Never Before Is Such Snowfall Recorded in Early October. Reports Say.

WIRE CONNECTION CUT OFF

Though Weather Remains Abnormally Warm, Gale-Swept District of Montana Experiences Most Peculiar of Storms.

SALT LAKE CITY, Oct. 11.-Disatches received last night at the general offices of the Oregon Short Line from the company's linemen who had been battling all day against a terrific bliggard in Southwestern Montana, paint a gloomy picture of conditions in

snow, wet, and heavy, piling in huge drifts, flerce gales, miles of telephone and telegraph wires disarranged, poles sprooted and leveled, and light and power plants paralyzed, is the subtance of the messages at hand.

Butte Center of Storm. At Butte, Mont., the storm center, the situation is believed to verge on de-

moralization.

Streets and sidewalks have been obstructed by the unprecedented fall of snow, streetear service is annulled, and all husiness has practically been suspended. Since be clock Tuesday night, when all wire communication with the city was severed, no definite word had come to indicate the zeal criest of the damage wrought. damage wrought.

Snow is 21/2 Feet On Level.

However, the railroads report that the snow loss to a depth of two and a haif feet on the level, with the high wind causing drifts in many places to a depth of several feet.

The Short Line offices have reports of delayed trains on the Pocatello, idaho, division, but traffic generally on the line has not been seriously hampered.

BUTTE CUT OFF FROM WORLD

Heaviest Snow Storm at This Time of Year Is Recorded.

ANACONDA, Mont., Oct. 12.—Butte was cut off from telegraph and telegroope communication about 24 hours, owing to one of the heaviest snow atorms recorded for this time of

Twenty-three inches of precipitation was measured. The telegraph wires in all directions have been torn down by the weight of snow and telephones are practically all out of commission.

The streets are nearly impassable because of deep slush and running water.

SNOW STORM IS MOST PECULIAR

Continues Abnormally Warm-Communication On Again.

HELENA, Mont. Oct. 12.-The present snow storm is one of the most pe-culiar in the history of the state, in that the weather has continued abnor-mally warm, causing the snow to be exceptionally heavy.

Telegraph communication with Butte was resumed last night at 10 o'clock, after over 24 hours' interruption. In Helena the maximum temperature was 42 and the minimum 32.

MORMON GIFT PROTESTED WHISKY

Figure of Brigham Young on Battleship Plate Stirs Opposition.

Meyer, saying in part:

"We beg of you to bear in mind that while the presentation of the silver service to the United States buttle-ship Utah may be a state affair, acceptance of it is a National affair. We most earnessly urge that the patriotism and decency of citizens of the United States should not be outraged and insuited by the exaltation of the mem-mory of such a man as Brigham

LEON TRIED IN CHICAGO Alleged Counterfelter Must Answer to Serious Charges.

the altegral Russian political refugee, held in New York on charges of coun-terfeiting American 319 bank and Treasury notes, probably will be tried in Chicago. WASHINGTON, Oct. 11 .- Albert Leon, The apurious notes, it is claimed, were circulated in several far Western

FREE CHURCH IS LIKED

State Ald and Control Not Needed for

Upbuilding. President Taft left the Armory at 9:54 Wednesday, and six minutes later entered Knights of Columbus Hall at Park and Taylor streets, 25 minutes ahead of his schedule. As he walked up the states,

bishop Christie appeared and shook hands with the President.

"It affords me very very much pleasure, indeed," said the archbishop, "to extend you welcome on behalf of this local body and on behalf of all the Knights of Columbus. The Knights of Columbus in the United States number nigh to 190,000, and, Mr. President. I am guite safe in saying to you this Columbus in the United States number nigh to 390,000, and, Mr. President, I am quite safe in saying to you this evening that in that body of men you have your most loyal subjects. I care not what other body of men shall be presented to you, I am confident of this that no matter what may beset this country, you may point to the Knights of Columbus as your most devoted sons and supporters. (Applause.) Allow me also to say if they were not they would be recreant to their duty as citizens and as sons of the great Catholic Church. Once more, then, on behalf of the Knights of Columbus of the United States. I welcome you.

President Taft then said:

"Your Grare, Reverend Archbishop, and members of the Portland Council, Knights of Columbus: I am very grateful to you for this most cordial reception and for the kindly expressions that have fallen from the lips of the archbishop and your presiding officer. I think I know what the Knights of Columbus are. You are organized for the purpose of giving greater moral force in the lives of yourselves and

archbishop and your presiding officer. I think I know what the Knights of Columbus are. You are organized for the purpose of giving greater moral force in the lives of yourselves and those whom you can influence to the principles of the Roman Cathelic Church, and one of the first principles and tenets of that church is reverence for constituted authority. (Great applause) But this, instead of being a reason why you cannot be patriotic, loyal sons of the United States, willing to yield up your lives, if occasion calls for it—the fact, I say, that you are members of the Roman Catholic Church is assurance that you are such patriotic sons. (Great applause.)

"You live in a country where all religion and religious worship are free. You live where the state supports no church and where there is no state church. But I do not have to tell you, as I sometimes have to tell those abroad who don't understand our system, that the fact that the Constitution does not recognize a state church is far and away from being an indication that we do not favor churches in this country and do not give them the high-

far and away from being an indication that we do not favor churches in this country and do not give them the highest encouragement, and do not feel they are essential to the life and well-being of the country. (Applause.) But it is—and I believe that you Catholics, with Protestants, join in the view that the church which has no state support on the one hand, and does not have a state officer poking his nose around into church control on the other, is much wore able to flourish like a green bay tree than any church in a country where the state exercises some control and where politics enters into control. (Applause.)

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"It has been my good fortune to get into touch with the hierarchy of the Catholic Church in the settlement of questions in the Philippines, the hierarchy of this country and the hierarchy of other countries, and the Pope himself, and therefore I feel as if I knew Catholicism better than those who save not had my experience, and as if I knew—what shall I call it?—the energy and enterprise you can find in a church which lives in a free country with no state church, as compared with the church which lives under the shadow of government and must suffer in some degree with its relations with the government.

"In the Philippines we have had to separate the church and the State. There it presents a serious crisis for the church, because the people of the Philippines have been used to State support of their church, and have been leaning on State support rather than upon themselves to support trather than upon themselves to support to the church.

leaning on State support rather than upon themselves to support the church. The presence of the church in these islands is so important to the standing of the people, and the encouragement of constituted authority and to the whole maintenance of civilization there that I am very hopeful that the prob-lem is to be worked out, difficult as

It is.

"We must be patient, because the burden your good religionists have to bear, who have gone out from here to act as archbishops and bishops and priests, you can hardly realize unless you have talked with them. I know. They have my utmost sympathy in their work. I hope they may succeed, and train their parishioners there to a better understanding of the life of the church, which means a greater burden upon them, and which, if they take it up, will make them better citizens and better Catholics." (Applause.)

Production Has Ranged From Six to Sixty Million Gallons a Year.

NEW YORK, Oct. 12.—The intention of Mormons to present to the battleship Utah, soon to be launched, a silver tray bearing the figure of Hrigham Young and the Mormon Temple has aroused a protest by non-Mormons of Utah. They have oftered a silver tray, but with a patriotic design. Protests against the Mormon of the protests against the Mormon over 60,000,000 gallons it would have continued good for a number of years. But during the seasons of 1881 and '81, and had production been held down to 10,000,000 or 12,000,000 gallons it would have continued good for a number of years, and in great a manufacture hung over the market for a number of years, and in some cases whiskys were sold for little. Bonfort's Wine and Spirit Circular.

Trade in the Kentucky whiskys was good in 1879, '50 and '81, and had production been held down to 10,000,000 or 12,000,000 gallons it would have continued good for a number of years.

But during the seasons of 1881 and '32 et the committee of presentation, and some cases whiskys were sold for little among other members are Helen Miller Dould and Mrs. Donald McLean. The Committee sent a letter to Secretary 1888 we had most excellent trade, and

After the limitation agreement of 1888 we had most excellent trade, and had our distillers kept production down to figures corresponding with what they were taxpaying, as was done in Pennsylvania and Maryland, we would have had a long period of prosperity, but with a consumption estimated at only about 18,000,000 gallons a year they produced in 1889 25,000,000 gallons in 20 25,000,000 gallons, in 20 25,000,000 gallons, in 21 23,000,000 gallons.

Then came the panic of 1893 and very duli trading for several years followed, so that in 1897 the total production in this state amounted only to 5,741,000 gallons. This very limited production was followed by another very limited grop in 1898, amounting in the latter case to a little over 15,000,000 gallons.

These small crops brought a sort of equilibrium and trade began to improve, and in 1899 Kentucky made 19,700,000 gallons. The next crop, however, amounted to over 20,000,000 gallons; then hack to 22,000,000 gallons; then up to 20,000,000 gallons, then the up to 20,000,000 gallons; then back to 23,000,000 gallons; then back to 23,000,000 gallons; then the up to 20,000,000 gallons; in 1905 Kentucky made 29,000,000 gallons; in 1905 Kentucky made 29,000,000 gallons in 1905 Kentucky made 20,000,000 gallons; in 1916 Kentucky made 20,000 gallons; in 1916 Kentucky made 20,000 gallons; in 1916 Kentucky made 20,000 gallons; in 1916 Kentucky made 20,000,000 gallons, and in 1911 Kentucky made nearly 45,000,000 gallons.

lora, and in 1911 Kentucky made nearly 48,000,000 gallons.

During the last six or eight years President Tait left the Armory at \$2.54 Wednesday, and six minuses later entered Knights of Columbus Hall at Purk and Taylor streets, IS minutes ahead of his schedule. As he walked up the stairs, surrounded by soldlers and secret service men, he was greeted by the playing of the hand and the cheers of the assembled Catholics.

Mayor Rushlight and Dr. Andrew C. Smith assisted him in removing his overcost, and the President asked: "Is

Mayor Rushlight and Dr. Andrew C. Smith assisted him in removing his overcoat, and the President asked: "Is the archibishop here?" He was assured that the archibishop here?" He was assured in the meantime Dr. Smith extended a hearty welcome saying "While his grare is coming, your have his demand in a few years will amount to branch of the Knights of Columbus to extend a hearty welcome and to assure you that as Catholic citizens we respect you as a man and as our Chief Enceutive more than we can express."

As Dr. Smith was speaking, Arch-

John W. Blodgett, Grand Rapids Man, Pays \$400,000.

NEW PROPERTY IS SOUGHT

Association, Immediately After Deal, Closes Offer of \$342,000 for Block Between Yambill, Taylor, Tenth and Eleventh.

John W. Biodgett, a wealthy timber-man, of Grands Rapids, Mich., has pur-chased from the Portland Library As-sociation the half block on Stark, Sev-enth and Park streets, paying \$400,000 cash for the property. The offer was accepted by the directors of the asso-ciation at a meeting held Wednesday. The transaction was negotiated in be-The transaction was negotiated in behalf of Mr. Biodgett by John A. Keating, vice-president of the Lumbermen's National Bank.

National Bank.

By the terms of the sale Mr.
Blodgett agrees to lease the property
to the association for two years on a
hasis of 6 per cent on the purchase
price and it will continue to be occupled by the Public Library during that
period.

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Immediately after closing the deal, the directors of the association made a tender on the Ladd Estate block, bounded by Yambill, Taylor, Tenth and Eleventh streets, agreeing to pay \$342,-806 for the property. In a statement 808 for the property. In a statement issued by W. B. Ayer, president of the issued by W. B. Ayer, president of the association, it was announced the plans will be prepared at once for large and elaborate library building.

Building Found Inadequate. "The directors of the association have realized for some time the present library building is inadequate for the needs of the public," said Mr. Ayer. "In making our plans for a large structure and a close-in location, we had two problems to overcome. One was two problems to overcome. One was the sale of the present library property at a price which would enable us to acquire a full block. The other ques-

at a price which would enable us to acquire a full block. The other question was that we realized that we should have at least two years in which to prepare for and build the new library structure. The difficulties were overcome when Mr. Blodgett agreed to pay \$400,000 for the half block and to allow us to occupy the property two years or until such time as we could erect the new structure.

"The location that we have selected in our opinion, is admirably suited for the new library. It is only one block from the Morrison-street carline and is close to the business district. The new structure will be modern in every respect and will be large enough to accommodate the demands of a city much larger than the present size of Portland. We expect to begin on the new structure as soon as practicable."

Mr. Blodgett has been interested in Oregon for 25 years and is one of the largest property owners in the state, possessing timber holdings and other property. This is his first investment in Portland real estate. He is one of the principal stockholders of the Lumbermens National Bank and is interested in the Booth-Kelly Lumber Company.

Great Faith Seen in Portland.

Mr. Blodgett has great faith in the future of Portland and the investment in Portland really was made with a view to the future. Since the Public Library will continue to occupy the site for two years. Mr. Blodgett has made no plans for improving the half block. It is situated, however, in the track of Portland's present business track of Portland's present business growth and the improvement will doubtless be of a substantial character. It is the opinion among realty brokers that the half block purchased Mr. Blodgett is worth between \$450,000 and \$500,000. By the fact that Mr. Blodgett was able to pay all cash for the property, it is conceded that this condition had much to do with the action of the directors of the association in KENTUCKY of the directors of the association in providing immediate means for the erection of the new library, and in selling the property at an attractive price.
Mr. Blodgett has been in the city the
past 10 days, leaving for his home at
Grand Rapids yesterday morning.

HAMMOND FOUND GUILTY

Eleven Men and One Woman Find Verdict in Murder Case.

VANCOUVER, Wash, Oct. 12.—(Special.)—Charles W. Hammond, who confessed he killed Edward C. Barbydt May 31, 1911, and hid the hody in a shallow grave 250 feet from the house where the crime was committed, was found guilty of murder in the second degree by a verdict returned by the jury at 12:40 this morning. The jury was out two hours. He was charged with murder in the first degree.

Hammond was on the stand in his own defense yesterday. In a courtroom which was packed to overflowing he told the story of the crime.

Mrs. Ellen Knight, the first woman in the state to sit on a jury in a mirder case, looked horrified as the cold-blooded recital of the crime was made.

Attorneys for the defense tried to establish that Hammond was an imbecile and insane, but this was overcome by preponderance of evidence by the

preponderance of evidence by the

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