New York. He has just arrived from Dawson and Fairbanks. He tells us we ought to have home rule and says he is going to do all he can to get it. He says 50,000 Americans in Alaska are able to govern themselves.

Sulzer has a brother in South-eastern Alaska, who has lived there for a number of years and has made a great hit as being a great friend of Alaska. He has been inspecting the postoffices to find out when the winter mail arrives and how often. He says we ought to have mail twice a week. He certainly is able to put up a big talk. He leaves tonight for Lost river where he has some interests in some tin property.

Isaac and McMillan are prospecting on some of our claims at Bluff City but will be back in a few days.

I was glad to hear that you had joined the Masons and I hope you enjoy the meeting as much as I do. I was in a class of 32 last spring that took from the fourth degree to the thirty-second, or Scottish Rite. We have a beautiful temple here, two stories, which cost over $20,000. We expect Past Grand Master Huzzy, a thirty-three degree Mason, here from Seattle on one of the next boats to dedicate the temple, and confer the thirty-third degree on a class of a dozen or more. I think we have had visiting brothers from nearly every state and some from Scotland this summer. Bishop Rowe, of Sault Ste. Mary, Mich., visits quite often and is here this summer. He tells of the experiences that he has had mushing dogs in this country that is quite interesting. I guess that it is part of the story he told in Detroit of his hardships in Alaska. We all have those hard luck stories but the trouble is that we cannot all make a living telling them.

I have only had one letter from home this summer. I hope the folks at home are enjoying their hard earned rest. I wonder what father does for exercise. If he only has enough of that tough elm wood to split he will be all right and happy. I do hope they enjoy the village life.

If you come across a good magazine during the winter, I wish you would roll it up and send it to us. The Postoffice Department are putting up a howl about packing old newspapers in here with dog teams, but say they would not object to magazines. I wish you would send me some clippings once in a while. You know that if there were any news in the Nome papers that was interesting I would send you more of them.

There is a big stampede up the Kouskawin river this summer. I did think I would go but have made up my mind to spend one more winter in Nome.

We are all enjoying good health and hope you are the same.

LITTLE TOM BRACE.

P. S. If poor old Mrs. Bleakley could only see me now—222 pounds.

In most cases consumption results from a neglected or improperly-treated cold. Foley's Honey and Tar cures the most obstinate coughs and prevents serious results. It costs you no more than the unknown preparations and you should insist upon having the genuine in the yellow package. All druggists.

NOTICE TO HUNTERS.

George A. Brown, county clerk, will be at the following places to issue deer hunters licenses, viz.: Oxford, Oct. 28th, at 6 o'clock; Orion, Oct. 28th, at 7:30 o'clock; Rochester, Oct. 28th, at 9 o'clock; Milford, Oct. 28th, evening; Holly, Oct. 29th, 6 o'clock; Birmingham, Oct. 30th, 7 o'clock.

Robert Cascadden will issue licenses at Leonard on Oct. 28th and 29th.

Stomach troubles, heart and kidney ailments, can be quickly corrected with a prescription known to druggists everywhere as Dr. Shoop's Restorative. The prompt and surprising relief which this remedy immediately brings is entirely due to its restorative action upon the controlling nerves of the stomach, etc. Sold by Charles J. Shain.

NOTICE TO GAS USERS.

Notice is hereby given that all gas bills not paid by the 12th of November next, service will cease to those remaining unpaid at that date. 4t

BIRMINGHAM GAS CO.

BINGLE--CARTER

Birmingham Young People Who Were Married Last Thursday Evening.

A very pretty wedding took place last week Thursday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Willis B. Carter, when their second daughter, Hazel, was united in marriage to Glenn Bingle. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Kishpaugh at 7:30, and was witnessed by only the immediate relatives of the young people. Mr. and Mrs. Bingle left shortly after the services for a short wedding trip and will reside in Detroit.

Glen Bingle, now an employe of the Burroughs Adding Machine Co., of Detroit, was formerly a popular conductor of the D. U. R. between Pontiac and Detroit. Ten young ladies and ten mammoth horns came out from Detroit to help the Birmingham friends make an outside noise like a serenade—and they did it. The happy couple have the best wishes of a host of friends for a long and happy life.

Last Sunday excursion of the season on the Grand Trunk October 27. Train leaves Birmingham at 7:52 a. m.

THE CONVENTION

Eighteenth Annual Covention of Michigan State Christian Endeavor to be Held November 21st to 24th.

The 18th annual Michigan State Christian Endeavor convention is to be held in Grand Rapids, Michigan, November 21st to 24th.

It is expected that there will be from 500 to 1,000 delegates and visitors in attendance. Dr. Francis E. Clark, D D., L. L. D., the founder of Christian Endeavor, and the president of the United Society of Christian Endeavor, and William Shaw, the treasurer of the United Society, and other noted speakers will take part in the program.

This army of delegates and visitors are to be entertained by the Grand Rapids Christian Endeavor Union under the leadership of their efficient president, Rev. W. John Hamilton.

It is predicted that this convention will be the most successful and profitable of any Christian Endeavor convention ever held.

Yours truly,
W. S. VIVIAN.
Chairman Press Com.

BIRMINGHAM SCHOOL NOTES.

The fourth and fifth grade room has 56 seats and 57 pupils, just one too many of the latter.

Miss Bessie Shuler has not been absent from school in five years; Miss Carrie Davenport, in four years; Miss Aline Herbison, in two years. The above ladies are seniors of the high school, and their attendance records are exceptionally fine.

The B. H. S. Literary society held its annual election of officers October 17th, at which time the following officers were elected: president, Ella Green; vice president, Lillian Stauch; secretary, Catherine Berz; treasurer, Alan Starr; door tender, Emory Hanna. The program committee is composed of the following members—Prof. A. E. Bellis, L. Zoe Spencer, Harry Rogers, May Erwin and Jessie Reid. Attendance committee—Catherine Berz and Charles Plumstead. Ticket committee—Emory Hanna and Loyd Clawson.

RUBBER STAMP MAN.

If the business man sees fit to daub his note heads and envelopes with a rubber stamp and thus lead outsiders to think there is no printer in town, he ought to be salted. Such a man as that, when he dies, ought to have his obituary and usual resolutions of his lodge printed on a board fence with a rubber stamp.

And when he has a baby at his house or a party, or a son or daughter gets married, or he gets married himself, a full account of the important event might be printed with a rubber stamp and tacked on his front door. And when he is a candidate for office he might stamp himself with a label to the effect that he wants to be sheriff, road overseer, justice of the peace, as the case may be, and pin that on the bosom of his pants. And when the opposition jumps into him he might stamp another label saying that it's a blamed lie, and pin that on too. Come to think about it, there is no end to the uses a rubber stamp might be put to in the hands of an enterprising and economical man.—Ex.

The Best Laxative for Children.

Parents should see to it that their children have one radical, easy movement of the bowels each day. Do not dose the child with salts or purging pills, as they are too powerful in effect, and literally tear their little insides to pieces, leaving the bowels weakened and less able to act naturally than before. Laxative Fruit-Lax-Tablets cleanse and strengthen the bowels, and stimulate all the little organs to healthy activity. Chocolate coated tablets, easy to take, never gripe or nauseate. 10c, 25c and $1.00.

MID-NIGHT RIDE

Ends in Death of Heaverill Wood, Pontiac's Leading Tailor, and Injury of Four Companions.

As a result of reckless driving of an automobile at 1 o'clock Sunday morning, one man is dead, another has an arm broken, while three others are nursing bruises, and congratulting themselves that they are still here and able to talk football.

Carl E. Smith, testing foreman for the Welch Motor Company, at Pontiac, was said to have just taken a number of his fellow-employes home from a late session at the factory, shortly after midnight Saturday, when he picked up a party of four, consisting of Heaverill (better known as Harry) Wood, J. Price Hill, Luther Vaughan and Irving Welch, for a ride. At the request of Wood, it is said, Smith opened up the machine for a fast clip, and the "hailing" was fine till the home of John Kimble was reached, about one and one-half miles south of Pontiac, when the machine left the road, striking a trolley pole, breaking it in several pieces, and wrecking the Welch car, the splintered body of which was afterward burned.

The occupants were thrown out to a considerable distance. Wood's neck was broken, his injuries resulting in death at about 8 o'clock the same morning. Smith, the driver, had one bone of his right arm broken, besides being badly shaken. Hill, Vaughan and Welch got off with bruises, and are still wondering how it happened.

Wood was the leading merchant tailor of the city, conducting a lucrative business, and was popular with all classes. He was a member of the A. I. U., Eagles, Loyal Guard, Foresters, and Pythian Orders. A widow and two daughters survive, who have the sympathy of all on account of the unfortunate occurrence.

The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon under the direction of Pontiac Lodge No. 19, K. of P.

CHANGE OF TIME.

The morning service in the First Presbyterian church will henceforth be held at 11 o'clock, standard time, and the Sabbath school at 10. Instead of the regular evening service next Sunday, there will be a platform meeting in the interests of the Sabbath school. Addresses will be given by the following ladies prominent in Sabbath school work: Miss Mary Barnett, superintendent of the Teachers' Training Department of Oakland county; Mrs. H. J. Davis, superintendent of Primary work, Oakland county; Mrs. R. M. Traver, superintendent of Junior work, Oakland county; Mrs. Charles Shattuck, president of Co. S. S. Association. Special music! Sunday evening, the 27th, at 7 o'clock.

Lost and Found.

Lost, between 9:30 p. m. yesterday and noon today, a bilious attack, with nausea and sick headache. This loss was occasioned by finding at Charles J. Shain's and Cobb & Cobb's drug stores a box of Dr. King's New Life Pills, the guaranteed cure for biliousness malaria and jaundice. 25c.

NOTICE TO GASOLINE USERS.

I will, Friday, October 25th, call on all gasoline users prepared to paint their cans red to conform with the new state law that compels all cans containing gasoline to be painted red. Kerosene oil cannot be put into red cans after Nov. 1, 1907.

W. N. BERGER,
The Oil Man.

IN MEMORIUM.

In loving remembrance of Mrs. Emogene Gibbs, who died Oct. 27, 1904.
Gone but not forgotten.
Her Daughter,
MRS. FRANKIE GEORGE.

If real coffee disturbs your stomach, your heart, or kidneys, then try this clever coffee imitation—Dr. Shoop's Health Coffee. Dr. Shoop has cleverly matched old Java and Mocha coffee in flavor and taste, yet it has not a single grain of real coffee in it. Dr. Shoop's Health Coffee Imitation is made from pure toasted grains or cereals, with malt, nuts, etc. Made in one minute. No tedious, long wait. You will surely like it. Get a free sample at my store. Charles J. Shain.

The Ladies' Home Journal has a bright young woman testing the hospitality of all churches in different cities of the United States. Her reports on the "glad hand extended" are discouraging. Our church people must watch out as a lady is doing the same stunt in our village. She tested the Methodist folks last Sunday and found them wanting. She will visit St. James this coming Sunday. Our information is past doubting.

The Touch that Heals

Is the touch of Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It's the happiest combination of Arnica flowers and healing balsams ever compounded. No matter how old the sore or ulcer is, this Salve will cure it. For burns, scalds, cuts wounds or piles it's an absolute cure. Guaranteed by Chas. J. Shain and Cobb & Cobb, druggists. 25c.

JUST A GLIMPSE

Of One Birminghammer at the State of Affairs Existing Between Our Business Man and His Customers.

An hour of sight seeing, standing on the corner of Maple and Woodward avenues, watching the crowd of our ladies either going to Pontiac or Detroit to do shopping, is something surprising. Now is it a fair shake? Just stop and think the matter over. Your husbands are in business in our village.

The following is a conversation I overheard some time ago between a business man and a customer. It ran like this: The business man said, "Why don't you give me your trade?" And the other man replied: "I notice that you don't patronize your own home industry. How can you expect me to? Now you can buy here today anything you want from a collar button to an automobile, and why not do it? You can't get a gold dollar for 25 cents at Detroit or Pontiac. Remember one thing—If I trade with you, I expect that you will give me some of your trade."

Moral.—People who live in glass houses should never throw stones.

OBSERVER.

BUSY A. H. PORTER

Birmingham Bridge and State Road's Make a Strenuous Life for Supervisor A. H. Porter.

The new steel and concrete bridge over River Rouge, now being built at the power house, foot of the hill, will be finished it is thought some day next week.

The Beach Manufacturing Company, of Charlotte, Mich., had the contract, and Charles Jacobs, of that city, has been in charge of the work, under the direction and general supervision of A. H. Porter, who has been persistent in his work, careful in paying out public money, and he saved the town and village in one item $88, just by watching every step in the work. The bridge, when completed, will cost $1,225. The township pays for 16 feet and the village for 26 feet.

The bridge is 42 feet long, 20 feet wide, with a 19-foot throat for water to flow through. The 42 feet of bridge rests on 42 six-inch steel piles, 21 on each side, all driven into the ground with a heavy pile driver and set in cement grouting and will last forever. The expense is two-fifths for the township to pay and three-fifths for the village. Mr. Porter has done well and has given much thought, time and personal attention to the work, and when it is finished it will be an everlasting monument, always to his credit.

FIRST NEW STATE ROAD.

The first new state road in the town of Bloomfield is in sight. Supervisor Porter has been at work ever since last spring on the details. His first act was to have County Surveyor Slater survey the road and make a profile. His work was very systematic, thorough and satisfactory, so much so that the following letter from Horatio S. Earle, state commissioner, promises a state road that will be of great benefit to the merchants of our village and a blessing to the entire western section. Seven-hundred dollars per mile for two miles on the Franklin road, running west, beginning at the corporation limits, ought to make a driveway where it will be appreciated by more teamsters than any other two miles in the entire township, we won't except any.

The following letter explains itself.

LANSING, Mich., Oct. 14, 1907.

MR. ANDREW PORTER,
Birmingham, Mich.

DEAR SIR—Application for 2.01 miles of gravel road, together with profile covering same have been received and entered upon our books and the reward allotted. Under separate cover have mailed you specifications for gravel road, also cost sheets. When your road is completed, fill out one of the cost sheets and return it to us. The number of your application is 265.

The application for the two miles running north and south between sections four and five, and eight and nine are received, but cannot be entered upon our books until the profiles are received.

Yours very truly,
HORATIO S. EARLE.

A weak stomach, causing dyspepsia—a weak heart with palpitation or intermittent pulse, always means weak stomach nerves or weak heart nerves. Strengthen these inside or controlling nerves with Dr. Shoop's Restorative and see how quickly these ailments disappear. Dr. Shoop, of Racine, Wisconsin, will mail samples free. Write for them. A test will tell. Your health is certainly worth this simple trial. Sold by Charles J. Shain.

Notice to Milk Shippers.

There will be a meeting of the Oakland County Dairy Association at the Exchange Bank, Birmingham, on Tuesday, October 29, 1907. All milk shippers are requested and urged to be present.

BY ORDER OF COM.

Those Lovely Blankets

For cold, nippy nights—Blankets. We have them with all the delicately tinted borders. No finer fleece ever grew on a sheep's back, and could that same sheep know of the small price we are asking for its product it would hang its head in shame.

Sixteen of the best blanket mills in the country stand back of this great sale. Every Blanket as good as gold. Don't bother about coal. Buy Blankets. Come and see these bargains before the best are gone. Weigh them; measure them; poke your thumbs into their heat-holding depths.

F. BLAKESLEE
BIRMINGHAM

DISSOLUTION NOTICE

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC:

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between Hervey G. Spencer and Homer D. Wolcott, under the firm name of Spencer & Wolcott, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. Theron B. Smith having purchased the interest of Mr. Wolcott will, with Mr. Spencer, continue the business under the name of Spencer & Smith, the new firm collecting all accounts and paying all bills.

HERVEY G. SPENCER.
HOMER D. WOLCOTT.

Birmingham, Oct. 15, 1907.

We sincerely thank our many patrons for their generous patronage, and respectfully ask for a continuance of the same for our successors.

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GREETING

The undersigned successors of Spencer & Wolcott respectfully solicit a continuance of the liberal patronage accorded the above-named firm and assure one and all that they will always receive the best of attention. Our goods all fresh, quality the best and prices right. Come and see.

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Accuracy in the druggist is sometimes offset by inaccurate measurements in the home, and to correct this I am making the exceptional offer described below.

To those who are now listed among my patrons and to those whom I am desirous of adding to this list I am prepared to make a generous offer—one which will not only be pleasing and useful, but may at some time prove be a necessity. Though not generally known, perhaps, there are hardly two teaspoons or tablespoons whose capacity is uniform. Hence the directions, "A teaspoonful three times a day," or "A teaspoonful every hour," although made in good faith by doctor or druggist, and observed carefully by the patient or nurse, may in extreme cases prove disastrous through variation in size or capacity of spoons. To obviate this fault or danger I have had made and graduated after the government standard deposited at Washington, D. C., a glass measure graduated to a half teaspoon and as large as two tablespoonsful, absolutely accurate, and so simple that a child can use it.

These safeguards will be given away to all persons having Prescriptions filled at this store during the months of November and December, or at least until the supply is exhausted.

Remember, this does not apply to Patent-Medicine purchases, Sundries, or Toilet Articles; but only to Prescriptions.

Thanking you for your patronage in the past, and assuring you of our best endeavors in the future,

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We have just received another case of *Silk Stripe Challies*. The majority of them are new designs in Floral, Dresden and Persian effects. Special value at **29c** a yard.

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We are showing a very extensive and beautiful assortment of *Silk Scarfings*, in Crepes, Marquisettes, etc. Persian, Floral and Sideband effects, **59c, 75c, $1.00** and **$1.50** a yard.

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We have an unusually attractive line of India Linons, in a full range of prices, that we consider much better value than anything now offered by the manufacturer's agents.

Heavy weight at **10c, 12½c, 15c, 20c, 25c.**

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