WHOLESALE TRADE QUIET

BUT RETAIL BUSINESS HAS BEEN MORE ACTIVE.

Cereals Have Rallied From Recent Weakness—Heavy Railroad Earnings.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Bradstreet's tomorrow will say:

Retail trade has easily held the center of the stage this week, stimulated as it has been by the dual influences of exceptionally cold weather throughout the country and a rather more pronounced holiday demand, which promises to be of record-breaking character, not only as to volume but as to quality and grade of goods purchased. While jobbers in many lines, notably shoes, clothing and rubber goods, report a good re-order business growing out of the above conditions, wholesale trade, as a rule, has been seasonably quiet. Exceptions to this are noted in woolen goods, raw wool, lumber, leather, coal, iron and steel.

The spectacular feature of the week in prices has been the continued marking down of copper and, sympathetically therewith, the drop in tin and lead. Slow but steady accretions in the price of pig iron are proof of the heavy buying going on in the cruder forms, which vies with the active call for bars, sheets, plates, rails and structural material among finished products. Despite the record-breaking production, buyers are still eager and the familiar car shortage cry is heard loudly in this trade. Nothing is heard of the usual conservative waiting for the new year and all books of leading producers are filled for long periods ahead. Hardware is in good demand at most markets.

In speculative staples the cereals have held a portion of the rally from the low prices struck last week. Wheat has eased a little on liquidation, on account of bull support and fairly large receipts. Visible supplies are no larger than a year ago, but the export demand is a little freer. Corn and oats have sympathized with price movements within narrow limits. Provisions are irregular, with pork slightly higher and lard lower than a week ago.

Wheat, including flour, exports for the week aggregate 4,332,832 bushels, as against 3,879,809 last week and 4,123,350 in this week last year.

Wheat exports from July 1 to date (25 weeks) aggregate 140,636,547 bushels, as against 89,084,709.

Reports of rate-cutting at the West contrast strangely with reports of car shortage. Returns of earnings show that 50 roads earned 8 per cent more in the first week of December this year than they did last, while for the second week, 42 roads show a gain of $500,000 over the middle week of December, 1900. Again, October gross earnings of 105 systems increased 16.2 per cent on a total of $119,212,776.

Business failures in the United States for the week number 262, as against 323 last week, 262 in this week a year ago, 211 in 1899 and 212 in 1898.

Canadian failures for the week number 24 as, against 23 last week and 28 in this week a year ago.

Bank Clearings.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The following table, compiled by Bradstreet, shows the bank clearings at the principal cities for the week ended December 19, with the percentage of increase and decrease, as compared with the corresponding week last year:

	Clearings.	Inc.	Dec.
New York	$1,584,608,000	7.9	....
Chicago	156,383,000	8.9	....
Boston	135,126,000	....	4.7
Philadelphia	109,352,000	....	2.8
St. Louis	49,234,000	18.3	....
Pittsburg	37,499,000	4.3	....
Baltimore	24,244,000	....	....
San Francisco	25,674,639	13.5	....
Cincinnati	19,680,000	15.1	....
Kansas City	19,125,000	....	4.9
Minneapolis	15,776,000	31.3	....
Cleveland	14,571,000	19.4	....
New Orleans	17,563,000	....	....
Detroit	14,740,000	62.1	....
Louisville	10,052,000	2.5	....
Indianapolis	9,364,000	31.1	....
Providence	7,331,000	2.1	....
Omaha	6,847,000	8.3	....
Milwaukee	7,109,000	19.0	....
Buffalo	6,672,000	....	....
St. Paul	5,531,000	6.6	....
Savannah	4,406,000	....	21.5
Denver	4,619,000	6.1	....
St. Joseph	5,849,000	43.2	....
Richmond	4,000,000	8.8	....
Memphis	3,995,000	....	5.0
Seattle	2,906,441	43.1	....
Washington	3,061,000	....	2.9
Hartford	2,803,000	39.1	....
Los Angeles	4,056,000	45.3	....
Salt Lake	3,179,000	5.0	....
Toledo	2,405,000	9.7	....
Portland, Or.	2,929,232	17.9	....
Rochester	2,165,000	....	5.9
Peoria	3,020,000	16.1	....
Fort Worth	2,232,000	....	3.8
Atlanta	3,085,000	11.4	....
Norfolk	1,614,000	9.3	....
Des Moines	1,830,000	19.5	....
New Haven	1,621,000	6.2	....
Springfield, Mass.	1,631,000	20.2	....
Augusta	2,494,000	5.3	....
Nashville	1,833,000	10.4	....
Worcester	1,625,000	....	4.2
Grand Rapids	1,615,000	19.3	....
Sioux City	1,598,000	12.2	....
Dayton, O.	1,190,000	2.4	....
Syracuse	1,283,000	18.1	....
Scranton	1,220,000	....	9.2
Portland, Me.	1,493,000	18.3	....
Spokane	1,502,823	34.8	....
Tacoma	1,142,745	1.4	....
Evansville	929,000	....	4.3
Wilmington, Del.	1,046,000	2.4	....
Davenport	1,162,000	30.1	....
Fall River	1,122,000	4.0	....
Birmingham	1,220,000	18.3	....
Topeka	1,302,000	20.3	....
Macon	943,000	12.9	....
Little Rock	1,120,000	51.1	....
Helena	1,007,000	21.0	....
Knoxville	688,000	16.4	....
Lowell	661,000	....	....
Wichita	609,000	18.5	....
Akron	619,000	19.9	....
New Bedford	522,000	....	3.3
Lexington	490,000	....	7.5
Springfield, Ill.	530,000	....	5.6
Binghamton	467,000	9.1	....
Chattanooga	534,000	25.6	....
Kalamazoo	439,000	6.8	....
Fargo	508,000	....	2.3
Youngstown	623,000	75.4	....
Springfield, O.	331,000	....	9.0
Rockford	386,000	40.0	....
Canton	427,000	33.4	....
Jacksonville	486,000	50.4	....
Sioux Falls	259,000	42.3	....
Fremont	173,000	....	18.5
Bloomington, Ill.	241,000	....	16.0
Jacksonville, Ill.	160,000	1.9	....
Columbus, O.	6,501,000	7.1	....
Galveston	7,041,000	....	7.2
Colorado Springs	950,000	....	....
Wheeling, W. Va.	771,000	....	....
Wilkesbarre	672,000	....	....
Albany	4,343,000	....	....
Beaumont	186,000	....	....
Totals U. S.	$2,374,918,952	6.6	....
Outside New York	$790,310,428	5.8	....
CANADA.			
Montreal	$18,250,150	11.4	....
Toronto	15,016,448	33.6	....
Winnipeg	4,287,197	69.1	....
Halifax	2,254,062	48.6	....
Vancouver, B. C.	854,321	....	12.2
Hamilton	834,875	....	7.7
St. John, N. B.	784,848	9.3	....
Victoria, B. C.	518,865	....	2.6
Quebec	1,364,571	....	....
Totals	$42,800,765	22.9	....

AT THE MAXIMUM.

Holiday Trade Has Reached Its High Mark—Grains Are Firm.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—R. G. Dunn & Co.'s weekly review of trade tomorrow will say:

Holiday trade reached its maximum this week. Nearly all sections of the country reported exceptional distribution and while the class of goods especially stimulated by Christmas demand occupied the position of greatest importance, general merchandise was not far behind in activity. Transporting interests were just beginning to overcome congested conditions when severe storms made the situation more complicated than before.

In the grain market wheat has held fairly steady at some reaction from last week's exceptionally high point and there is still much evidence of a firm undertone. Severe weather stimulated the Western demand for livestock feeding and also interrupted receipts. Heretofore this season there has been a large gain in comparison with the corresponding period of 1900. Higher prices have at last affected the export movement.

Failures for the week numbered 265 in the United States, as against 292 last year, and 19 in Canada, as against 18 last year.

LADD FARM FOR A SITE.

Its Possibilities Glowingly Described by M. Scheydecker.

FULTON, Dec. 19.—(To the Editor.)—Now as the project of the 1905 Fair promises to become a certainty, the time approaches to look about for a suitable site for such, and water is, in my opinion, of prime importance to secure a success of the enterprise. Several places are in contemplation from competent people, but I beg to be allowed to suggest that I believe that the 400-acre tract belonging to the Ladd estate on the East Side, known as the Clearwater farm, situated between the carshops of the Southern Pacific Company and Sellwood, would be an ideal spot for that purpose. There is a fish pond of several acres' dimension, ice-cold spring water as clear as crystal adorned with a growth of fir trees and other Oregon ornamental trees, with a stream of water running over the whole ground strong enough to drive a mill of any size. The configuration of the ground is undulating and well fitted for building purposes, and the laying out of a suitable exposition park for landscape, horticultural and agricultural purposes. I think that a circular aquarium, in which to show the products of the sea, river and streams of the Pacific Coast, would be of commercial interest. The place is accessible by street-cars and railroad to visitors as well as for freight traffic, for the Southern Pacific Railroad runs through the tract and that company would certainly build a depot for visitors and freight.

An obstacle for Portlanders as well as for strangers staying in Portland to reach the East Side would be the drawbridge, but this could be overcome by building a suspension bridge over the Willamette for pedestrians, street-cars and light vehicles only, the bridge resting on pillars on Ross Island, the banks on both sides being high enough to dispense with a drawbridge. On the East Side it is only a short distance to build a boulevard to the fair ground, and on the West Side the driving association already contemplates building a boulevard 80 feet wide on the Macadam road. By taking a survey of this project, the Willamette with its bushy islands and its sinuosities, the site and situation of the Clearwater farm, from which a magnificent view is had all around, represents by itself already an immense natural park, which requires only the assistance of an artist to turn it into a public park, provided the grounds are acquired by the city to be its property as a memorial to the purpose for which it is held—a permanent fair ground and public park, such as Portland will need in the future. For this Pacific Coast has a great future in store; it will acquire a world-wide fame, and will become a commercial center between the Eastern and Western continent. Portland will not only become a great commercial city, but a place also pleasant to live in as a city of wholesomeness, good taste and refinements, for with an honest administration and gentlemen of an enterprising spirit and means like Hon. H. W. Corbett nothing is impossible.

M. SCHEYDECKER.

Ross Island for Fair Site.

PORTLAND, Dec. 19.—(To the Editor.)—In reading General Summers' interesting letter this morning regarding the advantages of a near-by site for the Lewis and Clark Fair, I was struck by the omission from his list of a site nearer the center of car distribution than any of those mentioned, with perhaps less disadvantages than the others, and certainly surpassing them all in certain attractions.

This is the tract of bottom land extending southward from what was formerly Pennoyer's mill. In connection with this Ross Island might be utilized for some purposes, with its splendid growth of trees.

This tract is to be reached in 10 minutes from the center of town by both the principal electric car lines and is also directly accessible by steam cars and by boats. The land could no doubt be obtained at a comparatively small price (though I know nothing of the practical side of this matter), leaving more money for the preparation of the grounds, which could be made very beautiful. Experience has proved that no natural attraction is so valuable in a site for a fair of this kind as that afforded by plenty of water. By day everything is doubled in liquid reflections, at no extra cost, while the charm of the display of evening lights, without which no respectable fair can now be imagined, resides more than half in such watery surroundings.

PROPERTY-HOLDER.

EXTRA TRAINS COLLIDED.

Engineer Is Missing—Conductor Was Slightly Injured.

TACOMA, Dec. 20.—Extra 154 west collided with extra 133 east on the Northern Pacific Railroad, about one mile west of Weston, about 5:30 P. M. Both engines were damaged, 10 cars derailed, and the track was blocked several hours. Wrecking outfits from Tacoma and Ellensburg were sent to clear the track. The cars damaged were mostly loaded with coal. Conductor C. A. Fisk, on extra east, was slightly injured. Engineer Kelly, on extra west, has not yet been found, and there is a possibility that he may be found under the wreck. The cause of the accident is being investigated.

Not Fighting Step-Mother's Pension.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Russell B. Harrison, son of the late President Benjamin Harrison, was admitted to practice in the Court of Claims at its last session, Mr. Harrison, in reply to an inquiry concerning the reason for his presence in Washington, said:

"I have been here entirely on legal business. The report that I am opposing the granting of a pension to Mrs. Benjamin Harison is absolutely without foundation. I have hesitated to make reference to this mater, even to deny the truth of the idle rumor, simply from a disinclination to make reference to family matters."

Cruise of the Philadelphia.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—It is said at the Navy Department that the cruiser Philadelphia, which left San Francisco today for Panama, is to relieve the gunboat Concord, the latter vessel coming north to go out of commission. This will leave only one United States vessel in Isthmian waters, the Iowa having gone down the Chilean coast to dock, and the Machias and the Marietta, which were at Colon, on the isthmian side, having both sailed north. The department was informed this afternoon of the departure of the Marietta from Colon for Nombre de Dios, to watch over some American mining interests there.

General Carpenter the Donor.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The World says it is reported that General Horace W. Carpenter, a wealthy retired merchant of the Pacific Coast, and for many years president of the Bank of California, who has lived in this city for the last 30 years, is the donor of the $100,000 to Columbia University for the endowment of a chair of Chinese language and literature. This donation was announced by President Seth Low at the commencement exercises on June 12 last, but Dr. Low said that the giver desired that his name should be kept secret.

Charged With Larceny.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Charles P. Chipp, formerly a book president in the office of the Collector of Assessments and Arrears, a branch of the Controller's office, has been arrested, charged with the larceny of $271 75. This is the specific charge, but alleged peculations by Chipp aggregate $30,000, it is said, and possibly much more.

The American Cigar.

Good as the name. Buy the best.

FOUR BOILERS BLEW UP

ANOTHER BAD ACCIDENT OCCURRED AT PITTSBURG.

Three or Four Men Killed and Twelve Injured by an Explosion at a Steel Works.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 20.—Three or four men were killed and 12 injured by a terrific boiler explosion at the Black Diamond Steel Works of Park Bros., on Thirtieth street, today, and another man is missing. The dead are:

JOHN MELVIK, aged 32 years.

PATRICK O'CONNOR, aged 28.

An unknown man.

JOHN WILTS is missing and is probably among the killed.

Those injured are: Thomas Elliott, aged 23, laborer; three severe scalp wounds; Albert Gesischic, furnace band, two fingers blown off and several scalp wounds; Alex Waszeloic, charger of the furnace, left leg broken and several scalp wounds; Robert Street, colored, arms bruised; Valentine Perniski, right leg broken and scalp wounds; Jacob Chesnolones, aged 32, two fingers blown off and left arm bruised; Isaac Washington, aged 40, heater, scalp wounds and left arm bruised; William Steinbaugh, mill hand, breastbone fractured; Peter Mikoski, helper, scalp wound and back burned; John McCluskey, helper, burned; Munro Larkins, colored, 25, burned; Joseph Zunic, head badly cut. The injured at the hospitals are all doing well except Steinbaugh, whose injuries may yet prove fatal.

Reuben Miller, Jr., superintendent of the plant, states that the boilers were examined last week and pronounced in excellent condition. No known cause can be given for the explosion, but a thorough investigation is now in progress.

It was about 4:15 o'clock, as the night crew was about to turn over the mill to the day force, that four boilers in the 10-inch bar mill No. 3 exploded with terrific force. The mill was completely wrecked, and the debris piled from 50 to 75 feet high. The boiler works of James McNeill, adjoining the Black Diamond mill, was also destroyed. A force of men went to work as quickly as possible after the explosion, searching in the debris for bodies.

The mill had 60 men on each turn, and it is thought that almost 120 men, both crews, were in the plant at the time of the explosion. The injured and dead were found underneath the wreckage in the millyard, where they had fallen in their race for life.

One of the boilers went through the Park Bros. mill and crashed into the McNeill works, almost completely demolishing them. The only man at work in the McNeill works was Rudolph Korf, the night-watchman. He was knocked down by the force of the explosion.

One boiler went through the roof of the bar mill, soared through the air across Thirtieth street, and crashed into the residence of Robert Price, at 8 Thirtieth street, completely wrecking the house. Price and his family rushed to the street in their night-clothes. The other two boilers were blown to pieces, and it was these that caused the complete destruction of the mill.

Miner Blown to Pieces.

NIEHART, Mont., Dec. 20.—Jacob Jacobsen, a miner of this city, was instantly killed this evening by an explosion of giant blasting powder. He had worked all day, and had put in six shots. He was being hauled up in a bucket when the rope broke, and he fell 400 feet, to meet the explosion. He was blown to pieces.

Venezuelan Revolutionists.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The Island of Martinique has been selected as the place of rendezvous for a revolutionary expedition against President Castro, of Venezuela, cables the Port of Spain, Trinidad, correspondent of the Herald. Senors Ezequiel Rojas, Nicholas Rolan and 20 other prominent revolutionists have left this port to join General Matos, who will arrive by the steamship Lafayette, at Martinique, on December 22. A vessel with war material for the revolutionary forces will reach Martinique in a few days.

The Day's Hangings.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 20.—Jim Winton, who cut his wife's throat because she threatened to leave home, and Will ..edding, who killed his sweetheart because of his jealousy, were hanged here today. All were colored.

DANVILLE, Ky., Dec. 20.—Reuben Quinn, convicted of murdering Chief of Police Crum last April, was hanged here today.

BRISTOL, Va., Dec. 20.—Cicero Harris, colored, was hanged here today for the murder of Samuel Ware, also colored.

Philippine Revenues.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The division of Insular Affairs of the War Department has published a statement showing that the customs revenues in the Philippines for the nine months ended September 30, 1901, were $6,276,295, as compared with $5,484,920 for the same period of 1900 and $3,462,128 for 1899.

Missouri Hospital Burned.

MARYSVILLE, Mo., Dec. 20.—St. Joseph's Hospital was almost completely destroyed by fire last night, and fatal results are feared in several cases, owing to the shock and the bitterly cold weather into which the patients were carried for refuge from the flames. An overheated furnace was the origin. The estimated loss is $6000. Residences were thrown open for the temporary accommodation of patients.

MONUMENT TO MR. THOMPSON

What He Did for Portland's First Free Library.

BALLSTON, Or., Dec. 18.—(To the Editor.)—Your speaking of the fact that the true monuments to the late D. P. Thompson exist in the "institutions he helped to form" recalls an incident that came within my knowledge that may be of interest to Portland readers and of a certain historical value.

If you will consult The Oregonian of April 20, 1881, you will find in the locals the following item:

"The Free Reading-Room.—A meeting for organization of the trustees of the People's Free Reading-Room and Library Association was held at the People's Hall Saturday evening. The trustees present were: Hon. D. P. Thompson, Lucy A. Mallory, S. R. Keenan, P. R. Skinner, Carrie E. Haight, Henry Addis and Wallace Yates. Hon. D. P. Thompson was unanimously elected president, Henry Addis secretary and librarian, Wallace Yates treasurer, for the ensuing year. A vigorous effort will be made to raise funds and carry on the institution in a manner befitting the City of Portland."

Governor Pennoyer headed the list of trustees, and was a most liberal contributor, but his official duties prevented his attendance at board meetings.

It would be hard to find a better illustration of the democratic nature of American institutions than was presented by the personality of the parties who composed that board. The hosts of friends of Mrs. Mallory will readily comprehend the kindly and philanthropic interest that prompted her to take part therein. There was jolly, kindly Mrs. "Sue" Keenan, a radical of radicals on the woman question, etc.; Colonel Skinner, stanchest of Populists; Mrs. Haight, a follower of Edward Bellamy, and who afterward joined the Topolobampo colony and died there; Henry Addis, afterward known far and near in connection with the famous Firebrand case; last of all a single-taxer. Yet with all these cranks Mr. Thompson, a practical, conservative man of business, pulled abreast in harness for a public benefit.

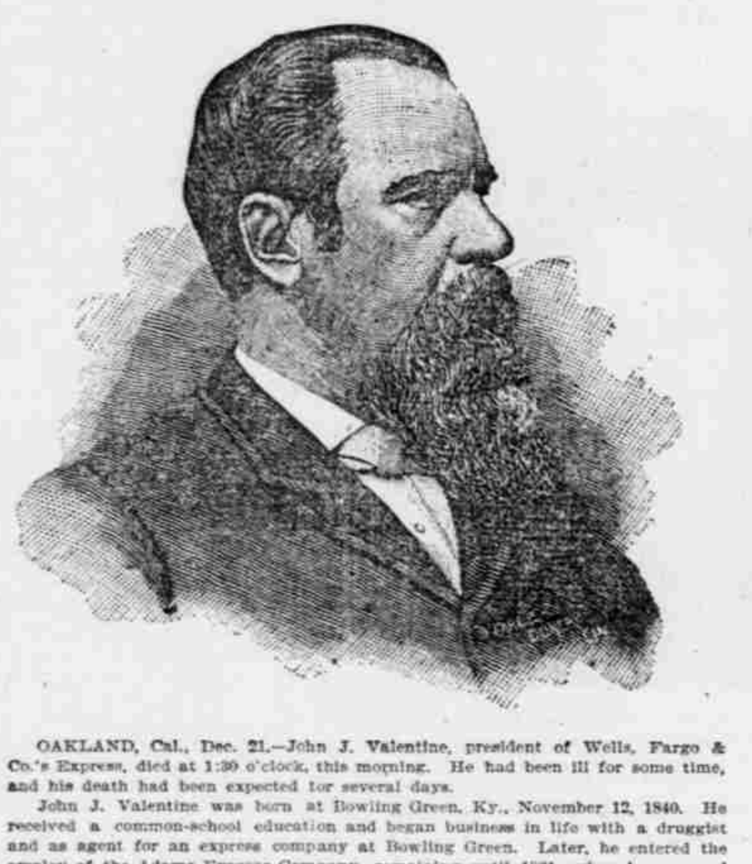
Of the above, three acquired National fame in rather widely different ways. Mr. Thompson as an accredited Minister of the Government, Mr. Addis through the Firebrand prosecution, and—no need to set forth the Governor's fame.

Of all of us, I think no one did more in the way of actual persistent work for the inauguration and maintenance of the People's Free Library than Henry Addis.

But as an instance of the unconventional, public-spirited disposition of the late D. P. Thompson, his association with such a lot of cranks as the above in a work for the benefit of his struggling fellow-man is, I think, worthy of note. And I believe it was at the above meeting that he made the announcement that he intended to put electric lights in the library building and maintain them at his own private cost.

WALLACE YATES.

JOHN J. VALENTINE DEAD.



OAKLAND, Cal., Dec. 21.—John J. Valentine, president of Wells, Fargo & Co.'s Express, died at 1:30 o'clock, this morning. He had been ill for some time, and his death had been expected for several days.

John J. Valentine was born at Bowling Green, Ky., November 12, 1840. He received a common-school education and began business in life with a druggist and as agent for an express company at Bowling Green. Later, he entered the employ of the Adams Express Company, remaining until 1861, when he removed to California, becoming agent of Wells, Fargo & Co., at Strawberry Valley. He was afterwards appointed superintendent of the Pacific division of the company and became general superintendent at New York in 1869. In 1870, the headquarters were removed to San Francisco, where Mr. Valentine had since lived. In 1884, he was appointed general manager, and in 1892, president of the company. He differed from his party in 1896 on the financial issue, and supported Bryan in 1900 on the issue of imperialism. His annual summary on the output of gold and silver was recognized as authoritative.

FIGHT WAS A FIERCE ONE

GARDNER KNOCKED OUT CARTER IN THE EIGHTH ROUND.

Contest Was For the Middle-Weight Championship of the World—Brooklyn Man Punished.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20.—George Gardner, of Lowell, Mass., and "Kid" Carter, of Brooklyn, N. Y., met tonight at Mechanics' Pavilion under the auspices of the San Francisco Athletic Club in what was announced as a contest for the middle-weight championship of the world. Gardner clearly established his right to the title by knocking out Carter in the eighth round. The men had met twice before under similar conditions and on each occasion the Lowell lad was returned a winner. Tonight's result clearly accentuated the fact that Gardner's fistic superiority over Carter is complete, and as the latter recently knocked out Joe Walcott, the victory is significant.

Tonight's contest was one of the fiercest ever witnessed in this city. Gardner was the aggressor from the start. He went at his opponent in a systematic manner and before the fourth round had been concluded he had cut the Brooklyn boy's face into ribbons. In the fifth, sixth and seventh rounds he landed frequently with right and left uppercuts to the jaw, and in the latter two rounds the gong saved Carter on each occasion.

In the eighth Gardner rained blow after blow on his practically beaten opponent's face, the latter finally going to the floor and remaining there until 10 seconds had been counted by Referee Jim McDonald. Carter's ability to take punishment was a revelation and stood him well in hand. No other man could have lasted five rounds under the terrible punishment which Gardner inflicted. Both victor and vanquished were tremendously cheered as they left the ring. The fight by rounds:

Round 1—Gardner was the first to lead, but fell short with a left. He landed his right twice to the head and escaped a counter. Gardner chopped Carter on the face with his left. In a clinch Carter landed lightly on the kidneys. Carter led for the head with his left, but fell short. Gardner swung his right hard to the head. He followed with a left uppercut to the face. Gardner got under Carter's blows and kept up a systematic battering on Carter's face with his right. He drove a hard right to the head, but Carter rebuked him with a left to the face. Carter jabbed Gardner on the nose with his left and right, which staggered the Lowell man.

Round 2—Gardner landed lightly on the head. Carter jabbed Gardner twice in the face with his left, and they clinched. On emerging Gardner sent his right hard on the body, but Carter retaliated with a hard left to the face. They clinched. Gardner jabbed Carter twice on the head with his left. Carter essayed a hard left for the face, but was short. Gardner's right went around Carter's neck. Carter went in, but Gardner caught him hard with a right and left to the face. He then staggered Carter with a vicious straight right, and followed it up with two lefts to the face. Carter put a right hard to the head and they clinched. As the gong sounded they exchanged blows. Gardner punished Carter severely in this round, but the latter took his grueling with remarkable fortitude.

Round 3—Gardner led with left, but fell short. They clinched and Gardner hit Carter twice lightly on the face. Carter put his left lightly to the face, but George retaliated with a straight left to the jaw. Gardner cleverly blocked a hard left for the body. Gardner crossed with a left on Carter's eye. They clinched and Gardner uppercut Carter with his right. They clinched. Gardner poked his left to the face. He just missed a right uppercut for the head, but in a clinch landed a hard uppercut with his right and left viciously to the face. Gardner sent a right and left hard to the face, and Carter retaliated lightly with a left on the heart as the bell rang.

Round 4—They went to a clinch. On the breakaway Gardner sent his left hard to the face. He caught Carter a tremendous left over the solar plexus, and evaded a return. Carter is a glutton for punishment, and does not give any ground. He swung his right hard to the Lowell man's head. They then clinched. Gardner sent in a hard right swing to the face. He planted his left twice on the stomach and a right hard twice to the face. Carter led, but fell short. Gardner sent a left to the face, but Carter came back with two good ones to the face. Carter was bleeding at the mouth. Carter landed a left over the heart just at the close of the round.

Round 5—Gardner sailed in at once and put his left to the face. Carter landed a left swing to the face. Gardner put his left to the face again and blocked a return. He uppercut Carter to the jaw with a right, but Carter went in for more. Carter swung his right, missed, and then put a left to the jaw. Gardner's infighting was very vicious. He sent his left to the face, but Carter met him with a hard left hook to the jaw. Gardner swung hard with his right to the head. They exchanged blows, both taking hard punishment. Gardner had Carter bleeding profusely. He was chopping his face to pieces, but Carter went in with body blows and sent a terrific right to Gardner's face as the bell sounded.

Round 6—Carter tried his left for the body, but was short. Gardner put his left to the face, and Carter retaliated with a full right swing to the face. Carter put in a right to the chest, and they clinched. Carter blocked Gardner's blow for the head and face and sent in a hard left to the face and a right to the body. Gardner dealt Carter a hard right on the jaw. Gardner swung his right for the head, but Carter got inside of it. Gardner landed a left twice to the face. In a mix-up he landed a right and a left several times in rapid succession and floored Carter. The latter was attempting to regain his feet as the gong sounded. This round was much in Gardner's favor.

Round 7—Gardner went after his man, but Carter went in and the blows were wild. Gardner landed right and left swings to the jaw. They clinched. Gardner swung wildly, and in a mix-up he put his left and his right to the jaw. He kept Carter busy ducking vicious blows. Carter landed hard rights twice on the face and escaped a return. Gardner kept after Carter's face and rained blow after blow on the bleeding portions. Carter got in a vicious right on the face that staggered Gardner. They fought viciously at close range, and Carter landed twice on the face. Gardner again floored Carter with a terrific succession of rights and lefts, and the gong again saved Carter. Carter was bleeding badly.

Round 8—Gardner went in, but was short. At close range he put his left lightly to Carter's sore face. He followed this up in a similar manner in another mix-up, but Carter fought back viciously. Gardner landed a hard right uppercut to the jaw, and Carter went down. He came up again, but was floored once more. Gardner went at his man like a fiend, and rained blows on Carter that floored him. He put his left and right to Carter's jaw, who went down like a log, and Referee McDonald called him out.

In the first preliminary, Winnie O'Connor, reputed to be the leading as well as the most popular jockey in the country, made his initial bow in the squared arena. He was pitted against Johnny Crowell, a local bantam of no mean ability. The bout went four rounds to a draw. O'Connor displayed much ability in his new vocation.

The other preliminary was between Toby Irwin and Artie Greenfield. Irwin floored his man in the second round with a vicious left to the face, and the latter failed to respond within the prescribed 10 seconds.

Young Corbett and J. J. Jeffries.

DENVER, Dec. 20.—A programme that may prove the opening of prizefighting in this city was carried out at Coliseum Hall, the former headquarters of the Colorado Athletic Club, without police interference. The participants in the ring confined themselves to sparring, and the events were mostly three-round bouts between local men. The main feature was the appearance of the feather-weight and heavy-weight champions, respectively, "Young Corbett" and James J. Jeffries. Previous to their arrival with their sparring partners the champions were pitted against each other for three rounds, affording much amusement to the spectators. To the crowd they both announced their readiness to defend their championship titles against all comers.

Twenty-Round Draw at Omaha.

OMAHA, Dec. 20.—Oscar Gardiner and Jack Whitaker, of Cleveland, both feather-weights, fought 20 rounds to a draw at South Omaha tonight. Gardiner was the aggressor during a greater part of the fight.

NO CLASH IN RACING DATES.

Horsemen Will Hold Meets in Various Northwest Cities.

Representatives of fair associations and racing organizations of the Northwest will meet in Seattle on January 15, to select a governing board and arrange for concerted action on the part of all organizations fostering racing. A. D. Vandevanter, the well-known Seattle politician and horseman, returned to his home last night, after two days' conference with local racing men, and a plan has practically been agreed upon that will prevent conflicting dates in future meets.

At the Seattle meeting there will be delegates from Salem, Portland, Seattle, Everett, Tacoma, Whatcom, Spokane, Yakima, Vancouver, B. C., and possibly Walla Walla and other cities. It is more than probable that Spring meetings will be held in Seattle, Spokane, Everett and other cities, and all the places named will hold races in the Fall of each year. Heretofore no effort has been made systematically to arrange the dates so that all the horses could be present at each meeting. The dates clashed, and owners took their strings where they thought the most money could be won.

While here Mr. Vandevanter discussed the transportation of the horses with the railroad men, and secured satisfactory concessions. Local devotees of the racing game are hopeful that much good will come from the Seattle meeting, and Mr. Vandevanter received cordial support in his plans from Portland horsemen.

Races at Oakland.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20.—Results at Oakland:

Six furlongs, selling—Royalty won, De Capo second, Almoner third; time, 1:14½.

Futurity course, selling — Midnight Chimes won, Parsifal second, Pat Morrissey third; time, 1:10½.

Selling—Vantine won, Kitty Kelly second, Hainault third; time, 1:13¾.

Five furlongs, purse—Josie G. won, Botany second, Ishtar third; time, 0:59¾.

One mile, selling—Bedeck won, David S. second, Plohn third; time, 1:39¾.

One mile and a sixteenth, selling—Diomed won, Artilla second, Commonwealth Attorney third; time, 1:47½.

The New York Baseball War.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—In the Supreme Court today, before Justice Scott, attorneys representing A. G. Spalding consented to the continuance of the temporary injunction obtained from Justice Leventritt Monday, restraining Spalding from exercising any of the powers of the president of the National Baseball League until such time as the action brought by the Freedman followers against the Spalding party should be brought to trial. Spalding's attorneys also said their client would give up the papers, funds and records of the league.

Jackson Too Much for O'Rourke.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 20.—Young Peter Jackson defeated Charles O'Rourke, of Boston, in the fourth round tonight before the Eureka Athletic Club. O'Rourke gave a beautiful exhibition of boxing for three rounds, but Jackson's superior strength was too much for him.

Ann Arbor Football Players Start.

ANN ARBOR, Mich., Dec. 20.—Amid the deafening cheers of rooters and enthusiastic townsmen, the University of Michigan football team left tonight for Pasadena, Cal., where they will play Leland Stanford University on New Year's.

EARLY-DAY DOCUMENTS.

Papers Lately Added to Historical Society Collection.

PORTLAND, Dec. 20.—(To the Editor.)—Among the hundreds of old documents which I have added to the collection of the Oregon Historical Society during the past few months the following may be interesting in showing something of the life of the early days.

GEORGE H. HIMES.

"Nesmith's Mills, July 28, 1851.—Norris & Co., Gentlemen: The syrup which I bought of you I had measured at Oregon City, and the five barrels fell short of the brands seven gallons each, making 35 gallons less than I paid you for, which leaves a balance in my favor of $19 35. If you feel disposed to rectify it you will please pay the amount to the bearer, Mr. Frazier. Respectfully your servant,

"J. W. NESMITH."

Champoeg County, March 18, 1848.

Champoeg County to W. K. Beale, Sheriff, Dr.:

March 13, 1848—

To summoning grand jury	$3 00
To serving subpenaes to appear before grand jury	3 48
To summoning Matthieu to court and mileage, 30 miles	2 65
To attendance on County Court one day, February, 1848	1 50
To attendance on Circuit Court four days, March, 1848	6 00
To putting up notice for Circuit Court, 70 miles	5 60
To J. Kendle and N. Ford, Dr., witnesses, and one day each and four miles	2 32
Total	$24 75

To George W. Vernon, Clerk, Dr.:

February 21, 1848—

To one day's attendance on County Court, February, 1848	$2 00
To issuing venire facia for grand jury and copy	75
To one blank tax book and copy and paper	4 00
To one blank tax book for 1847	2 00
To two qrs. paper for Clerk's office and courts	1 50
To issuing subpena for witnesses for grand jury*	18¾
To swearing and empaneling grand jury	50
To advertising Circuit Court	25
Total	$10 18¾

Rev. Neil Johnson to W. J. Bailey, Surgeon, Dr.:

1852—	
Oct. 31—Visit and prescription for daughter	$15 00
Nov. 3—Prescription	1 50
Nov. 5—Prescription	1 50
Nov. 6—Visit and prescription	15 00
Dec. 10—Prescription for sons	1 50
Dec. 17—Prescription for sons and daughter	3 00
Dec. 20—Prescription for sons and daughter	3 00
1853—	
May 10—Visit and prescription for son	15 00
May 15—Mixture for son	75
May 22—Mixture for son	75
1854—	
March 27—Ointment for son	1 00
Total	$59 50

Pursued and Pursuer Vanished.

At 9:30 last night fleeting footsteps were heard hitting hard the plank sidewalk in front of Jones' drug store, corner Gibbs and Front street, South Portland. The man who was making the noise sped past like a streak, while hot on his trail came another man yelling "Help! Stop him-" Four boys in the drug store, sons of Policeman Byers, gave chase for five blocks, but near the Failing School lost track of pursued and pursuer. They picked up an umbrella that had been dropped by one of the men as he disappeared in the darkness down Porter street.

Settlers Are Suffering.

GUTHRIE, O. T., Dec. 20.—Every road leading into the new country is still lined with prospective settlers. Without food and generally without money, and in a country sparsely settled, they have starved and frozen, in many cases death resulting among the children. Men who have seen these people report the sights the most pitiable ever witnessed. The cold weather has also bred several cases of smallpox in every town and city in the two territories.

Expelled Brokers Secured Injunction

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—Arthur R. Jones, senior member of the Board of Trade firm of A. R. Jones & Co., and Michael J. Ryan, secretary and principal broker of the company, who were expelled from membership in the Chicago Board of Trade on the charge of bucket-shopping, were granted a temporary injunction today by Judge Tuley, and began operations on the board again.

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