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27.—Continued cold weather in Northwest.
28.—Lyman J. Gage of Chicago accepts reasure portfolio.

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30-Porty-five killed by a cyclone at Chand-Home passes Dingley tariff bill....

G-Carter H. Harrison elected Mayor of Chicago by 75,000 phrality... Alarming ficods in Mississippi Vailey. S-\$1,000,000 fire at Knoxville, Tenn; 17 people killed.

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0-Snow storm in Central States.

10-Daniel W. Voorkees, former U. S. Senator from Indiana, dies at Washington.

15-Riots in Indianapolis over 3-cent carfare... 2500,000 fire at New Orleans.

17-War between Turkey and Greece.

18-Pierce windstorm in Chicago; \$150,000 fire.

20-Desperate fighting in the Levant.... Pirst execution by electricity to Ohio. 22-Osman Pasita assumes command of Turkish troops, which have met severe re-

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21—Turks capture Larissa... Vast floods
is Missoard and Missisalppi Valleys.

26.—Hundreds of families at Ottumwa.

10w., and Quincy, Ill., houseless by floods.

27.—Dadication of Grant's tomb at New York... 12,000,000 fire at Newpert News, Va.

28.—Grecks at Athens riotous because of army reverses... Flood at South Guthrie.

O. T., kills over 70.

29.—Rabil heads new cabinet of Greece....

Wild gaie with loss of life and vossels on Lake Michigan.

30.—Grecks win a big buttle..., Seven negroes lyached by a mob of negroes in Texas.

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2-54,000,000 fire at Pittsburg, Pa.

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AUGUST. 6-Elevator fire at Chicago kills four fire en, burts 20 more, and does \$500,000 dam

ches 88c at Chicago.

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Wheat reaches the dollar price in sevicities and occasions great excitement.

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President of Uruguay assassinated.

News of a great tidal wave in Japan.

Steamer Fortland arrives at Sentie a Alaskan tressure. with Alaskan treasure.

31. Vellow fever breaks out at Ocean brings, Miss.

2—Crops reported greatly damaged by long continued drought. T—Raifroad collision near Emperia, Kan.; several killed... Lake St. Clair yacht cap-daed, drowning atz. 9—Terrible head-end collision near New-rastie. Colo., kills 30 people and mangles many others.

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16—Five alleged burginrs taken from jall by a mob at Versaliles, Ind., and tynched. 16—Anarchist manuits President Diax of Mexico; death of the annuiter at the hands of a mob. 20—Outhreak of yellow fever in New Or-leans.

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21.—President Ratchford of the United Mine workers declares the coal strike ended.

25.—Nine men killed in a bloody riot at Girardville, Pa... Mrs. John Becker and five children slaughtered near Carroli, Iowa. ... Railway hold-up at Moorhead, Minn. 29.—\$1,000,000 fire in Washington, D. O. Pall of Ascarruga ministry in Spain. 30.—Resignation of the Raili ministry in Greece.

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6-Alton train beld up near Kansas City, Mo... Thousands of lives lost and much property destroyed by a typhoon in the Philippine Islands. ... \$117,000 fire at Chicago stock yards. ... Large lire in Detroit. ... Six girls burned to desth at Plankinton, S. D. ... Disastrout fire at Medora, Ill.
7-Two prisoners resisted in Opelika, Ala., in the control of t

T-Two prisoners roasted in Opelika, Ala., isl., S. Gen. Weyler recalled from Cuba... Death of ex-Senator kg-Pherson of New Jersey.

12—Bandils rob a train near Austin, Texas... Death at Detroit of ex-Senator Chaa. W. Jones of Florida.

14—Four people killed in a railway accident at Sittaville, Ont.

15—Four persons killed and many injured by caving in of a theater roof in Cincinnati.

and 150 lives lost.

16 - Steamer Triton sunk in Caribbean Sea and 150 lives lost.

17 - Windsor, N. S., fire-awept and 3,000 people left homeless... Death of Chas. A Dama of the New York Sun.

19 - Death of Geo, M. Pollman of Chicago.

21 - Jury in Luetgert murder case in Chicago diaogreed.

24 - Twenty lives lost in New York Central accident at Garrisons, N. Y... Bank wrecked at Blairsburg, Iowa.

27 - Wahnah Raifrond offices in St. Louis burned. mrned. 29 Henry George, single-tax advocate, field of apoplexy at New York.

N. bank.
12-450,000 fire at Postoria, Ohio.
13-Three indians lynched by a mob at Williamsport, N. D.
17-Three people lajured in a railway areck near Cleveland, Ohio... Panic in a lincianati school cansed the injury of four hildren... Hossi, Kan,, stake into the trairie in a night.
19-Three miners killed in railway wreck.

Three miners killed in railway wreek Coal Bing, Ind. . . Great fire in London, iand; iona \$25,000,000.

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21.—Pire at Melbourne, Australia, in which
5,000,000 of mercantile property was de-troyed.....Two motormen killed in a collis-on in Baltmore, Md....Fire at La Grango, blos, in which \$25,000 worth of property

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22-F. A. Novak found guilty of murder at Vinton, Iowa.

25-Capt. Lovering found guilty by court martial at Fort Sherbian, Chicago.

25-Resignation of the Badesi ministry in Austria. Three men asphyxiated in the Grand Trunk tunnel at Port Huron, Mich.

30-New cabinet formed in Austria.

Eleven persons killed in a railway sectionat at Warenw, Feland., Martin Thora convicted of the murder of Wm. Guidensuppe at New York.

DRCEMBER,

1.—Thirty-seven miners killed in Homburg, Bavaria, by explosics of fire damp....Furious riots at Prague, Behemia.

4.—Three men killed and several persons injured in a collision of trolley cars near Detroit, Mich.

5.—Besignation of the Italian ministry.

6.—Congress convenes in regular session at Washington.

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18.—Zero weather in Chicago... Death of film. Washington Healog, of Chicago... The or persons Ribed at Procinca [Bi], two persons Ribed at Procinca [Bi].

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21. Surplie of Miss Lells Herbert at Washington, D. C., Three shafers drowned at Tourwards, N. Three shafers drowned at Gardner, Miss.

The Government of the United Surveys in the city of Washington 1,600. The Government of the United States owns in the city of Washington 1,600,000 volumes of literature. Of these about one-half, or 787,715, are in the congressional library. The remainder are scattered through the various executive departments. The daily number of readers in the congressional library averages 3,320. About 700 persons, including the members of both houses and high officials of the Government, are cutilted to draw books and take them away from the building, and the average number loaned out in such a way is 1,440. It is a favorable commentary upon the honesty and care of commentary upon the honesty and care of our public men that during a period of thirty years the number of books lost or not returned was only five in a thousand.

Large numbers of petitions, supported by many signatures and uniform in their phraseology, are being presented to the House of Representatives. They ask the passage of a series of laws to protect the morals of the public. For example, to prohibit sambling in stocks, produce, racing pools and other forms of speculation by telegraph, to prohibit the transmission of stock quotations for speculative purposes, and the transmission in the mails of newspapers containing pletures or descriptions of prize fights, to prohibit the exhibition of kinetoscope reproductions of prize fights and other brutalizing spectacles, and to prohibit the transportation from State to State of materials for such exhibitions.

The ladies of the cabinet are decidedly put out by the ediet that forbade their New Year's receptions and the dinners that were to precede and follow. They do not see any occasion for it. The President did not ask or even suggest a suspension of social affairs. He told the members of his cabinet he should close the White House for thirty days, although he did not think it was necessary for them to follow his example, but without consulting their wives, they agreed to do so. The husbands have since had an unhappy time, and the Washington social world has offered them no sympathy.

The opposition to the ratification of the Hawaiian treaty has simmered down almost entirely to the angar trust, the Louisiana planters and the beet-root sugar manufacturers. There are a few Senators who oppose the treaty on principle, as they believe it inexpedient for the United States to assume the responsibility of gov-erning any detached territory, and several on the Democratic side have joined the opposition because they regard annexa-tion as a Republican measure.

Chairman Lond of the House Committee on Postoffices has been working during the recess on the report of the committee on the Loud bill, and has practically com-pleted it. He believes that the measure will effect a saving of at least \$10,000,000 annually, and will wipe out the enormous deficit that confronts the Potsoffice De-partment every year. Mr. Loud believes the bill is much stronger this session than last, and, while not absolutely confident, thinks it will finally carry.

The agents of the Cuban junta in The agents of the Cuban junta in Washington justify the assassination of Col. Ruiz as necessary to intimidate the cowardly and corrupt men in their ranks who are likely to be allured into making terms with the Spanish authorities either through fear or bribery. They say that hereafter no Spanish agent will dare ap-proach an insurgent camp, and that it will be dangerous for any stranger to do so.

The distressing death of Miss Lella Herbert has caused a shock to her many friends and acquaintances in Washington. She was a young woman of beau-tiful character, gentle, amiable and gen-erous, and was generally beloved and ad-mired. Those who knew her beat believe that her suicide was due to fear that she might be a permanent cripple.

The pension certificate of the Rev. L. J. Keith of Vincennes, Ind., will be canceled, because the holder has informed the bureau that he does not consider himself longer entitled to a pension, his disability having disappeared, and has asked that his name be dropped from the rolls. There is only one other such case on record. ord.

Secretary Wilson is greatly interested in legislation for the establishment of costal savings banks because he believes postal savings banks because be believes they are necessary to the prosperity of the farmers. It is sometimes an all day's job, he says, for a farmer to go to the town where the nearest bank is situated, while there is a postoffice in every village.

The copyright department is a most important branch of the Government, and indicates an enormous increase in literary and musical compositions and in designs which are susceptible to copyright. In 1870 the number of copyrights granted was 5,621; in 1880, 20,686; in 1890, 42,-758; in 1890, 72,470.

The recent report of the Comptroller of the Currency shows that the savings banks of the United States are mostly confined to the northeautern section of the country. Nearly 80 per cent of the num-ber of banks and amount of deposits is represented by New York and New Eg-

. . . The committee appointed by the Society of the Arms of the Tennessee to secure the erection of a monument to Gen. George B. McCleilan at Washington has held its first meeting and elected Adjt. Gen. Huggies chairman.

Ink erasers are not allowed in either the Mar or the Navy Department except un-der the direction of a chief of bureau, and no one is allowed to crase an entry in any official record book without explanations and express permission,

Dr. Sheldon Jackson, the Alaska ex-pert, says that there is so much gold in Alaska that persons who go there ten pears hence will have as good a chance as those who go next spring.

Postmaster General Gary and Secre-tary Gage have promised to assist in lay-ing the corner stone of the new postoffice building in Chicago on the 4th of next

WEEKLY MARKET LETTER.

The trade has fallen into a way of hinking that the big receipts of the past week will clean up the surplus present prices. Blest of this wheat is ntract, when It is all in the bulls think that they will control the situa-In the Northwest the claim is made

marketed, and that country elevator stocks are very light compared with previous years. Every one is looking for a sharp falling off in receipts after the first of the year; also for higher prices, while the situation on all sides is admittedly bullish the world over, the prices have not responded to what the bulls think the position of stocks to estimate requirements justifies. They have fixed the standard of values in their own minds, and because they are not realized they feel disappointed.

Most of them are too much inclined to
lose sight of the fact that the price of wheat has reached a point where sub-stitutions of other a-ticles outs greatly into the consumption, and that the

speculators are more solicitous as to the price and the probable supplies The outlook for supplies from Argentine is uncertain, the probability being that the exportable surplus will not exceed 30,000,000 bushels. Traders lose sight of the fact that Argen tine is a large country, and that unfavorable conditions will hardly exist

over the entire territory. Harvesting is now in progress, and the rains might reduce the exportable surplus. There will be little wheat to ship from Australia, but India's pros-pects are evidently good, judging from the free offerings in Liverpool for Sep-tember. The American visible supply this week showed a larger increase than expected, being 1,051,000 busnels more than last week, and now totals 36,616, 000 bushels, as compared with 54,448,-

Wheat-Walla Walla, 75@76c; Valley and Bluestem, 17@78c per bushel.
Four—Best grades, \$4.25; graham,
\$3.40; superfine, \$2.25 per barrel.
Oats—Choice white, \$5@36c; choice

gray, 33@34c per bushel. Barley-Feed barley, \$19@20; browing, \$20 per ton. Millstiffs—Bran, \$17 per ton; mid-

dlings, \$21; shorts, \$18.

Hay—Timothy, \$12.50@13; clover, \$10@11; California wheat, \$10; do oat, \$11; Oregon wild hay, \$0@10 per

Eggs-18@250 per dozen. Butter-Fancy creamery, 55@60c; fair to good, 45@50e; dairy, 40@50e Cheese — Oregon, 11140; Young America, 12140; California, 9@100

Poultry—Chickens, mixed, \$1.75@ 2.25 per dozen; broilers, \$2.00@2.50; geese, \$5.50@6.80; ducks, \$4.00@5.00 dozen; turkeys, live, 8@9c per

Potatoes-Oregon Burbanks, 35@45e per sack; sweets, \$1.40 per cental. Onions-Oregon, new, red, 90c; yel-low, 80c per cental.

Hops—5@14c per pound for new crop; 1896 crop, 4@6c.

Wool—Valley, 14@16c per pound; Eastern Oregon, 7@12c; mohair, 20 @ 22c per pound.

@ 22c per pound.

Mutton—Gross, best sheep, wethers and ewes, \$3.50; dressed mutton, 61%c; spring lambs, 51%c per pound.

Hogs—Gross, choice heavy, \$4.00; light and feeders, \$3.00@4.00; dressed, \$4.50@5.00 per 100 pounds.

Beef—Gross, top steers, \$2.75@3.00; cows, \$2.50; dressed beef, 41%@6c per pound.

Veal-Large, 41/4@5c; small, 51/4@

60 per pound. Scattle Market. Butter — Fancy native creamery, brick, 28c; ranch, 16@18c. Cheese—Native Washington, 123/c;

Cheese—Native Washington, 12 %c;
California, 2 %c.
Eggs—Fresh ranch, 28c.
Poultry—Chickens, live, per pound,
hens, 10c; spring chickens, \$2.50@
3 00; ducks, \$3.50@3.75.
Wheat—Feed wheat, \$22 per ton.
Oats—Choice, per ton, \$12@20.
Corn—Whole, \$22; cracked, per ton,
\$22; feed meal, \$79 per ton.
Barley—Rolled or ground, per ton,
\$22; whole, \$22.

\$22; whole, \$22. Fresh Meats—Choice dressed beef, steers, 6c; cows, 534c; mutton sheep, 7c; pork, 6c; real, small, 7.
Fresh Fish—Halibut, 5@6c; salmon, 8c; salmon trout, 7@10c; flounders and sole, 3@4; ling cod, 4@5; rock cod,

5c; smelt, 21/2@4c. Fresh Fruit—Apples, 50c@\$1.25 per box; peaches, 75@80c; prunes, 85@40c; pears, 35c@\$1 per box.

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San Francisco Market.

Wool—Nevada 11@13c; Oregon, 12
@14c; Northern 7@80 per pound.

Hops—10@14c per pound.

Millstuffs—Middlings, \$20@23; Cal
Hornia bran, \$17.00@18.00 per ton.

Onions—New red. 70@80c; do new
silverskin, \$2.00@2.35 per cental.

Eggs—Store, 24@28c; ranch, 30@

Bc; Eastern, 18@90; duck, 20@25c per
dozen.

dozen.
Citrus Fruit — Oranges, navels, \$1.50 @ 3.00; Mexican limes, \$3.00 @ 3.00; California lemens, choice, \$1.50 @ 2.00; do common,50c @ \$1.25 per box.
Cheese—Fancy mild, new, 13 %c; fair to good, 7 @ 8c per pound.
Hay—Wheat, 12 @ 14; wheat and oat, \$11 @ 14; oat, \$10 @ 12; river barley, \$7 @ 8; best barley, \$10 @ 12; aifalfa, \$8.50 @ 10; clover, \$8.50 @ 10.
Frosh Fruit—Apples, 25c @ \$1.25 per

Fresh Fruit—Apples, 250@\$1.25 per large box; grapes, 25@50c; lashella, 50@75c; peaches, 50@@\$1; pears, 75e \$1 per box; plums, 20@85c.
Butter — Fancy creamery, 38c; do seconds, 85@37c; fancy dairy, 82 kg; good to choice, 80@S1c per pound. Potatoes—New, in boxes, 35@85c.

Mr. Gladatone will shortly calebrate There is a very favorable outlook for the passage of the bankrupter bill, and even the opponents of the measure concede their conviction that it will pass both homass.

The sale of postage stamps for the last quarter of the year 1897 was the largest in the bistory of the country.

Mr. Gladstons will shortly calebrate his 88th birthday, The "grand old than" was burn in Liverpool December 29, 1809, and as things look now, he bids fair to welcome the dawn of the 20th country. If he surrives till next year he can participate in the contentry collebration of the Irish recellion. As he country of the country.

FRUITGROWERS' CONVENTION.

out Mosting to Be Build in Por January 11, 12 and 13, 1888.

The arrangements for the meeting of the Northwestorn Fruitgrowers' Asso-iation, for the state of Oregon, Idaho, vashington and British Columbia, the will be held in Porland, January, 1994, 1998, and well under theat that le liable to come out at 11, 12 and 18, 1898, are well under

The committees upon whom the success of this meeting depends are:

Executive committee—Baoli Lamberson, chairmant Henry E. Doselt, secretary-treasurer; H. M. Williamson, L. M. Spiegel, Alfred Tucker and that 80 per cent of the crop has been

Frank Lee.

Transportation—A. H. Devers, H. R. Lewis and T. D. Honeyman.

Finance—L. M. Spiegal, Edward Hughes, David M. Dunne, J. H. Hazeltine and Mark Levy,

Exhibit—F. H. Page, John A. Beli, W. F. Carroll, Mark Levy, M. L. Harvey, and one from each county and fruit district within the territory covered by the association.

ered by the association.

Arrangements—C. V. Coper, H. M.
Williamson, Frank Lee, E. C. Musten and Alfred Tucker.

Chairman Buell Lamberson and Secretary Henry E. Doseh of the executive committee, will act as ex-officio mem-

bers of the sub-committees.

The meetings heretofore held by this association at Walls Walls and North Yakima were very successful, being not alone profitable to those attending the meetings, but beneficial to the entire fruit interests. Representative men from far and near were present to discuss the various phases of the

growing industry.

The foregoing committees are fully alive to the situation and are now sethe prior meetings field. Already many letters have been received by the chairman and secretary from various cities within the limits of the association, as well as from other states, from St. Paul, Omaba and Chicago, asking St. Path, Omana and Unicago, asking about reduced transportation rates. The transportation companies with the usual courtesy extended to this as-sociation, have made the rate on the

Northern Pacific, Great Northern, and Union Pacific lines, one and one-fifth fare; and on the Southern Pacific line one and one-third fare for the round trip. The apparent difference of rates is caused by the Southern Pacific's low-er tariff rate, it being only four cents per mile as against a five-cent per mile rate of the other companies. They have also expressed a willingness to trans-port all legitimate exhibits of fruits, both fresh and evaporated, trees, etc., free of charge. Such exhibits should be carefully labeled, packed and shipped to Buell Lamberson, 180 Front street, Portland, on or before January 5.

The programme, which is now being arranged and will be published later, will cover all the quations pertaining to the fruit interests, notably the shipping of fresh truits to Eastern markets at a profit to the grower. This will be thoroughly discussed, especially the charges by refrigerator car companies, which must be adjusted on a live-andlet-live basis.

Grav's Harbor Lumber Shipments. That the Gray's harbor country has enjoyed a fair degree of prosperity dur-ing the year 1897 is shown by the foreign lumber shipments as compared with those of 1896, the increase being nearly 300 per cent. In 1895, only 11 vessels with lumber sailed from that harbor for foreign ports, the aggregate amount of lumber being 3,400,000 feet, while during the present year 22 ves-sels cleared from Gray's harbor, carry-ing 10,649,000 feet of lumber, valued

Of the 22 vessels clearing for foreign ports from Gray's harbor during the present year, 16 of them loaded at the present year, 16 of them loaded at the mills in Aberdeen—14 at the West & Slade mill, with cargoes amounting in the aggregate to 5 328, feet, and two at Wilson Bros. & Co.'s mill, whose cargoes aggregated 975,000. The E. K. Wood mill at Hoquiam, shipped four cargoes foreign, 2,782,000 feet, and the Northwestern Lumber Company two cargoes, aggregating 1,600,000 feet.

two cargoes, aggregating 1,600,000 feet.
Most of this lumber went to Mexican ports, although Honolulu received several cargoes, while Africa, New Caledonia, Australia, and Peru each received one cargo. At the present time the mills have orders for foreign cargoes of lumber, and the owners anticipate that the 1898 foreign trade will greatly exceed that of 1897.

The presiding elders of the Methodist Episcopal church, comprising all the elders in the Pacific Northwest, will hold a convention in Spokane on the 11th, 12th and 13th of January, 1898. Bishop Cranston, of Fortland, will preside.

A logger at Seaside, Or., says that he proposes to put in 9,000,000 feet of logs before the end of the freshet season next year. The timber will be taken from the Scothan, Bracker, Eberman, Gearhart and Starr places, near Holiday Park.

Hops in Yakima seem to be a drug on the market, notwithstanding high quotations elsewhere. Local buyers say that choice grades can easily find sale at 18½ cents, but they maintain that only one or two choice lets remain in the valley, and that the best of the poorer qualities left are not worth more than from 9 to 10 cents.

B. M. Palse, of Saver, Benton coun B. M. Pulse, of Saver, Benton county, Or., sold his hop grop, 8,865 pounds, last week. Three-fourths of it went for \$\partial\_{\text{s}}\$ cents, and the remainder for \$\partial\_{\text{s}}\$ cents a poind. John Patterson, of the same neighborhood, has shipped, on consignment, about 10,000 pounds, receiving a cash advange of \$73\partial\_{\text{c}}\$ cents for best, and \$\partial\_{\text{c}}\$ cents per pound for second quality. George Ruth, of Saver, has sold about 12,000 pounds at 123\partial\_{\text{c}}\$ cents. Mr. Pulse has pounds at 1234 cents. Mr. Pulse has begun the cultivation of his nine-acre yard for next year.

Heavy rains and heavy breakers on the beach recently caused landslides on the beach below Empire, Or. A numer of bluffs and rocks caved in. As much as 10 acres of five land, including house and barn and other property, belonging to Charles Hanson, and the provincent rocks known as the "Seven Dowle," illuspagazed.

Not much was done at the meeting of fisheries men in Tacoma recently. The attendance from out of town voluntary delegates to the Florida congress will be submitted to the governor for appointment as representative for Washington. NEVER TOO SPEE.

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