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ALASKA A GREAT BARGAIN.

Not so very long ago it was a popular pastime for some people to ridicule the act of those who were responsible for the purchase of the Alaskan territory by the United States. It is now, in fact, it has been known for some time, that it was in reality a mighty shrewd bargain, a most paying investment.

In spite of the comparatively undeveloped state of Alaska, its contribution of wealth to the United States has been so great in recent years and the contributions in the near future promise to be so enormous that there is little doubt that Russia has more than once regretted that she sold us the territory for a mere bagatelle of \$7,200,000.

When the purchase was made in 1867, it was regarded by the general public as a waste of money, but subsequent events have established the fact that as a result of the bargain this government acquired vast riches.

Already the business of the territory compares favorably with that of the most valuable of our insular possessions.

In his recent report, Mr. Clarence L. Hobart, Collector of Customs for Alaska, says:

"The figures for the last month in 1907 are not yet available, but estimating the business for that month on the basis of the preceding monthly average the Philippine Islands, and Porto Rico did a total trade in 1907 of \$67,221,684 and \$57,307,088 respectively, while Alaska's total for the same period is \$48,425,330. Eliminating the foreign trade and taking account only of receipts and shipments to and from the United States, Alaska makes a still better comparative showing, its total for 1907 being \$45,609,947, while the Philippines were credited with only \$23,000,000 and Porto Rico with \$550,000. It must be remembered also that while Porto Rico and the Philippines are old, settled lands, Alaska is

incalculable injury to the city in question.

Frequently in discussing a proposed trip to that section of the country some one of a party would be almost sure to bob up with a remark to the effect that there was nothing doing in the New Orleans line until the mosquito season was over.

This year, however, the word has gone forth that New Orleans is practically free from the pest and all the inhabitants and prospective visitors are consequently in great glee.

This is attributed to the fact that the citizens have been more than ordinarily careful in looking to the drainage about and the general cleanliness of their premises.

It has been demonstrated to them that with fewer mosquitoes there will be less sickness than usual. This is the theory advanced by the doctors and the good people of New Orleans took hold of the matter with much enthusiasm. It is already given out that much good has resulted.

Why wouldn't it be a good idea to take hold of the mosquito business here in Wilmington and do it right now. Do you remember ever having been troubled with mosquitoes? How many sleepless nights have you spent on their account?

It is now a well known fact that stagnant water in the gutters along the eaves will breed mosquitoes, and so will water left in old tin cans in back yards.

Experts say that the mosquito seldom goes very far from its birthplace, so whenever the disquieting buzz is heard, one may look close at hand for the source of the nuisance.

Individual effort is necessary to the elimination of the mosquito. If everybody would "clean up" and keep that way, the mosquito would be very little known in this city and there would be fewer doctor's bills to pay. Don't tell us that the Wilmington supply is bred in the low swampy places across the river. Those that are brought into existence in that locality, according to the scientists remain there. The fellow who sings in your bed room and feeds on your blood was reared nearer home. Clean up that back yard. Get your neighbor to do the same, and you may yet have have mosquitoes but we firmly believe you will have fewer of them than before.

SOME IMMIGRATION FIGURES.

The movement of people to and from the old world as indicated by the reports from the port of New York is attracting considerable attention.

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but in those cases in which individual or public rights would suffer, the period of rest may fall on any other day.

While economic, social and hygienic causes have produced the new law, the secular completely overshadowing the spiritual and the ecclesiastical still stands the ancient admonition to remember the day of rest and keep it whole—because it is the sensible thing to do.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—Those Ohio gents who are not for Taft now have some idea of how the groundhog felt when he saw his shadow.—Indianapolis News.

—The Hughes boom is warming up and a perspiring press agent is trying to warm over the Knox boom.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

—A Texas man has decided to retire from politics and devote the remainder of his days to running a saw-mill. In other words, he proposes to saw wood and say nothing henceforth.—Washington Herald.

—Mr. Bryan says he will be nominated on the first ballot at Denver. Mr. Roosevelt says his man Taft will be nominated on the first ballot. If the Democrats and Republicans have nothing to say for themselves, but merely obey orders, this program

a doctor. A—I'm a postoffice clerk.—Cleveland Leader.

—"What does all that scowling and growling mean, Johnnie?" "I was thinkin' about the umpire, sir."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

—"Does money really make you happier in any way?" "Yes. Since I have become rich nobody ever attempts to offer me any good advice."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

—She—Shakespeare says a man has seven ages. He—A woman has only three. She—What are they? He—Sixteen, nineteen and twenty-four.—Utica Observer.

—"I dropped four stories this morning without being injured." "What!?" "Fact. They'd just been returned with thinks, and I dropped 'em in the fireplace."—Kansas City Times.

—"You were born in Georgia?" "Yes, sur, dat what dey tells me." "And raised there?" "Well, suh, dey tried ter raise me once, but de rope broke."—Atlanta Constitution.

—"Poor little girl!" said the benevolent old lady. "There is a lump in your throat. Are you sad?" "No-m," lisped the little girl in the big sun-bonnet. "It's a lump of chewing gum."—Chicago News.

—Mrs. Gray—A noise awakened me last night, and when I got up and looked under the bed I saw a man! Mrs. White—A burglar?" Mrs. Gray—No. My husband. He heard the noise first.—Chicago News.

—A Careful Man.—"I am very fond

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TO THE BEACH Suburban Schedule

(In effect Saturday, April 11, 1908.) Daily except Sunday.

Wilmington		Wrightsville		Beach	
East Bound	Westbound	Westbound	Westbound	Westbound	Westbound
7:00 A. M.	6:25 A. M.	6:15 A. M.	6:15 A. M.	6:15 A. M.	6:15 A. M.
7:30 A. M.	8:25 A. M.	8:15 A. M.	8:15 A. M.	8:15 A. M.	8:15 A. M.
8:30 A. M.	9:25 A. M.	9:15 A. M.	9:15 A. M.	9:15 A. M.	9:15 A. M.
10:00 A. M.	10:55 A. M.	10:45 A. M.	10:45 A. M.	10:45 A. M.	10:45 A. M.
11:30 A. M.	12:25 P. M.	12:15 P. M.	12:15 P. M.	12:15 P. M.	12:15 P. M.
1:00 P. M.	1:55 P. M.	1:45 P. M.	1:45 P. M.	1:45 P. M.	1:45 P. M.
2:30 P. M.	3:25 P. M.	3:15 P. M.	3:15 P. M.	3:15 P. M.	3:15 P. M.
3:00 P. M.	3:55 P. M.	3:45 P. M.	3:45 P. M.	3:45 P. M.	3:45 P. M.
3:30 P. M.	4:25 P. M.	4:15 P. M.	4:15 P. M.	4:15 P. M.	4:15 P. M.
4:00 P. M.	4:55 P. M.	4:45 P. M.	4:45 P. M.	4:45 P. M.	4:45 P. M.
4:30 P. M.	5:25 P. M.	5:15 P. M.	5:15 P. M.	5:15 P. M.	5:15 P. M.
5:00 P. M.	5:55 P. M.	5:45 P. M.	5:45 P. M.	5:45 P. M.	5:45 P. M.
5:30 P. M.	6:25 P. M.	6:15 P. M.	6:15 P. M.	6:15 P. M.	6:15 P. M.
6:15 P. M.	7:25 P. M.	7:15 P. M.	7:15 P. M.	7:15 P. M.	7:15 P. M.
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PROHIBITION ELECTION NOTICE

Pursuant to the general election laws of North Carolina and pursuant to "An act to prohibit the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors in North Carolina," ratified on the 31st day of January, 1908, notice is hereby given to the voters of New Hanover County that an election will be held under said act at the various precincts of said County on Tuesday the 26th day of May, 1908.

And the voters of New Hanover County further take notice: (a) that the first, second and third precincts of the First Ward have been consolidated and the said First Ward now constitutes only one voting precinct with the polling place at the Hose Reel House No. 1, 602 North Fourth street; (b) that the first and second precincts of the Fifth Ward have been consolidated into one precinct and the said Fifth Ward now constitutes only one voting precinct with polling place at the Engine House at the corner of Sixth and Castle streets.

The Registrars, Judges of Election, and the Polling places of the respective precincts are now as follows: First Ward—Fred T. Skipper, Registrar; B. C. Moore and John G. Kuhlken, Poll holders; Polling place, Hose Reel House No. 1, 602 North Fourth street.

Second Ward—W. J. Kirkham, Registrar; Otto Bank and George Smith, Poll Holders; Polling place, Engine House at the corner of Sixth and Castle streets.