

ELOQUENT AS HER FATHER.  
Daughter of Late Secretary Blaine  
Gives Standard Dressing  
Down at a Dinner.

A dispatch to the New York Journal from Washington says: Mrs. Harriet Blaine Beale, formerly the wife of Truston Beale, youngest daughter of the late Secretary Blaine, has started a social sensation in Washington which excites great attention in the upper ten. A few evenings ago at a select dinner party at which Mrs. Beale was chaperon, one of the most conspicuous guests was Senator Du Bois, secretary of the Spanish legation.

That the talk turned upon the Cuban situation was not at all surprising. Washington upper tendon is patriotic, and before long the discussion went so far that Secretary Du Bois felt called upon to enter a protest. Then it was that the sensation developed.

Hardly had Du Bois finished when Mrs. Beale began her oral assault upon the young and handsome diplomatist. Fervent patriots flamed from the young matron in a torrent of eloquence which no one attempted to stem. The guests listened with mingled apprehension and delight.

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## WINS HIM A FORTUNE.

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Busted Gambler Makes a Loan with the Promise of Going Back to Gold Field—Makes a Rich Strike.

John F. Ellis, a carpenter of Spokane, Wash., is likely to be in possession of a fortune as the result of a stake given to Henry Allen, a prospector at Juneau, last summer, says the New York World.

Allen met Ellis at Juneau last August. Allen had just come out of the Klondike, having failed to discover anything.

The two men entered a gambling house, where Allen soon lost his last dollar. He asked Ellis for a loan.

"I will give you \$10 if you will agree to take all the winnings over \$50 and go back to the Klondike."

"I'll do it," said Allen. "If I win out and strike anything new there I will divide."

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Low but well defined applause showed the commendation of her patriotic sayings. There was a momentary pause and then with one accord the guests rose and the dinner closed with the dramatic address of Mrs. Beale.

## WAS QUIET WEDDING.

A Relative of the Prince of Wales Marries a Widow Ten Years His Senior.

Rex Guelph Norman, of New York, and Harrietta Hull Bedlow Morris, of Boston, were married at the courthouse at Providence, R. I., the other afternoon by Judge Tillinghast. The affair was very quiet, the party coming to the city especially for the purpose of having the ceremony performed.

At the office of the city registrar they gave the information that the groom is 57 and the bride a widow of Boston, aged 47. Norman gave no occupation, declaring himself a gentleman and the son of Albert G. Guelph, of England, who was also a gentleman. His mother's name, he said, was Constance Cornwallis.

The name of Guelph is the family name of Queen Victoria, and the bridegroom is said to claim relationship to the prince of Wales. The bride gave her father's name as Henry Bedlow and her mother's maiden name as Josephine D. Homes. Mrs. Morris is the daughter of ex-Mayor Bedlow, of Newport, who now resides in New York. Her mother is dead.

One of the witnesses was a court house employee and the other was Miss Morris, a daughter of the bride.

## WILL SEEK A GOLDEN ISLAND.

Wealthy Englishmen Travel to Alaska Waters in Elegantly Fitted Schooner.

The schooner Free Trade has just left San Francisco for Alaska with a unique treasure hunting party. The leader and guide of the party will be Capt. Charles A. Moore, who says that two years ago he discovered on one of the Aleutian islands the richest gold quartz he ever saw. H. Talbot Watson and George Page, two wealthy Englishmen, will accompany him with their valises and mining experts. They don't propose to endure any hardships. The schooner has been fitted with bath-rooms and all modern conveniences and is stocked with delicacies. An accomplished chef goes along. Capt. Moore says he has the exact bearings of his island of gold. He declares that the rock is rotten quartz, held together by threads of gold, and that fully one-half of it bears precious metal. When he returned with this story some time ago no one here would put up capital. So he went to London and soon secured the necessary backing.

## TO OUTDO DAWSON CITY.

Fort Selkirk to Become Yukon Head-quarters of Administration and Capital of Gold Fields.

The United States government has decided to establish the Yukon headquarters of administration at Fort Selkirk, where the Lewes and Pelly rivers join to form the Yukon from Dawson City. Fort Selkirk commands the route of ingress to the territory of the gold districts by the rivers named as well as by the Stewart and Macmillan, all of which will be eagerly sought out by the prospectors during the coming season. For these reasons the government has decided to make the police headquarters at Fort Selkirk, and there, the bank will be established, so that Fort Selkirk and not Dawson City will soon be the capital of the Yukon gold fields.

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A Novel Case Comes Up for Trial in the Federal Court at Omaha, Neb.

A case is on trial in the federal court at Omaha, Neb., that is attracting much attention from bankers and capitalists.

The treasurer of the mutual society known as the Modern Woodmen of America, going out of office turned over, as part of his assets a certified certificate of deposit for \$15,000 on the Union national bank of Omaha. When the same was presented for payment the bank repudiated the certificate, alleging that it was not a bona fide evidence but had been issued merely as an "accommodation" instrument. The society brought suit and the bank had the case carried to the federal court.

The defense will attempt to establish that it is customary for national and state banks in the west to issue these accommodation certificates without consideration and which cannot be cashed.

The lawyers representing the society are determined to press the suit and break up the practice, if it is as general as the bank fighting the case alleges. They will argue that it is a fraud for a bank to issue such a certificate unless the money has been actually deposited with the bank, as the certificate certifies. The federal law explicitly prohibits such acts and describes the method as "illegal banking." Some sensational developments are anticipated before the case is concluded.

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