

RATES ARE TOO LOW

Texas Cattle Raisers Association Have a Kick Coming.

DISSATISFIED WITH INQUIRY

Unjust Discrimination Between Railroads and Cattle Growers in the Interest of the Chicago Beef Trust is Injurious to Cattlemen.

Fort Worth, Tex., May 15.—Sam H. Cowan of Fort Worth, general attorney for the Texas cattle raisers' association and general attorney of the newly organized national live stock growers' association, gives out a reply to A. C. Bird, traffic manager of the Gould lines, who was before the senate committee on interstate commerce Saturday.

He says in part: "His statement that what I had said in arguments before the senate and house committees were based partly, if not altogether, upon the allegations in the cattle case, is not the truth as is shown by the committee reports. They were based partly upon the facts developed by the testimony in the case where I reported the interstate commerce commission their investigation of the advances made in the rates on class goods and commodities to Texas from St. Louis and other eastern and northern points."

Continuing, he says: "He tries to establish that cattle rates are too low by comparing the value of the commodity with the rate; yet he testified in Chicago that no such basis should control when he was trying to sustain a higher rate on cattle for a stock shipper a distance of 350 miles from western Iowa to Chicago, than he gave to the packers for a car of dressed meat worth twice as much in the same train from Omaha, 500 miles."

"The rate on his road from Scott City to St. Louis on cattle, 700 miles, at 32 cents, a fair rate; the rate from Dallas, 635 miles, over his road is 42 1/2 cents. They increased the Texas rate by combination. Kansas cattle are more valuable than Texas cattle, yet the Texas rate is 36 per cent higher, with a destiny of traffic per mile on the line 40 per cent greater than from Texas. His rate from Sheridan Lake, Col., is 23 1/2 cents on cattle to Kansas City, 500 miles; from Fort Worth, 506 miles, 36 1/2 cents; the Colorado cattle are the most valuable. Is our rate just, considering that in five years they have by combination among themselves advanced it 28 1/2 cents? I say no man who so contends is a safe man to make rates for the public."

"If you will see his statement before the house committee you will find he admits to having no basis of making rates."

Further along Mr. Cowan says: "Now, if the Fort Worth car of cattle is worth, as he states, \$168 and a Kansas or Colorado load is worth 33 per cent more, which is the fact, I want him to tell somebody, since he charges 13 per cent of the Fort Worth cattle to haul them, why we are not

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entitled to have it done for the same price as the Kansas man, that is 8 per cent of their value for the same distance. Of course nobody bases rates on the value, and never did; it is merely one circumstance and cuts little ice."

ENTERTAINMENT.

Scandinavians Will Celebrate at Opera House Wednesday.

Fishers' opera house has been engaged for Wednesday evening by the Astoria Norwegian Male choir. A concert will form the evening's entertainment. The choir, consisting of about 32 members, will participate. They expect to attend the Lewis and Clark fair in a body on Norwegian day, which is to be set for a day later in August. Those who have an idea as to the splendid training of this society will appreciate the treat in store for them. Those who want to enjoy a musical evening of unusual merit will not be disappointed if they attend. Aside from the choir other good local and foreign talent will appear. Senator Fulton will deliver an address and Astorians always appreciate his orations. Miss Elsie Larsen, the Portland violinist, will take part. The program is printed on another page of this paper.

JOHN HAAS WANTED.

Letter From Rainy River Explains the Matter.

The following letter was received at this office yesterday:

Rainy River, May 12.
Editor Morning Astorian:
I am in request to find the whereabouts of my father, John Haas. I have not seen or heard from him for five years. His occupation is fishing. If you can give me any information kindly let me know in regard to him. Very respectfully,

WILLIAM HAAS.

RIOT IN CHICAGO

Policemen Unable to Cope With Chicago Strike Sympathizers.

OVER TWENTY WERE INJURED

Cowardly Attacks Upon Innocent Women and Children and the Wreck of a Car Gave Thugs and Rioters Opportunity to Commit Depredation.

Chicago, May 15.—Responding to a riot call from Policemen who were unable to cope with a mob of strike sympathizers last night, a patrol wagon hurrying at full speed to the scene, collided with a crowded street car, seriously injuring nine persons and bruising a dozen others.

Regardless of the victims of the wreck, the assailants of a detective and non-union workman, whose actions had caused the appeal for police protection, continued their attacks until calls brought a score of policemen, who were compelled to fight their way through the mob attracted by the wreck and riot. The police used their clubs freely and arrested 15 men who were seen throwing stones or threatening the non-union men.

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William E. Strong Dead.
New York, May 15.—William E. Strong, a well known banker and broker, is dead at his home here from pneumonia. He was born in Chillicothe, O., in 1836 and became a member of the New York stock exchange in 1865.

Terrific Race With Death.

"Death was fast approaching," writes Ralph F. Fernandez of Tampa, Fla., describing his fearful race with death, "as a result of liver trouble and heart disease, which had robbed me of sleep and of all interest in life. I had tried many different doctors and several medicines, but got no benefit, until I began to use Electric Bitters. So wonderful was their effect, that in three days I felt like a new man, and today I am cured of all my troubles." Guaranteed at Chas. Rogers' drug store; price 50c.

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DESTROYED BY FIRE

Bark Martha Davis Burned at Honolulu Saturday Night.

CARGO MOSTLY REMOVED

She Carried a General Cargo of Merchandise for Honolulu Merchants and Plantation Owners, the Latter Cargo Being Burned With the Ship.

Honolulu, May 15.—The bark Martha Davis caught fire in Hilo harbor last Saturday night and was totally destroyed. The local fire department was called out but the vessel was too far gone to be saved. The portion of the cargo with which she was loaded had been discharged and was for Honolulu merchants, but the cargo intended for some of the island plantations was lost it being in the bottom of the ship and impossible to get it out. The origin of the fire is unknown.

The Martha Davis was 780 tons net and was built in Boston in 1873. The owners are Welch & Co. of San Francisco. She carried a cargo of general merchandise.

NO FRESHET THIS YEAR.

Very Little Snow in the Mountains—Smallest in Years.

By reason of the fact that everything indicates a spring freshet below the normal, it is believed that work on the canal between The Dalles and Celilo may be commenced earlier than would be the case under ordinary conditions. Latest reports show that the mountain snows, the origin of the spring freshets, have been unusually light this winter, the snowfall in many sections of the Blue mountains being the smallest in many years, while in the Cascades there has been but half the fall of the preceding winter. Under these conditions the river, with an average rise of from 22 to 25 feet each summer, will hardly go up to the 15-foot mark.

SHIPPING NEWS.

The barkentine Amazon, now in the harbor, will go to sea today.

The schooner Gerald C leaves out for Siletz today with a cargo of general merchandise.

The schooner Della departed out yesterday for Nustucca with a cargo of general merchandise.

The steamer Redondo arrived yesterday with a full cargo of freight, a good list of passengers from San Francisco. She expects to leave out on the return trip Saturday.

The steamer Toledo is scheduled to sail for Grays Harbor this morning.

Official Forecaster Beals leaves down for the mouth of the river this morning at 4 o'clock on the tender Manzanita to repair the government cable. Cable expert McLain arrived down last night from Portland and will do the splicing.

The steamer Alliance is due from Eureka and Coos Bay today.

The British steamship Rapello is due here from Moji Saturday. She will load lumber at the up river mills for Calcutta.

Steamer Hassalo has been converted into an oil-burner, and is now on the Astoria-Portland run in place of the T. J. Potter.

Lord Wolsey, a four-masted iron bark that has been lying idle at Equimalt for two years, will be converted into a five-masted barkentine at a cost of about \$20,000. She has been taken to West Seattle. Hereafter she will carry lumber, and her capacity will be 2,400,000 feet.

The barkentine Portland is expected down the river tonight and will probably go to sea tomorrow. She carries 575,000 feet of lumber and her destination is San Pedro.

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Mrs. I. B. Jones, Addington, Ind. T., writes: "My little girl had been suffering for two years from eczema, and during that time I could not get a night's sleep, as her ailment was very severe. I had tried so many remedies and spent so much money, deriving no benefit, I had given up all hope of making any cure. As a last resort I was persuaded to try Cuticura, and to my great delight a marked change was manifested from the first application. I gave the child a bath with Cuticura Soap, using a soft piece of muslin cloth. This I did twice a day, each time following with Cuticura Ointment, and at the same time gave the Resolvent, according to directions. One box of Ointment and two bottles of the Resolvent, together with the Soap, effected a permanent cure. I submit this for publication, hoping it will assist other sufferers in curing themselves."

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