

The Estacada News

Headed Each Thursday ESTACADA OREGON

NEWS OF THE WEEK

In a Condensed Form for Our Busy Readers.

A Resume of the Less Important but Not Less Interesting Events of the Past Week.

Germany is equipping a complete balloon corps for her regular army.

The French minister of war was insulted and then assaulted by an insane workman.

Steamers of rival companies are racing from Seattle to Alaska to get \$25,000 worth of business.

Sacramento is being completely covered with electric lights and displays for the irrigation congress.

A member of the New York Black Hand society has given the police all the details of his initiation.

One of the Krcen delegates to The Hague has been sentenced to death and the other two to life imprisonment.

It is reported that there will be strong opposition in congress to the sending of a fleet of warships to the Pacific.

A United States marshal recently returned from Alaska says rich pay dirt is being found on the third beach at a depth of from 60 to 100 feet.

Boilermakers on the Southern Pacific lines are on strike.

Negroes in Cuba have organized an independent party for their own benefit.

Ten jurors have now been secured in the Halsey bribery case at San Francisco.

Several persons were killed and much property destroyed by tornadoes in Iowa and Minnesota.

Boats driven from cover by forest fires terrorized the town of Standish, Michigan, for several hours.

Peary starts for the North pole and his wife and children take up their residence on Eagle island, off the coast of Maine, to await his return.

Emil J. Zimmer, of the Pacific States Telephone company, pleads not guilty to the charge of contempt of court in refusing to testify against Louis Glaser.

A temporary injunction has been granted by the Federal court restraining the labor unions from boycotting the telephone company in Helena, Montana, where a strike is on.

Four anarchists were wounded by the accidental explosion of a bomb at Lisbon.

Ambassador Rosen, from Russia, reveals in American humor and reads every funny paper he can get.

Eleven Chinese who had just been smuggled across the Rio Grande river were captured at El Paso, Texas.

A Salvador warship fully armed and provisioned has sailed from San Francisco and another will soon follow.

Many employes on the Panama canal are getting married, because the government provides separate homes for married men.

A Chinese laundryman of Potlatch, Pa., has legally adopted a white boy, with the consent of the boy's mother and grandmother.

Turkish troops are devastating Persian villages and killing and enslaving the inhabitants. Twelve girls were carried away from one village.

The United States ambassador to Austria, Charles S. Francis, and Ernest Hamlin Abbott, of New York, were entertained at luncheon by President Roosevelt.

The American Tobacco company has declared on its common stock the regular quarterly dividend of 2 1/2 per cent and an extra dividend of 7 1/2 per cent, against 2 1/2 regular and 5 per cent extra at the last previous declaration. The dividend is payable September 2.

Hall Caine is believed to be the richest novelist in the world.

An explosion of firelamp in a Prussian mine killed 18 men and injured 11 others.

Pacific Coast lumbermen will fight the proposed advance in lumber rates on Mississippi valley points.

One hundred unruly members of the Belfast, Ireland, police force have been exiled and 150 more will follow.

A German princess who systematically stole silver plate from European hotels has been exonerated on the ground of insanity.

Five hundred brakemen and a number of conductors on the Colorado Southern railroad have struck for an increase of 2 cents an hour.

Three-fifths of the output of the great DeBeers diamond mines in South Africa is taken by American dealers and prices are steadily rising.

Rota, the fighting leader of the Palanjan in the island of Leyte, has been sentenced to death. One companion was sentenced to imprisonment for life and four others were given 35 years. The trial of Faustino Abien, the chief of the Palanjan, will take place this week.

Nationalists have a safe majority in the newly-elected Philippine assembly.

Haywood was given a great reception at Salt Lake.

Germany cares mental and nervous wrecks and drunkards by putting them at steady employment.

The railroads and the steel trust are wrangling over the question of broken rails, each blaming the other.

Rich Americans can not escape taxes by establishing residences in England. They will be subject to taxation under the English laws.

A blast of 5,000 tons of high explosive was fired in breaking up a mountain of fine marble in Italy. It dislodged 500,000 tons.

BLACK HAND REIGNS.

Pennsylvania Citizens Are in Constant Dread of Assassination.

Pittsburg, Aug. 13.—The whole mill district of Western Pennsylvania has been roused to action by the outrages charged to the murderous Black Hand Society. The streets of New Castle and Hillville are being patrolled by Troop D of the State Constabulary. More than 40 suspects, including four known leaders, are in jail at New Castle. The State Constabulary was ordered out by Governor Edwin Stuart on petition of citizens, who are afraid to leave their homes, fearing attack.

Evidence is being secured by Pinkerton detectives employed by the United States Steel Company. The detectives are working among the Italians and as fast as evidence is secured suspects are rounded up by the state troops. The police of Allegheny City today made the most important captures during the crusade against the Black Hand, in which the officials of New York, Philadelphia, Rochester and other cities are co-operating.

Giuliana Racco is in jail, accused of slaying the three of Mrs. Mary B. Bazusko at her home, when she refused to give up money demanded by him and another Italian, for whom the police are looking. The Roman was positively identified as Racco as the man who slashed her throat with a razor, while his accomplice held a cap over her face.

Racco was identified as one of the assassins of Dominio Marattio, a wealthy Italian lured from home at night and shot to death, after receiving Black Hand letters that threatened death unless he gave up \$5,000. Racco was identified by Samuel McKee, who witnessed the murder from a distance. Racco lived in New York, from where the threatening letters came to Marattio. The police believe he was sent here as the agent of the society to assassinate the wealthy Italian.

Michael Govinich, a wealthy owner of fruit stands in Pittsburg and Allegheny markets, has appealed to the police for protection. During the last week he has received letters from New York, London, Philadelphia and Rochester, demanding \$5,000, under threats of death. All were written in red ink and signed "Maggifico." He is living in constant fear of assassination.

ROADS NOT TO BLAME.

Harriman Talks About the Threatened Coal Shortage.

Omaha, Neb., Aug. 13.—E. H. Harriman and his two sons attended church at Trinity Episcopal Cathedral here Sunday during a break in the Westward vacation trip which the railroad magnate is making in his special train. The Harriman party was accompanied from Chicago to Omaha by President Harahan, of the Illinois Central.

Mr. Harriman gave out a long interview Sunday afternoon. Many of his statements had, however, been made before. He declined to comment upon recent court actions against corporations.

"I think we shall have a coal shortage this winter, due to the general increase in the consumption of coal by reason of the great expansion of all lines of industries all over the country, and also to the fact that some mines are not able to turn out as much as they might because of a lack of labor, and then there is the shortage of freight cars to be reckoned with. And to this coal shortage I want to say a word in reply to the general charge that the railroads are wholly to blame for car shortage. The charge is unjust in all respects. Numerous causes conspire to bring about a shortage or congestion in cars where the people know nothing, and they are causes for which the railroads are not responsible and cannot avoid."

Fatal Floods in Japan. Victoria, B. C., Aug. 13.—Heavy loss of life is reported from Central Japan because of floods. According to advices received by the steamer Athenian several hundred were killed in all and many injured. A score of lives were also lost on Kozuka, an island of Zu, by an earthquake which destroyed many houses and sent the islanders to the hills in a panic. At Takigawa the ground subsided 20 feet and a large number were killed and injured. The Japanese government sent relief supplies.

Moors Are Still Fighting. Tangier, Aug. 13.—Fierce fighting between fanatical tribesmen and the French forces outside Casa Blanca was still in progress when the French transport Anatole left the beleaguered town. The battle started with an attack on the French camp of the Moors. After a hard struggle, the tribesmen were driven back with great loss. The latest reports say that the tribesmen are gradually being driven back, the French which destroyed many houses from the city and alternately shelling and charging the fanatics.

Foolish Girl Awakens. New York, Aug. 13.—According to reports that have reached Hempstead, the awakening has speedily come to Miss Fioretta Whaley, the 17-year-old girl who eloped on April 29 with her guardian, the Rev. J. Knudde Cooke, then rector of St. George Episcopal Church at Hempstead. Miss Whaley it is reported, has been deserted by the unrocked minister and is reported to be in a sanitarium in Canada, a nervous wreck.

Gompers Will Take a Hand. Detroit, Aug. 12.—President Samuel Gompers spoke at the Epworth League Chautauqua at Colfax this afternoon and hurried to Des Moines and took the train for Chicago. He declined to discuss the telegraphers' strike except that he would be in Chicago several days.

Southern Pacific Will "Compete" El Reno, Tex., Aug. 13.—The Southern Pacific has delivered an ultimatum to the Phelps-Dodge interests that if its proposition to buy the Nacozari road from Nacozari to Douglas, Ariz., is not accepted by September 1 the Southern Pacific will construct a parallel line.

OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

GOOD PAY FOR HOP PICKERS.

Largest Growers in State Will Pay \$1.10 Per Hundred.

Portland—Fifty-five cents a box is the price that will be paid for picking hops in the Willamette valley this fall. Krebs Bros., the largest growers in the state, announce that they will pay \$1.10 per hundred for picking on their yards at Independence and Brooks. Other growers have not announced any fixed price, but as the competition for pickers is always strong, it is more than probable that this price will have to be met in all the hop-growing sections.

We have decided to pay \$1.10 per hundred for picking our crop of hops," said Conrad Krebs. "We feel, notwithstanding the prospects of a low market, that the pickers are entitled to a fair remuneration for their services. High wages are being paid for all kinds of labor, consequently the price paid for picking should be in proportion. Furthermore, the hoppers have nothing to do with the market. They did not receive a thorough inspection when the growers were piling up a fortune, therefore they are entitled to good pay now regardless of the market."

"The crop of the state looks as well as could be expected. There is not much foliage, which will make it very profitable for pickers. We have never had a finer crop than this year in our own yards."

Hop Outlook Good.

Woodburn—There will be a larger hop yield in the section this season than in any previous year and the quality will be mostly choice. The lice have practically disappeared and all but a few old yards that have been given no attention are making a fine showing. Some of the old yards are looking better than for the past five years. The new yards show up well and will make an excellent record this year. A party who has made a thorough inspection of the yards of this vicinity was in the city yesterday and reports the outlook very bright, corroborating the opinion of others as to large yield and good quality.

New Law Works Well.

Salem—As a result of the act requiring banks to furnish the secretary of state with a sworn statement of the deposits in their keeping belonging to deceased or insane persons, W. Gaten's private secretary to Governor Chamberlain, found a deposit of \$50 in the list furnished by the First National Bank, of Portland, in the name of his deceased mother, the existence of which he had no knowledge. Mr. Gaten is administrator of his mother's estate and will make application for the money.

County Aids Fair Project.

Pendleton—The County court has instructed the clerk to draw a warrant in favor of the Umatta-Morrow District fair in the sum of \$1,000, this being the amount the Fair board requested the county to give. The fair is to be held in this city this year, during the last week in September, and it is expected that it will greatly surpass the one held last year, which was the first since the district was created, and which was a success from every standpoint. The pavilion is being improved and the number of stalls and stables for the stock exhibits is to be nearly doubled.

New Professor at Albany.

Albany—Rev. Frank R. Zugs, of Charleston, Ind., has been chosen for the chair of History, Sociology and Economics in Albany College. He will soon arrive in this city to arrange for the coming school year. The new instructor is a graduate of Park College, Mo., and also of the Princeton Theological Seminary. While at Princeton Professor Zugs did post-graduate work in Princeton University. He has had several years' successful experience both in preaching and teaching.

Light for Hood River.

Hood River—Ranchers within a radius of five to six miles of Hood River will soon enjoy the conveniences of electric light, due to the fact that they have secured generous patrons for the Hood River Electric Light and Power Company to extend its line to them. Already the company is stringing wires and it is expected that most of the territory will be covered in a few weeks. The first to secure light will be the residents of the Barrett and Belmont districts, after which several residents on the east side will be supplied.

New Portland-Frisco Train.

San Francisco—General Manager E. E. Calvin issued orders today to put express train service on all lines out of San Francisco and within a week this will be installed to Portland, to El Paso and to Los Angeles. There is a train already in operation between here and Ogden that has brought such good results that the service is extended. It is expected the train will carry only express and mail, but may take some baggage.

Fish Traps Removed.

Astoria—The fish traps at Point Ellice, which were condemned recently by the War department as being a menace to navigation, have been removed by the owners in accordance with the orders of the United States engineers.

State's Forestry Apportionment.

Astoria—Senator Fulton has received a letter from Associate Forester Price stating that the amount which Oregon will receive from the forestry service for the fiscal year 1907 will approximate \$18,980.89.

McArthur is Reappointed.

Olympia—Announcement is made at the executive office of the reappointment of J. W. McArthur, of Spokane, as a member of the State Board of Pharmacy, to take effect November 1.

FIRE BENEFITS CITY.

Eugene to Have Better Buildings and Cement Walks.

Eugene—Aside from the loss of stock and furniture suffered in the fire of August 6, the general result has been and will be very beneficial to the property holders along Willamette street, and to the city. The council has definitely decided to extend the fire limits and it is likely that all future buildings put up on North Willamette street will be of brick or stone. James Sanford, who lost about half the buildings destroyed by the recent fire, will erect a modern brick on his property, the work to commence this fall. A brick building will be put up on the Betman property and the balance of the block is too valuable to be allowed to lie idle.

Cement sidewalks are being put in along Willamette street, with one or two exceptions, as far as the depot, and every foot of sidewalk in the front of the fire line has been taken up to give place to cement walks. The council will likely order all the board walks supplanted by cement.

20 Per Cent Decrease.

Hillsboro—The hop crop of Washington county this season bids fair to be 20 per cent less than last year's product. This shortage is due to lack of cultivation owing to bad weather at a time when yards should have had care; to lice and lack of spraying; and to the fact that there is some blight in many yards that last season were free from fault.

Last year's Washington county product went about 8,000 bales, and it is estimated that this season the output will be slightly over 6,000 bales. In many districts the lice have been prolific and, as spraying is expensive, many yards were not given any spraying whatever. So far as can be learned the quality of hops is up to the standard, this year's crop generally leading the state in this regard.

Native Tribes of Morocco Bent on Extermination of Foreigners.

London, Aug. 9.—The horrors of the looting of Casa Blanca by native tribes are becoming known and their recital is inflaming the minds of the natives against all Europeans. The situation in various coast towns is worse. The natives are excited. A holy war is being preached at Rabat. Anti-foreign sentiment is growing as a result of the activities of fanatical agitators. There is fear of a general outbreak. A number of European families are preparing to flee from Tangiers, the Algerian tribesmen in the immediate vicinity of Tangier are restless and may break out soon. The Moorish authorities have practically no control over the situation.

The news from Casa Blanca as to the situation there today unites in showing that the bombardment was continued for longer than was first supposed and that the lack of an adequate French force to afford protection resulted in an opportunity for barbarous looting, rapine and pillage, with all the accompaniments of murder and horror. The French landing parties could not control the situation. Moorish authority vanished with the first French gunshot and lawlessness reigned.

It is now reported, however, that between 2,000 and 3,000 French and Spanish marines are now on the beach ashore at Casa Blanca and that order has been restored. The Europeans there are all safe. The loss of life among the Moors resulting from the bombardment appears to be much greater than was first indicated.

See Their First Autos.

McKenzie Bridge—This place had its first experience with automobiles the other night when two motor cars arrived on their way to Belknap Springs. The trip was made from Eugene in less than eight hours with no accidents.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Club, 80c; bluestem, 82c; valley, 80c; red, 78c. Oats—No. 1 white, 25c; gray, nominal. Barley—Feed, \$21.50@22 per ton; brewing, nominal; rolled, \$23.50@24.50. Corn—Whole, \$28; cracked, \$29 per ton. Hay—Valley timothy, No. 1, \$17@18 per ton; Eastern Oregon timothy, \$21@23; clover, 49c; cheat, 49@10; grain hay, 49@10; alfalfa, \$13@14. Butter—Fancy creamery, 27 1/2@30c per pound. Poultry—Average old hens, 12 1/2@13c per pound; mixed chickens, 12 1/2c; spring chickens, 16@16c; old roosters, 8c; live, 12@15c; turkeys, dressed, choice, nominal; goose, live, 9@11c; ducks, 8@14c. Eggs—French ranch, candled, 23@25c per dozen. Fruits—Cherries, 8@12 1/2c a pound; apples, \$1.50@2.25 per box; Spitzenbergs, \$3.50 per box; cantaloupes, \$2.50@3.50 per crate; peaches, 60c@1.25 per crate; raspberries, \$1.25@1.50 per crate; blackberries, 6@7c per pound; loganberries, \$1 per crate; apricots, \$1.50@2 per crate. Vegetables—Turnips, \$1.75 per sack; carrots, \$2 per sack; beets, \$2 per sack; asparagus, 10c per pound; beans, 3@5c per pound; cabbage, 2 1/2c per pound; celery, \$1.25 per dozen; corn, 25@35c per dozen; cucumbers, 50c@60c per box; lettuce, head, 25c per dozen; onions, 15@20c per dozen; peas, 4@6c per pound; radishes, 20c per dozen; tomatoes, \$1@1.25 per crate. Potatoes—New, 1 1/2@2c per pound. Veal—Dressed, 5 1/2@6 1/2c per pound. Beef—Dressed bull, 3 1/4@4c per pound; cows, 6@6 1/2c; country steers, 6 1/2@7c. Mutton—Dressed, fancy, 8@9c per pound; ordinary, 5@7c; spring lambs, 9@9 1/2c per pound. Pork—Dressed, 6@6 1/2c per pound. Hops—6@7 1/2c per pound, according to quality. Wool—Eastern Oregon, average best, 16@22c per pound, according to shrinkage; valley, 20@22c, according to shrinkage; mohair choice, 29@30c a pound.

KEYS SILENT AT CHICAGO.

Operators Refuse to Work With Non-Union Men at Los Angeles.

Chicago, Aug. 9.—The telegraph operators who are employed by the Western Union Telegraph Company in Chicago went on strike tonight at 12 o'clock. The trouble was precipitated by the Los Angeles strike, which was started two days ago.

Tonight the local executive board of the Commercial Telegraphers' Union met and discussed the removing of the men who refused to work with the non-union operators employed in Los Angeles. When the men were notified of this step all operators employed in the overland division of the local office refused to work any longer with the non-union men. When this action was taken, Night Chief Harry Price ordered all who refused to work to leave the office. He then went into other divisions and requested the men to go into the overland division. In every case he was met with a refusal, until over 70 men were sent home.

The grievance committee of the union called on Mr. Price and notified him that unless every man was reinstated by midnight every union man in the office would be called out at midnight. This was refused and promptly at midnight, by a prearrangement, a whistle blew and the men who were employed in the main office, with the exception of six wire loop chiefs, including Mr. Price and his two assistants, left their keys and with a round of cheers filed out of the office. The men who were called out at the various morning newspapers had been notified of the contemplated strike and they also quit work.

The local officials of the union tonight stated that the day operators employed by the company, most of whom belong to the union, would refuse to go to work in the morning. This will include all branch offices throughout the city.

FANATICS WAGE HOLY WAR.

Native Tribes of Morocco Bent on Extermination of Foreigners.

London, Aug. 9.—The horrors of the looting of Casa Blanca by native tribes are becoming known and their recital is inflaming the minds of the natives against all Europeans. The situation in various coast towns is worse. The natives are excited. A holy war is being preached at Rabat. Anti-foreign sentiment is growing as a result of the activities of fanatical agitators. There is fear of a general outbreak. A number of European families are preparing to flee from Tangiers, the Algerian tribesmen in the immediate vicinity of Tangier are restless and may break out soon. The Moorish authorities have practically no control over the situation.

The news from Casa Blanca as to the situation there today unites in showing that the bombardment was continued for longer than was first supposed and that the lack of an adequate French force to afford protection resulted in an opportunity for barbarous looting, rapine and pillage, with all the accompaniments of murder and horror. The French landing parties could not control the situation. Moorish authority vanished with the first French gunshot and lawlessness reigned.

It is now reported, however, that between 2,000 and 3,000 French and Spanish marines are now on the beach ashore at Casa Blanca and that order has been restored. The Europeans there are all safe. The loss of life among the Moors resulting from the bombardment appears to be much greater than was first indicated.

Two Warships for Salvador.

San Francisco, Aug. 9.—Provisioned for three months with a large supply of ammunition and a cargo of quick-firing machine guns of the latest and most deadly type, the Salvador warship Arcata will sail tonight. The other Salvador warship, the President, is also in readiness to follow the Arcata. She is provisioned for six months and is also said to be heavily armed. Both the President and Arcata have been painted a gray war color. They have been strengthened in the construction of additional armor.

Largest Locomotive Ever.

New York, Aug. 9.—The largest steam locomotive in the world is about to be turned out from the plant of the American Locomotive Works at Schenectady for the Erie railroad. It will haul on grades a train of loaded cars a mile and a half long without the aid of helpers. Its weight is 413,000 pounds. The engine is really two engines and one for each of the four cylinders. The engine is designed for pusher service and will operate between Susquehanna and Gulf Summit Pass. If found practical more will be built.

Remarkable Meteor.

El Paso, Aug. 9.—A remarkable meteor was seen here at 4:15 this morning and was visible slowly moving across the heavens from the southwest skies to the northeast at 5 o'clock. It presented the appearance of a comet about the size of a football with a tail apparently 50 feet long, from which showers of meteors fell continuously. The ball was of a greenish yellow color while the tail was white. It did not appear to be descending.

Texas Amend Constitution.

Austin, Texas, Aug. 9.—Early return received from today's special election held throughout the state to pass upon several constitutional amendments indicate that the amendments providing for a confederate women's home, an agricultural bureau, and for a road tax, will be carried, while those providing for an increase in the pay of members of the legislature and for a state printing plant will probably be defeated.

Russia Will Rebuild Navy.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 9.—The Navy Department intends, in the course of the current year, to lay down two battleships of a low type. Their displacement is to be 19,750 tons, armament ten 12-inch guns and minor batteries of turbine engines, and a speed of 12 knots an hour.

STRIKES SPREADING

Employees of Both Western Union and Postal Go Out.

Most of Large Offices of West Are Now Idle and Balance Await Order to Walk Out.

COMPANIES READY FOR FIGHT

All operators of both companies at Chicago strike.

Almost every operator out at Kansas City, Denver, Salt Lake, New Orleans, Topeka, Dallas, Fort Worth, Helena. Operators at St. Louis, St. Paul, Omaha, Portland and Indianapolis await orders from President Small before striking.

New York operators, numbering 3,000, meet Sunday to decide on action.

Operators accuse Western Union of violating agreement for settlement of San Francisco strike. They demand 25 per cent increase in salary—eight hour day for day work, seven and one-half hours for night work and recognition of union.

Both companies declare purpose to fight to a finish and deny there is grievance.

President Small of union says companies have violated agreement and promises sensational exposures.

Chicago, Aug. 10.—Following the lead of the telegraph operators employed by the Western Union Telegraph Company in Chicago, the telegraphers in nine other cities throughout the United States quit work yesterday. The 500 men employed by the Postal in Chicago, who belong to the same local of the Commercial Telegraphers' Union as the Western Union operators, and who declare that their working conditions with the company are unsatisfactory, took advantage of the situation and quit at 6 o'clock.

With the walkout of the Postal employees, Chicago last night was left with about 25 operators endeavoring to transmit the business of both telegraph companies, where, under normal conditions, fully 1,500 men are necessary to do the work.

The other Western Union offices which became involved in the trouble together, together with the number of men who quit work, are: Salt Lake City, 36; Helena, 40; Kansas City, 330; Dallas, 105; Fort Worth, 40; Colorado Springs, 10, and Denver, 82. In New Orleans the men employed by the Postal Telegraph Company left their keys to enforce demands made on the company several weeks ago.

France May Have to Stay.

Paris, Aug. 10.—In spite of the firm intention of the French government to keep within the terms of the Algeiras convention in its dealings with Morocco, the French press clearly foresees that France, unless the situation rapidly improves, has entered upon a long and heavy task. The newspapers express the opinion that France, upon which the chief burden of restoring security in the disturbed country will fall, may be forced to occupy in turn all Moroccan ports and then probably be compelled to undertake a punitive expedition to Fez, after which it would be impossible to withdraw, as was the case with the British in Egypt. As the British bombardment of Alexandria ensured the prestige of Great Britain in Egypt, so, it is argued, the French bombardment of Casa Blanca will have a similar effect in Morocco. An expedition to Fez, the newspaper point out, would, like the British victory at Tel el Kebir complete the parallel.

Strike Making Fuel Scarce.

Denver, Aug. 10.—Vice President A. D. Parker, of the Colorado & Southern Railway, says the company put to work 25 men yesterday and that in a few days he will have the road in normal condition. Grand Master P. H. Morrissey, of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, says that the strikers are making heavy inroads on the ranks of the strike-breakers and that most of the imported men leave as soon as they learn of the strike. This the company denies. Today's developments show a serious shortage of coal.

Monument to Victor Hugo.

Brussels, Aug. 10.—A simple Druidical stone is to be placed at Waterloo in commemoration of Victor Hugo. The sponsor of the movement is Count Louis Cavans, who has directed the activities for the preservation of the souvenirs of the great battle, and it is the ranks of the ground upon which will be erected the simple monument. The inscription will be "To Victor Hugo, Immortal Bard of Waterloo." The memorial will be dedicated toward the end of the year.

Railroad Goes Behind.

New York, Aug. 10.—The New York Central & Hudson River Railroad Company has not earned its dividend for the six months ended June 30, as shown by the company's statement, issued today. The sum earned and available for dividends, after all charges for the half-year, was \$2,947,361, while the sum required for the half-year at 3 per cent is \$3,358,950, or \$2,411,592 more than was earned.

Columbia Life Raft Picked Up.

San Francisco, Aug. 10.—A life raft from the Columbia was picked up today at Half Moon Bay, 30 miles south of the Golden Gate. On the raft were found an oar and an undergarment bearing the initials "G. T. S." Presumably it belonged to George T. Sparks, the banker of Fort Smith, Ark., who was among the drowned.

Mysterious Plague in Arizona.

Phoenix, Ariz., Aug. 10.—News comes from Wickenburg, a mining town 60 miles northwest of Phoenix, that some sort of a plague has broken out there which local doctors are unable to diagnose and treat successfully. Several deaths have occurred during the past few days.

BLOODY REVENGE.

French Slay Hundreds of Moors in Punishment for Treachery.

Tangier, Aug. 7.—Casa Blanca, on the Moroccan coast, has been bombarded by French cruisers, the Moors are reported to have been shot down in large numbers, and the town since last Sunday night has been practically in the possession of landing parties from French and Spanish cruisers. The first shots were fired by the Moors. The French responded with a bayonet charge and the bombardment of the native quarter with melinite shells. The French had six men wounded but no one killed. No European residents were hurt.

The occupation of Casa Blanca is a direct outcome of the native uprising, which resulted in the killing last week of eight Europeans at Casa Blanca. Both France and Spain are hurrying other warships with troops and marines on board to various points on the Moroccan coast for the protection of the French consul.

Under the terms of the Algeiras convention the two powers are charged with the policing of seaports of