

Twenty years ago there roamed over the plains and mountains nearly 8,000,000 buffaloes. To-day there are less than 500 head of the animals in existence.

The locomotive engineers promise hereafter when they go on a strike to take in all the men on the entire system. The headquarters of the organization will be at Cleveland, Ohio.

The question of what to do with the cigar when it is necessary to remove it from the mouth, and the hands for any reason cannot retain it, has been solved. A gentleman calling upon Secretary Hink the other day placed his lighted cigar behind his ear.

A Justice of the peace in New Jersey has just made a queer decision. John Wolf put a stuffed wolf at his door to represent his name. A dog destroyed the sign and the justice holds that as the stuffed wolf represented John Wolf the dog is guilty of biting the man, and his owner must pay \$25 damages.

The novelists, reporters and others who write Indian speeches beginning with the words, "I am the last of my race; the red man is vanishing before the white man as the leaves," etc., had better look up the facts. It now seems that any statement to the effect that the number of our Indian population is slowly decreasing is not in accord with the truth. The Indian is not dying off and vanishing from the earth any more than the Caucasian is. They have for the most part, adopted semi-civilized habits and live quiet lives. They are increasing rather than decreasing. In the quiet, orderly communities of the Indian territory, in the reservation of Dakota and in the pueblos of New Mexico and Arizona the Indian is encamped peacefully and his children are being educated. He is fairly prosperous, provided the Indian agent and the contractor do not try to starve him, and he is raising his family and increasing in the land.

San Francisco Salmon Imports and Exports.

The London Grocer's Gazette, evidently basing its opinion on early reports from this coast, says in its issue of October 19th that the pack of Alaska salmon will be below that of last year, and that the English market will be relieved by shipments thence to the Eastern States where stocks are low, and that they must be replenished from England as there are no existing stocks in California. That will be news to Californians who were under the impression there were about 300,000 cases in San Francisco. The figures are as follows:

Table with columns: Receipts for the season, by months, as per books of the Merchants' Exchange; Interior Cases; Coast Cases; North Cases.

The total from all sources to date is 718,036 cases. The receipts as kept by the Exchange show arrivals from the interior of this state (Sacramento river), outside California ports, and from the north, the latter including Oregon, Washington, British Columbia and Alaska.

Exports for the season to date, as per Custom House returns:

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TELEGRAPHIC.

Specials to The Astorian.

MONTANA IS A STATE.

The Number on Her Knapack is No. 41.

Starving in the North - East Provinces.

PORTLAND, Nov. 8.—Arthur M. Plato, an employment agent, was arrested to-day on a charge of larceny preferred by R. S. Jones who paid him a dollar for a position which Plato guaranteed him. Jones did not secure the position, and hence the charge.

JOB WAS RETURNED.

Joseph Holladay has returned and has been placed under arrest. He was released on \$1000 cash bail until he purges himself of contempt.

STARVING AT TORRENCE BAY.

HALIFAX, N. S., Nov. 8.—The reported distress among the fishermen at Torrence Bay and Lower Prospect, West Halifax, is confirmed. Nearly half the population in each village is on the brink of starvation owing to the failure of the fisheries. Twenty or thirty families in each place, numbering nearly 300 persons, have consumed every scrap of food they could obtain. Provisions will have to be sent to them or many will undoubtedly perish.

NATIONAL W. C. T. U.

CHICAGO, Nov. 8.—The sixteenth annual convention of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union met this morning, with 400 or 500 delegates present from all parts of the country. The morning session was devoted to the reading of the scriptures and prayers.

FIRE AT WALLA WALLA.

WALLA WALLA, Nov. 8.—At noon to-day the old hospital building at the prison occupied by bandmaster Meyerlika, was destroyed by fire. The loss is probably \$3,000.

A DEMOCRATIC CELEBRATION.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 8.—Postmaster General Wanamaker has received a telegram from a postmaster at Lonsia, Kent county, Kentucky, dated November 7, in which he says his office has been completely demolished by persons who wanted to let him know how Ohio had gone politically. They used dynamite. An investigation has been ordered.

MONTANA IS A STATE.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 8.—President Harrison has issued a proclamation admitting Montana as a state. Secretary Blaine was among the first of the president's callers this morning. He brought a proclamation announcing the statehood of Montana. The president signed it, and it was given to the press for publication. It is the same as the Dakota proclamation.

JUDGE DEADLY RETURNING.

PORTLAND, Nov. 8.—Judge Deady is expected to arrive home to-morrow.

THE PERUVIAN DEBT.

NEW YORK, Nov. 8.—The negotiations between W. R. Grace & Co. and the owners of \$56,000,000 in Peruvian bonds and the republic of Peru have been settled. By the provisions of the agreement, the owners of the bonds relinquish their securities as claims on Peru, in return for a contract, to last sixty-six years, whereby the management of all the railroads, large mining interests, all guano deposits owned by Chile, an extensive concession of land in the neighborhood of four million acres, and the payment of \$200,000 annually by the custom house at Callao, which is to be turned over to a representative of the English bondholders. These representatives are also to develop the mines and guano deposits, improve the lands turned over to them and develop and improve the railroads. It will require \$30,000,000 to put the railroads in shape.

HERBERT WARD'S POSITION.

NEW YORK, Nov. 8.—Herbert Ward, the African explorer, says concerning the disaster which has befallen Emin Bey: "It is remarkable that two of the worst of the recent disasters in Central Africa have taken place on August 1st, that Wadiali fell only one day later, Jameson died August 17th, Bartlett's camp at Yambui was wrecked August 17th and Wadiali, with Emin Pasha and Jeppson fell, August 15th. It cannot be said when white men will ever regain their hold on this part of Central Africa. The discovery that Lake Muta Nziye is the western headwaters of the Nile, and is not connected with the Congo, is new and valuable. The places which Stanley said he passed through after leaving Albert Nyanza are valleys. Many names have never been used before. Stanley may now take a canoe across Lake Victoria Nyanza to the south and proceed to German east Africa, to Mpwapaw and reach the coast at Bagamoyo. It is very probable that he will, but it depends entirely on the nature of his supplies and the disposition of the natives. I expect Stanley will arrive at Zanzibar soon after Christmas."

Is Consumption Incurable?

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Poultry Raising in California.

The Post contains an amusing account of the experience of two Washington young men who hired a place eight miles from San Francisco and began the business of poultry raising.

"We scoured the country," says one, "for setting hens and had scores of them on clutches of eggs all marked with charcoal on one side so the hens would know enough to turn them over every day. Eggs won't hatch even if they aren't turned over every twenty-four hours, you know. It's so, but I don't know why."

"We had hens in half-barrels, hens in boxes, hens in coops, hens in the house, hens everywhere. Partner and I had just counted up wealth till we couldn't rest. We figured out from what eggs we had set, allowing half were roosters and that the pullets would only lay 100 eggs each for the first year, that by the end of the second year we would have 287,000 hens, 4,000,000 chickens, 25,000 eggs a day and an income of \$800,000 per annum. Some of the eggs were bad, occasionally a weasel would kill a hen, and once in a while a biddy would throw up the sponge before the twenty-first round, but we had nearly 300 shucked and peeping around forty hens tied to stakes with pieces of red tape.

The partner saw an advertisement of an incubator and he sent and got a circular. It told how the Egyptians had raised millions of chickens for 4,000 years from hatching ovens. And now America's the circular came in an splendid did peroration, 'again leads the world with the greatest invention of the age, a self operating incubator.' The circular had a cut of the incubator, with eggs showing through the slats and hundreds of chickens jumping around. It was a great treat to watch them. Partner insisted on having one and I objected, but he stuck to it and finally gave in and he got one for \$75. The first batch of eggs—it sold 400—got boiled hard in the machine by a pebble getting into the indicator. We ate hard boiled eggs for weeks. The second lot came on finely, much to my surprise, and when the little fellows were born, 150 a day, partner increased the profit to an even million. I enthused a good deal myself. It did look easy.

"The chickens," the narrator continues, "did right well. We had a Chinaman to do the heavy work and partner kept the books. He didn't know much about book keeping, but he would figure out a surplus like a Democratic orator talking about the treasury. I used to sit under a white umbrella and watch the little puff balls cut up. One would find a worm another would catch hold and pull, then half a dozen would catch on each side and they would have a regular tug of war. It always ended by the worm turning peace-maker. He would come in two—divide to keep the peace.

"One day I saw a chick standing in the sun on one leg. His neck was all drawn in and his eyes closed. His feathers didn't seem to fit. Every few seconds he would reach out his neck and screw it around as if he had on a collar which chafed him, also was trying to swallow a quinine pill. Its funeral took place within twenty-four hours, and a hundred more puff balls tried to swallow grief and balance on one leg. It was the pip or the roup or some other infatigable hen disease. Matters were serious. We had over 4,000 chickens, and in less than a week I was trundling a whole narrow gauge of the chickens and planting them in the canyon.

"In another fortnight we deserted the ranch, leaving forty setting hens, about a hundred rooster chickens, an incubator and a Chinaman. They may be there yet."

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