

ALASKA SEASON CLOSES

The Estimated Total Gold Output for the Year in Alaska Was \$26,000,000.

Observer Special
Seattle, Oct. 1.—The Alaska season for 1904 is closed so far as shipments to the North are concerned. The Pacific Coast Steamship Company has received advice from the White Pass & Yukon Railroad not to accept any more freight for interior points in Alaska beyond White Horse as it will not be able to handle it.

All the north coast lines are preparing for the rush of those coming out from points in Alaska.

There are a few shipments of treasure to come. On the whole it has been a good season for gold diggers. The gold production of the entire northern district for this year is estimated as follows:

Klondike, \$11,000,000; Nome, \$10,000,000; Tanana, \$2,000,000; all other districts, \$3,000,000; total \$26,000,000.

War News

(Observer Special)
Mukden, Oct. 1.—A great change in the situation has occurred. The Japanese now appear anxious to take the defensive and have fortified a position northwest of the Yental mine. According to the best estimates obtainable from the Japanese, the Japanese army now confronting European troops comprises 144,000 infantry, 6,300 cavalry and 630 guns distributed as follows:

One division at Bentelaputz, two at the Yental mine, four on the railway north of Elao Yang, one near Hlamendense and one at Sandepu.

The Russian estimates of Kuroki's

army are seventy six battalions of infantry, eighteen squadrons of cavalry and 376 guns.

Including the reserves Nodzu's army consists of forty four battalions of infantry, nine squadrons of cavalry and 130 guns.

WILL MAKE DASH

Tien Tsin, Oct. 1.—Russian officers admit it is their intention to remain on Russian war vessels in Port Arthur and that they will attempt to escape. They say they expected the movement about a week ago and that it may not be expected daily.

GRANDE RONDE VALLEY FRUIT

The management of the Lewis and Clark Exposition has erected a special scientific cold store plant at Portland to preserve fall and winter fruits of the 1904 crop to be used on the plates in the Horticultural Hall during all next summer. Fresh stock will be placed on the plates every two days in order to have this supply constantly on hand. The fruit and especially winter apples will have to be sent direct to the exposition storage plant as soon as picked. Each plate will have the name and address of the grower which will do more to advertise the fruit interests of this county as well as the entire Grande Ronde valley than any thing that could possibly be done, but in order to do so the fruit must be properly packed wrapped in proper kind of paper to stand cold storage. John E Hough has agreed to receive the fruit, prepare, pack and ship as per directions. Now you fruit growers must get in and do your part and try to have a fine display of winter apples there during all the spring, summer and fall season of 1905. Everyone will have a fair and even show for the premiums which will be sent direct to the grower. Now the more premiums, diplomas and medals we can secure the better for the country. All fruit growers are requested to call at the office of John E Hough opposite Alexander's blacksmith shop and he will explain what is wanted, etc.

Light For Haines

J F O'Bryant, to whom a twenty year electric light franchise was granted Saturday night, went to Baker Tuesday, to make arrangements for drawing up the franchise, and transacting other business in connection with the enterprise.—Record.

THE BIG FIGHT IS A DRAW

This was the Decision Reached after a Hard Fought Battle of 20 Rounds.

(Observer Special.)
Woodwards Pavilion, San Francisco.
—Joe Gans and Joe Walcott, holders respectively of the lightweight and welterweight championships, fought twenty rounds to a draw Sept. 30. The decision was not well received by many spectators who seemed of the opinion that Gans should have been favored.

The fight throughout was furious. Gans started off like a winner, enjoying a decided advantage in opening two rounds.

After the second round, however, when toward the middle of the contest Walcott employed his right almost exclusively to Gans' body and kidneys, he gained a decided lead.

After the tenth round Gans succeeded in evading most of Walcott's vicious swings and forced Walcott to change his tactics.

From eleventh to the sixteenth it was nip and tuck, first one and then the other taking the lead. The tide turned in Gans' favor in the seventeenth round. This round Gans met all of Walcott's ruses with straight rights from the shoulder and forced Walcott to fight back wildly.

The nineteenth round nearly saw Walcott's finish. Gans started with a tremendous right smash on Walcott's jaw and soon had Walcott in apparent distress.

The twentieth and last round was a repetition of the preceding round.

The decision of the referee was greeted with tumultuous cheering and hissing and cries of "Gans," "Gans."

After the fight it developed that Walcott had broken his right arm.

Resting Easy

(Observer Special)
Washington Oct 1.—The condition of Postmaster General Payne whose serious illness was announced last night continued extremely grave throughout today. There were times during the day, notably early this morning and late this afternoon, when the attending physicians believed that death was near but the patient responded to the heroic remedies applied and seemed to regain some of his lost ground.

Early tonight Payne fell into a restful sleep which the doctors regarded as encouraging for a good night.

"A Runaway Match"

A crowded house greeted "A Runaway Match" at the Opera House last night and it was the best play presented here this season; a continual round of laughter from start to finish with scarcely a dull moment. Miss Washington as the leading lady is a clever actress and the comedette and comedian were excellent in their parts, the comedian especially causing many a hearty laugh by his humorous jokes.

"A Runaway Match" is pronounced one of the best comedies ever presented here.

Miners Get Injunction

(Observer Special)
Leadville, Oct 1.—Judge Frank M. Owens today issued an injunction against the members of the Leadville Mining District association restraining the association from proceeding further to compel the miners to forsake the Western Federation Miners and take out retain their positions.

Application was made by the president and secretary of the local miners union. The defendants comprise nearly every mine owner and mine manager in the camp.

OSTEOPATHY IN RESPIRATORY DISEASES

Such diseases as laryngitis, pharyngitis, nasal catarrh, bronchitis, pneumonia and pleurisy are inflammatory in character, inflammation varying in severity from slight congestion to severe ulceration of tissues. But all are indicative of too much blood in the diseased area, due to an obstruction of circulation. This condition osteopathic treatment overcomes by manipulation which removes whatever is interfering with the freedom of blood flow through the vessels; for no such stoppage of circulation could exist without some pressure upon these vessels. Osteopathic treatment relaxes muscles and corrects the displacements that form the mechanical obstructions.

Circuit Court

The October term of the circuit court convenes Monday. The docket is not a long one and unless the grand jury finds more than is expected the court will not be in session over three weeks.

The new court house is not completed and the court will be held in the Commercial club.

This will be the first session of the circuit court held in La Grande since the removal of the county seat.

Pension Order 78

The Democrats are making such a fuss about pension order No. 78, that the readers of the Observer may know just what that order says, it is published in this issue.

We hope they will read it carefully, and see if they can find in it any usurpation, violation of the constitution, or disregard of common justice or common sense.

Honor of Hoar

Special to the Observer
Lewiston, Main Oct. 1.—Senator Frye president pro-tem of the United States senate today named the following senators to represent themselves in the funeral of Senator Hoar on Monday.

Senators Lodge Platt of Connecticut, Hale, Dryden, Spooner, Beveridge, Foraker, McCoombe, Stewart, Cockrell, Bacon, Daniel, Gorman, Morgan and Blackburn.

New Party's Ticket

(Observer Special)
Salt Lake Oct. 1.—At a largely at-

tended and enthusiastic mass meeting of the sympathizers of the New American party movement held in the Grand theater tonight, the following state ticket presented by the nominating committee appointed at the first meeting of the party two weeks ago was adopted:

Governor, William M. Ferry secretary of state Walter James attorney general Samuel McDowell, superintendent of public instruction Isaac N. Smith representative in congress Judge Ogden Hiles.

No nominees were presented for any of the judicial offices or as presidential electors these being purposely omitted from the ticket.

September Weather

Through the kindness of volunteer observer W. A. Worsell, we are able to give our readers the following summary of the weather for September: The mean temperature for the month was 61; the maximum was 94 on the 6th; the minimum was 31 on the 11th the total precipitation, rainfall 1.01, clear days 21, cloudy 3, partly cloudy 6, no frosts during the month.

President Cannot Accept

LETTER OF ROOSEVELT
"Oyster Bay N. Y. Sept. 19
"My Dear Mr. Williams:
"I am in receipt of your letter of the 15th inst., inviting me to be present, at the North Dakota State Irrigation Congress on the 27th inst. and wish it were possible for me to be present but I regret to say it is not.

"During the time of my Presidency there has been no measure in which I have taken a keener interest than that which started the policy of National aid to the cause of irrigation.

OF HIGHEST IMPORTANCE.

"I have felt that the use of the river and smaller streams of the States of the great plains and Rocky Mountains for irrigation was even more important to the future of this country than the improvement of the course of these same rivers, lower down, as an aid to navigation, and when I became President one of the first things to which I turned my attention was the effort to secure the passage of the law which inaugurated this system.

"I congratulate the people of North Dakota—indeed, I congratulate the people of all the United States—on the fact that this work has begun.

"It will be of incalculable value to the people of the semi-arid regions, and therefore to the people of the whole country, for in this country whatever benefits part of it benefits all.

"With best wishes, believe me, sincerely yours, THEODORE ROOSEVELT."

Portland Markets

Wholesale prices today are as follows:

HAY AND GRAIN
Wheat, export price.....83c to 88c
Barley, best.....\$22.50 to \$23.50
Oats.....\$20. to \$21.50
Hay, timothy.....\$15 to \$16

BUTTER, EGGS AND POULTRY
Butter best creamery.....27 1/2 to 30
Butter, ordinary.....25c
Eggs, per dozen.....23c to 25c
Chickens, per pound.....11 1/2c

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES
Potatoes per cwt.....\$1 \$1.15
Onions, per cwt.....\$1.50 to \$1.75
Apples, best, per box.....75c to \$1
Peaches, best, per box.....60c to 75c
Beets, per sack.....\$1 25
Cabbage, per pound.....2c

LIVE STOCK
Steers.....\$2.75 to \$3
Cows.....\$2
Hogs.....\$1.75
Hogs, best.....\$3
Hogs, feeders.....\$3 05

Reading Room.

The east room of Central Church of Christ. Open every day from noon to six in the evening. Daily and weekly papers, magazines and books. Men and boys cordially invited. Strangers always welcome.

Another excellent family has left

Union as a result of the removal of the county seat to La Grande, Judge Eakin and family are among the first settlers of Union and it is with the keenest regret that their friends and neighbors saw them depart for another home.—Scout.

Miss Olive Jones left for Union this morning to visit with friends a few days.

The Seven Day Advertisers of Union are holding a quarterly Conference Meetings at Union today and tomorrow.

Mr. Eckley, father of E. L. Eckley and brother of Mrs. S. O. Swackhammer leaves this week for Nebraska. Mr. Eckley has been a resident of this county for a number of years and was in California in an early day.—Scout.

Judge Eakin and family took

their departure for La Grande this week. Judge Eakin and family have spent the better part of their lives in Union and their departure is greatly regretted by our people who will wish them prosperity, happiness and contentment in their new home.—Republican.

Judge Eakin of Union county has been secured to hold the regular November term of court in this county this fall.—Canyon City Eagle.

Do not forget the Rummage sale at Kilpatrick's implement house beginning Oct 7th and lasting one week.

There will be bargains at the Rummage sale.

If you have any rummage to dispose of call up Mrs J D Slater or Mrs J H Stevens.

The October session of the county court will convene next Wednesday.

THE New Autumn Styles in Clothing Haberdashery & Hats



Are now ready for your inspection. Here you can see the artistic productions of the world's best makers of Clothing, Haberdashery and Hats in a wide assortment of styles and prices. Everything in spic-and-span new fresh from the hands of the makers and bound to interest every man and young man who wants to dress stylishly at moderate cost.

We especially invite your examination of the new Autumn styles in the famous

Michaels-Stern Fine Clothing

For which we are sole agents here.

Men's Autumn Sack Suits are here at a price range of \$7.50 to \$20.00—something to suit all purses. Unusually fine fabrics, in single and double-breasted sacks, beautifully tailored and full worth \$18.00 are to be found in our large collection of Sack Suits at **\$15**

OVERCOATS

Are here at a price range of \$5.00 to \$18.00. A wide selection of fabrics in every style, and unusually big value in our Autumn overcoats at **\$15**

Smart Haberdashery and Hats
In a great varieties and at prices that will surely tempt you to buy, if correct styles and the best quality appeal to you. Come and see the new things.

The La Grande Cash Store.