

DOINGS OF THE WEEK

Current Events of Interest Gathered From the World at Large.

General Resume of Important Events Presented in Condensed Form for Our Busy Readers.

Cholera cases in New York are on the increase.

Systematic expulsion of the monks from Portugal is now under way.

A Tacoma policeman had his pockets picked and lost nearly a month's pay.

A German sailor sold a Stradivarius violin to a Tacoma pawn broker for \$1. It is now held at \$2,500.

Richard Diener, a gardener near San Francisco, has developed a geranium bloom six inches in diameter.

Aviator Hoxsey in a Wright biplane, flew from Springfield, Ill., to St. Louis, a distance of 104 miles, making a new American record for a single flight.

Tugs have failed to pull the big tramp steamer Damara off the rocks at the entrance to the Golden Gate, San Francisco, and it is feared the vessel will be a total loss.

An explosion in the coal mine of the Colorado Fuel & Iron company at Starkville has entombed over 50 miners and there is little hope that any will be found alive.

Two convicts at the Santa Ana penitentiary in California at the close of religious services took the jailer and a missionary by surprise, threw them into a cell and escaped, well armed.

Spain refuses to recognize the Portuguese Revolutionists.

A business block in the heart of Chicago sold for \$6,500,000.

Many provinces of Portugal are still loyal to the king and further trouble is likely.

The strike of thousands of bricklayers and kindred workers in the East has been amicably settled.

Six farmers of Eureka Flat, Wash., have pooled their wheat, amounting to 150 carloads, and are holding for a big price.

Judge Hand, of the United States court in New York, declares he will not again let smugglers escape with a fine, but will sentence them to jail.

Indoor gymnasium work has been discontinued at Fort Stevens, Ore., and the soldiers will hereafter take their exercise in the open air, regardless of weather.

Nineteen members of a dinner party given at Pendleton, and also the hotel proprietor, may be indicted under the local option law because wine was served at the feast.

A laborer attempted to cross Snoqualmie river in a row boat, but lost one of his oars and was carried over Snoqualmie falls and dashed to pieces on the rocks 300 feet below.

An educated Chinaman was arrested at San Francisco just as he was drawing a revolver to fire on Prince Tsai Hsun, uncle of the emperor of China, who is visiting in this country.

King Manuel, of Portugal, the Queen Mother, the Dowager Queen and Duke of Oporto, arrived at Gibraltar on the royal yacht Amelie and were soon quartered at the summer residence of the British governor.

Illinois Suffragettes are making substantial gains.

New York clearing house records for the past year broke all records.

The owner of Beverly, Taft's summer home, refuses to renew the lease for another year.

Two men were suffocated and several firemen overcome by smoke in a Portland lodging house fire.

By the collapse of a reviewing stand at the Kansas City carnival, three persons were badly injured and 40 others hurt.

Joseph Nolan, a prominent Illinois editor, was shot and fatally wounded while "playing Indian" with his 8-year-old son.

An electric washing machine at Brigham City, Utah, got short-circuited with a high-tension power wire and two persons were killed and a third shocked into insensibility.

Associate Justice William H. Moody, of the United States Supreme court, has resigned on account of ill health, and Governor Charles E. Hughes, of New York, has been appointed to the place.

The Sultan of Sulu bought a fine phonograph and 100 blank records to take home with him. The experiences of himself and party on their tour will be recorded and repeated to all his people.

Sigmund Frank, president of the Meier & Frank company, of Portland, is dead.

Roseburg, Ore., a prohibition stronghold, has elected five "wet" councilmen and one "dry."

A huge meteor, as bright as a naval searchlight at 50 yards, fell near Johannesburg, South Africa.

Nat C. Goodwin is believed to be an active partner in a big firm of fake mining brokers in New York City.

SOVEREIGNS' FLIGHT PATHETIC

Queen, Mother Bids Sad Farewell to Faithful Followers.

Lisbon—Authentic reports of the flight of the sovereigns show that the Queen mother, Amelie, who was at the palace of Cintra, followed, through telephone communication with the Necessidades palace, the tumultuous course of the revolt. Her anxiety increased until she was informed that King Manuel had left by automobile for Mafra.

Hurriedly getting together a few of her personal effects the Queen mother fled to Mafra and joined her son. In the meantime, according to arrangements made by the revolutionists, Prince Alfonso had embarked on the imperial yacht Amelie of Cascaes. The Amelie sailed for Ericeira, where it arrived a few days later.

Presently automobiles occupied by King Manuel and the Queen mother dashed up to the beach and were escorted by a squadron of cavalry and accompanied by the Queen's ladies of honor, who were dressed in deep black. The Queen and her ladies entered one rowboat, into which fishermen also placed two small trunks. King Manuel, who was wearing a suit of chevrot and green hat, took his place in the second boat. He appeared downcast. As he turned his eyes from the shore he waved his hand and said slowly: "Adieu forever."

A heavy sea was running when the little craft put out and one of the fishermen made bold to suggest that the Queen mother should not lean upon the gunwale, as it was dirty. Amelie replied indifferently: "That is of no consequence." Her last words to the faithful who had gathered on the beach were: "It is an infamy. Au revoir!" The group on shore replied: "We will await your return."

MILLIONS NOT ENOUGH.

Caution Preached in Face of \$20,425,784 Profit.

Chicago—"Unsettled economic conditions" chiefly in regard to the pending ruling of the Interstate commerce commission on the petition of Western railroads for an increase of freight rates, will make it necessary for the directors of the Santa Fe to "proceed with caution" for the remainder of the year, according to the 15th annual report of that road.

Mr. Ripley, the president, precedes this statement however, with the assurance that the property is in excellent condition physically, and has made ample provision for its present financial needs.

The income statement shows that while the total income increased \$12,119,168 since the previous report, yet because of increased expense, the net income was only \$7,794 greater.

The total operating income is given for the year as \$104,993,194.67, the total income from all sources as \$107,543,250.16 and the total operating expenses \$751,33,314.54. Fixed charges amounting to \$11,984,151.36 added to the operating expenses bringing the net income down to \$20,425,784.26.

MANY ENTOMBED IN MINE.

More than Fifty Lives Believed Lost in Colorado Horror.

Starkville, Colo.—At least 52 men are entombed in the Starkville mine of the Colorado Fuel & Iron company, while, in the approaches to the mine, hundreds of their fellows with oxygen helmets, movable rotary fans and picks and shovels are striving simultaneously to open the living tomb and to draw from it the poisonous gases with which it is at least partly filled.

The men have been imprisoned and the rescuing parties have toiled since 10:50 Saturday, when an explosion, probably caused by coal dust, shook the earth for a radius of seven miles, destroying the main entrance to the mine and sealed the hapless toilers within it.

Because of the vast ramifications of the mine and its connections with other mine-workings it is hoped that perhaps half the men may be rescued. An attempt will be made to open up the sealed passages.

Naples Scored by Doctor.

Chicago—A blistering criticism of the authorities who have permitted passenger steamships to enter the port of Naples while Asiatic cholera raged in that city and vicinity is given by Dr. C. Hugh McKenna, of the surgical department of Northwestern University and St. Joseph's hospital, who has just returned from a tour of European cities. Dr. McKenna declared that the lives of hundreds of American visitors have been endangered by the laxity of those entrusted with the task of guarding against contagious diseases.

Man Sells "Strad" for \$1.

Tacoma—Two small merchants here are bemoaning their ignorance. A German sailor, who was "down and out," sold a Stradivarius violin to a pawnbroker for \$1, who in turn thought he was doing a good stroke of business, when he passed it on to a cobbler for \$10. The cobbler was playing on the instrument the same evening that he bought it, when a prominent music dealer entered his shop and at once gave him \$500 for it.

Standard Oil Sued.

Topeka—Three suits for damage for alleged violation of the anti-trust laws of the state of Kansas were filed simultaneously against the Standard Oil company in Montgomery, Wilson and Saline counties by Attorney-General F. S. Jackson. The suits ask damages aggregating \$162,800 and interest thereon, or \$100 per day for the violations, which are alleged to have extended over a period of 544 days.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE STATE

BEE CULTURE PROFITS.

Apiarists Find Rich Field on Hermiston Project.

Hermiston—One of the best paying industries in the Northwest is rapidly coming to the front at Hermiston. This is bee-raising on a large scale. In order to make honey of a good quality these little workers must have plenty of flowers on which to work. They are well supplied on the Umatilla government irrigation project, by this many acres of alfalfa. The bloom of this plant is pronounced by experts to be one of the best known. Sagebrush bloom also makes an excellent quality of honey, but this plant is rapidly disappearing as the project settles up, being cleared off to make room for the more profitable alfalfa.

One of the main points in this industry is that the bees need but little care as compared with any other line giving equal returns.

R. E. and J. M. Thom are the pioneer apiarists of this section. They have something over 60 stands and will this year have between five and six tons of honey to dispose of. The number of stands is being increased each year and they have no trouble in finding a market at a good price.

C. H. Crandall is another who has had a great deal of experience along this line. He has 28 stands.

George A. Cressy is a Wisconsin man who came to the project this spring, bringing his bees with him. He has followed this business for years in the East and is thoroughly posted. He had not expected to get a great deal of honey this season on account of moving the bees. A few days ago he discovered that he had 3,000 pounds. This result has encouraged him, so he will increase the number of stands as fast as possible. He now has 40.

Speaking of the quantity per stand produced here, Mr. Cressy said he could ship from here to the same Eastern markets he formerly had and make more money per stand than he could when but a few miles from the market.

ROADS FOR CRATER LAKE.

Engineers Lay Out Highways on Big National Resort.

Medford—United States engineers, under the direction of Major I. J. Morrow, chief of the engineering corps, are at work in the Crater Lake national park, laying plans for a complete system of roads and trails. There are three parties in the field making the surveys. It is the intention to make one of the most complete systems of highways that has ever been laid out in a national park.

Last year congress appropriated \$10,000 for the making of a survey of the park, the result of the work being the basis on which future appropriations for the improvement of the park will be made.

The United States geological survey has just completed a topographic and contour map of Crater Lake park, which shows all of the points of interest, as well as the roads and trails through the park. This map will be published the first of next year.

It is the intention to make the park one of the greatest summer resorts in the world. It will not only be made a summer resort, but a tourist resort as well, and the improvements outlined by the engineers will make Crater Lake park equal to the Yellowstone in attractiveness.

Apple Growing Given Big Boost.

Portland—W. L. Crissey, chief of the inquiry bureau of the Portland commercial club, has returned from Albany where he was one of the guests of the Albany commercial club on an automobile trip up the Calapooia valley. Mr. Crissey speaks very enthusiastically of the country through which the party passed on the way to Holly, at the head of the valley, and back to Albany, a distance of about 80 miles.

"Farmers in the Calapooia valley and in the Santiam country are awake to the advantages of organization," said Mr. Crissey. "This summer the fruit growers' association was revived with the result that 30 carloads of apples have already been shipped. And they do grow elegant apples down there. A striking object lesson was taught at the Albany commercial club banquet, where apples from orchards well cared for and the same variety of apples from a neglected orchard across the road from the other were served. The cultivated apples were the finest I have ever seen. That part of the state offers many inducements to the homeseeker."

Cement Block at Grants Pass.

Grants Pass—The Claus Schmidt building on Sixth street, will be one of the finest structures in Southern Oregon. The building is 30x100 feet, two stories in height, built of cement with an elaborate steel front. The first floor will be occupied by Mr. Schmidt's grocery store, while the upper rooms will be for rent. The new high school building, which when completed will have cost \$45,000, is progressing as fast as men and material can be secured.

Wild Waste of Waters.

New York Sun.

The Grand Young Man was making a speech at the St. Paul congress. He began to "pay a tribute" to the Hon. Gifford Pinchot. Gifford, an easy weeper, wept; Jimmy Garfield wept; Beveridge wept; the delegates wept; the audience wept; everybody wept. A strange way of conserving water sites.

FRUIT PICKERS SCARCE.

Tramps Are Plentiful But They Decline to Go to Work.

Grants Pass—The local markets are this week receiving their first shipment of the justly celebrated Tokay grapes from the Carson vineyard in the Applegate valley, nine miles from Grants Pass.

The grapes from this famous vineyard are known the whole Pacific Coast for their excellent flavor, size and shipping quality. Thirty acres of Tokays, Rose of Perue and Malaga grapes for European varieties are producing about 3,000 crates, which find a ready sale in all the markets of the Pacific Northwest at a higher figure than those grown in any other section of the Pacific Coast. While the crop is light this year, prices are good and Tokays are selling in the Coast markets at \$1.35 a crate, Rose of Perue at \$1.85, and Malaga at \$1.10, while the same varieties are selling from \$1.25 to \$1.75 in the Grants Pass market, fancy pack. These grapes are grown entirely without irrigation.

It is conservatively estimated that over 5,000 acres of land have been planted to Tokays during the past year. Mr. Carson's crop is always reliable and nets in favorable years from \$300 to \$600 an acre.

OREGON GRAPES PAY WELL.

Applegate Valley Crop Commands Highest Price on Coast.

Medford—Scarcity of labor is causing the fruitgrowers of the Rogue River valley much anxiety. The saloons, street corners and the city park contain many loafers, but few can be persuaded to venture into orchards on the surrounding farms. One night the police arrested 10 drunken hoboes. When brought before the justice of the peace next morning they preferred to leave town rather than go to work.

The rain has delayed the harvesting of the winter Nellis pears and the Spitzenberg and Newtown apples, which has created a demand for larger crews than ordinarily.

Big Orchard is Planned.

Albany—The Linn County Orchard company has been organized to plant and develop a big orchard. The company has secured 2,600 acres northeast of Lebanon, adjoining the Linnhaven Orchard company's tract on the south and east. The directors are: H. L. Sumption, of St. Paul, Minn., president; Dr. W. R. Shinn, of Albany, vice president; C. W. Tebault, Albany, secretary and manager; William Bain, Albany, and S. C. Carrow, of Illinois.

Making Ready for Show.

Prineville—The sixth annual Central Oregon fair will be held at the grounds of the association near Prineville, opening October 18. The grounds and buildings are being improved and arrangements made to care for much larger exhibits than were received last year.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Green Fruits—Apples, new, 60c@1.50 per box; pears, 1.25@1.50; peaches, 40c@65c per crate; grapes, 50c@1.25 per box, 15c per basket; cranberries, \$8.10@9.50 per barrel; huckleberries, 7c@8c per pound; watermelons, \$1 per hundred; cantaloupes, \$1@1.50 per crate; casabas, \$3.50 per dozen.

Vegetables—Beans, 3c@5c per pound; cabbage, 1 1/2c@2c; cauliflower, 50c@1.25 per dozen; celery, 75c@90c; corn, 12c@15c; cucumbers, 25c@40c per box; eggplant, \$1@1.25 per crate garlic, 8c@10c per pound; green onions, 15c per dozen; peppers, 6c per pound; pumpkins, 1 1/2c; radishes, 15c@20c per dozen; sprouts, 7c@8c; squash, 11c@1 1/2c per pound; tomatoes, 15c@25c per box; carrots, \$1@1.25 per sack; beets, \$1.50; parsnips, \$1@1.25; turnips, \$1.

Potatoes—Oregon, \$1.25 hundred. Onions—Oregon, buying price, \$1.10 per hundred.

Wheat—Track prices: Bluestem, 88c@89c; club, 83c; red Russian, 81c; valley, 86c; 40-fold, 85c; Turkey red, 82c@83c.

Millstuffs—Bran, 25c per ton; middlings, \$33; shorts, \$27; rolled barley, \$24.50@25.50.

Oats—White, \$27@28 per ton; California red, \$25@27.

Hay—Track prices: Timothy, Willamette valley, \$19@20 per ton; Eastern Oregon, \$21@22; alfalfa, new, \$15@16; grain hay, \$14.

Poultry—Hens, 16c; springs, 16c; ducks, white, 17c@17 1/2c; geese, 11c@12c; turkeys, live, 20c; dressed, 22 1/2@25c; squabs, \$2 per dozen.

Butter—City creamery, solid pack, 36c per pound; prints, 37c@37 1/2c; outside creamery, 35c@36c; butter fat, 36c per pound; country store butter, 24c@25c.

Eggs—Oregon, candled, 34c@35c; Eastern, 26c@32c.

Pork—Fancy, 15c per pound.

Veal—Good, average, 10c@11c per pound.

Cattle—Beef steers, good to choice, \$5@5.50; fair to medium, \$4.50@5; choice spayed heifers \$4.50@4.75; good to choice beef cows, \$4.25@4.50; medium to good beef cows, \$3.50@4; common beef cows, \$2@3.50; bulls, \$3.50@4; stags, good to choice, \$4@4.50; calves, light, \$7@7.50; heavy, \$3.75@5.

Hogs—Top, \$10@10.25; fair to medium, \$9.25@10.

Sheep—Best valley wethers, \$3.25@3.50; fair to good wethers, \$3@3.25; best Mt. Adams wethers, \$4@4.25; best valley ewes, \$3@3.50; lambs, choice Mt. Adams, \$5.25@5.50; choice valley, \$6@5.25.

FRIARS BATTLE WITH REBELS

When Troops Storm Monastery They Find Occupants Gone.

Lisbon—Following their policy of extreme vigilance, authorities of the provisional government sent a force to search the monastery at Grace and arrest the friars. On arriving they found the doors barricaded. The soldiers and members of the populace fired several volleys into the building, whereupon the friars returned the attack, their bullets striking the roadway and adjacent buildings. The attackers then withdrew for consultation.

Shortly they returned to the attack, assailing the heavy doors of the convent with battering rams. When the doors yielded, the soldiers and the people rushed in and searched every corner of the edifice, but not a friar was to be found. It is surmised they made their escape by underground passages.

On account of reports that some troops in the provinces have not yet declared their adherence to the republic, the provisional government has posted 39 heavy guns and 10 Maxims in trenches on the heights of the city, and are ready to check any attempted invasion of Lisbon. Up to the present, however, the government has received no advices of risings in favor of the monarch.

The most interesting man in Portugal is the new president, Theophile Braga, who may be said without exaggeration to be the father, not only of this revolution, but of that in Brazil, having, by his standing as a professor of his philosophy, paved the way for both movements.

RELIEF FUND GROWS.

\$30,000 Already Donated for Times Explosion Victims.

Los Angeles—Funds for the relief of families left dependent by the Times explosion may soon equal the amounts appropriated for the capture and conviction of the conspirators. Banks have joined with the newspapers in collecting funds, and it is announced that the total so far collected is more than \$30,000.

This will be divided among the families of 21 Times employees. It is probable that when the subscription lists are closed, there will be more than \$2,000 available for each family.

Only 17 bodies of the men who lost their lives in the explosion and fire have been recovered. It is believed that either the force of the explosion or the intense heat of the flames which instantly formed, disintegrated the bodies of those still missing, and that the cinder fragments were hauled away with the rest of the debris.

Only 18 of the 23 supposed to have been killed have been accounted for.

A general funeral for the victims will be held. General Otis has arranged for the interment in a plot in Hollywood cemetery, which will be marked by a shaft to be erected to their memory.

A great throng is expected to attend the funeral, and though the city is quiet, with no undercurrent of feeling apparent, the auditorium where the services are to be held, will be heavily guarded.

GROWERS HOLDING APPLES.

Buyers Threaten to Go to Middle West for Fruit in Barrels.

Walla Walla, Wash.—Less than 25 per cent of the apple crop of the Northwest has been sold, according to estimates of local commission men. Orchardists are holding their fruit at present about 15 to 25 cents a box higher than the buyers are willing to pay, and as a result little trading is being done.

If this state of affairs continues, say buyers from the East, they will be forced to buy the crops of the Middle West, now ready in barrels in Colorado and East to the Ohio river. They expect to see Walla Walla valley apples placed on the market in large quantities, however, within the next few days.

Apples here are ready this year fully ten days ahead of the usual schedule. Weather conditions have been such that the fruit has ripened early and the fruitgrowers have been active in boxing the fruit as soon as it was ready.

Aviator Falls To Death.

St. Petersburg—Captain Macievich, the Russian military aviator, was killed in a fall from a Voisin biplane. The accident occurred during an altitude competition, which was won by Captain Macievich, who reached a height of 3,933 feet. Macievich had risen to that height, when he decided to descend. At a height of 1,640 feet his machine upset and the aviator was thrown out. He came down like a plummet, reaching the ground before the biplane. Every bone in his body was broken except one arm.

Leper's Family Shunned.

Stockton, Cal.—Dr. R. E. Knight, health officer, received official notification from Dr. Martin Regensberger, president of the state board of health, that E. D. Fickert, of this city, now confined in the Veterans' home in Yountsville, has been pronounced a leper. It is thought Fickert contracted the disease in the Philippines in the Spanish-American war. Mrs. Fickert and three children, who reside here, show no symptoms of the disease.

Cotton Prices Advance.

New York—There was an active demand in the cotton market this week, with prices making a new high record for the season on the strong showing of the English market following the settlement of the Lancashire labor troubles and reports that many Southern planters were holding cotton for 15 cents.

HUNDREDS PERISH

Forest Fires Overwhelm Settlers Without Warning.

Four Towns Wiped Out By Onrush of Blaze—Hundreds Escape on Special Trains.

Warroad, Minn., Oct. 10.—Death's toll from forest fires now sweeping Northern Minnesota in the Rainy River district may reach 400. General Superintendent Cameron of the Canadian Pacific railway, says this estimate will be larger.

Four towns have been wiped out by the flames.

Hundreds of settlers are missing and the death list grows hourly. Bodies of 98 dead have already been gathered.

Thousands of refugees fill Warroad. The town is in great danger from forest fires which are gradually approaching the town. Two special trains left Winnipeg over the Canadian Northern railway with fire hose and apparatus. Roosevelt is safe after an all-day fight, but the town is crowded with refugees.

The fire is spreading and is now only seven miles from Sprague, Manitoba, which is 20 miles Northwest of here. A fire is also coming down from the north of Sprague, where it has burned the great quantities of cord wood, telephone and telegraph poles awaiting shipment.

The forest fire is the greatest since the Hinckley, Minn., horror of 15 years ago. It is almost impossible to estimate the number of missing, but messages sent out by private individuals indicate that 100 relatives, mostly from around Beaudette, have not reported.

General Superintendent Cameron, of the Canadian Northern, places the number of deaths at 400, but admits that it may be larger.

The towns of Pitt, Spooner, Gracetown and Beaudette were burned Friday night. The fire was heralded by a shower of sparks and burning brands, which swept across the Beaudette river, and the inhabitants barely had time to reach the special train that was waiting before both towns were on fire.

Sick people, apparently by the score, appeared and were carried or assisted to points of safety. There were five patients in Carrigan's hospital who had been burned.

A special train is waiting to take the people to some other point in case the fire should get a fresh start. The town is not yet entirely free of danger.

The buildings of the Shevlin-Mathieu Lumber company are practically the only structures standing in Spooner, not a tree, fence, nor a foot of sidewalk being left. There are not even the heaps of debris that usually remain after a fire.

The property loss in Rainy River, Beaudette and Spooner alone, including the Rat Portage Lumber company's plant and yard at Rainy River and the yard of Shevlin-Mathieu Lumber company at Spooner, will total about \$1,500,000. It will be some time before the loss of life is known even approximately.

Wagon loads of human bodies are being brought into the railway station at Beaudette. It is reported that many settlers, crazed with grief at the loss of families and property, are roaming the woods, and searching parties are looking for the injured, the dead and the demented. One family of nine, one of seven and one of five are known to have perished.

At 8:30 p. m. Saturday a tornado of fire struck Beaudette and Spooner, and within three minutes after the first alarm every building was ablaze. Within half an hour they were but heaps of ashes. The people of these two towns had just enough time to get out of their homes with what they had on their backs. They were loaded on a passenger train that was standing at the depot and taken to Rainy River, Ont.

Congress Talks of Logs.

Atlanta, Ga.—At the Southern Conservation congress J. B. White detailed the ravages of the last quarter century on the forests. With a 20 per cent waste of top logs left in the woods, he said, 2,600,000,000 feet of lumber annually was lost to the South alone. In the nation, he said, 40,000,000,000 feet of lumber was being cut annually, and as a result of this "top waste" alone \$100,000,000 yearly was lost. J. G. Peters told the conservationists that the South today cuts practically half the lumber in the United States.

Camp's Gold Yield Is Big.

Seattle—The new gold diggings on Squirrel creek, Alaska, 40 miles south of the Arctic circle, have shipped \$300,000 in dust to Seattle this season. Alfred Christopher, arrived from the new camp with \$25,000 as the result of his summer's cleanup. The season was unfavorable, being too wet. One hundred miners are in the field and Nome is sending 100 more. It is estimated that Squirrel creek next year should produce \$2,000,000.

Ambergris Lump Found.

Seattle—Gust Olson, a laborer of Valdez, recently found on the beach near that town a lump of ambergris weighing 220 pounds and valued at \$4,400, according to advices received by steamer. Whaling men say this is the largest piece of the precious substance ever found.