

TRADE IS BUILDING UP

BUSINESS OF COAST PORTS IS COMING HERE.

Steamer Alliance Brings a Mixed Cargo—Seven Carloads of Apples for Chicago. The steam schooner Alliance is discharging cargo at the foot of Couch street. The cargo consists of 720 boxes of apples, fruit and miscellaneous products from Eureka, Coos Bay and Port Orford. Trade between Portland and Coast ports has much increased since the strike at San Francisco started business toward this city which had before gone to the Bay City, and the business has been gaining momentum ever since.

ON UPPER WILLAMETTE.

Traffic to Be Divided and More Boats Operated. Transportation facilities on the Upper Willamette will be much improved by an agreement which has been made by the O. R. & N. and the Oregon City Transportation Company.

THE MERCHANT MARINE.

Third Successful Year of Growth in American Shipping.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 8.—The report of Mr. Chamberlain, the United States Commissioner of Navigation, that the third fiscal year has been the third successful year of growth in American shipping. The extent and nature of work under way, or projected in shipyards, promises an even greater growth for the present fiscal year.

SUFFERINGS OF TWO MEN.

Started for Nome and Lost Their Provisions—One Died. SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 8.—The steam whaler Narwhal, which has returned from a two and one-half years' cruise in the Arctic, brings a story of extreme privation which resulted in the death of one of the crew, and the smallest amount of food suffering and the sacrifice of both his legs.

CAUGHT IN THE ICE.

Vessel Was Rounding Cape Horn—Fair Wind Helped Her Out. PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 8.—The first vessel to be caught in Antarctic ice this season was the German steamer Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, 7715.

BRITISH TRADE WAXING.

Decline in Exports in Ten Months 750,000. NEW YORK, Nov. 8.—British trade returns for October show a further decline in the volume of the nation's commerce, says the Tribune's London representative.

CARGO IS COMPLETE.

Nesala Has Aboard 101,571 Bushels of Wheat. The German ship Nesala completed a cargo of wheat yesterday and will clear today. She has 101,571 bushels of wheat in her hold, valued at \$7,885.

STEAMSHIP LOST.

Two Thousand-Ton Vessel Ran on Rocks—Entire Crew Lost. VICTORIA, B. C., Nov. 8.—The steamer Queen Adelaide arrived this morning after a stormy passage of 20 days from Kobe, Japan. She encountered very heavy weather off the Japan coast and made very little headway for three days.

BACK FROM THE YUKON.

Captain James Cox, Who Took a Stern-Wheeled Boat to St. Michael. Captain James Cox, a well-known steamboatman of this city, has returned from the Yukon. He enjoys the distinction of being the only man who has taken a river steambot to the Yukon without convey and with his own power.

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The climate of Alaska in Spring and Summer is delightful. Spring opens there about a month earlier than it does here. The cold of Winter is of course very intense, but in the other seasons no better climate exists on earth.

"Freight for Dawson is going more and more to St. Michael and the Yukon. The cost of transportation is much less this way than by the White Pass route. Passengers will always go by the railroad to White Horse, as the journey to Dawson by this line takes several days, whereas by the other route it takes a month.

"The steamboats from St. Michael and Dawson are run mostly by American pilots and crews. This arrangement, however, is not the case with the Columbia River men boats on the Yukon last Summer, among them Captain George Shaver, George H. Frank, Turner, James Lee, Al Gray and James Gray."

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GREAT CANAL SYSTEM.

Waterway Planned for Joining Baltic and Black Seas. NEW YORK, Nov. 8.—According to the Odessa correspondent of the London Times and the New York Times, the Russian Government is considering the construction of a gigantic waterway from Riga, in the north, to Kherson, near the mouth of the Dnieper, on the Black Sea. It is believed that the project has already been accepted at Kherson, which is eventually to be the terminus of a grand canal system joining the Baltic and the Black Sea.

FOG HAS LIFTED.

Vessels Damaged in Collision Are Arriving in Port. LONDON, Nov. 8.—The fog has lifted and numerous vessels damaged in collisions here are arriving at various ports. No fatalities are reported.

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