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## HUGE TIMBER DEAL

(Observer Special)  
The Dalles Sept 5.—One of the largest timber transactions during the past year was closed when Robert Smith and F S Stanley of Portland purchased the entire interest of the Davenport Lumber Company of Hood River. Together with the Davenport interests they purchased 200,000,000 feet of timber on lands that were owned by B F Laughlin of this city and others. A new company will be organized by the capitalists, and the Davenport company will pass out of existence. The name of the new company has not been decided.

### Assaults Son

Scripps News Association  
Kensworth Sept 5.—Peter Ashton, a retired Chicago millionaire, is in jail here accused of murderous assault upon his son John, during a house party at the Ashton summer home at Camp Lake. The son is believed to be dying. According to the guests, the elder Ashton who is aged fifty, quarreled with his wife. The son interfered and the stabbing followed. Ashton ran to the club house and held his pursuers at bay and fled to the woods where he was captured by the sheriff.

### Attempt Lynching

By Scripps News Association  
Butte, Sept. 5.—An attempt was made this morning by 200 men to break into the county jail and lynch James Barnes, who is being held for the murder of Patrick Hanley Sunday morning. In the melee 25 shots were fired by both sides. The deputies held the masked men at bay and the police dispersed them after an hour's work and guarded the prisoner the remainder of the night. The murder of Hanley was cold blooded.

## FIGHTERS IN CONDITION

(By Scripps News Association.)  
San Francisco, Sept. 5.—With only four days remaining before they enter the ring, Britt and Nelson are both in good shape and are practically down to the weight specified. The question of referee is alone to be settled. Nelson says Jeffries cannot referee and will hold-out for Siler to the end. Siler arrived at Salt Lake this morning and will referee the Schneck-Wille fight there tonight and will arrive here Friday, there being no doubt of his acceptance. Britt refused to have Jim believing that he can induce Nelson to agree to have Jeffries in case they can make arrangements with the ex champion in regard to fees.  
The betting continues this morning ten to seven, Britt being the favorite. Many small enders are laying small bets at this price but no big wagers are recorded as yet. The seal sales are heavy and the receipts are the greatest ever drawn by a San Francisco fight.  
Jeffries wired this morning that he would accept a thousand as a fee for refereeing the fight although he demanded two thousand at first.

### Third Trial Begins

Scripps News Association  
Portland, Sept 5.—Before Judge William Hunt of Montana, in the federal district court the third trial of Congressman Williamson, his co-defendants, Van Gesner and Marion R Biggs, charged with conspiracy to suborn perjury by inducing entrymen to swear falsely regarding timber and land entries, began this morning. The session was occupied by securing a jury. The prosecution promises new facts which have been unearthed to strengthen the case.

### No Succor Came

Vancouver, B C Sept 5.—The rising tide drowned an Indian woman and four children on the sand heads at the mouth of the Fraser River. Their boat was upset, but they managed to reach the heads. There for hours they anxiously scanned the horizon in hope of rescue before the tide came up, but no succor came and the waves engulfed them.

## TREATY OF PEACE IS SIGNED TODAY

### After Days of Parley Russia and Japan Agree to Lay Down Their Arms Signed at 3:45 p. m.

Scripps News Association.  
Portsmouth, Sept. 5.—The envoys, their suites and guests gathered at the navy yard this afternoon at 2:30. The first business to be perused was the acceptance and signing of the protocol agreed upon in last Tuesday's meeting. It is expected that it will be four o'clock before the treaty is signed.  
Komura and staff go to Boston to night to visit Harvard college tomorrow. Takahira, Sato and the minor Japanese go tomorrow to join Komura from where they will proceed to New York. The Russians will go to New York tonight on a special train.

Portsmouth, Sept 5.—The summary of the peace treaty agreed upon by Russian and Japan is as follows:  
Article I—The re establishment of friendship between Russia and Japan.  
Article II—The recognition of Preponderance of influence of Japan in Korea.  
Article III That Manchuria shall be evacuated by both.  
Article IV The rights accruing to Russia by territorial leases, Port Arthur and Dalney pass entirely to the Japanese. The rights of private persons remaining intact.  
Article V Both promise to put no obstacles in the way of China in her development of Manchuria.  
Article VI In taking the branch line, Japan acquires the mines on her branch.  
Article VII Both agree to make a junction of the two railroads.  
Article VIII Both roads shall work without obstruction.  
Article IX Russia cedes to Japan the south half of Sakhalin.  
Article X Russia has certain rights on southern Sakhalin.  
Article XI Russia grants fishing privileges in the Pochok and Berhing seas.  
Article XII Both nations engage to renew commercial treaty.  
Article XIII Both nations agree to release prisoners as soon as the expenses of keeping them are paid for.  
Article XIV That the treaty shall be made in French and English.  
Article XV That the treaty shall be signed by both monarchs within 50 days after the envoys sign.  
Two other articles provide for the evacuation to be completed within 18 months and that the boundary halves of Sakhalin be definitely marked by the commission.

THANK WITTE  
St Petersburg Sept. 5.—A number of the liberal manufacturers are planning a great reception for Witte, showing their appreciation of his efforts in bringing about peace. The avenue leading to the Trotski bridge and Witte's house has been named in honor of the envoy. The call for the reception has caused thousands of women to give thanks for ending war to their husbands and sons may return.

### TEDDY TOO

Christiana, Sept. 5.—The International Law Association in session here, cables Roosevelt thanks for his efforts toward peace and offers his congratulations upon the successful outcome of the Portsmouth conference.

Portsmouth, Sept. 5.—The peace commissioners and suites went to the navy yard in carriages. The civilian members wore frock coats and silk hats. The naval and military attaches were in full dress uniforms. It rained this morning just as the hotel was reached but it soon ceased, the fog lifted and the sun came out.

### SIGNED AT LAST

Portsmouth Sept 5.—At 3:45 this afternoon the treaty was signed. The Russians went in automobiles, Plancheon carrying two copies of the treaty covered with a black alligator portfolio. Dr Matren, feeling indisposed from the strain of treaty drafting did not attend being the only one of the suit not attending. He attended the thanksgiving services however. Bishop and Mrs Potter arrived for the service. All of the Japanese except Sato who went in a cab, entered automobiles soon after the Russians left the conference room.  
As soon as the treaty was signed a messenger appeared at a window and waved his hand. Immediately a salute of 19 guns came from a battery stationed for the purpose. The American, Russian and Japanese flags were run to the staff of the building. Secretary Pierce at once communicated the news to the President by telephone a special wire having been prepared for the purpose. The President expressed his gratification and requested the secretary to extend his hearty congratulations to each of the envoys.

### Pirate Lands Skins

(Scripps News Association)  
Victoria, B C, Sept. 5.—The schooner Carmonita, the pirate craft which has been raiding the sea islands under the command of Alexander McLean, the sea wolf, reached the Clagout on the west coast of Vancouver island Monday with 679 skins to this port from which she sailed on her famous voyage. After landing the hunters and transferring the skins to the steamer Queen City, for trans shipment to Victoria it is alleged that she was watered and reloaded and then sailed for an unknown destination.

### Lightning Strikes Fatally

(By Scripps News Association)  
Richfield Utah Sept 5.—During a celebration of the Utah traveling men here yesterday morning, lightning struck in a crowd watching the races. Alton Beas was killed, and Dwight Beas is still unconscious. His clothing was stripped off. 200 people were thrown down and stunned. The team stampeded through the crowd, a number of people being hurt. The people thought it was a dynamite explosion at first. Among those badly hurt are Doris Nelson, Thomas Brown, Mrs Rasmussen and a number of children.

### Cholera Rages

Scripps News Association  
Berlin Sept 5.—An official bulletin announces eleven new cases of cholera and one death, a total of 77 cases and 24 deaths. A few cases are reported throughout the empire. Additional physicians have been assigned to fight the plague.

### WORK ON MORMON TEMPLE

Work on the Mormon temple at La Grande is progressing rapidly, the brick work being completed, and a large force of men being employed on the roof and interior framing. It will be the most imposing building in eastern Oregon when complete. One of its principal features will be the accommodations for a large choir, which is always one of the chief attractions of the Mormon churches.—East Oregonian.

### Boycott Subsiding

Washington Sept 5.—Consul General Rodgers at Shanghai cabled the state department under yesterday's date as follows: "Northern trade is opening and the boycott is apparently subsiding."

### Field Married

Scripps News Association  
London, Sept. 5.—The wedding of Marshall Field, the merchant king of Chicago, to Mrs. Eaton, took place today at St. Margaret's Westminster. It was a quiet affair only about twenty guests witnessing the ceremony. Canon Bonse officiated. The bride wore French gray crepe de chene and carried a bouquet of orchids. She wore a brooch of pearls and diamonds and huge pearl earrings. Mr. Field wore a tiny American flag in his buttonhole. The bride unattended was given away by her brother in law Augustine Eddy of Chicago. Marshal Field Jr., son of the bridegroom, acted as best man. After the ceremony the party signed the marriage register and then proceeded to the Claridon for the wedding breakfast.

### Letter Carriers

(Scripps News Association)  
Portland Sept 5.—The business session began today of the national association of letter carriers. Among other questions to be acted upon is the change of rate for the mutual benefit of the association. The organization proposes to found a home for the sick and supernannuated letter carriers. The reports of the officers and committees were received today.

### Carnegie Library

Eugene Sept 5.—A meeting of the Carnegie library committee was held last evening at the First National bank. The plans were gone over and these together with the specifications will be ready for the contractors by the middle of the week.

## WRECK NEAR DENVER

By Scripps News Association  
Denver, Sept 5.—The second section of the Burlington fast train is reported to be wrecked near Brush seventy miles from here. Three are reported killed and fifteen injured. The cause of the wreck was a freight ran into a passenger train. The rear car of which was the private car of "Rainbow" carrying a party of eastern capitalists under the guidance of Col R. L. Duval of the Red Mountain Mining Co. The colored porter was instantly killed and the colored cook was so badly injured that he soon died. One passenger was also killed. No others in the private car were killed. Those in the cars ahead of the private car seemed to suffer the worst. One chair car and two pullmans in the center of the train were ditched. Among the injured are M Schuber, of Chillicothe and a man named Brennaman of west Virginia.

### Continuance Granted

Scripps News Association  
Chicago Ill. Sept 5.—The indicted heads of the members of the packing companies appeared before Judge Humphrey of the federal court this morning and asked for a continuance until the 18th which was granted.

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