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CORVALLIS, BENTON COUNTY, OREGON, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 1897.

CURRENT EVENTS OF THE DAY

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TERSE TICKS FROM THE WIRES

An Interesting Collection of Items From the New and the Old World In a The fund raised in Canada for the India famine sufferers has been closed.

The amount contributed was \$179,161. Ten saloons in Kansas City, Kan., were raided by the police and \$3,500 worth of liquors seized and poured into the gutters. . Saloon furniture and fixtures filling ten big drays were seized and carted to police headquarters, where

A dispatch from Buenos Ayres says and bleeding. the wheat crop in the province of There were two other serious casual-Santa Fe is calculated at about 10,000 ties. Frank Marshall, a freshman, had What is true in Santa Fe province is said to be true in the other provinces, that is, none will furnish more than enough for home use.

The jewelry store of W. H. Finck, at Seattle, was burglarized and goods to the amount of \$10,000 taken. By sawing the iron bars off the window, the burglars secured an entrance to the store. With a seven-pound sledgehammer and an eight-inch punch they of the safe, and then easily pried the

Five orphan children have been cisco. The government officials will quintet as a guarantee that they shall county. not become public charges, but so far the necessary amount has not been raised by the Salvation Army officer to whom they were consigned.

Official information received at Manila confirms the reports previously leading a raid when the terrible affair published as to the disastrous character of the eruption of the Manyon volcano. Several villages were completely destroved. At Libog 150 bodies were recovered and buried, and more remained in the lava. At another place 200 persons were missing. Some of the bodies as to be unrecognizable.

Advices from Rio de Janeiro state that the fanatics attacked several convovs of provisions and ammunition in the interior a few days ago and a bloody battle followed. The fanatics were forced to retire after severe losses. The Brazilian troops had 28 officers wounded. The fanatics are now reorganizing their forces and another attack on conovs is expected, as the fanatics are in need of ammunition.

Involved in the question of interpretation of section 22 of the new tarcriminating duty on foreign goods coming to the United States from Canada or Mexico, which is now before the at- ing been completed. torney general for decision, is another question of equal if not greater magnieral, awaiting an interpretation.

county upon a prospecting tour They are equipped with complete miners' outfits and are determined to work hard to find a paying claim.

Edwin Corbin, of Chicago, has closed a deal amalgamating the United States and Canadian Lakes Fisheries Companies, whereby the control of 20 companies passed into the hands of the British company with \$5,000,000 cap-

The British, Russian and French ministers to Greece have notified their respective governments that it is impossible for Greece to pay an indemnity exceeding £3,000,000 Turkish. It is understood that negotiations are on foot to induce Turkey to accept a and train crew of the midnight special smaller sum than the amount originally of the Chicago & Alton, which arrived

Kan., has reported the release of over \$60,000 in chattel and real estate mortgages since August 1, and half of the crop has not been threshed. It is predicted that by the new year the county will be in better shape than ever before ing scenery and wardrobes of the Digby and will look back on the largest acreage of wheat in the history of the

Paul J. Henning, who has just arrived in San Francisco, says the American flag is flying on Clipperton island. He has been living on the island with seyville, Ill., and W. F. Simper and two other men and they successfully blocked the attempt of Captain Murtray of the ship Kinkora, to hoist the British flag there three months ago. The Kinkora was wrecked and the three Americans held as wreckage nearly a million feet of lumber, which was washed ashore. H. M. S. Comus visited the island later, but did not disturb the Stars and Stripes nor enter a claim for the lumber.

S. J. Hatchett, formerly secretary of the Los Anglees chamber of commerce, who had charge of the Los Angeles exhibit at the world's fair and mysteriously disappeared before the exposition closed, is said to have been seen in plan is to resume at 64 cents and work Chicago. His wife has mourned him as dead. The informant states that Hatchett told him he had concluded todrop out of sight, and cautioned him to gay nothing about having met him.

President McKinley spoke at the Grand Army encampment at Buffalo,

One of the Grand Army delegates to the national encampment at Buffalo has made a proposition for united action to urge the government to raise the ironclad Monitor, which defeated the rebel ram Merrimac, during the war. The Monitor foundered off Cape Hatteras December 31, 1862. It is thought working of her blowers is said to have that it will require the expenditure of \$500,000 to raise the vessel.

Aaron C. Conn, a board of trade operator in Detroit, Mich., committed suicide by knotting a handkerchief around h's neck and then twisting it foreign lands. with a lead pencil until he succeeded in strangling himself.

A COLLEGE "RUSH."

Freshmen. Berkeley, Cal., Sept. 2 .- There will

be no more "rushes" at the university of California, if President Kellogg's latest mandate is obeyed. Half dazed, his jaw broken, his face

bleeding mass, Benjamin Kurtz, a newly entered freshman, was found wandering about the campus on Monday night after the rush between the two lower classes. In the struggla some one put his heel on Kurtz's face, Condensed and Comprehensive Form and may have sustained an injury of the brain. An examination showed that a piece of flesh had been torn from one nostril. The upper lip hung by a shred, and the ragged nature of the tear made the injury more serious. All the front teeth were gone. Four teeth had been knocked out of the lower jaw and the bone in which they had been imbedded was broken out with them. Both upper and lower jaw were smashed and the flesh of the face was crushed

tons, scarcely more than enough to his right leg broken just above the supply the province for the year. ankle. Conlon, another freshman, also came out of the combat with a broken

ATTACKED BY MOONSHINERS.

Marshals Ambushed and Shot in Arkansas.

Little Rock, Ark., Sept. 2.-Two deputy United States marshals are dead, two seriously wounded and two more missing as a result of an attack upon a broke the handle off the outside door posse of officers by a gang of desperate moonshiners in Searcy county. The dead are: B. F. Taylor, of Searcy county and Joe Dodson, of Stone counshipped from Honolulu to San Fran- ty. The wounded men are the Renfrew brothers. The names of the missing not permit them to land unless \$500 men were not given, but they are supbonds are furnished for each of the posed to be deputy sheriffs of Searcy

Taylor, one of the murdered men, was 60 years old and was one of the wealthiest men in Searcy county. Dodson was a well-known deputy and has been a terror to moonshiners. He was

occurred. The officers had approached to within 30 yards of an illicit distillery, when they were fired upon from ambush. Taylor and Dodson fell at the first volley, dead in their tracks. The shooting occurred 35 miles from Russellville, at recovered were so completely calcined a point 10 miles south of Witt Springs. The locality is in the mountains, and has for many years been a favorite rendezvous for moonshiners and counterfeiters. News of the tragedy was brought to Russellville this morning by Dr. Pack, who came after the cor-

> The men who did the shooting are supposed to be a gang of moonshiners that part of the state.

A Ghastly Experiment.

Chicago, Sept. 2. - The trial of liminary work of securing the jury hav- also the regular militia in order to

tude. It involves the question of fense to witness an experiment in the whether this discriminating duty of 10 vat in the basement of the sausage facper cent does not apply to all goods im- tory. This is to be the result of an exported in foreign vessels landing at periment conducted by Luetgert's United States ports which are not ex- attorneys Saturday and yesterday. The empt from discriminating tonnage taxes | body of a man of about Mrs. Luetgert's by express treaty stipulation. The age and weight, who met death by viomatter is now before the attorney-gen- lence Thursday, was taken to the factory on Diversey avenue and immersed in a solution of caustic potash. Experts San Francisco have gone to Trinity reported that after boiling the body in a 15 per cent solution of potash for the same length of time as the state alleges Luetgert disintegrated the body of his wife, the complete skeleton of the cadaver remained intact and the solutoin had but little effect upon the

clothing. As a result of the test, the defendant ment of the big sausage factory for a few hours and witness another expericompletely disprove the state's theory eral. of disintegration.

St. Louis, Aug. 31.-The passengers in this city at 7:45 A. M. for Chicago, narrowly escaped death in a wreck near Alton this morning. The engine high rate of speed by spreading rails, and went down a 45-foot embankment. The tender, three baggage cars contain-Bell company and Hopkins theatrical company, and a postal car, followed and rolled on top of the engine. Peter Rafferty, of Bloomington, the engineer, was taken out fatally injured. Fireman Charles Johnson of Bloomington:

Mail Clerks Robert Maltimore, of Jer-Samuel Grebbs, of Chicago, crawled out of the wreck severely hurt.

Berlin, Sept. 1 .- A collision between passenger trains took place near Vohwinkel at midnight. Three locomotwo persons were killed and 14 injured. Of the latter, it is thought probably 12 will succumb to their injuries.

Strike in Ohio Settled. Columbus, O., Sept. 2.-The coal strike is considered settled here. The pending arbitration. The direct parties in the conference adjustment are President Ratchford, of the miners, and the executive committee of the opera-

moment.

Annapolis, Sept. 2.-The torpedoboat Rodgers returned to this port late this afternoon, having failed to make the required speed of 24.5 knots per hour on her trial trip. The defective made the Rodgers fall short of her requirements. She will be given another trial on next Friday.

England is dependent for 70 per cent

From 1871 to 1891 2,000,000 Germans left their native land.

Resulted Seriously to Three Berkeley

Resolutions Committee Make a Sensational Report.

Protest Against Government by Injunction-Friends of Labor Asked to Give Financial Support to the Miners.

St. Louis, Sept. 2 .- The labor convention was called to order at 10 o'clock this morning to listen to the report of the committee on resolutions. Mr. Bergen in presenting the resolutions said the report was the best the committee could do under the circumstances. The report, which is very lengthy, starts off by saying:

"The fears of the more watchful fa thers of the republic have been justified and the judiciary has become supreme with the republic prostrate at the feet of a judge appointed to administer the

"Under the conning form of injunctions, the courts have assumed to enact criminal laws, and have renealed rights and denied the accused the right of trial by jury. The exercise of the commonest rights of freemen, the right of assembly, and the right of free speech have by legislation under the form of injunctions, been made a crime. Having drawn to themselves all the powers of the federal government until congress and the president may act only by judicial permission, the federal judges have begun the subjugation of the foreign states.

"The pending strike of coal miners who starved by reason of the scant wages paid for arduous and dangerous toil, the pending strike for the right to be fed enough to make labor possible, has been prolific of judicial usurpation, showing the willingness of judicial despots to resort to the most shameful defiance of decency as well as of the heartless avarice to drive its hungry serfs back to the mine to faint and die at their drudgery, and there remains today not one guaranteed right of American citizens unaffected by these subversions of constitutional liberty. "We have met to counsel together,

and have come to the following conclu-"That, Whereas, the present strike of the coal miners has again demonstrated the fact that our so-called freedom is but a stupendous sham while hundreds of thousands of men, women and children are starving in hovels and

on the public highways; "Whereas, Appeals to congress and led by Horace Bruce and John Church, the judicial powers are under the con- four times over and which has sent two of the most desperate characters in trol of the capitalistic class, so that 200,000 soldiers to Cuba, is not in the while cattle and swine have the right impoverished condition to the public highways, Americans, so-

called free men, have not.
"Whereas, Our capitalistic class is Adolph Luetgert for the murder of his armed and has not only the policemen, proclivities of his family. wife, began in earnest today, the pre- marshals, sheriffs and deputies, but enforce government by injunction, sup-Contrary to the expectations of the pressing lawful assemblage, free speech, state, the jury will he asked by the de- and the right to the public highway, while on the other hand the laboring men of the country are unarmed and defenseless, therefore,

"Resolved, That we hereby set apart 'Good Friday' for the cause of suffering labor in America and contribute the earnings of that day to the support of our struggling brothers, the miners, and appeal to every union man and every friend of labor throughout the United States to do likewise.

"Resolved, That if the strike of miners is not settled by the 20th of September and an announcement made to that effect by the president of the United Mine Workers, a general convention be held at Chicago, September 27, by representatives of all unions, will, it is said, ask Judge Tuthill to sections, branches, lodges and kindred remove his court and jury to the base- organiations of laboring men and friends of their cause for the purpose of considering further measures in the interests ment which the defense claims will of the striking miners and labor in gen-

"Resolved, That public ownership of all railroads is one of the most neces-

sary reforms of our body politic. "Resolved, That we most emphatically protest against government by injunction, and be it finally resolved that no nation in which the people are totally disarmed can long remain a free nation; and therefore we urge upon libwas derailed while proceeding at a erty-loving citizenss to remember and obey article 2 of the constitution of the United States, which reads as follows: The right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed.

As soon as the platform was before the convention dozens of delegates were on their feet clamoring for recognition. Delegate Osborn, of Atlanta, Ga., offered a resolution to the effect that it was the sense of the meeting that all unemployed men in the United States should apply for admission to the poorhouses of their respective counties. No action was taken on this resolution, and the convention went off, in a desultory debate regarding the resolutions.

Port Townsend, Wash., Sept. 2. The 25-ton fishing schooner Bow Wow broke away from her moorings here last, night, drifted out and was broken up Further than that she will say nothing before being recovered. She is a total

A Discriminating Dentist. San Francisco, Sept. 2.-Mrs. Annie S. Kirk and her husband, W. S. Kirk, have sued W. A. Atwood, a dentist, for \$250 damages, alleged to have been sustained because he positively refused to examine the lady's teeth after he had agreed to put them in good condition. The reason for his refusal was that she came to his office on her bicycle and tors. A number of the latter were in wore bloomers. She complains that he the city today, and the result is that a drew the line at her attire and expressed decision may be looked for at any himself too freely before other people in his reception room.

Wheat Across the Border.

Toronto, Sept. 2.-Advices report nard Noel, a young Chicago woman that by tonight all of 25,000,000 bushels herself beautiful and in perfect health, There has been no frost sufficient to aim the slaughter of all the weak, damage the wheat in Manitoba this whether physically or mentally incapeason, and next week will probably see able. She would relentlessly kill then the bulk of the wheat threshed. The by a painless death if possible, and crop will be the largest in the history holds that the end would justify the of the Canadian Northwest. The yield means, for it would benefit the human will run as high as 35 bushels to the acre, while in Ontario it is as high as 40. The total wheat crop of Canada this year will be fully 60,000,000 sealed in the teeth of the people in the world. bushels of prime wheat.

CUBA'S FIGHT FOR LIBERTY. TWO MINUTE HORSE AT LAST

New York, Sept. 1 .- The Journa and Advertiser says: The sensationally victorious march of the Cubans under Maximo Gomez and Antonio Maceo, the entire length of the island, in Martinez Campo's time, has just been FEDERAL COURTS DENOUNCED duplicated by Quintin Banderas. The

negro war captain, than whom no Cuban of the colored race, excepting only Maceo, perhaps, has won greater honors in the struggle for independence, led 12,000 men from the eastern end of the island, where the patriots in arms are strongest, to the western end, where, since Maceo's death the Cuban cause has not prospered so well. Those 12,-000 men represented all branches of the Cuban army service. They penetrated into the provinces of Matanzas, Havana and Pinar del Rio, strengthening the existing forces in each of these provinces to such an extent that the coming winter campaign there may be expected to

be even as disastrous for the Spanish as

in the times of the redoubtable Maceo. The news of the brilliant achievement was brought to the Journal and Advertiser by the mail from Havana in an autograph letter from Banderas himself. In it he requests the publication of the proclamation that he issued on taking charge of the department. Banderas says that the second invasion of the west was made in compliance with plans that were completed by Maximo Gomez, the general-in-chief himself, in June last, and that the march was effected with little or no trouble or molestation from the Spanish troops. The proclamation intimates that there have been wholesale desertions from the Spanish army in Havana province into the Cuban service.

The rest of the proclamation is directed "To the Men of My Race," and is as follows:

'It only remains for me to appeal to the men of my race, to point out to them that we owe the liberty of our fathers to the revolution of 1868, and it is my duty to present to them the example of that noble figure, Majorlaws of humanity, in order to enable General Antonio Maceo, who died or the field for the liberty of his country.'

Spain Will Never Yield.

Denver, Sept. 1 .- Count Henri Penloza, of Paris, is spending a few days in the city upon mining business. The count is an American by birth, a Spaniard by descent and a Frenchman by adoption. He was born in San Francisco in 1869, while his parents were spending the winter in California. In the course of an interview Count Penaloza said:

"As long as Spain has a man or a penny in the treasury the Spanish government will not consent to the independence of Cuba. A country whose the courts for relief are furitless, since call for military funds was subscribed

Count Penaloza is exiled from his native country on account of the Carlist

IN BEHALF OF INDIANA MINERS. A Large Relief Fund Subscribed at

Denver, Sept. 1 .- A special to the News from Lebanon, Ind., says: An immense meeting was held last night Friday, the 3d of September next, as a at the opera house in behalf of the starving coal miners in Indiana. Thomas J. Terhune made a statement of the condition of the miners as he found it while making his investigation as Governor Mount's special com-

missioner. He said: "There are 8,000 families in this state in destitution. Thirty thousand people are literally starving. A few years ago they received \$1.25 per ton; now the average price paid is about 35 cents per ton. A good miner can make \$1 a day and is allowed to work two or three days each week. They are and the prices they pay are left entirely to the mine operators. The miners admit that they cannot live upon the

A large subscription to the relief fund was raised. E. V. Debs left Terra Haute for St. Louis last night to attend the conference called by the national executive board of United Mineworkers. He says there has been a remarkable change in public sentiment on the injunction question: that whereas three years ago there was hardly any dissent from the course of judges who were issuing re-

present scale of wages."

straining orders against the strikers, the preponderance of sentiment now is in opposition. New York, Sept. 1 .- A most uunsual beremony will be performed this evening upon the platform of New Century hall, on Fifth avenue, when Countess the Buddhist faith by Dharmapala, a

M. de Canavaro will be received into priest of the Brahma-Somaj sect. The priest will repeat in his native language the formulas of the oath of Buddha. which will be repeated by the prose-lyte. This will be but the second ceremony of the kind ever performed in this country. Countess de Canavaro is an American woman, about 45 years old, a native of

California, who married a foreigner.

whatever about her family affairs. Thinks Andree Will Return New York, Sept. 1 .- Evelin B. Baldwin, an Arctic explorer of some note, when seen by a reporter in Brooklyn last night, declared his belief that Andree will come back safely from his journey in search of the north pole. Mr. Baldwin has just returned from Europe, where he talked with leading scientists,

Friendship, Me., has a great grandmother but 53 years old.

all of whom share his belief.

Chicago; Sept. 1 .- Maude May wheat in Manitoba will be cut. has begun a campaign which has for its

Mile In 1:59 1-4.

RECORD MADE AT REEDVILLE

Even Faster-Performance Was Witnessed by an Excited Crowd.

Reedville, Mass., Aug. 31 .- The pacing stallion Star Pointer, owned by James A. Murphy, today wiped out the two-minute mark, and ended the controversy which has been going on for years as to the speed qualitites of the light harness horse. Accompanied by a dock, which is intended to be a subrunner, the big bay Tennessee-bred stallion wiped out the mark and had three quarters of a second to spare when e went under the wire. This wonderful performance was witnessed by about is worth \$27 per 1,000, but cannot be 8,000 persons. It was the more wonderful for on Friday Joe Patchen, with Geers behind him, had made a try at the mark made by John B. Gentry last October, and had failed by a second and a half. Because of this, it was not thought that his greatest rival in the race line would get down below the even time mark.

The day was perfect for record-breaking. Not a breath of air was stirring when at 4 o'clock the horse came out with a running horse to make the trial for a world's record. The first two scores were not satisfactory to McCleary and he worked the horse way down below the turn. The second score was even worse than the first, for while at scarcely a two minute-clip he went to a break right under the wire. This made the friends of the horse more than a trifle nervous. The horse was acting as if a little sore and not up to the task. But the third time down there was no hesitancy. McCleary nodded for the word, and off the pacer went.

The first quarter was at a two-minute gait, 30 seconds, and then, as McCleary called on his pacer to move, there was a great cheer, for he was beating two minutes and got to the half in 0:5934. with the second quarter in 0:2934. The third quarter was the fastest of the mile, the distance being covered in

0:291/4 seconds, a 1:57 gait. Around the turn Pointer seemed to waver the smallest fraction of a second. but McCleary had him right almost before one could think, and he straightened out into the stretch, the runner moving up closer. Both pacer and get over for about 30 cents a pound, if runner were asked to step along. Mc. you are willing to wait and contract by Carthy laid the whip on the runner, but McCleary only spoke a word of en-

At the drawgate Pointer was reefed one has to hire another outfit. a little, and, coming stronger from the freight in an almost unbroken stream distance, the great pacing stallion appeared to freshen in the last few from the landing to Lake Lindeman, strides, gathering fresh courage as he neared the wire, and finished like a lion one's entire outfit over at one trip for ling and distilling after two years of Hay—Timothy, \$12@12.50; clover, neared the wire, and finished like a lion one's entire outfit over at one trip for ling and distilling after two years of Hay—Timothy, \$12@12.50; clover, neared the wire, and finished like a lion one's entire outfit over at one trip for ling and distilling after two years of Hay—Timothy, \$12@12.50; clover, neared the wire, and finished like a lion one's entire outfit over at one trip for ling and distilling after two years of Hay—Timothy, \$12@12.50; clover, neared the wire, and finished like a lion one's entire outfit over at one trip for ling and distilling after two years of line and like a lion one's entire outfit over at one trip for ling and distilling after two years of line and line and line and line along the line and line and line and line and line along the line and line in the record-breaking time of 1:59 %.

A mighty shout went up. Men yelled as though possessed. In the grandestand the owner of the horse had his hand wrung until it ached. Over the fences jumped men who knew the horse and driver, or who were carried away with the enthusiasm of the moment.

Hardly had McCleary brought the horse to a standstill before they had him on their shoulders, and he was the Ledger has just been received from borne along the stretch to the judge's the north fork of the McMillan river, stand and there, as the band played Alaska, from George Lemmon, addressed 'Hail to the Chief,' he was introduced to his wife, in South Tacoma, giving to the throng, and then renewed ap- particulars of a fabulously rich strike plause for horse, owner and trainer A fairer mile was never timed. There

agreed with the time announced, while spring, and he says they have struck a on the other side of the stretch, the locality richer than the Klondike. In watches in the grandstand caught it three months they have made a cleanup equally fast or better, not one slower. C. W Marks, also of Chicago, the bucket and a bean can full of nuggets, owner of the greatest rival of Pointer, and although they have no scales, they

remarked: formance."

SWEPT BY A HURRICANE.

Devastated. Denver, Aug. 31.-A special to the

vices from Guaymas state that a hurri- friends can reach there by the middle cane visited the Gulf of California and of October over the Chilcoot pass. Mcthe lower Mexican coast on the 22d Millan river is between 200 and 300 inst., and that information of the dam- miles south of Klondike, and until age done is beginning to arrive at that lately has been an unexplored region. port. At Las Guacmas, near the He expresses fear of scurvy breaking mouth of the Yaqui river, the region out this winter unless they can get some for miles around was inundated, and green vegetables in, but adds that the town swept away. Three lives were nothing would induce him to leave the reported lost and great damage done to diggings until next year, as by that crops. The steamer Carmen is sup- time they are confident of having sevposed to have left Agiabampo for the eral hundred thousand dollars. south just as the hurricane was coming, and fears for her safety are entertained. The storm has prostrated the wires all along the coast, and no particulars can be learned. It is feared that a number of vessels have been lost.

Vancouver, B. C., Aug. 31.-James Hardman, aged 90 years, is dead at Westminster from the effects of a dose of arsenic. The deceased had been ill for a long time. Chief Sewish, a west coast Indian, was drowned at Westminster; by falling out of a canoe while

Smuggling on the Isthmus. New York, Aug. 31 .- A special to the World from Colon says: Cases of goods shipped here from the United States will be opened to prevent the smuggling of tobacco, the protective duty on which is so high that merchants do not openly import it. The authorities have seized several cases marked "lard" which contained to-

Ten reigments in the British army publish each their own newspaper. New Warships for Spain.

Madrid, Aug., 31.-The Spanish government will immediately construct one large irconlad and six cruisers of 6,000 to 7,000 tons to form the nucleus of three squadrons. The government is arranging for a fresh credit, with a view to strengthening the navy.

Nelsonville, O., Aug. 31 .- The destitution among the miners here is very great. Manager Buckley says 1,260 persons, the entire mining population of the town have absolutely nothing to eat, and 100 of these are sick.

THE TRAIL IS OPEN.

Gazette.

Few of Those Gathered at Skaguay Can Now Escape. Seattle, Sept. 1 .- The following let-Star Pointer Paced Exhibition ter was received per steamer Utopia,

which arrived in Seattle today:

Skaguay, Aug. 25.-The jam is broken on the Skaguay trail. A number of outfits have gotten over, and there is a steady stream of moving humanity, mixed up in an almost indescribable mass of horses of all sizes, ages and conditions, mules, steers, milch cows, goats and dogs, also vehicles of every description and kind to be imagined. Three steamers are now unloading on lighters, which convey the freight as near the shore as possible, where it is loaded on wagons or carried above high tide. The Utopia is unloading at the only wharf-a very shaky structure. Two piledrivers are at work on another

stantial one. A new sawmill got up steam for the first time this morning. Rough lumber got half fast enough at any price. The city of tents is not being displaced, but reinforced by a city of "shacks" of all sizes and degrees of finish. Skaguay is the boom town of Alaska. Every man whose heart failed him when he encountered the first hardship has turned townsite boomer. Four weeks ago Skaguay was not known; today there are not less than 3,000 people here, in addition to those on the ships in the harbor. They have surveyed off the townsite, the first comers having first choice. The United States commissioner is issuing some kind of a certificate for a fee of \$5; then the squatter sticks up his tent, shack, or corral, and is ready to "skin" the first tenderfoot that comes along. Transfers by quit claim are quite common, and as high as \$200 has been paid for a choice loca-

Skaguay has all the usuai accompani ments of a frontier mining town. Dance halls and scarlet women are plentiful, while roulette, faro, and stud poker and craps find devotees ready to

tempt fickle fortune's smile. There is no danger of a famine here though there may be shortage in certain lines. On all sides, "smiling plenty as if conjured by some enchanter" here abounds. Great piles of hay, grain, flour, bacon, sugar and all the necessaries are in stock apparently enough to last for some time to come. There are not less than 2,000 horses at work on the Skaguay trail, but it is hard to get anyone to contract to deliver you over the summit-at any price-but you can sections. The packers at this end of the trail do not like to contract farther than the first hill, six miles out, then

At Dyea the Indians are moving the should come expecting to get over this other business enterprises that have 11; do oat, \$11; O egen wild hay, \$9@ fall for a less rate, and no one should bring boats. There are boats, set up, knocked down, in sections, and single boards on both trails from the landing to the base of the summit, but not one

has yet been taken over.

Another Rich Strike. Tacoma, Wash., Sept. 1 .- A letter to on this tributary of the McMillan river. He and his partner went there from the Yukon on information from an Inwas not a watch in the stand but what dian, who accompanied them, last of \$55,000. He says they have a lard looked at his watch earnestly and then | believe it will run at least the amount named. They have staked off five "If anything, the mile was faster claims, and he tells his wife to send up rather than slower. It was a 1:59 per- four friends, whom he designated, as factory. Business is improving daily.' quickly as possible, to locate the ad-

joining properties, the law being that one man can locate only one claim. The letter was sent down by the Indian, who takes \$500 or \$600 worth of nuggets to lay in a fresh supply for the winter. Lemmon says he will not be News from Nogales, Ariz., says: Ad- out before next summer, and thinks his

> Flour Pays No Dutys Washington, Sept. 1.-Consul Fowler, at Chee Foo, China, reports to the state department that foreign flour pays no import duty in that country. He says that one-third of the flour imported goes to Canton. About 850,000 pounds of flour from California is sold

that part of China consume corn dred trousers-makers struck today for shorter hours, better pay and abolition

in Chee Foo yearly. The Chinese in

American Manufacturers Excluded. Hamburg, Sept. 1.—The agreement arrived at between the leading American dynamite companies and the Nobel trust has been ratified. Its provisions exclude American manufacturers of dynamite from the South African market.

essi er Wenice, Sept. 1.-A great fire occin'ed today, and it is believed nine men" were burned to death and that their bodies are buried in the debris.

Kansas City, Aug. 31.—A special to the Times from Elmdale, Kan., says: Shortly after midnight, cracksmen literally blew the vault of the Exchange bank to pieces. Citizens surrounded the bank and fired into it. During the excitement the robbers escaped from a rear door, taking with them \$1,800 in money and \$700 worth

A naturalist states that the puffing

PROSPERITY AGAIN

ALL SECTIONS REPORT INCREAS. ING BUSINESS ACTIVITY.

Letters Are Being Received by People in Washington Showing a Satisfactory Condition, and that the Country is Getting Back to Its Normal Condition

Washington, D. C .- Letters received by members of congress, officials of the various departments of the government and newspaper men here indicate the very general return of prosperity to nearly all sections of the country. While all are good reading, it is possible to call attention to but a few, and permission has been given to present extracts from some of the most interesting, especially relating to the advance in farm products and the general improving condition of the farmer. They are as follows:

W. T. Yoe, of Independence, Kan., says: 'There is a general increase in business here. Our wheat crop is 1,-000,000 bushels in this county, and the price is 30 per cent above a year ago.

L. P. Bisell, Charlotte, Mich., says: 'Farmers have harvested excellent crops of wheat and hay, with fair prospects on other cereals. The greater part of the depression here was due to poor prices on agricultural poducts, and as fair returns in both quantity and quality and in price are now assured, we have reason to hope that better times are on the verge of the wall surround-

W. H. Goetzinger, Elbow Lake, Minn., says: "There is a marked and substantial evidence of return to better | The latter will soon be one of the most gies and windmills than ever before. Merchants carry larger stocks, tramps are fewer in number, and in general a better feeling prevails."

F. E. Adams, Mansfield, Mo., says: 'The most noticeable improvement here is in price and demand for sheep. For this stock the price has almost doubled and the demand at the higher price trebled, which means prosperity for many farmers. The demand for horses and mules has been good and the price higher than for several years. Price of wheat here has almost doubled, benefiting many of our farmers. From the statements of our county banks, the deposits of many of them have doubled, showing that there is more money in the country than ever before. Cattle are high and farmers have sold more cattle, sheep, horses and mules than ever before in the history of the country. It looks to me as though a renewal of activity has certainly come or is about

to come to our country." J. A. Doty, Southwest City, Mo., says: "Two industries here, flour mill- middlings, been under a strain to keep going have 10 per ton. taken on new life and are employing additional help. There is a marked improvement not only in this place but

in surrounding towns and country." Allen C. Bragg, editor and general manager of the Gazette Publishing Co., Reno, Nev., says: "The outlook is encouraging here and a better feeling is undoubtedly about in the state. The livestock interest, beef and mutton, are looking up, wool is 3 and 4 cents a pound higher, gold mining has taken on new life and much prospecting is being done with a degree of success that is encouraging. Take it all in all the indications are excellent for a revival of business. Nevada is not a manufacturing state, but I regard the outlook for livestock and mining as brighter than it has been in the past ten years."

J. Dawson, Eutaw, Ala., says: 'Our town has just completed electric 4½c; spring lambs, 5½ per pound. lights, and water works and the great talk now is the building of a cotton

J. W. Baker, Columbia City, Ind. says: "Farmers have gathered a fairly good wheat crop, a bountiful hay crop and a good oat crop, which indicated renewed prospertiy for them. A new factory has just been erected here with a capacity of 300 employes and a large new lumber company has just started. orick, 20c; ranch, 10@12c. Our idle men are now generally employed, some at increased wages, some at prices formely paid."

W. A. Smith, of the Decatur County Abstract Company, Oberlin, Kan., says: "I have lived in Northwest Kansas for over 18 years and we are now in a more prosperous_condition than we have been at any time during that period. We have had boom times wherein business was greater and more people were engaged, but like most booms the bottom dropped out. We are now on a solid basis. There are more farmers working on their own capital in this county than ever before to my knowledge. Our wheat crop has been very fine and the corn will undoubtedly be as heavy a yield as we have ever had. Alfalfa culture is being introduced; also the Campbell method of cultivation with good effect. The machinery for a full creamery has been ordered and will be in full operation by September. Since January, Oberlin has shipped 42 carloads of cattle and 122 of hogs. Many mortgages will be paid."

It is a great thing for this country, now that there is an existing standard of value, that while we have an abundance of silver, \$521,000,000, in the treasury, we have so limited it that it we have the use of both money metals without fear of the depreciation of

People who were favorably impressed with the "wheat and silver" theory last year are now wondering how they could have been so easily fooled.

The people are utilizing the first fruits of McKinley prosperity in paying off Cleveland mortgages. Wise people

The horrible plot of the sound-money men to ruin the country by putting up the prices of farm products still goes on.

The most encouraging feature of the report showing the return of business activity is that they come from small as well as large places. When every community finds itself busily emNO. 25.

WEEKLY MARKET LETTER.

Downing, Hopkins & Company's Review of Trade.

An inquiry into European crop con

ditions conducted by the Orange-Judd syndicate of agricultural papers, including the American Agriculturist, of New York, the Orange-Judd Farmer, of Chicago, and the New England Homestead. of Springfield, Mass., indicates that the food crop situation abroad is very grave. Estimates of Europe's (including England) need of wheat imports range all the way from 300,000,000 to 400,-000,000 bushels. Europe's wheat crop for 1895, 1894 and 1893 averaged 1,-500,000,000 bushels. In 1891 the famine year, it was only 1,200,000. The impression is gaining ground that Europe's wheat this year is even less than in 1891. But this is not the worst of it. Europe usually produces as much rye as she does wheat. It is the bread grain of the masses. The rye crop of the principal European countries has averaged above 1,300,000,000 annually for 1896, 1895, 1894 and 1893. This season the rye crop of these countries cannot much exceed 875,000,000 bush-

els. Quite as bad is the potato prospect. Only about 1,850,000,000 bushels of potatoes will be harvested in these countries this year. Without regard to the United Kingdom or other European countries, there is a shortage me million bushels of potatoes. The European shortage, compared with the average, follows: Total 1.635.000.000 The Hungarian department of agriculture says: "The favored countries are the United States and Canada.

times. Farmers have done more build- important of the exporting countries, its ing this spring than for a number of excess over last year's production being years past, and have bought more bug- 70,000,000 bushels of wheat, and 20,-000.000 of corn. Its output of all sorts of grain was 270,000,000 bushels. The yield of wheat in Great Britain this season is 50,000,000 bushels against 63,000,000 last year. The wheat area of British India is reduced from . 23,-000,000 acres to 18,000,000, and the wheat yield from 234,000,000 bushels to 202,000,000 bushels. The United States, which has re-

duced its area sown in oats by 2,000,-000 acres, that for corn by 1,000,000 acres, while that in other grain remains unchanged, will nevertheless dispose of 534,000,000 bushels of wheat. against 434,000,000 bushels last year. Portland Markets. Wheat-Walla Walla, 80@82c; Val-

ey and Bluestem, 84@85c per bushel. Flour-Best grades, \$4.50; graham, \$3.85; superfine, \$2.50 per barrel. Oats-Choice white, 35@36c; choice gray, 34c per bushel. Barley-Feed barley, \$18; brew-

ing, \$18@19 per ton. Millstuffs-Bran, \$14

Eggs-12 1/2 per dozen. Butter-Fancy creamery, 45@50c; fair to good, 35@40c; dairy, 25@30c per Cheese - Oregon, 111/2c; Young

Poultry-Chickens, mixed, \$3.50@ 3.75 per dozen; broilers, \$1.50@2.50; geese, \$3@4; ducks, \$3@3.50 per dozen; turkeys, live, 10@11c per pound. Potatoes.-O.egon Burbanks, 35@

America, 121/2c; California, 9@10c per

pound.

40c per sack; new potatoes, 50c per sack; sweets, \$1.75 per cental. Onions-California, new, red. \$1.25; vellow, \$1.50 per cental. Hops-10@11%c per pound for nev

crop; 1896 crop, 4@6c. Wool-Valley, 14@15c per pound; Eastern Oregon, 10@12c; mohair, 20c per pound. Mutton-Gross, best sheep, wethers and ewes, 21/4@21/2c; dressed mutton,

Hogs—Gross, choice heavy, \$4.50; light and feeders, \$3@4; dressed, \$3@ 4.25 per 100 pounds. Beef-Gross, top steers, \$2.75@3; cows \$2.25; dressed beef, 4@51/2c per

pound. Veal-Large, 3@3%c; small, 4% per pound. Seattle Markets.

Butter-Fancy native creamery,

Cheese- Native Washington, 10@ 1c; California, 91/c. Eggs-Fresh ranch, 19@20c. Poultry-Chickens, live, per pound,

hens, 10@11c; spring chickens, \$2 @3.50: ducks, \$2.50@3.75. Wheat-Feed wheat, \$30 per ton. Oats-Choice, per ton, \$23. Corn-Whole, \$22; cracked, per ton,

\$22; feed meal, \$22 per ton. Barley-Rolled or ground, per ton \$23; whole, \$22. Fresh Meats-Choice dressed beef, steers, 6c; cows, 5 1/2c; mutton sheep, 6c; pork, 7c; veal, small, 6. Fresh Fish-Halibut, 41/4c; salmon 4@5c; salmon trout, 7@10c; flounders and sole, 3@4; ling cod, 4@5; rock

cod, 5c; smelt, 21/2 @4c. San Francisco Markets. Wool-Choice foothill, 9@12c; San Joaquin, 6 months' 8@10c; do year's staple, 7@9c; mountain, 11@13c; Ore-

gon, 10@13c per pound. Hops—5@10c per pound.
Millstuffs — Middlings, \$19@22; California bran, \$14@14.50 per ton. Onions-New red, 70@80c; do new

silverskin, \$1@1.10 per cental. Potatoes-New, in boxes, 40@60c. Fresh fruit-Apples, 40@65c per large box; apricots, 20@40c; Fontainbleau grapes, 20@35c; muscats, 40@ 50c; black, 30@50c; tokay, 40@50c; peaches, 25@60c; pears, 40@50 per

box; plums, 20@40c; crab apples, 15@ \$11@14; oat, \$10@12; river barley,

8.50@10 clover, \$7.50@9.50. Cheese-Fancy mild, new, 8c; fair to good, 71/6c per pound. Butter—Fancy creamery, 221/6c; do seconds, 21@22c; fancy dairy, 20c;

Eggs-Store, 15@18c; ranch, 20@ Citrus fruit — Oranges, Valencias, \$3@3.00; Mexican limes, \$5@6; Cali-

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good to choice, 18@20c per pound.

fornia lemons, fancy, \$8; do common, \$1@2 per box.

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