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Friendship of the Entire Columbia Basin.

MUCH BENEFIT TO TRADE

New Significance Attached to Term "Inland Empire"-Excursionists All Agree Trip Most Successful Ever Taken.

promise to 81 of the leading business men days ago, before the business men's excursion went into the heart of the great wheat-producing section of Eastern Oregon, Washington and Idaho, the designation had but a poetic significance. Now, since the trip has been made, and people the entire Columbia River country have been discussed, the returning pligrims come back enthusiastic over the unlimited and in some cases undreamed-of possibilities of the inland district, in the kindness and generous courtesy of the hosts found in all the cities visited.

city. On it were 81 tired but cheerful men, for they knew that their mission had been good one, to be productive of great benefit to themselves, to the city of their Never before has there been an excursion so well conducted, so pleasant and apparently so productive of future good as the one which has just been ended. That is the concurrent opinion of the entire ag-

Wonder, is the one term which will per haps most adequately describe the sensa- the part of the people here. These excurtions of the great majority of the members of the party. Wonder at the development, at the resources, the possibilities d the growth of the sections visited while on the trip. Many of the men tak- providing for their entertainment when ing the journey had before visited the products, but many had not been through friendship and in a social way, and a the district for several years, and to them spirit of comradeship and neighborliness the changes that have taken place are little short of the marvelous, while others | binding the two sections of the Northwest saw the region for the first time. To these, and to all, the trip was most pleasant, and from the time spent is expected to spring as the result of the visit in- ship and will tie the two sections close in creased neighborliness, stronger ties of friendly regard, as well as in mutual busfriendship, closer relations in a social and | tness interest

Common Ties Link Communities.

of the interior. The interest shown brought forth good will and happy greetings, and did more to dispel the old fable making an outlet to the sea for interior eting tour of salesmen. products have been observed and appreciated by the inland people, longing for an their products to market.

good of the entire Northwest, has done attended by Lewiston people. such to draw Idaho and all the country of the Columbia basin into closer sympathy with the people here. The announced country fast and hard in the ties of com-

impression of all of the visitors when he said yesterday the trip has shown him that Portland was, by location and natural conditions, the market-place of the

Northwest. Portland Northwest Market Place.

"Nature has made all of the country tributary," said the Governor, "from the headwaters of the Columbia and the Snake down the banks of the streams to the City of Portland. Portland is the natural market-place of the Columbia River basin, and this fact was impressed on the minds of those who have just returned from what proved to be a most delightful

"On every hand we saw a spirit of triendliness and a wish to help Portland whatever it attempted commercially. On every hand we heard expressions of a great desire on the part of the inhabitants of the interior regions to have the Columbia River opened from the head of its navigation to the sea, and the efforts of Portland to accomplish that end have een and are now appreciated.

"The trip," continued the Governo has cemented in a great degree the spirit of friendliness. The Portland tourists were impressed by the possibilities of the country. From Pendleton north to Lewiston it is the most wonderful country I ever seen. Wonderful for its wheat and for its fruit of every kind. The trip will bring good for time to come, and is the commencement of closer and more neighborly relations between the people of the inland Empire and those of Portland."

Transformation Has Taken Place.

Hugh McGuire, one of the prominent and enthusiastic members of the party. was greatly impressed by the changes that have been made in the country during the past few years.

Having been through the country 14 or 15 years ago," said Mr. McGuire, "I was more than surprised at the changes and the great development that has come with the years. So great has been the change that I could hardly believe it was the at the railroad station by King Alfonso. "Elsburg going to take a nomination?" Side gang.

"The trip will be of untold benefit to Portland. It was very enjoyable, and I am confident in saying it was the best thing ever done by the Portland business It has brought the business men of the two sections closer together. It is the beginning of still more friendly rela-

"The open river and the part Portland look in the construction of the Portage Lewiston Excursion Cements road and in behalf of the Cellio Canal were the first things that drew the people of the iniand country close to the people of Portland. The Exposition brought the two districts still closer together, and now the north-bank route of the Northern Pacific is promising still more friendly relations.

There is a desire on the part of the Inland Empire people to treat with Port- IVINS' CHANCE IS NOTHING land," continued Mr. McGuire, "The way is now open, and if good business mer are sent into the district to treat with the people, it will be possible to secure a large share of the business in a great many lines. It will be impossible to compete with Spokane on some classes of goods, on account of the rates, but there is much business to be secured throughout the basin by Portland merchants

Appreciation of Open River.

"The effect of the trip will be felt in "Inland Empire" is a term which has the establishment of good feeling betaken on definite meaning and color of tween Portland and interior business men," said President H. M. Cake, of the of Portland during the week past. Seven Portland Commercial Club, yesterday. "Business will be increased by the acquainances formed on the trip. The best result will come from the fact that the people of the cities visited recognize the good feeling Portland has toward them and the interest taken here in whatever have been met and the issues common to effort is made for the upbuilding of the country there.

"Surprise was manifested at the growth and the resources of the country. The definite knowledge of what is to be found there now and what will be developed with the years will, if nothing else, cause Portland to make an effort to open the Yesterday morning the excursion train district and assist in every way in what bearing the returning tourists reached the will build it up and cause speedy devel-

"The importance of the open river has been brought home to those who made the trip, and these men who have returned lican leaders figured. residence, and to the entire Northwest. are more enthusiastic and have acquired added energy for the work that is to be

"On every hand," continued Mr. Cake, 'the visitors were shown unusual tesy. A spirit of friendliness toward Portland is growing and can be still further developed by added interest and effort on sions are the best methods of bringing pin sections closer together, and to them should be added excursions bringing the inland business men to Portland and then once they are in the city. Business man will met its people and studied its thus meet business man on a footing of will be created which will do more toward together in a common interest than any other means that can be devised. Such a course will create bonds of personal friend-

Men Who Direct Business.

ng had been a pleasure to the people plished, and future results to be had. "It was the most representative excursion ever taken out of Portland," he said, "Many of the men taking the trip"had a of the "Portland hog" than aught else large personal acquaintance with promithat could have been done in months and nent men in every city, and on every hand in years. It was found that the efforts of it was conceded that the gathering was Portland and Portland business interests one of the solld men, the merchants and in the opening of the Columbia and in those who direct things, and not a funk-

"At every stopping place the members received an ovation. At every place deeasy and cheap means of transporting light was expressed over the efforts of Portland in opening the Columbia River The visit of the Portland men, the dis- and in asking for a deeper channel to the ssion of conditions, the exhibition on sea. The day at Lewiston was the bigthe part of the visitors of the spirit of gest day of the fair, and the banquet was helpfulness and a desire to promote the the happlest and the most interesting ever

"The men of the party became thoroughly acquainfed, and the visit was appreciated by the men of the Inland Eming of the north-bank line along the pire. It is now seen by them that the Columbia has added another band to the men of Portland are all working hand in union, until the time has come when it hand with the men of the Columbia River will take but little effort and fair treat-country for the development and the good ment to bind the two portions of the of the entire Northwest. The trip has brought the sections closer together th harmony and in common interest, and Governor Chamberlain voiced the chief will have much to do with future work and conditions."

> These opinions are but reflections of the ideas and impressions brought back by every members of the party, all of whom place great weight upon the benefit that will be derived in the future by the entire Northwest from the business men's

GOES TO

BRILLIANT THRONG BIDS FARE- States. WELL AT PARIS.

Wreath Will Be Laid on Grave of Alfonso XII Before Reception by His Son.

PARIS, Oct. 22-President Loubet left Paris for Madrid this afternoon, accompanied by Premier Rouvier, to return the recent visit to France of King Alfonso. The departure from the Orleans station was made the occasion of an enthusiastic demonstration by enormous crowds. On the platform was a brilliant assemblage of people, including all the members of the Cabinet, or their representatives, the presidents of the Senate and Chamber of Deputies and distinguished military officers, as well as many Spanish residents of Paris. The Presidential train left amidst sustained cheering and a salute

by a guard of honor.

At all the stations on the way to the frontier there were crowds and provincial authorities, who greated the President with intermingled cheers for France and Spain. There was an official reception at the frontier town of Irun, where a special mission in behalf of King Al-fonso met and welcomed the President. The President will continue his journey through the night and will arrive at the place a wreath on the grave of King Ai-forso XII. He will then proceed to the cavial, where he will be received in state of the religions at the religion of the religions at the religions at the religions at the religions.

McClellan Is Sure to Be Re-Elected Mayor of New York City.

Republican Candidate Is Unknown When Nominated_Hearst Would Resign in Stokes' Favor. Jerome Second Place.

NEW YORK, Oct. 21 .- (Special.)-With all the tickets in the field, it hated man in New York City." seems clear to an unprejudiced oulooker that Mayor George B, McClellan will be re-elected by a majority of anywhere from 100,000 up.

It is all over but the shouting, W. M. run for Mayor, and he did. Ivins is a nice old gentleman, but he has as good a chance of winning over the Mayor as a one-legged man would would serve out the unexpired term. It have of defeating a Great Northern is believed that this has been promised to flyer in a race from Portland to St. Mr. Stokes. Paul

Who is Ivins? Why, he is the Repub as we do right here in New York. When Charles E. Hughes, the gas

inquisitor, declined to be made the scapegoat, lvins was trotted out, and his nomination caused a most peculiar incident in which the so-called Repub-

Ivins a Dead One.

The committee to fill vacancies met at the Republican Club. and, when the members filed out, they found the political reporters of five papers waiting to see them.

"Do anything, Billy?" one of them asked County Chairman William Hal-

"Yes, sir," was the emphatic reply,

he's accepted. He's a winner, too," "Who is he?"

"William M. Ivins. "Who's William M. Ivine?" repeated the scribes.

"Why, you boys all know him." rewas counsel to the Fassett committee. is only \$15,000 a year, and he can and as big a man then as Hughes is make \$50,000 in private practice. He now. Was City Chamberlain, too, under sees very plainly Mat Murphy will try Mayors Cooper and Hewitt."

one of the reporters said slowly: "I think I remember hearing my grandfather talk of a man named Ivina up to date, and he does not think they

But Halpin assured them he was telling the truth, and later let them look at the candidate.

It is an actual fact that Mr. Ivins is practically unknown to the rank and file of th. voters in New York City. In 1880 Edward Cooper was elected Mayor of New York City. In 1883 Abram S. Hewitt defeated Henry George and Theodore Roosevelt in a three-handed fight. Under these two Democratic city administrations Mr. Ivins served as City Chamberlain. The Fassett committee was appointed by the Legislature in 1891 to investigate conditions in New York City. Mr. Halpin says that Mr. Ivins was the counsel. No one here will deny it, for nobody knows. complished practically nothing, and it is doubtful if the names of any of the members are remembered by any except their most intimate friends.

the first McKinley campaign. He has never taken any part in politics, but has devoted himself to admiralty law, a delightful occupation which, although remunerative gives one the opportunity to

live the life of a hermit. For City Controller, vacant because of the declination of Richard Young, who was nominated despite his protest, the committee has named Charles E. Teals, of Brooklyn. Mr. Teale is an estimable gentleman and quite successful in his chosen avocation-that of a tailor. Whether he could cut the city's bills as well as he can cut broadcloth is a question of which the voters are believed to entertain grave doubts. Mr. Teale's character is O. K.; so is his Republicanism, but he is hardly the man to be chief financial officer of the greatest city in the United

Breakfast Food Candidate.

The Municipal Ownership ticket, which has finally been launched, is very strongin the organization. The League had three favorite sons, and they are all on the city ticket. Representative William Randolph Hearst heads it for Mayor, ex-State Senator John Ford is the candidate for Controller, while J. G. Phelps Stokes is running for President of the Board of Aldermen. Mr. Stekes, who married Rose Pastor, the "cigarette girl of the Ghetto," had the distinction of being nominated in the most unique speech on record. It was made by John Martin, who said:

'He (Mr. Stokes) is as famous as though he were a patent medicine or a breakfast food, although in a more honorable way." It cannot be dealed that the Municipal Ownership people have injected all the life there is into the campaign. Ex-United States Marshal Lou Payn, a lifelong Republican, described the situation today in these words:

"The Hearst people have the enthusiasm, Tammany has the votes, and the Republicans have that r-c-m-o-r-s-e feel-

ing." It was Mr. Payn, by the way, who go off a clever bon mot a day or two before Ivins was prevailed upon to run. Some-

growled Payn. "He be better off if he'd take typhoid fever." The Hearst people are going around making all sorts of wild predictions as to the vote their candidates will receive ne of them figure that the ticket will elected. Nobody outside of the elect can figure it that way. They remember the fate that in the past has overtaken

Pheips Stokes Hearst's Heir.

men who pinned their faith on the labor

An interesting story is affoat explaining the activity of J. G. Phelps Stokes, the breakfast food candidate," as his enemies are calling him. He expects to be elected, and then to have Mr. Hearst resign in his favor. It is an open secret that the Congressman doesn't care to be Mayor, but is only trying to defeat Tammany. At one time he was much impressed with the ides, but a close friend put the situation plainly before him in

"You would have to be at the City Hall every day from 9 to 4," he said; "preside over boards of estimate, hearings on bills, make speeches at cornerstone layings, and all sorts of things like that, that would hore you to death. You would be compelled to do these things, and you simply would not do them. The result would be that, when your term was up, while your personal honesty would be unques tioned, you would be the most cordially

these words:

This had never struck Mr. Hearst be fore, but he admitted that there was a good deal of truth in it. Still the situation was such that he absolutely had to

Were he elected, he could resign, and the president of the Board of Aldermen

And he is happy, for all it is necessary for him to do is to elect Mr. Hearst and lican nominee for Mayor, And out in himself, induce the former to stand by Oregon you know as much about him his pledge, and Rose Paster becomes the lady Mayoress. Bo enay!

Jerome Enjoys Independence.

William Travers Jerome is running or his independent ticket for District At torney, and is perfectly happy. Tammany refused to nominate him, and so did the Republicans. The Hearst people offered to put him on their ticket, but he refused "for personal reasons." The Tam many candidate, who will undoubtedly be elected, is James W. Osborne, the ex Assistant District Attorney, who has attained distinction in many famous mur der trials in the past, particularly the Molineux case. The Republican no is ex-City Magistrate Charles O. Flam mer, while the Hearst candidate is Ctar we've got a candidate for Mayor, and ence J. Shearn, Mr. Hearst's own private

A close friend of the District Attorney had this to say on the situation tonight:

"Mr. Jerome is not worrying one bit over the outcome. As he says, it is up piled Mr. Halpin, with a laugh. "He to the voters. The salary of the office to force the nomination of McClellan There was a moment's silence, then for Governor next year, but the upstate Democrats have never permitted the selection of a Tamamny nominee Tom Richardson has words of praise for the secursion and for what it accom- Say, Halpin, you are stringing us. The logical conditate for the logical conditate for the logical conditate for the logical conditate. Tammany men, and ought to defeat McClellan in the convention. Anyway, he has clearly demonstrated his independence of party bosses, and will retire to private life happy, no matter what the outcome may be."

McClellan by 100,000 Plurality.

Despite the disadvantage under which he labors of running alone, it James Wang, a leading member of the would surprise no one if Jegome was | Hep Sing, of which Mock Duck is leader, econd in the race. The Republica onvention turned him down under or The Republican ders, but the rank and file of party favor him. Many Republicans are so disgusted that they have declared they are simply going to vote for Je-

rome and let it go at that.

The normal Democratic majority in The fact was that the Fassett committee Greater New York, when no Roosevelt is running and when the people are not aroused against Tammany Hall, is 109,000 in round figures. Hearst's strength will be almost entirely Demotheir most intimate friends.

Mr. Ivius has been a Republican since from that source will more than be made up by the old line Republicans, who are going to vote the Democratic ticket, or else stay home in sheer disgust. So do not bet any money on Mr.

BATTLE ON A STREET-CAR

TWO MEN ATTACK A THIRD WITH REVOLVERS.

Passengers Lie on the Floor While Car Is Run at Great Speed on New York Street.

NEW YORK, Oct. 22.-Three men ought a battle with pistols on an Elighth-avenue car today and all them were seriously injured. While the fight was being waged the car ran at top speed for half a mile, the nding an alarm and the passengers lying flat on the floor to esthe shower of bullets.

Thomas O'Brien, a truckman, jumped aboard the car at Thirty-first street, and clapping a revolver to the con-ductor's head, ordered him to run the car full speed, as he was pursued by a gang who intended to kill him. A ent later two more men leaped on the car and attacked the first, all three using revolvers. When their weapons were emptied, they clinched and fought with the butts of their pistols. The ear rushed along the avenue, the motorman pounding the gong and the conductor shouting for the police, as far as Twenty-sixth street, where several policemen boarded it and selzed the too badly injured to offer any resist-

a bullet in the neck. His assallants gave the names of Harry Pang and Thomas Sullivan. The former had been shot to the neck and the latter in the leg and arm. The three were taken to a hospital.

O'Brien refused to explain why the other two had attacked him. police think that the affair was the outcome of a feud in a notorious West

CHINESE QUARTER

Many Orientals Leaving Old Haunts to Preserve Their Lives.

WAR IS OVER GAMBLING

Highbinders From the Pacific Coast and Eastern Cities Ready to Murder at Behest of Dominant Tong.

TONG WAR'S COST TO CHINATOWN 1,000 Murders Wounded and sent to hopsital.

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 .- (Special.)-Chinatown merchants here declare that the many pistol and knife fights between the two rival Chinese societies, the On Leons and the Hep Sing Tong, have seriously hurt the business interests in that district, and they estimate their losses at \$150,000 in the last year. The remarkable \$11,000 still missing, evaded reply by raildecrease in the Chinese population of Chinatown is a direct result of the war. A member of the well-known Hoey family said today that not less than 1900 Chinamen had moved away from Chinatown, fearing they might be shot.

"Pell street is filled with Chinese gambling dens again," said Gin Gum, secretary of the Chinese Merchants' Association. "All the Chinese highbinders in Arnold \$6,000, or even "40 cents," as he Portland, Or., San Francisco, Chicago and Philadelphia who are not working are now in this city loltering about Chinatown, ready to shoot at the order of the new gambling clique. They are terrorising this section of the city, and we intend to appeal to the police to drive them back to the cities whence they came.

Gambling in Full Sway.

"All kinds of game are in full swing as in the days of old, and py goo, Chinese policy and lottery and fan tan arrunning. The secretary said that Chinamen from

the surrounding country were afraid to

come to Chinatown Sunday, as formerly, and that big Chinese gatherings occur ow in Newark and Brooklyn. "Many of the small merchants and laundrymen from other parts of the city fear to step a foot in Chinatown." Secretary Gum remarked, "Several innocent

bystanders were killed in the fights, and the news spread quickly among my coun-At 16 Pell street one of the busiest buildings in Chinatown in normal times, a restaurant has been shut down on account of the Tong fight. Two other enting places, at 10 Doyers street and 5 Mott street, have closed for the same reason. Grocery stores at 101-2 Pell and 28 Mott street have discontinued husiness.

said today: Alliance With Dr. Parkhurst.

"The attack of the On Leong Tong on our organization was prompted by gambling. An On Leong Tong man, well known to every one in the district, was the collector of protection money for the police. Each week he received in payment in total about \$3000.

"July 28 last year the Hep Sing Tong made an arrangement with Dr. Parkhurst and his society to drive the Chinese gamblers out of the district. The wholesale raids which followed caused the attack from Tom Lee's gang. The police were with the On Leong Tong, and whenever one of their Chinese strong-arm men got into trouble the police would stand by them."

There is a prize of \$1000 offered to any one who will kill "Mayor" Tom Lee, of Chinatown. The aged leader of the On Leongers has disappeared. It is said that members of the Lee family have induced him to live secretly for a few months in either Chicago or Washington. He has a fine house at Rye, N. Y., and his wealth is put at \$1,000,000

AEROPLANE TIED TO TUG Minister Leishman appeals to the Ports in case

Young Texan Startles Thousands of New Yorkers Along North River.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.-In the North River, off Seventy-ninth street, yesterday afternoon, 24,000 New Yorkers saw one of the most thrilling spectacles in the history of ballooning.

From the open roadway leading to the dock, after half a dozen ludicrous failures, a rickety, creaky, fragile aeroplane shot into the air as if propelled from the muzzle of a cannon. In the center, enmeshed in plano-wire girders and guys and a network of frail bamboo poles clung the aeronaut, C. K. Hamilton, a young Texan. With hands and legs outspread like a giant monkey, man and machine went up, propelled by nothin drawn with a rope attached to the bitts of a tugboat, which, far out in the river, was heading down stream as fast as its kicking screw could send it

The throng ashore held its breath. The aeroplane sheered and rocked like a boy's kite in a gale. One hundred, 200, 200 feet it soared, creaking and cracking. No spider in a broken web eyer strove more desperately to hold for a few minutes of life than did Hamilton

As the machine dived to the right the pale-faced lad in the meshes of the zeroplane jumped to the left, and vice versa. Not an instant, from the time it darted upward from the ground until it began The slowly to settle into the waters of the s the river, did that frantic battle for equilib-West rium and life in the aeroplane cease. Voices that had cheered the daring zero-

haut at the first darting in the air were stilled. Dozens of women turned from the sight as Hamilton weaved in and out of his cage with the agility of a fright-

ened monkey.

When the aeroplane had reached a point When the aeropiane had reached a point estimated at 350 feet, a ferryboat got in the course of the tug and compelled that craft to veer upstream. That left the cranky thing in the air without propelling power, and it gradually settled. As the srope became slack it fell slowly, with a birdlike motion, from right to left, to the river. Launches, sailing boats, tugboats, rowboats and yachts made for the seroplane and rescued the Texan.

plane and rescued the Texan.
"I got away with it," were his firs words, "but I'll never know just how "It was the most exciting experience I have had in five years of ballooning, and

I want no more of it."

Many of those who saw yesterday's spectacle declared they would never look at another of its character.

CUNLIFFE IN BITTER MOOD

Denounces Friend Who Betrayed Him as a "Knocker."

PITTSBURG, Pa., Oct. 21.-Edward G. Cunliffe, the express robber, in a long interview in a local paper, denies that he took the odd \$1000 with which he is charged, in addition to the \$100,000 package, and states that his object in going to Bridgeport, Conn., was to obtain employment on one of the oyster-boats of the Bridgeport fleet, a plan that was frustrated by the fact that the boats were not working on account of some labor trouble.

He indignantly denied that he furnished a Bridgeport woman money to rent a flat saying he spent his time in reading about and listening to comments on the robbery Instead of roistering around the tenderloin district. He shipped the \$60,000 in a suitcase to Bristol, he said, in care of the express company, figuring on that as the most unlikely place the detectives would search, and when questioned as to the ing against the fates which led to the discovery of the \$50,000.

Cunliffe denounces James Missett, of Bridgeport, who informed the Pinkertons of his whereabouts, as a "knocker," and he said he had made preparations to skip Immediately after meeting Missett, but was detained by an attack of cramps He vigorously denied offering Detective put it.

Eisenman, to whom he intrusted the bundle containing \$600, also came in for a scoring from Cunliffe, who concluded by remarking "Well, they can't hang me." For the first day in 20 years Cunliffe has not smoked a cigarette, and he is in a very nervous condition tonight. The rules of the Allegheny County Jall permit the use of pipes and chewing tobacco by lutely prohibit eigarettes.

Abyssinian Ambassador Is on the Way to Washington.

NEW YORK, Oct. 22-El-Hagg-Abdul-lah-Ali-Sadik-Pasha, Prince of the Mo-hommedan church, General of the Abysregard to the new treaty between this country and Abyssinia, but actually his mission is to study the pos-sibilities of closer relations between his country and the United States. He has

ome to America after a stay in Berlin. Paris and London. Menelik is especially interested in the United States and has already given a home for a Legation at Adis-Ababa, the capital, in case this country cares to establish one. The Pasha speaks no European language and travels with an interpreter. On the steamer he wore Euro-pean costume, save for a red fez, but as oon as he reached his hotel here he donned an Oriental costume of wonderful colorings and wore a turban

After two hours of prayer the Abys-sinian envoy went for a drive, then re-turned to the hotel, where he held an in-

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BARE IN EUROPE

Foreign Agents Are Eagerly Picking Up the Cereals Where They Can.

GREAT NEED IN RUSSIA

Canadian Exporters Have Beef Getting Possession of Crop of British Northwest, Where Warehouses Are Scarce.

CHICAGO, Oct. 22. - Special.) - The American grain trade is just beginning to realize that Europe is practically barren of all coarse grain supplies and is willing to pay whatever price is necessary to supply the want. Unprecedented sales of new corn, which this year is of exceptionally good quality and almost equal to old corn for all purposes, is one of the signs on the commercial barometer.

Sales within two days of more than 2,000,000 bushels of barley malt, at this point alone, to say nothing of sales at other centers, is another significant pointer. Agents of foreign houses are scouring the markets everywhere, picking up all available durum wheat, which is being greedly snapped up by Europe, more espe cially Russia, which is woefully short of wheat. This is shown by the fact that Odessa, heretofore the foremost wheat center of Russia, is practically an empty port this year.

The public has wondered why the wheat market has been quiescent while the export demand for every other grain has been booming by leaps and bounds. The explanation is easy. Canadian exporters have been reaching into the millions of wheat in Manitoba and sending just enough to European markets to keep the price down until they can get possess of the entire Northwest crop at their

Farmers of the Northwest, in undeveloped country, have no storage facilities, and must send their wheat to market. It is going into elevators at Montreal and other points East and on the Pacific Coast, and when it is all cleaned up prices will undoubtedly take a sensational ENVOY FROM KING MENELIK Jump, for Europe has no wheat and must pay our price.

Mexican Crop Is Short.

MEXICO CITY, Oct. 22.-The phortness of the wheat crop is greater than was estimated a few weeks ago, and millers are looking for the entire removal of the duty on American and Canadian wheat sinian army, Minister of Commerce and envoy of Emperor Menelik to President Roosevelt, arrived here today on the crs have reduced the size of their loaves, asserting that it is impossible to give the same weight as formerly. some stocks of wheat in the hands of large farmers here, but not sufficient to bring down the price which is steadily

> rising. The price of corn is also rising, the advance being over 50 per cent, as compared with the prices of August. This is a possibility of the duty on corn being

UNITE TWO ASSOCIATIONS

STOCKGROWERS AGREE UPON AMALGAMATION.

National Livestock and American Stockgrowers' Associations Decide to Merge.

DENVER, Oct. 22.-At a conference yesterday between committees representing the American Stockgrowers' Association and the National Livestock Association. an agreement was reached practically merging the two bodies, although sep-arate organizations will be maintained until the two organizations hold a convention in this city in January. The agreement practically is to the effect that the National Livestock Association be changed to the National Livestock Committee, whose membership shall be entirely made up of producing interests, and which shall be a general central assembly or clearing-house for all National livestock and breeding associations, these bodies to be co-ordinate with each other,

ut under the central body. The National Livestock Committee is to appoint standing committees from the various interests, including the packers and railways, these committees to be made up with a majority of their personnel actual producers. The details of the proposition are to be worked out later and submitted to a joint convention and the two organizations, to be held in this city January 30, 1906. The following committees were appointed to attend the in-terstate Commerce Law Convention, to be held in Chicago next week:

American Stockgrowers' Association Murdo Mackenzie, Trinidad, Colo.; M. M. Sherman, Kansas City; T. W. Tomlinson and Alvin H. Sanders, Denver; lowan, Fort Worth, and W. E. Hughes Denver.

National Livestock Association-W. A. Harris, Chicago; Frank Cooper, Kansas City; Morimer Levering, Chicago; Frank J. Hagenbarth, Utah. The National Livestock Association adopted a resolution heartly indorsing

the recent utterances of President Roose veit on the railroad question. Denial for Astor and Vanderbilt.

NEWPORT, R. L. Oct. 22.-In behalf of

John Jacob Astor and Cornelius Vander-bilt, whose names were mentioned in testimony given at a hearing in New York Friday, on proceedings instituted by Wil-liam Franklin and George L. Scott against Joseph H. Hoadley and others to recover 385,800, Lewis Cass Ledyard issued a state-ment here tonight in which it was denied that either Mr. Vanderbilt or Colonel Aster ever owned stock of the International Power Company, as stated by a witness.