

RESUME OF THE WEEK'S DOINGS

General Review of Important Happenings Presented in a Brief and Comprehensive Manner for Busy Readers—National, Political, Historical and Commercial.

Francis J. Hensy is to probe the charges of graft at San Francisco.

An unknown vessel has been wrecked near Cape Henry, on the Virginia coast.

A 62-mile gale has swept Charleston, S. C., but practically no damage has been reported.

The Department of Agriculture has adopted rules for the enforcement of the pure food laws.

Herbert G. Squiers, of New York, has been appointed to succeed Magoon as minister at Panama.

A man caught in the act of highway robbery at San Francisco has been given 10 years in the penitentiary.

The Countess of Carlisle, president of the British W. C. T. U., has been elected head of the world's association.

San Francisco police have captured five men suspected of having a knowledge of the recent robbery of the Japanese bank.

A gigantic wheat corner is planned by farmers who will meet at Topeka for the purpose of forming an organization to control the market.

Prominent Curans in New York are planning a conference between the warring factions with the idea of heading off the growing sentiment for annexation.

The provincial governors of the Philippines have petitioned the commission for home rule.

Roosevelt is said to be working to secure Platt's place in the senate when his term as president expires.

Attorney General Moody will fight the railroads in their effort to break down the employers liability law.

The Ute Indians in Wyoming, on learning troops have been sent after them, have broke camp and headed for Montana.

By the verdict of the jury in the Standard Oil case at Findlay, Ohio, that company is liable to a fine of from \$50 to \$5,000.

Russia is in terror lest worse reactionary outrages than the country has yet known follow the congress of "Black Hundred" organization at Kiev.

A grand jury at San Francisco in its report finds that the police of the bay city have been lacking in discipline and recommends that a new chief be appointed.

The New York Central railroad has been fined \$102,000 for granting rebates to the sugar trust and F. L. Pomerooy, traffic manager, must pay \$6,000. An appeal has been taken.

Taft has reported in person to the president on Cuban affairs.

The sunken French submarine has been located and all on board are dead.

The gunners of the battleship Maine have broken all previous records in target practice.

The president will soon appoint a vice governor of the Philippines and a supreme judge.

Owing to the failure of the potato crop a famine is threatened in West Ireland this winter.

Republicans claim Hughes is gaining over Hearst in the New York gubernatorial fight.

Chief Wilkie, of the United States secret service, is investigating the alleged shortage at the sub-treasury in St. Louis.

British stockholders of companies whose money is invested in Cuba feel safe now that the United States has taken charge there.

In the tests of the British battleship Dreadnaught all eight of her 10 and 12-inch guns were fired at once with out damage to the vessel.

William Scully, the greatest land owner in America, is dead. His fortune is estimated at about \$50,000,000, including 200,000 acres of land in Illinois, Kansas and Nebraska.

Richard Croker, former leader of Tammany hall, New York, will soon visit his old home.

Should Hughes be elected governor of New York, he may use the office as a stepping stone to the presidency.

The president of the Chicago elevator trust has admitted grain men only technically obey the spirit of the law.

Russia is preparing for another general strike.

Wholesale dealers in diamonds have announced an advance in prices of 20 per cent.

In the trial of the Standard Oil for conspiracy at Findlay, Ohio, one of the company's lawyers declared the corporation to be the only good trust in existence.

Cuban rebels have petitioned for the retention of Commander Colwell in Havana, as he is liked by all and a good officer. Colwell is commander of the U. S. cruiser Denver.

GREAT COLD IN WYOMING.

Snow Falls, in Some Sections Accompanied by High Winds

Cheyenne, Wyo., Oct. 23.—The worst storm known in years for the season now prevails over Wyoming. It is accompanied by heavy snowfall, and in some sections very high winds. The Union Pacific has snow plows out on the entire line between here and Ogden. West of Green River, Wyoming, the line is blockaded, and all communication shut off. All wires are down. A dispatch from Green River says the highest wind known in 25 years is now blowing, with the temperature 10 degrees above zero, and snow falling. One flagman near Granger was found dead and another man was found on the track unconscious and badly frozen.

One building at Green River was demolished by the wind. The news from Northern and Central Wyoming reports practically the same conditions. Stockmen are apprehensive of great losses, as the storm came upon them unprepared. The storm is slightly abating here.

PACKERS MAKING MONEY.

Talk of Sale to English Syndicate is Not Credited.

Washington, Oct. 23.—The Agricultural department officials are very much interested in the report from Chicago that the big packing houses are contemplating a gigantic company, to be financed by English capital. They do not look for the carrying out of any such project. For years the packing companies have been straining every nerve to create the impression that they are acting independently of each other.

Officials here declare that notwithstanding the rigorous beef inspection measures now being enforced, the packing houses are being operated with a big profit. They cannot see wherein there would be any serious disadvantage for the packers as the outcome of such a deal, for foreign corporations would be absolutely at the mercy of the respective states.

CHULO VOLCANO BELCHES.

Volume of Sulphur Water Swamps a Salvador Town,

San Salvador, Oct. 23.—Telegraphic communication with interior points has been restored, and news of the disaster wrought by the terrific storm which has swept over the country is being received. Over 100 persons were drowned in Cotepeque. A vast quantity of sulphur water was thrown out of the Chulo volcano, and inundated the town of Panchinaloo, killing most of the inhabitants.

From other points also reports of terrific devastation are coming in. Piminto and other towns are reported to have been swept away by the floods.

The schooner Azelene, with a number of passengers on board, has been lost between Corinto, Nicaragua and Amapala, Honduras. Everybody on board was drowned.

The floods have disinterred a number of corpses from cemeteries and are carrying them down the streams. It is reported that the railroads in Honduras have suffered serious damage.

BUOY MESSAGES FOUND.

Set Adrift by Baldwin-Zeigler Polar Expedition in 1901.

Buffalo, N. Y., Oct. 23.—Two buoy messages, set adrift from Franz Josef land by the Baldwin Zeigler polar expedition in 1901, have been found and forwarded to Evelyn B. Baldwin, the founder of the expedition, who is living in this city. The messages were picked up on July 10, 1906, on Moffet island, by Captain Streneson, of the Arctic whaler Gottfried, and forwarded to the United States State department. They were mailed to Mr. Baldwin from Washington and delivered to him today.

The messages are typewritten on film paper, and show the effects of their journey in the Arctic sea. The messages were an appeal for coal, the lack of which forced the expedition to turn back.

Alaska Mining Industry.

Washington, Oct. 23.—No romance is keener than the story of mining industry in Alaska during the last decade. It is estimated roughly by the increase in the value of its annual output from \$24,000,000 in 1895 to more than \$15,000,000 in 1905. The gold production of 1905, according to reports of the United States Geological survey, increased by 60 per cent over 1904. An important fact in the advancement of Alaska's mineral industry during the last decade, says the report, is the great reduction in mining companies.

Governor Called to Account.

Mexico City, Oct. 23.—A sensation was caused today by the announcement that documents have been presented to congress accusing Rafael Isabel, governor of the state of Sonora, of being responsible for the violation of territorial rights. The accusation refers to the entrance on Mexican soil of Arizona rangers, alleged to have been in the governor's convoy at the time of the Cananea riots. The exact terms of the document are not as yet known.

Clemenceau Is Summoned.

Paris, Oct. 23.—As was expected, M. Clemenceau, minister of the interior, was summoned to the palace today and entrusted with the task of forming a new ministry. It will take him four days to choose his ministers and another four or five days for the new ministry to agree on a program.

NEWS ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST FROM THE STATE OF OREGON

OREGON FIR FOR PULLMANS.

Millions of Feet Used Every Year for Palace Cars.

Portland—In 18 months Portland has furnished between 40,000,000 and 50,000,000 feet of fir lumber for use in the construction of cars at the shops of the Pullman Car company, located at Pullman, Ill. In the purchase of this material, the company has expended close to \$1,500,000.

These figures are vouched for by Albert Jones, purchasing agent of the Pullman company, who was sent to the West 18 months ago to buy lumber. The first is used exclusively for siding on boxcars, and besides the lumber bought here, more is continually being contracted for in other sections. Some of the material is dressed, such as flooring, siding and the like, while more has been shipped rough.

There is no prospective cessation of the buying so far as the pine is concerned, and while yellow pine is also largely used, that is not being drawn from this locality. In the construction of sleeping and passenger cars only hard woods are utilized, particularly for finishing the interior. Some material is often left in dry kilns four or five months, subject to slow heat and the air drying process, in order that when fitted in cars it is perfectly seasoned.

Prices of Cattle Advancing.

La Grande—Peter O'Sullivan, who has just returned from a visit to Walla walla county, says that one of the chief causes for the prevailing prosperity in all sections of that country is the increase in the price of cattle. Representatives of the Pacific Meat company are making large purchases, and Walla Walla buyers are looking for feeders. The range leasing plan has proved very satisfactory, and the forming of separate boundaries for cattle and sheep has resulted to the advantage of the cattle, which come from the range in fine condition.

Apples at the Fruit Fair.

Hood River—The exhibit of apples grown by A. I. Mason, which took the sweepstakes and several other prizes at the Hood River Fruit fair consisted of three boxes taken from 9-year-old trees, planted 63 to the acre. The trees averaged five and a half boxes, and altogether he took 1,141 boxes from his orchard. In the entire yield there were only 64 wormy apples during the season and the trees were sprayed six times with arsenate of lead. In the whole yield there were only 54 boxes that went smaller than four tiers to the box.

Wants Passenger Bridge.

Oregon City—For the accommodation of the people of Oswego, the Clackamas county court will be asked to negotiate with the Southern Pacific company to the end that the county may construct an upper deck on the company's railroad bridge to be constructed across the Willamette river at Oswego. The plan of the Oswego people who will petition the county court for this action is to secure for themselves a means of crossing the Willamette river and more direct communication with this city.

Institute Arouses Interest.

Myrtle Point—The Farmers' institute and fair, which has just closed, proved a great success. The display of agricultural products convinced all visitors of the agricultural possibilities of the region about Myrtle Point. Dr. Withycombe of the Oregon Agricultural college gave an illustrated lecture on the treatment of the dairy cow. As this is a dairying region, this lecture was well attended and the farmers got many beneficial ideas from the doctor's remarks.

Teachers Are Scarce.

Baker City—Teachers are frightfully scarce in Baker county. The county superintendent offering high wages and good positions to the pedagogues of the county, but cannot get enough school ma'ams to fill the positions. As the result the teachers have had an increase in wages from \$35, the average last year, to \$50, which is this year's average. Teachers getting \$60 and over are common rather than teachers with salaries of \$40 or less.

Land Withdrawn From Entry.

The Dalles—The local land office is in receipt of a telegram from the commissioner of the general land office withdrawing from filing or entry, under the coal land laws, all the public lands embraced in the following townships: Townships 6 south, ranges 24, 25 and 26, E. W. D.; townships 7 south, ranges 24, 25 and 26, E. W. D.; townships 8 south, ranges 25, 26, E. W. D.

Much Grain Accumulated.

La Grande—Homer Littleton, foreman of the Chas. Playle warehouse at Alicel, reports that a large quantity of grain has accumulated, owing to the embargo placed against railroad shipments of wheat from the interior points to Portland, on account of the grain-handlers' strike, but that shipments will now be resumed.

Crook County Horses for Alberta.

Pendleton—Thirteen carloads of range horses were shipped from this city to Alberta last week. They are owned by M. R. Cowell, and were taken from the range in Crook county. The shipment was consigned to Shelby Junction, Mont., but the horses are designed for the Alberta market.

ROCK CREEK'S FINE FRUIT.

Growers Busy Picking Large Crop of Apples and Pears.

Rock Creek—The ranchers along Rock creek have stepped out of the hay harvest into the fruit harvest, and are picking apples and pears. Fruit men are proud of their orchards and claim that Hood River or any other locality in the Northwest can produce no finer fruit or more abundant yields. Fruit is shipped from this section to many important points in the East, and compares favorably with any of the products in these markets. The leading fruit growers are William Head and A. A. Carothers. The former has an orchard of 10 acres, the latter about 20 acres. Mr. Head has picked and shipped about 300 boxes of apples, peaches and pears to Spokane, Walla Walla and Pendleton and other points east, while some was shipped to Condon and Arlington. He estimates he will have 1,000 boxes of winter apples for shipment. Mr. Carothers has shipped 1,000 boxes of fruit and will ship 1,300 more. These gentlemen get the highest prices for their fruit. Fruit grown on Rock creek captured first prize and gold medal at the Omaha exposition a few years ago. The exhibit was made by A. A. Carothers, and was a surprise to orchardists, packers and dealers.

Hops Are On the Up Grade.

Salem—The hop market at Salem has assumed a very active condition in the last day or two, and now every dealer in the city has orders for hops at a slight advance over figures named a week ago. Krebs Bros. has received an order for 1,000 bales at 15 1/2 cents a pound. All other dealers are offering that price. Krebs bought the Claufield crop of 175 bales at Dallas. Joseph Harris and Catlin & Linn were also buyers on the West side at 12 1/2 cents, while Lachmund & Pincus paid 17 cents for a choice lot bought from a dealer at Dallas.

Modern Pyramid Builders.

Albany—The Modern Pyramid Builders was launched last week when the first lodge or local pyramid of the order was formed in this city. The local pyramid is the first subordinate branch of the order, and was named Pyramid No. 2, the supreme pyramid being Pyramid No. 1. Fred Fortmiller was chosen chief builder; W. Lair Thompson, scribe, and E. D. Cusick, cnetodian. The order starts with about 30 members.

To Establish Big Sawmill.

Albany—A sawmill with a capacity of 20,000 feet per day is to be established six miles south of Brownsville by G. B. and E. H. Dickinson, of this city. A contract with the lessees of the land secured requires that the plant be in operation by January 1.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Club, 64@65c; bluestem, 68@69c; valley, 67c; red, 61@62c. Oats—No. 1 white, \$23.50@24; gray, \$22@22.50. Barley—Feed, \$20.50 per ton; brewing, \$21.50; rolled, \$23. Rye—\$1.35@1.40 per cwt. Corn—Whole, \$26@27; cracked, \$28 per ton. Hay—Valley timothy, No. 1, \$10@11 per ton; Eastern Oregon timothy, \$14@16; clover, \$6.50@7; cheat, \$7@7.50; grain hay, \$7; alfalfa, \$11.50; vetch hay, \$7@7.50.

Fruits—Apples, common to choice, 25@75c per box; choice to fancy, 75c@ \$1.25; grapes, 50c@1.50 per box; Concord, Oregon, 27 1/2c half basket; peaches, 75c@1.15 per box; prunes, 25@50c per box; cranberries, Oregon, \$3@3.5 per box; quinces, \$1@1.25 per box. Vegetables—Beans, 5@7 1/2c; cabbage, 1 1/2@1 3/4c per pound; cauliflower, \$1.25 per dozen; celery, 75c@85c per dozen; corn, 12 1/2c per dozen; cucumbers, 15c per dozen; egg plant, 10c per pound; lettuce, head, 20c per dozen; onions, 10@12 1/2c per dozen; peas, 4@5c; bell peppers, 5c; pumpkins, 1 1/2c per pound; spinach, 4@5c per pound; tomatoes, 30@50c per box; parsley, 10@15c; sprouts, 7 1/2c per pound; squash, 1 1/2c per pound; turnips, 90c@1 per sack; carrots, \$1@1.25 per sack; beets, \$1.25@1.50 per sack. Onions—Oregon, \$1@1.15 per hundred. Potatoes—Oregon Burbanks, delivered, 80@85c; in carlots f. o. b. country, 75@80c; sweet potatoes, 2@2 1/2c per pound. Butter—Fancy creamery, 25@30c per pound. Eggs—Oregon ranch, 31@32 1/2c per dozen. Poultry—Average old hens, 12c per pound; mixed chickens, 11@12c; spring, 12c; old roosters, 9@10c; dressed chickens, 14@15 1/2c; turkeys, live, 16@21c; turkeys, dressed, choice, 20@22c; geese, live, 9@10c; ducks, 14@15c. Veal—Dressed, 5 1/2@8c per pound. Beef—Dressed bulls, 2@2 1/2c per pound; cows, 4@5c; country steers, 5@5 1/2c. Mutton—Dressed, fancy, 7c per pound; ordinary, 5@6c; lambs, fancy, 8c. Pork—Dressed, 6@8c per pound. Hops—1905, 14@16c per pound; 1905, nominal; 1904, nominal. Wool—Eastern Oregon average best, 13@18c per pound, according to shrinkage; valley, 20@21c, according to fineness; mohair, choice, 26@28c.

SALT LAKE WIND SWEEP.

Buildings Razed and Packing Plant Destroyed by Fire.

Salt Lake City, Oct. 22.—For 24 hours this city and vicinity was swept by a wind storm of unparalleled severity. In addition to three serious accidents to persons, property has been devastated over a wide area, a fire fanned by the wind has obliterated the new plant of the Utah Packing company, and a monetary loss of approximately \$250,000 is entailed.

During the full period of the storm trains have arrived irregularly or not at all. For much of the time the street car service has been at a standstill, and the electric lighting plants are out of commission. The burning of the Utah packing plant, north of the city, is the most serious single loss. The building had just been completed at a cost of \$100,000, and was to have been put into use in a few days. The project was inaugurated by Western cattlemen and was in opposition to the large packing houses in the East. The cause of the fire has not been ascertained. Only a small fraction of the loss is covered by insurance.

Ruined buildings, fallen chimneys, broken windows, loosened signs and toppled trees throughout this and adjoining towns are the most common souvenirs of the storm and aggregate an immense loss. The wind attained a maximum velocity of 52 miles an hour. For hours it maintained an average speed of 38 miles an hour. The local weather bureau has been handicapped, but expresses the opinion that the storm is local and with little effect north of Ogden or south of Provo.

LOSS WAS HEAVY.

Cuban Hurricane Crosses the Island, Leaving Death in Trail.

Havana, Oct. 22.—More complete reports have been received by Governor Magoon and show that the recent hurricane, which swept across Cuba, has caused greater damage than was at first supposed. Scores of lives are now known to have been lost as the result of the storm.

The worst reports come from the Batabano, on the south coast of Cuba, the point where the cyclone first struck the island. Forty fishing schooners are now known to have been lost. Many corpses have been picked up floating in the bay, and it is believed the dead at this point alone will reach nearly 100. The majority of the victims are Spanish fishermen. Wreckage from the vessels which were destroyed litter the shores for miles. It is believed that several small schooners were swept out to sea and lost, their crews perishing.

The town itself suffered severely. Nine bodies have been removed so far from the ruins. On every hand are to be seen evidences of the storm's fury. Houses were blown down, trees were uprooted, and devastation has been wrought generally. A conservative estimate of the damage in that city is \$600,000. The greatest damage was caused in the lower portion of the city. The upper section away from the shore escaped almost miraculously. The wharves were badly damaged, in many cases completely wrecked.

More Delay for Hermann.

Washington, Oct. 22.—Representative Binger Hermann will not be placed on trial in this city in the indictment charging destruction of 35 official letterpress copybooks until sometime after the Christmas holidays. No definite arrangement for the trial has been made, but the court's docket is now so filled that it will be impossible to hear the case within the next three months. Since the case was last postponed at the time Mr. Hensy was called to San Francisco nothing has been heard from Hermann and his whereabouts are unknown to the court. No anxiety is felt on this score however.

Combine Packing Houses.

Chicago, Oct. 22.—Rumors that an English holding company is being organized to take over all the packing interests of the United States flew thick and fast in LaSalle street today. The capital of the concern is said to be close to \$500,000,000, and J. Ogden Armour is mentioned as the practical chief. While nobody in a position to give the facts would say anything one way or the other on the subject, certain things that have recently transpired in the street are called significant by students of similar financial proceedings.

Black Hundred Attacks Stolypin.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 22.—The strained relations between Premier Stolypin and the Reactionary league is evidenced by the publication of the first attack directly upon the premier. The Banner, the Black Hundred organ, publishes revelations concerning the negotiations entered into a month ago when the premier gave certain assurances to a big delegation from at least 100 branches. The Banner charges the premier with having broken faith.

Soldiers Go In Pursuit.

Sheridan, Wyo., Oct. 22.—Ten troops of the Tenth cavalry left Fort Robinson, Neb., at noon today from Gillette, Wyo., to round up the band of marauding Ute Indians from the White Rock agency, Utah. The commanding officer is said to have instructions from the War department to take the Indians dead or alive.

Snowstorm in South Dakota.

Sioux City, Iowa, Oct. 22.—Dispatches received at the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul office in this city today that a heavy snow storm with gusty winds prevailed all night on the Rapid City extension of that road in South Dakota. The snow is drifting and snowblows have been ordered to Chamberlain and Presho.

LOSS REACHES INTO MILLIONS

Hundreds of Lives Lost in Tropical Hurricane on the Gulf.

Florida, Cuba, Central America and Venezuela Are Swept by Storm—Cuban Loss Alone Estimated at \$2,000,000—Shipping Receives Serious Blow.

Miami, Fla., Oct. 20.—The steamer St. Lucie, Captain Bravo commanding, has sunk off the Florida coast. One steamer arrived in port tonight bringing 60 injured, who were taken to the hospital, and it is said 28 dead bodies will be brought up tomorrow.

Captain Bravo says that he anchored on the lee side of Elliott's Key, 25 miles south of Miami, yesterday morning and soon afterward a tidal wave engulfed the entire island.

He says there were 250 residents on the island, all of whom were lost. The St. Lucie was crushed by the same wave and of the 100 passengers on board 25 were killed. Captain Bravo was seriously injured.

A large containing 100 people is said to have been torn away from its moorings at Elliott Key and afterwards picked up near the Bahama islands, 50 of her passengers having been drowned.

Havana, Oct. 20.—A cyclone of unprecedented severity, accompanied by a terrific downpour of rain, swept over the provinces of Havana and Pinar del Rio Wednesday night and resulted in 20 deaths in this city and the serious injury of a dozen or more persons. The damage is estimated at fully \$2,000,000. The dead are all Cubans of the poorer class.

San Juan, Porto Rico, Oct. 20.—The Red Star Line steamer Philadelphia, from La Guayra, Venezuela, for New York, arrived here today. Her captain reports that a Dutch steamer was lost in the cyclone at a point between Caracas and La Guayra.

Twenty miles of the railroad connecting La Guayra with Caracas have been totally destroyed by the storm, according to officers and passengers of the Philadelphia.

San Salvador, Oct. 20.—A tempest has raged incessantly for ten days throughout the republic, flooding the rich valleys, principally that of Majada, and resulting in great loss of life and the destruction of cattle and crops.

The topography of various departments has been changed, buildings have fallen, burying their tenants in the ruins, and the iron bridges over the principal rivers have been carried away. The rivers are bringing down the bodies of persons drowned in the storm and the carcasses of cattle, and the sight of these tends to increase the terror of the people.

Guatemala and Honduras also have suffered greatly. It is said the losses there will amount to many millions of dollars.

GRAIN TRAFFIC BLOCKED.

Shippers May Appeal to Interstate Board Against Railroads.

New York, Oct. 20.—There has for some time been active complaint by the New York grain trade at the railroad delay in bringing wheat and corn to this port.

The complaints have become so general, says the Journal of Commerce, today, that the railroads have finally decided that until they can secure possession of equipment they will not receive any more grain. This refusal is absolute and applies to new as well as old business.

The grain trade is greatly excited over the decision, and a joint meeting of the Produce Exchange grain committee with the committee on trade and transportation was held today with the steamship interests to devise ways and means, take legal advice, and if necessary make formal appeal to the Interstate Commerce commission against the action of the roads.

Blaze in Freight Sheds.

San Francisco, Oct. 20.—Fire broke out last night in the freight sheds of the Southern Pacific on Berry street, between Fifth and Sixth, and made rapid progress on account of the inflammable material in its path. Some alarm was felt throughout the city on account of the quickly spreading action of the flames, but the reorganized fire department proved itself equal to the emergency and surrounding property was protected. The water supply was ample and in good order. Alongside of the sheds 50 freight cars were consumed.

Lays Claim to No-Man's-Land.

Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 20.—Attorney General Herbert S. Hadley, of Missouri, has decided to institute proceedings in the United States Supreme court to establish title to Island Park, in the Missouri river, between Clay county, Mo., and Wyandotte county, Kan. Island Park comprises nearly a section of land in the Missouri river. Prizefights and other lawbreaking have taken place without hindrance on the island, it being outside all state jurisdiction.

McKinley Memorial Fund.

Canton, O., Oct. 20.—Secretary Hartzel, of the McKinley National Memorial association, today gave out a statement showing total contributions of \$556,564, to which should be added \$74,062 interest. Of this sum there has been expended \$178,886.