Amounts Offered for Books and Lectures Doubled by Controversy.

EXPLORER AVOIDS DISPUTE

Will Not Answer Peary's Statement He Was First at Pole, but Credits His Claim to Have Reached There.

COPENHAGEN, Sept. 7 .- A remarkable result of Commander Peary's rivalry with Dr. Frederick A. Cook for the discovery of the North Pole is that Dr. Cook's profits from the enterprise likely will be largely increased. He received today offers for his books and lectures at twice the figures previously tendered. One American cabled terms almost startling and, it is believed, far beyond any sum hitherto paid for such work. Dr. Cook is likely to accept this offer.

Controversy Waxing Warm.

The controversy is beginning to wax warmer here. Commander Peary's state-ment that he reached the Pole is unaniment that he reaced the but there is a very large following fathful to Dr. Cook. His lecture before the Geographical Society tonight, however, added little to the information he had given out with reference to his expedition, and he re-peated his intention to withhold details until the publication of his book.

The King and Queen, Prince and Princess George of Greece, and many members of the royal family tonight witnessed the presentation to Dr. Cook of a gold medal by the Crown Prince, and later listened to the lecture. In introducinter intened to the lecture. In introduc-ing the explorer, the Crown Prince said that his reception in Greenland and at Copenhagen showed the way the Danes appreciated his wonderful explait. The Prince then begged the honor of present-ing to him the medal of the Geographical Society.

Credit to Polar Pioneers.

Dr. Cook told his story without hesita-

tion, but meet of his statements had been given out before.
"It is too early," he said, "to give the general results of the expedition. Time is required to digest the work of Polar effort. This northward dash has required the work of the polar effort. occupied the minds of men for more than 360 years. Slowly and surely the indder of latitudes has been climbed, with various degrees of success. Experience wa gained, and each expedition profited by the misfortunes of its predecessors. "The art of Polar travel has been cre-

The art of Polar travel has been cre-nted and this art was the nucleus of our equipment. We changed tactics to suit our purpose, but I am bound to acknowl-edge at the outset that success would not have been possible without the less not have been possible without the less fortunate forerunners. All honor to the pioneers, the pathfinders to the Pole, the earlier explorers. We are particularly indebted to Nansen and Peary and many Danish explorers for the last stages of Polar progress. In my case I am expecially indebted to Captain Sverdrup, who is here tonight. His work gave us a new road, which afforded us a chance to try the ice a little farther hance to try the ice a little farther

Pole Was Not First Aim.

"Although profiting by other ventures, our expeditions differed in some import-int respects. The route we selected I ant respects. The route we selected I had planned out years ago as a result of reading the splendid narrative of Sverdrup. About the middle of 1907, when we started, the Pole was no part of the programme, which simed altogether at study and recreation, with the Pole pos-

bly as a future problem."

Dr. Cook cleared up the doubts about the lowest temperature recorded, which he reiterated was 83 degrees below zero Fahrenheit. He said he had no doubt that the observations made would prove hat he had been on and around the 90th

Why He Chose Western Route.

With regard to the statement that he had chosen the western route to avoid observation by competitors, Dr. Cook said he could only repeat the state-ment made in his speeches and lectures that he had selected the western route simply as a result of a careful study of Sverdrup's explorations, which convinced him that that was the most feasible route to the pole.

Speaches were made by the secretary of the Goographical Society, M. Olaf-sen; by Professors C. H. Schmerling, Valdwar Schmidt, of the University of Copenhagen, and by Comm gaard. At the conclusion of Dr. Cook's jecture the retoor of the university strongly affirmed his belief that the journey had been accomplished as de-

Within Kliometer of Pole.

"I have been within a circle a kilometer in diameter of where the Pole is situated," explained the explorer. "I am satisfied that that is quite sufficient for practical purposes. I will say no more until my book is published."

When shown the dispatch that said Commander Peary claimed to be the first man to reach the North Pale, Dr. Cook

No Controversy With Peary.

"Commander Peary, of course, can say whatever he wishes. I am not accustomed to indulge in controversies. All I have to say about Commander Peary is that if he says he reached the North Pole, I believe he reached the North Pole, I believe he reached the North Pole." By going ahead farther to the east than I did, Peary has cut out of the unknown an enormous space which, of course, will be vastly useful and sclentifically interesting. I am the first to shout, 'Hurrah for Peary!' If he has telegraphed an announcement that he has reached the Pole, then it is true, and I reached the Pole, then it is true, and I congratulate him."

Asked whether Commander Peary was likely to have found traces of his progress over the pelar seas, Dr. Cook replied:
"No; he scarcely would have come

Dr. Cook then said;

Did Not Take Peary's Supplies. understand that a rumor is current about my having taken some Peary's provisions at Etah. This is founded on Eskimo gossip and misunderstanding. I desire no controversy. I simply say in reply to any such as-section: 'No. Commander Peary is a

friend of mine. Dr. Cook said that according to his resent plans he would reach New York September 20 or 21 on board the Scan-dinavian-American steamer Oscar II. Dr. Cook today visited old Prince
Hans who is known as "the uncle of
the reigning houses of Europe." and
later received a deputation of students,
who belied him as a hare He today by Acting Son

American Minister, and had luncheon privately with Mr. Egan, his purpose being to escape the applauding crowds.

MRS. COOK CONGRATULATES

Wife of Explorer Bears No Ill-Will Against Husband's Rival.

PORTLAND, Me., Sept. 7.—Mrs. F. E. Cook, whose husband's claims to having discovered the North Pole antedate those of Commander Peary, commenting to-day on the reports that Commander Peary had reached the goal of his ambition, said: "If Commander Peary has discovered the Pole, as I am sure my husband has I heartly congratulate usband has, I heartily congratulate

him."

The New York dispatch stating that Rudolph Francke had brought to her a diary from her husband at Etah, which Mrs. Cook had transcribed, and which would go far toward proving her husband's claims to the discovery of the Pole, was denied by the wife of the explorer. Mrs. Cook said that Francke had mersiy brought Dr. Cook's trunk from Etah, and that she knew nothing of its contents.

Church Steeples Alone Visible Above Surface of a Veritable

MEXICO CITY, Sept. 7.-Word was reselved here tonight that the destruction of Soto la Marina, in Tamaulipas, was so complete that the whole place has disappeared with the exception of a few church towers that project from the surface of a veritable sea. No one has been able to get closer than a league to where the town once stood.

Railroad Officials Admit Wreck. Rio Grande Overflowing.

MONTEREY, Texas, Sept. 7 .- No train from Mexico City has arrived in Monterey since early Monday and officials here are unable to locate the trouble. That there has been a wreck was admitted, but they declare they have no further information.

A dispatch tonight states that the Rio Grande River is overflowing at Matamoras and is causing much damage When the message was filed it stated that the river was rising rapidly, and the town was in grave danger.

THOUSANDS DIE IN FLOODS

Casualties in Northern Mexico Estimated at 3000.

MEXICO CITY, Sept. 7 .- It is believed by the authorities that the casualties in Northern Mexico from the casualties in Northern Mexico from the cook has planted the American flag recent floods will be not less than 3000. The monetary less to the railroads is the United States any right of possessiready placed at \$2,000,000, and this figure may be doubled.

According to official reports the death list in Monterey and vicinity reached a total of 1500,

MAROONED ON A MOUNTAIN

Americans Are Believed to Be Starvin Mexico.

LINARES, Mex., Sept. 7 .- Marconed on a mountain a mile and a half from the Santa Ana ranch house, where they were forced to flee during the night by the rapidly rising waters, J. E. Good ward and Stuart Bryan, American owners of the ranch, are believed to be starving to death.

Flood Overwhelms La Par.

MEXICO CITY, Sept. 7.—A dispatch from La Pax, Lower California, dated September 6, says the place was over-

MILLS ALL SHUT DOWN

MANUFACTURERS OF SHINGLES FORESTALL STRIKE.

Only One Factory on Grays Harbor Is Running - Fight With Weavers Is Now On.

ABERDEEN. Wash., Sept. 7.—(Special.)
—With placards labeled "This Plant Will
Close Indefinitely," every shingle mill on Grays Harbor, with the single exception of one in Hoquiam, today forestalled the threatened strike of the weavers for an

threatened strike of the weavers for an increase in wages and the war between the weavers and owners is on.

The F. C. Wilcox Shingle Company, North Aberdeen Shingle Company, Wishkah Shingle Company, all of Aberdeen, and the Polson Shingle Company, of Hoquiam, were the first to close down.

At the Coates mill a peculiar situation exists in that the weavers claim a vicexists in that the weavers claim a vic-tory there as the mill is running and a shingle band nailer has been granted. On the other hand the employers say that the extra man is granted and the mill run only in order that the stock may be put by and the owners tonight stated that the mill would close this week.
It is this action of the Coates mill together with that of the Northwestern plant which is causing the other owners throughout the county to hold off despite their promise at Elma to stand by the

Harbor mills.

The report is made tonight, however, of a coming further decline in shingles which will, it is declared, expedite the closing of all mills within a few days.

Mills outside the Harbor explain their running in the face of the agreement by stating that "they are walting developments on the Harbor," as they contend that the closing of the mills here without ascertaining whether or not the men would walk out did not allow the matter to come to a proper head.

NAVAL CONTRACTS SIGNED For Construction of Drydocks and

Fleet Collier.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7.—Contracts with the San Francisco Bridge Company for the construction of the Pearl Harbor drydocks, Hawali, at \$1,740,000, and with the Maryland Steel Comwho halled him as a hero. He then were signed late today by Act took a drive with Maurice F. Egan, the retary of the Navy Winthrop. were signed late today by Acting Sec-

Shackleton Gives Credit, No

Antarctic Explorer Discusses Possibility of Peary's Finding Traces of Cook - Canada May Claim Territory.

LONDON, Sept. 7. - "The honor of anting the flag at the North Pole un-CITY BURIED BY FLOOD

planting the flag at the North Pole undoubtedly belongs to America," Lieutenant E. H. Shackleton, the English explorer, said today. "The news within a week," he continued, "that two men have reached the pole is an extraordinary coincidence. We all expected to hear of Commander Penry's arrival some time during the month, and we sincerely hoped that the result of his years of effort and struggle would be crowned with success.

Will Confirm One Another.

"Peary undoubtedly got to the Pole; between him and Dr. Cook the Pole certainly has been reached. It is said that Peary reached the goal April 6, 1809. It will be interesting to know the date he left his base to go to the Polar Sea and his rate of travel north-ward. If Peary's speed coincides with Cook's, this fact will go far in the eyes of the world to clear up the ques-tion whether such distances as claimed by Cook can be covered. The ice conditions around Peary's camp in 1908 should approximate somewhat the conditions observed by Cook.

From this point rescue parties have noticed tents on the side of a small hill, the only evidence of remaining life. The town was on a river some miles inland.

TRAIN IS MISSING IN MEXICO

Railroad Officials Admit Wreck.

Peary Not Jenlous.

"Peary, from what I know of him, would be the first to give consideration to any one who preceded him. Peary deserved his success; he has devoted all his life to Arctic exploration, and nobody has a wider knowledge of Arctic travel." In conclusion Lieutenant Shackleton

"While Peary's success will stop at-tempts to reach the North Pole, there is a lot of scientific work to be done in the Arctic regions which it will be im-possible to carry out on marches to the pole on account of the quickness of travel."

May Claim Pole for Canada. The question of the ownership of the land of the North Pole is to come up in the House of Commons. Sir George Parker has given notice of his intention of asking Fremier Asquith whether this territory is not considered as belonging to Cahada and, if Dr. Cook has planted the American first

KALAMA OFFICER ACCUSED OF FALSIFYING DOCKET.

Trouble Grows Out of Enforcement of Sunday Closing

Law

KALAMA, Wash., Sept. I .- (Special.)-Prosecuting Attorney Stone, of this county, has filed an information in the Superior Court charging E. F. Wicker, Police Justice of Kalama, with falsifying a police docket.

This prosecution has grown out of the controversy in this county over the enforcement of the Sunday closing law. During a session of the court some time ago Mr. Hall and Mr. Ely, one of the defendants in the saloon cases, had an encounter upon the streets of Kalama and both were arrested for lighting. The case against Mr. Ely was dismissed by the Police Justice and Mr. Hall filed an affidavit in Justice Court asking for change of venue. Justice Wicker denied the motion but failed to note the denial the police decket. Hall secured a upon his police docket. Hall secured a writ of certiorari from the Superior Court writ or certification from the Superior Court directing the Justice Court to present the case to the Superior Court for determination. When the case was brought to the Superior Court the Justice's transcript showed no denial of the motion for a change of venue, whereupon Judge McCreedle dismissed the writ and discourage of the leaves court to proceed in ac-McCreedia dismissed the writ and di-rected the lower court to proceed in ac-cordance with the law. Hall again pre-sented his motion for change of venue, which was again denied. Hall refused to go to trial before the Justice. The Jus-tice then found Hall gullty and fined him. Hall refused to pay and was com-mitted to jail. Mayor Watson released the prisoner. The information filed in the Superior Court against Justice Wicker covers the failure of the Justice to make with intent to injure Hall.

HOOD RIVER UNION CLOSES \$150,000 DEAL.

Steinhardt & Kelly, of New York, Said to Have Paid Over \$2.25 Per Box for Fruit.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Sept. 7.—(Special.)—Joseph Steinhardt, of the commission firm of Steinhardt & Kelly, the New York firm that bought the output of the Hood River Applegrowers Union last year, today set the apple-buying ball rolling by again purchasing the entire crop handled by the union at a gross figure that will total over \$150.000.

The deal was perfected at a confer-

The deal was perfected at a conference between the directors of the union and Mr. Steinhardt that lasted most of the day yesterday and until this afternoon, and while the exact figure paid per box for the fruit will not be given out, it is said the figures are higher by a goodly margin than last year, when the average price was better than \$2.25 a box.

According to Mr. Steinhardt and the officers of the union, the announcement of the sale will cause a quick scramble for box fruit in other Northwest sections, as they have been wait-

west sections, as they have been wait- to have escaped from the country through

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or ecru. Regularly worth 65c and 75c 48c each. At the special low price, each...... TOURIST RUCHING, six yards in box, white only. Regular 25c value. At the special Fall shades. Regular 45c values. At the 29c remarkably low price of only, special.... SIXTEEN-BUTTON SILK GLOVES, in black, white or assorted colors. Values to \$2.00 690 the pair. At the special price of, each..... 690 TWO-CLASP SILK GLOVES, in black, white

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special for Wednesday only at low price of The very modish jersey suits in plain or elaborately braided effects are here in all sizes. The richest and most exclusive models in Portland at \$28.50 to \$70.00. Tailored Suits \$15.00 to \$150.00



\$4.50 Hand Bags \$2.85

Here is a lot of exceptionally stylish hand bags at a decidedly favorable price that presents to Portland women an unusual opportunity to save. They are goat seal leather, medium or large size, leather lined, black only. A lot of just one hundred. Made to sell at \$4.50 each. On sale for today at the low price of \$2.85



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The sale includes the purchase of 69,090 to 70,000 boxes of fancy fruit, or about 125 cars, and it is claimed that it will be the biggest deal made this year by one firm. The fruit is to be especially packed for Steindardt & Kelly and will be labeled with a new label just adopted by the union and an effort will be made to send one large shipment in a solid train of refrigerator cars to New York.

Th. Steinhardt & Kelly Company is the first firm which has ever handled the big union apple crop two years in succession. Mr. Steinhardt, however, after making a large payment on his purchase today stated that he hoped to be able to handle the bulk of the Hood River crop for many years, and that if the crop had been 500,000 boxes instead of 75,000, he would have been just as willing to buy it this year at a price which he considered was the highest under the conditions that had ever been paid for Oregon fruit.

After a ride around the valley, Mr. Steinhardt left tonight for Mosler, where he will confer with the officers of the Mosler Fruitgrowers' Association, with a view to purchasing the crop of that district.

SMUGGLER IN LOS ANGELES Man Wanted by Customs Officers

Still in Country.

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 7.—According to advices received at the customs offices here from San Francisco, J. F. Solzerano, who is wanted in this city on a cl of smuggling Panama hats into Pedro, is in that city, although he was recently reported by New Orleans officials that port. Solzerano's alleged accomplice, Zeigenmeyer, steamer Erna, is in the County Jail here in default of \$5000 bail. Water of Fine Quality.

COTTAGE GROVE, Or., Sept. 7 .- (Spe-

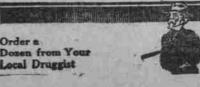


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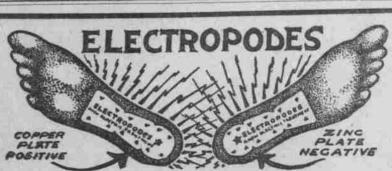
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reports the route very practicable, and the at Medford, was here today, and with the water committee went over the route finest quality for the proposed gravity water system, and will estimate the cost of piping the water from Lang Creek, to this city, a distance of about 18 miles. Mr. Roberts

Cleopatra's Needle, the famous obelish on the Thames embankment, London, is one solid piece of stone, 70 feet high and 186 tons in weight.



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