FOREST EXAMINATIONS

WORK CARRIED ON IN THE NORTHWEST FOR PAST FEW MONTHS.

Purpose to Show Quality and Quantity of Timber That Will Grow in Different Soils.

TACOMA, Wash., Oct. 20.—During the last few months the forestry division of the Agricultural Department has had a force of men at work in the Pacific Northwest, making careful examination of the forests. The young men employed in these particular branches of the service are selected from among the students and graduates of the leading colleges of the country, as a rule. The work has been carried on in a systematic manner with a view to publishing the data gathered, and for the purpose of showing the quality and quantity of timber that will grow in different soils, and the results of the different growths as affected by the climate and rainfall.

It has been shown that on a satisfactory piece of land a new forest containing suitable merchantable timber will mature in from 40 to 60 years. In one particular case it is shown where a tree on Willipa Harbor attained a heighth of 200 feet in 60 years. The employes of the forestry division of the Agricultural Department have succeeded in demonstrating the heighth a tree will grow at different ages. This is determined by counting the rings at the bottom of the tree and then cutting the tree in sections and finding the height it had reached at the various stages of its growth. It is found that trees, as a rule, grow faster between the ages of 20 and 40 years than at any other time. In certain districts in the Pacific Northwest trees will grow from three to four feet a year between the ages of 30 and 40, while in other districts, where there is less rainfall, the growth is from one to two feet. The most rapid growth is obtained in the Gray's Harbor and Willipa Harbor sections of the State of Washington. The very rapid growth attained in these sections results in a coarser grade of lumber than sections where growth is more steady.

When fir trees are young it is found that they grow very slowly, and it is estimated that few trees remain standing after the age of 500 years. In order to secure the best results where timber land has been denuded, it is found that the land should be burned over. In cases where it is not burned over an unsatisfactory growth of hemlock and other classes of timber results. It is also found that a second growth of fir shows better advancement where the small trees are all about the same heighth and age.

Owing to the scrubby growth of hemlock timber in the East, a prejudice has grown up in the forest regions of the Pacific Coast against the local hemlock, which, in this region, is of sufficient size to be merchantable and of much value. The forestry division of the Agricultural Department is preparing statistics which will give the actual value of the hemlock of Washington, and which, it is claimed, will be of great value to timber-buyers and those interested in the manufacture of lumber. In many instances it is found that the hemlock of the State of Washington has been attacked by caterpillars and considerable injury has resulted. On the other hand, it is found in the region north of Gray's Harbor that a very large quantity of the spruce lumber is subject to premature decay. In some instances it is estimated that fully 75 per cent of the standing spruce is now in a dying condition or is actually dead. The cause of this has not as yet been satisfactorily determined.

Statistics gathered in Oregon show that the hemlock timber is very valuable for pulp, but in the State of Washington those engaged in the manufacture of paper report hemlock unsatisfactory. It is claimed that the pulp used for paper-making purposes is practically the same in Oregon as in Washington, and that the unsatisfactory results reported in this state are brought about by some misunderstanding in the use of the timber.

An investigation is also being made to show the volume of the tanbark that may be had from the timber of the Pacific Northwest. This data is gleaned for the purpose of interesting capital in the establishment of tanneries.

It has been found by the Government officials that the denuded or logged-over timber sections of the State of Washington are taxed unreasonably high. In some places the price placed on these lands is $4. In other cases it ranges as low as $2, but as the lands are of little or no value at present there are many instances where the taxes have not been paid. In Chehalis County, for instance, it is estimated that there are 50,000 acres of timber land on which no taxes are being paid.

ENGLAND'S ODD PENSION LIST

People Who Get Pay for Work That Is Never Performed.

If there is no perpetuity of work under the government there is what many people will think a great deal better—perpetuity of pay, says a London newspaper. "Once paid always paid," is the happy condition of thousands of government employes. Hundreds of thousands of pounds are paid from the public purse every year to people who do nothing at all for it.

They may have sat on government stools years and years ago; they may have cooked prison food at Dartmoor; they may have been Judges or Chaplains in some little corner of the empire, where they are no longer wanted. They may have been housekeepers, laundresses, jailers, laborers, Ministers, Judges, Governors, Consuls. It matters not. Our generous government compensates them all.

It gives us a very kindly feeling toward our government system to remember that the crown is still paying about £100 a year to laundresses and housekeepers who lost their washing and housekeeping through the removal of the law courts from Westminster Hall 20 years ago. There is a field laborer somewhere who has received 12¼ guineas a year for a quarter of a century because the official surveyors of the United Kingdom had nothing more for him to do.

Bryan's Unfulfilled Prophecies.

Chicago Times-Herald.

Here are a few more of the positive forecasts of tribulation and woe made by William Jennings Bryan four years ago:

"If we are defeated in this campaign there is nothing before the people but four years more of harder times and greater agitation."—Speech at Baltimore, September 29, 1896.

"Wage-earners know that while a gold standard raises the purchasing power of the dollar, it also makes it more difficult to obtain possession of the dollar; they know that employment is less permanent, loss of work more probable, and re-employment less certain."—Madison-Square Garden speech, August 12, 1896.

"The gold standard means dearer money; dear money means cheaper property; cheaper property means harder times; harder times means more people out of work; more people out of work means more people destitute."—Speech at Minneapolis, October 12, 1896.

What has been the response of time to the gloomy forebodings of this prophet of evil?

Let President Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, and himself a Democrat, answer. Here is what he said at the convention of that organization, held in Detroit, December 11, 1899:

"The revival of industry which we have witnessed within the past year is one for general congratulation, and it should be our purpose to endeavor to prolong this era of more general employment and industrial activity. . . . It is beyond question that the wages of the organized workers have been increased, and in many instances the hours of labor either have been reduced or at least maintained."

If Mr. Gompers had prepared his address as a reply to Mr. Bryan, it could not have contradicted more flatly the predictions of misery and destitution in which the prophet of calamity indulged.

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Many Enter Second Homesteads.

THE DALLES, Or., Oct. 21.—The business at The Dalles United States Land Office thus far during the fiscal year commencing July 1 has shown a very decided increase in the number of homestead entries. This is due in a great measure to an act passed by Congress June 5, for the relief of settlers who had formerly made an entry and for any reason had not made final proof, known as the second homestead law.

BUSY MAKING UP REPORTS

WORK OF GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS FOR TWELVE MONTHS.

Compilation Began in August and Will Be Finished This Month—Most Important Bureaus.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—This is annual report time in Washington. In fact, the period from the 1st of August until the end of October may properly be designated as the annual report period. The data for annual reports is not ready for compilation until the 1st of July, and there is hardly a bureau in the Government service that can collect enough matter in less than two months to make up a well-balanced report of the year's work. The period of compilation ranges all the way from two months to six months, according to the character of the work of the various bureaus, and whether or not their forces are concentrated or scattered. These annual reports are prepared first by the various bureau chiefs, and, when all the bureaus of a department have reported, the Secretary looks over the respective reports, and makes the annual report of the department, which is nothing more than a summary of the reports of the various bureaus of that department. The Pension Office, under the Interior Department, is always the first one to make its annual report. The reason is that all the data that is necessary to be embraced in the annual statement is on file right in the department, and as the files are kept up from day to day, it is only a matter of collecting the data, putting it in readable form, and, with a few comments and words of explanation, turning it over to the Secretary of the Interior for approval. This report is rather brief, by comparison, which is another reason for its early appearance. The General Land Office is similarly fixed as regards data, but the land report is much more complicated, and has page after page of table work, which requires much time to prepare, and on this account the land office report is later. And so it goes with the various bureaus of all the various departments.

The Value of Annual Reports.

These annual reports always contain more or less matter of general interest, and are eagerly sought by the newspaper men, who find a bountiful supply of copy in most every report that is issued. Some of the matter is old, and has been printed over and over again, but there is always something new. For instance, while the different acts of a bureau have been noted as they occurred, yet the opinions of a bureau chief or one of the secretaries on some matter coming before that department may not have been previously printed, and such opinions are always at least of local interest. Then, too, it is always interesting to compare the work of a bureau for one year with the year preceding, or the work of four years preceding, under a different Administration. Just at this time Republican papers are constantly comparing the work of the fiscal year 1900 with that of 1896, the last year of the Cleveland Administration, and it may be added that these comparisons all make a very creditable showing for the present Administration. Then, too, while many bureaus issue monthly statements showing the progress they have made, it is necessary to wait for the annual report in order to get a complete statement of the year's work, and annual statements are always more interesting and more valuable than monthly statements, as the year, rather than the month, is the basis of time in the departments. Various seasons affect different departments differently, and such differences are not appreciated in monthly statements.

Where Reports Are Made.

The State Department and the Department of Justice have but one annual report each, that of the Secretary of State and of the Attorney-General. In the Treasury Department, aside from the Secretary's report, are many annual statements from the different bureaus. Some are interesting, and others are so dry and unattractive that they are valuable only from point of record, and as giving the secretary facts on which to base his statement. The Supervising Architect always makes a report which shows the progress that has been made on the various public buildings throughout the country during the year. This furnishes much data on which to work. The report of the Life Saving Service is of interest to the Coast States, and the report of the Lighthouse Board and Navigation Offices is in a like manner of interest to the Coast States. One of the most important and universally valuable reports is that of the Controller of the Currency. Owing to the vast amount of information that is embraced in this reprt, and the vast set of tables and statistics, this report is never ready before December, and is made to Congress. Reports of the Treasurer, Commissioner of Internal Revenue and Director of the Mint are of more or less interest in certain sections, as is the report of the Commissioner of Immigration.

Army and Navy Reports.

At no time since the Civil War have the reports of the War and Navy Departments been sought so eagerly as in the last three years. The Secretaries' reports are, of course, the last to appear, but the reports of the various bureaus come in for a considerable mention and comment long before the Secretaries' reports are written. The report of the commanding General, coming as it does from a man who has perhaps as wide and comprehensive a knowledge of military affairs as any man alive, is of extreme importance, and his comments and recommendations are of great worth. The reports of the Generals commanding the various departments of the Army also prove interesting, especially to the sections over which these officers have sway. In the Department proper the reports of the Adjutant-General, Chief of Engineers, Commissary-General, Quartermaster-General, Chief of Ordnance, and in fact all bureau chiefs are given out from time to time.

In the Navy Department we will now have an annual report from the Admiral of the Navy, and his report is expected to prove as interesting as that of the commanding General of the Army. In like manner will come reports from the different bureaus, including the Bureau of Ordnance, Bureau of Equipment, Navigation, Naval Intelligence, Yards and Docks, Steam Engineering Construction and Repair, and all other bureaus. Collectively, these reports will tell of what has been done in the matter of constructing, equipping, repairing, and planning vessels of or for the Navy, and what has been done in the Navy Yards, at the naval docks and in other branches of the service which tend to strengthen and upbuild our naval equipment.

In the Interior Department.

In many ways the business of the Interior Department is not as interesting or as important as it was 10 years ago, but for all that there is always a great change noted from year to year in the work of the bureaus, and from a point of official industry this department is as efficient and important as it was in the "palmy days." Under the Secretary of the Interior are a number of important bureaus, and others not so important, some practically dead. Perhaps the most active is the General Land Office, and while great land schemes such as were constantly afloat when the great West was being first settled, have failed to occupy the attention of the Department, yet there are millions of acres of public lands dealt with every year, and thousands of homesteads and mining locations are sustained or rejected in a twelvemonth. As previously stated, the report of the Land Office is statistical to a large extent, and requires much time in preparation, but when furnished to the public, it is one of the most interesting reports in the Department. The Commissioner of Patents, while doing a large work each year, does not have much to make a spread on in his report, and usually submits a modest little statement of his office. The Pension Bureau makes a similar report. This year, and for several years to come, great interest will center in the reports of the Census Bureau, but inasmuch as that bureau is to make a large number of special reports, it is exempt from making an annual report, other than a statement of its force and pay roll. The Commissioner of Indian Affairs makes an annual report to the Secretary of the Interior, and oftentimes there are found stowed away in some corner of his report facts that are quite interesting. Yet Indian matters have quieted down, and what comment there is to make on their condition has been made over and over again, until there is little new that can be said. Alongside the Land Office, should be placed the Geological Survey. No bureau in the Government makes such full or such elaborate reports as those of the Survey. And its reports are always eagerly sought after by miners and prospectors. Much valuable information on gold deposits, coal deposits, and now on the forests is set forth in these comprehensive reports, and they are today a monument to the printers' and lithographers' art. Few people are aware that we have a Bureau of Education, and fewer remember that there was once an active office in Washington, presided over by the Commissioner of Railroads. Both these bureaus exist, but the latter is practically dead, and the former is never heard of except in its periodical bulletins or when Dr. Sheldon Jackson takes it upon himself to submit a special report.

Agriculture and Postoffice.

A most miscellaneous report is that of the Agricultural Department. From that source we have reports on everything from the weather to the building of public roads. This department, through its various bureaus is doing a great work for the farmers, and while little stock is generally taken in the Weather Bureau, the other branches of the service are highly practical and furnish information that is of real merit. The Bureau of Animal Industry has done more for the farmers toward preserving and protecting their cattle and horses than can be told in a short space. The Bureau of Foreign Markets has been a valuable assistant to our exporters. Those who are interested in forests have obtained many valuable suggestions from the department, and the ranchmen should ever be grateful for valuable information, and even seed furnished for restocking and upbuilding depleted ranges. Many a farm given up as a failure has been rehabilitated under a wise direction from experts of the Agricultural Department. And each year the new observations and discoveries made in these separate bureaus is set forth, not only in the annual report, but in special bulletins, and the farmer is given the full and direct benefit of the work. The drain that is made on the members of Congress for the yearbook of this department indicates that the work is appreciated.

Everybody is interested in the mails and likes to know what is being done each year to increase the efficiency of the mail service. All this is set forth in the reports of the four Assistant Postmasters-General, and of the Postmaster-General himself. Everything from rural free delivery to the latest way of putting stamps upon the market is reviewed in these reports. The improvements in the railway mail service, in the city deliveries, pneumatic service and the force everywhere employed is all set down in cold type for the benefit of all.

Unclassified Bureaus.

Aside from the departments mentioned are a number of separate bureaus that have not been placed under any special department. The Civil Service Commission is one, and its report is always of more or less interest, and generally forms the basis for more or less political discussion and argument. The Interstate Commerce Commission has to have its say, and while there is doubt in the minds of many as to the material or effective results of the commission, yet it must be heard from as long as it is maintained. So with the Industrial Commission, a body which was termed by one of its Congressional members as a "graft" designed to give salaries to a number of political favorites, for which they condescend to come to Washington maybe twice a year and spend a day or two sitting about, making themselves congenial, hut doing nothing. Yet this commission also has its report to make. The one unclassified bureau which is of real importance is the Fish Commision, and its reports are of some standard value. This commission has done more toward building up a threatened industry of the United States than any bureau of its size in the Government service, and it is justly entitled to use large quantities of Government money each year in its report. The report of the Department of Labor, as well as of the Government Printing Office, is more statistical than anything else, and is of no general interest. Added to those named, reports are annually submitted by the Librarian of Congress, Board of Governors for the Soldiers' Home, the Board of Geographic Names and the Bureau of American Republics. And when all is said, it might well be added that for all the practical good done, 75 per cent of the vast amount annually spent in printing and producing these annual reports might better be saved and put to some use where some real benefit will result. Most of the annual reports, that is, the greater part of most of them, is absolutely worthless, although it is not disputed that each bureau should make an annual report. But where many of them make a report 300 or 400 pages long, a report of 25 pages would answer every purpose, and give all the information that is needed by the general public.

Some Bad Effects.

During much of the time when annual reports are bing prepared the bulk of public business in many bureaus is practically suspended. It is a notable fact that from the first of August until late in the Fall the work done in many departments on current matters is not enough to make any kind of a showing. Not only bureau chiefs, but the clerks, are taken from their regular work and put on the reports. And when the reports are ready the Secretaries drop their other duties and peruse the reports in order to gain data for their own reports. A notable example of this kind is Secretary Hitchcock, of the Interior Department. He will not consent to having any report given out for publication until he has read every word of it. As a matter of fact, the information contained in these annual reports is not of sufficient importance to warrant any secresy about them, yet in most departments, particularly the Interior, it is as much as a clerk's position is worth to divulge the contents of any report. Several leaks that recently occurred stirred up such a commotion that the entire force of this department is in fear and trembling lest they shall be accused of giving away "official secrets."

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