

Washington County News

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FOREST GROVE, OREGON

EVENTS OF THE DAY

Newsy Items Gathered from All Parts of the World.

Less important but Not Less Interesting Happenings from Points Outside the State.

Fire at Manila destroyed property valued at \$200,000.

Delegates are gathering for the Trans-Mississippi congress.

Two Americans are among the new cases of cholera at Manila.

A conference of the powers is proposed to avert war over the Balkan trouble.

Delegates from commercial bodies of the principal coast cities are in session at San Francisco.

A number of women attempted to register in New York for the coming election, but were refused.

Wilbur Wright, the American aeronaut in France, carried as a passenger on one flight a man weighing 216 pounds.

The Turkish government does not want to go to war, but will not give up Bulgaria and the other provinces without a struggle.

Wives of the officers of the American fleet are receiving royal entertainment at Tokio while waiting for the fleet to reach Japan.

A mob tried to lynch a negro in court at Los Angeles, but a quick sentence saved him. The negro had assaulted a white girl and was sent to the penitentiary for life.

New cases of cholera are very few at Manila.

Evelyn Nesbit Thaw says her husband is incurable.

Chicago has started a movement to systematically care for its hungry.

Official reports show that the number of cholera cases in Russia are decreasing.

Tests of submarine boats are being conducted by the government at Newport, L. I.

The lumber rate case heard at San Francisco has been referred to the supreme court.

The state land commissioner of Minnesota says none of the best timber has been burned.

For the first time in a number of months the Burlington shops are running on full time.

Chinese steamship companies are endeavoring to secure a portion of the Pacific coast business.

So far cost of prosecution of Thaw for the shooting of Stanford White is said to have been \$54,837.

Taxicab drivers of New York have gone on strike for better pay. Many strikebreakers are said to be available.

Deaths from the flood in India are now estimated at 50,000.

A son of Admiral Evans must stand court-martial on several charges.

Longworth proposes that Roosevelt run for president eight years from now.

San Francisco saloonmen accuse one of the police captains of attempted extortion.

Six persons were injured at Los Angeles by the collision of a switch engine and an electric car.

The Turkish army is moving toward the Bulgarian frontier and Bulgaria is preparing for war.

The Congo Independent State upholds King Leopold's rule and denies that cruelties have been practiced.

Jean Dunsuir, Canada's richest woman, is dead. Her son was one time lieutenant-governor of the province.

Government inspectors are investigating the wreck of the Star of Bengal. The ship's officers will testify that the vessel could have been saved together with the 111 lives had the tugs not abandoned her.

Utah Democrats have selected J. William Knight as their candidate for governor. His father was first offered the nomination.

The American fleet has arrived at Manila and was received amid great rejoicing.

English trainmen threaten to strike for better pay and fully 500,000 would go out. Wages range from \$5 per week for signalmen to \$16 for the best engineers. Conductors get \$8 per week.

France will back Russia in a move to make Bulgaria give Turkey a disputed line of railroad.

Richard Croker, ex-Tammany leader, will visit New York.

Roosevelt has declined an invitation to visit Australia.

A freight train collided with an excursion near Toledo, O., and six persons were killed and a number injured.

The first lid-test case at Portland was won by the defendant, a billiard hall proprietor who kept his place open on Sunday.

The Northern Pacific, Great Northern and Union Pacific railroads are to start suits to prevent the new lumber rate to the east being put into effect.

Whole pages from the city directory were copied at Los Angeles in preparing a petition for a popular vote on a new ordinance. Prosecutions will follow.

MAY MEAN WAR.

Clouds Looming Dark Over Balkan States Once More.

London, Oct. 6.—Events which threaten to change the political face of Europe are crystallizing with lightning-like rapidity. Almost over night the horizon of the near east, which seemed gradually assuming a peaceful appearance, has become crowded with war clouds.

News has reached here from several sources that two definite strokes are impending which cannot fail to bring matters to a crisis, and perhaps force an immediate war.

One is the proclamation of Prince Ferdinand, of the independence of Bulgaria, which will include Roumelia, taking for himself the title of czar.

The other is an announcement by Austria-Hungary of the practical annexation of the provinces of Bosnia and Herzegovina as appanages of the Austro-Hungarian crown.

Either action will be equivalent to the tearing up of the treaty of Berlin, while Prince Ferdinand's course seems almost certain to precipitate a war between Bulgaria and Turkey.

Before these possibilities the quarrel of the East Roumelian section of the Orient railway sinks into insignificance. Both armies are reported to be quietly and swiftly mobilizing on the borders. Bulgaria is said to be buying up munitions and horses on an extensive scale.

The Bulgarians have faith in their army, which has reached a high state of efficiency, although it is perhaps lacking in officers, and the war for which Bulgaria has long been suspected of preparing could be fought with more advantage to her now than when the Turkish government has had time to reorganize its forces, enervated by corruption and neglect of the old regime.

AUTOS OFF STREETS.

Chicago Policemen Enforce a Long-Forgotten Ordinance.

Chicago, Oct. 6.—Nearly 1000 of our very best citizens and several tourists from adjoining cities were today jostled off the South Side boulevard by sundry large, thick policemen and forced to do their speeding over the ordinary streets. This was due to the discovery by the South Park commissioners of a forgotten ordinance which forbids any vehicle on the boulevards which emits smoke or any "stinking odor." Consequently many naughty persons whose touring cars were filling the atmosphere with the reek of petrol were sidetracked by the police and invited to betake their "offensive odors" elsewhere.

At that hundreds of cars escaped for the reason that they were traveling so fast the odor did not assail the watchmen until the machines were beyond reach. The game was comparatively easy while the sun was shining, for the faint ripple of smoke could then be detected, but the officers abandoned their efforts when darkness fell. Of the thousands of persons ordered off the boulevards, none disobeyed, so the city gains no revenue.

200,000 ARE AFTER LAND.

Last of Uncle Sam's Distributions in Rosebud Reservation.

Dallas, S. D., Oct. 6.—Two hundred thousand persons will take advantage of the opening of 820,000 acres of free government land in South Dakota, tomorrow. The parceling of this vast tract of farm country in the Rosebud Indian reservation is the last of Uncle Sam's big land distributions. Every one is to have a chance at a 160-acre slice. Land adjoining it is now selling at \$20 to \$30 an acre. It is estimated that this drawing will surpass all other government openings in the number who will take part, at least 200,000 people being expected to register. The number of 160-acre farms is 5000. This means that only one person out of every 40 can possibly get a farm.

Already crowds have arrived at the border, and have set up tents prepared to make a comfortable stay until after the drawing. The registration points are at Dallas and Gregory, S. D., on the east border of the reservation; Chamberlain and Presho, S. D., on the north, and O'Neill and Valentine, Neb., on the south.

Eight Perish in Flames.

New York, Oct. 6.—Eight persons are believed to have been burned to death and several were injured, one fatally, in a fire in a crowded tenement house on Mulberry street, between 1 and 2 o'clock this morning. Several tenants jumped from windows and fire escapes when the flames cut off their retreat. The fire started on the first floor in a dry goods store, and spread rapidly. There is a fire escape on the front of the building, but it was of little use, as the persons in the building completely lost their heads, and children were thrown from the windows to the street.

Canadian Strike is Off.

Winnipeg, Oct. 6.—The Canadian Pacific mechanics' strike has been officially declared off. The settlement of the strike was first announced tonight through the conservative government in this province. Hon. Robert Rogers has been in Montreal for some days, with the view of bringing the contending parties together, and succeeded. The terms are those brought in by the board of conciliation and the Lemieux act for settling labor disputes.

Greater Than Thought.

Bombay, Oct. 5.—Upwards of 7000 bodies already have been extirpated by the health department of Hyderabad, and the belief prevails that the total death toll resulting from the floods that devastated the Hyderabad and Deccan districts a week ago will exceed all previous estimates.

Russia Has Disease in Hand.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 6.—The cholera epidemic is being kept well in hand, considering the hold it had on the city before proper measures to prevent its spread were taken. In the 24 hours from noon Saturday until noon today, the new cases numbered 136 and deaths 62.

OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

DYNAMO WRECKS MILL.

Ten-Ton Fly Wheel Leaps Hundreds of Feet.

Hood River.—Failure of the governing machinery to work on the big dynamo of the Oregon Lumber company at its power plant at Dee caused the electric generator to run away and wreck the plant. Part of the 10-ton flywheel which exploded was blown across the river several hundred feet. The accident put 150 men out of employment.

Although many men were employed in the vicinity of the accident, no one was injured, the electrician escaping by being absent from the building. The plant cost the company \$50,000 and was the first electric power plant to be used in operating a sawmill on the coast. The accident is a doubly expensive one to the company, as in addition to the loss by damage to the power plant it is expected that the big mill, which was cutting from 150,000 to 200,000 feet of lumber a day, will have to remain idle a month before repairs can be made.

Electrical experts have been sent for and everything will be done to push the installation of new machinery at once.

Money for Indians.

Klamath Falls.—Every man, woman and child on the Klamath Indian reservation is to receive \$30.35 within the next 10 days. This represents the distribution of \$52,500 interest now due, and 10 per cent of the principal, of a sum placed to their credit several years ago, paid for lands which belonged to the Indians and which the government appropriated. Part of the money received for the land was set aside for the building of irrigation ditches, purchase of cattle, etc., and \$350,000 was placed on interest for them at 5 per cent. Seventeen thousand five hundred dollars interest is now due them and the Indians, in addition, asked for 10 per cent of the principal.

Frosts Thin Out Crop.

Salem.—Though the prune crop is light, averaging in different localities from one-half to two-thirds of a crop, all of that which matured will be saved. The quality is good, size large, and growers are much encouraged. For what there is of the crop, on account of the quality and size, growers will receive more than last year, when prices were considered good. Contracts are being made on a basis of 4 cents, and the average seller will pull out much better than last year. From 3 1/2 to 5 cents is being offered for the field run. Because of the fine weather that has prevailed throughout the valley during the last three weeks conditions for drying have never been more favorable.

Big Irrigation Project.

La Grande.—At a meeting held to discuss methods and devise plans for the promotion of the big irrigation project that is now the source of great interest in this valley, committees were appointed to cover the entire valley in a canvass for subscriptions. A considerable portion of the amount necessary to assure success in the undertaking has already been subscribed and there is but little doubt that within a few weeks the project will be well under way.

Eccles at La Grande.

La Grande.—David Eccles, the sugar magnate, spent one day last week at La Grande, and in company with F. S. Bramwell, one of his local lieutenants, made a trip from Austin, the present terminus of the Sumpter Valley railroad, through Harney county. It is given out that the trip was made to inspect a proposed route for an extension of the Sumpter Valley railroad to connect the O. R. & N. with the Gould transcontinental line.

Headquarters at Pilot Rock.

Pendleton.—Pilot Rock is to be headquarters for the Armour company's feeding in eastern Oregon, according to plans announced that the big packing firm had purchased ground for feeding quarters in that thriving village. Good transportation, an immense production of grain and hay and the abundance of livestock ranged upon the hills are the causes for the projecting of the new enterprise.

New Factory for Albany.

Albany.—A. J. Caldwell is planning to remove his hose factory from Stayton to Albany and enlarge the plant materially. Caldwell, who is a former Linn county young man, was in this city recently discussing the proposed change with local business men and was assured enough support to justify the erection of a big plant here.

Horses to Philippines.

Klamath Falls.—A band of 30 horses has just been started to the railroad by J. Frank Adams of Merrill, en route to the Philippine islands. They were all fine specimens of Klamath horses. E. Stewart, a government horse-buyer, is expected to arrive in Klamath county shortly, looking for polo ponies and artillery horses.

Frosts Hurt Hops.

Salem.—Hop-picking proper has closed in the valley fields and what hops remain to be picked can be easily cleaned up during the next week. It is very fortunate for the unusual heavy frosts have damaged the un-picked hops.

Haying is Finished.

Fairview.—The Sun Dial Ranch company has just completed haying. They now have over 1,000 tons of hay housed ready for feeding their large band of cattle which they fatten for the Union Meat company.

RECLAIMING ARID LAND.

Irrigation for 80 Acres of Klamath Foothill Land.

Klamath Falls.—Fred Mellase will put in a pumping plant to irrigate 80 acres of land on the foothills east of this city. This land, with 8,000 other acres, is above the government canal, and is practically worthless, as not a drop of water can be put on it. With irrigation it will be the finest fruit land in the valley, worth over \$200 an acre.

The government has surveyed a ditch through this hill land, to be used after its pumping plant is established. Mr. Mellase will use this survey and later turn his plant over to the government. He will secure electric power from the Moore electric plant.

Eastland Secures Scholarship.

University of Oregon, Eugene.—Herbert Eastland, a university graduate of '05, has been granted the full scholarship offered by the University of Oregon medical college in Portland to the graduates of the University of Oregon. Eastland took his major work under Professor Sweeter in the biological department. The scholarship amounts to all the tuition and fees that are charged at the medical school. No decisions have yet been made in regard to the two half scholarships awarded each year.

Revive Malheur Project.

Ontario.—A meeting of the Ontario Commercial club was held recently to take action looking to the revival of the Malheur project. It is known that the reclamation department is now looking for an irrigation project in this state, and that there is money available for that purpose. The Malheur project was considered one of the most feasible in the state of Oregon, and if the matter is brought before the government properly it is thought favorable action will be taken.

Testing Oysters at Coos.

University of Oregon, Eugene.—The biological department is gathering statistics from the Coos Bay country with a view to raising oysters for commercial purposes. Professor Sweeter and the members of his department have done considerable work along this line during the summer, and if the statistics obtained prove the raising of oysters is possible and a paying proposition, oyster beds will probably be installed at various points on the coast within the next four years.

Ready to Drill for Oil.

Ontario.—The machinery for the big oil rig of the Ontario Co-Operative Gas & Oil company has arrived. This is the heaviest drilling rig ever shipped to the state of Oregon and is heavier than any rigs used in eastern oil fields. It is used only in the deep fields of California. It is what is known as a heavy Standard Rig and the machinery done weighs more than 60,000 pounds. In addition to the machinery a load of 12 1/2-inch pipe casing has been received.

Lumber is Scarce.

Waldport.—There is a great scarcity of lumber in the western part of Lincoln county and a number of parties who have bought Waldport property with the intention of building have been unable to secure material. As soon as the river gets high enough a great deal of contracted lumber will be brought down from the Abee mills. Newport is also suffering a lumber famine.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Club, 89c per bushel; forty-fold, 92c; Turkey red, 92c; five, 89c; bluestem, 93c; valley, 91c.
Barley—Feed, \$26 per ton; rolled, \$27.50@28.50; brewing, \$26.50.
Oats—No. 1 white, \$31@31.50 per ton; gray, \$30@30.50.
Hay—Timothy, Willamette valley, \$14 per ton; Willamette valley, ordinary, \$11; eastern Oregon, \$16.50; mixed, \$13; clover, \$9; alfalfa, \$11; alfalfa meal, \$20.

Fruit—Apples, new, 60c@81.50 per box; peaches, 40c@80c per box; pears, 75c@81.00 per box; plums, 50c@81.00 per box; grapes, 40c@81.25 per crate; Concord, 20c@25c per basket; huckleberries, 8c@10c per pound; quinces, \$1.25@1.50 per box; ground cherries, 75c per box; cranberries, \$10 per barrel.

Potatoes—80c@90c per hundred; sweet potatoes, 2c per pound.
Melons—Cantaloupes, 50c@75c per crate; watermelons, 4c@1c per pound; casabas, \$1.75@2 per dozen.

Vegetables—Turnips, \$1.50 per sack; carrots, \$1.75; parsnips, \$1.75; beets, \$1.50; artichokes, 65c per dozen; beans, 3c@4c per pound; cabbage, 11c per dozen; cauliflower, 25c@75c per dozen; celery, 75c@81c per dozen; corn, 75c@81c per sack; cucumbers, 15c@20c per dozen; egg plant, 50c@81.25 per crate; lettuce, \$1@1.25 per box; parsley, 15c per dozen; peas, 6c per pound; peppers, 8c@10c per pound; pumpkins, 1c@1c per pound; radishes, 12c per dozen; spinach, 2c per pound; sprouts, 10c per pound; squash, 11c per pound; tomatoes, 8c@7c.

Butter—City creamery, extras, 32c@34c; fancy outside creamery, 30c@32c per pound; store, 18c.
Eggs—Oregon extras, 31c@32c; firsts, 27c@30c; seconds, 23c@26c; eastern, 25c@28c per dozen.
Poultry—Fancy hens, 13c@14c; spring, 14c@15c; ducks, old, 12c@12c; spring, 14c@15c; geese, old, 9c; young, 10c@11c; turkeys, old, 17c@18c; young, 20c.

Veal—Extra, 9c per pound; ordinary 7c@7c; heavy, 5c.
Pork—Fancy, 8c per pound; ordinary, 6c; large, 5c.
Hops—Oregon, 1908 7c per pound; 1907, 2c@4c; 1906, 1c@1c.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, average best, 10c@16c per pound, according to shrinkage; valley, 15c@15c.
Mohair—Choice, 18c@18c per pound.

SPOKANE NEXT YEAR.

Washington City Secures Meeting of Irrigation Congress.

Albuquerque, N. M., Oct. 5.—Spokane was selected as the meeting place for the seventeenth national irrigation congress, at the close of the sixteenth congress Saturday. Pueblo withdrew at the last moment, and the vote was made unanimous.

The new governing board of the congress, created by this meeting, was elected Saturday at a meeting of the executive committee. This board has full powers to manage the affairs of the congress and to continue its work between sessions. The members are: President, G. H. Barstow, of Texas; secretary, B. A. Fowler, of Arizona; W. A. Beard, of California, chairman of the executive committee, and Fred J. Kiesel, of Utah; Dr. W. J. McGee, of Washington, D. C.; John Dixon, of Montana, and one other member, who is to be selected by the board.

The closing session was made interesting by a strong address by Congressman Joseph E. Ransdell, of Louisiana, president of the national rivers and harbors congress, who urged co-operation between his organization and the national irrigation congress.

That an international congress will be held at some one of the South American capitals in 1910 is now fairly assured, although the matter will not be determined until the congress meets in 1909.

The industrial exposition will continue until October 10. Between \$15,000 and \$20,000 in trophies and prizes will be awarded at the close of the exposition.

RUNS ON TIES.

Fast Passenger Makes Mile a Minute Without Rails.

Chicago, Oct. 3.—Passengers on the Lake Shore Twentieth Century Limited thought they were taking breakfast in a wreck as the tender trucks of the giant locomotive hauling the fast train left the tracks a half mile west of Gary at 8 A. M. yesterday. For a mile the wheels of the tender bumped over the ties, while the engineer sought to halt the flyer, speeding to Chicago at the rate of 60 miles an hour. The dining car and the smoker also left the rails.

For what seemed to the passengers three or four minutes the train dashed ahead, but with slackening speed. After about a mile it was brought to a stop and it was found that no one was injured. At the point where the accident occurred the tracks of the Lake Shore are elevated so that an embankment of eight or ten feet descending on either side promised a dangerous plunge if the bouncing cars left the rails.

The airbrake on the diner, loosened from its fastenings, fell to the ground. This derailed the diner, the smoker and the tender. An angle-bar of the track was uprooted and tore through the floor of the diner, causing a panic among the passengers at breakfast.

WRIGHT'S LATEST WONDER.

Beats World's Record With Passenger on Board.

Le Mans, Oct. 4.—Wilbur Wright, the American aeronaut, who holds the world's record for an airplane flight, established another world's record yesterday afternoon for the time and distance with a passenger. With a French journalist by his side, he remained in the air for 55 minutes and 37 seconds, circling the field 24 times and covering a distance estimated at 58 kilometers or about 36 miles. His best previous flight with a passenger was 11 minutes 35 1/2 seconds.

By his feat Mr. Wright practically fulfills the conditions of a contract signed by him and Lazare Weiller, who represents a syndicate, whereby Mr. Wright receives \$100,000, and the syndicate takes in return the patent rights of the Wright machine for France and the colonies, with the privilege of manufacturing aeroplanes on this model.

The sun was setting when Mr. Wright and his passenger started, and the flight was completed in the moonlight. When they alighted, the French journalist in his enthusiasm threw his arms around Mr. Wright's neck, and the great crowd of spectators was hardly less demonstrative in its manifestations of delight.

Sue for Timber Value.

San Francisco, Oct. 5.—Suit for the recovery of \$5174.87, said to be the value of timber cut from the government lands allotted to the Indians of the Klamath tribe and sold by the Indians to the defendant corporation was filed by the government attorneys here Saturday against the Klamath Mill & Transportation company. In a similar suit some years ago United States District Judge DeHaven held that the Indians had no right to sell timber off their allotments unless the proceeds of such sale went to the government.

Miners Accept Old Scale.

Wheeling, W. Va., Oct. 5.—President Thomas L. Lewis, of the United Mine Workers of America, stated yesterday that the operators and miners of Montana and Wyoming have signed an agreement for wages on the basis of last year's scale, and that 12,000 men who have been idle since September 1, will now return to work. He says a meeting of operators and miners will be held next Tuesday at Seattle, Wash., to agree upon a scale for that state.

Central America Sends Gold.

San Francisco, Oct. 5.—The mines of Salvador and Mexico have contributed \$108,508.70 to the wealth of this country in the form of gold and silver bullion. It came up in the treasure vault of the Pacific Mail steamship Newport. Half comes from the Butters gold mine in Salvador, the remainder from widely known mines back of Mazatlan. It is the largest amount of treasure brought from the southern coast in one consignment in months.

CZAR OF BULGARIANS

Prince Ferdinand Issues Proclamation of Independence.

WANTS NO MORE TURKISH RULE

Austria Hungary Also Steps in and Will Annex Two Provinces of the Sultan.

Constantinople, Oct. 6.—Bulgaria has declared her independence of Turkey and is marching her troops to the frontier in preparation for war. Turkish troops are also advancing.

Austria-Hungary has given notice to the powers that she intends to annex permanently to her dominions the Turkish provinces of Bosnia and Herzegovina, which she has occupied and governed under mandate of the great powers for 30 years.

The proclamation of Bulgarian independence was made by Prince Ferdinand in the presence of his cabinet at Tirnova, the capital of the ancient kingdom of Bulgaria. The cabinet met the prince at the frontier yesterday and journeyed with him to Tirnova.

The dispute with Bulgaria began in regard to the control of the Orient railroad. Diplomatic correspondence among the powers betrayed a serious lack of harmony and encouraged Bulgaria to take the bold step of today. Turkey is convinced that Austria, backed by Germany, encouraged Bulgaria to declare her independence in order to strike a blow at the Kiamli ministry and compromise the new constitution.

Varna and other Bulgarian towns are placarded today with declarations that the moment has now arrived to proclaim independence, as otherwise Turkey, on the strength of the treaty of Berlin, will demand the restitution of Eastern Rumelia.

GERMANY TO BACK AUSTRIA.

Favors Annexation Scheme—Advises Turkey Against War.

Berlin, Oct. 6.—The foreign office today declared that Germany would support Austria-Hungary in the event of the annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The Associated Press is authorized to state that Germany associates herself with the mediation proposals submitted by Great Britain to the Turkish and Bulgarian governments.

It is recognized officially that Bulgaria's proclamation gravely complicates the situation, and until the attitude of the sultan is known the German government is unable to foresee its course of action, except that in no event will Germany bring pressure to bear at Constantinople to influence the decision of the porte.

Should the Turkish government seek the advice of the powers regarding the advisability of asserting her supremacy over Bulgaria by military force, Germany will not be able to advise the porte to go to war. The Turkish army is not prepared, but the Bulgarian army is ready.

Servians Clamor for War.

Belgrade, Servia, Oct. 6.—The news of Austria-Hungary's action with regard to the annexation of the provinces of Bosnia and Herzegovina has aroused Servia to the danger point. The streets this evening are thronged with a wild mob, many of the rioters discharging their revolvers and demanding war with Austria, rather than take annexation.

TRAIN WAITS FOR CREAM.

First Eastbound on New St. Paul Line Starts Late.

Butte, Mont., Oct. 6.—The first regular passenger train from Butte to Chicago over the Pacific Coast extension of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway left this city yesterday several minutes late because of a tardy milkman who failed to get around early enough to supply the combination car with cream.

This car is one of the features of the St. Paul trains, and it was not intended that on the first trip out of Butte the tardier should go wanting. The train waited for the milk vendor.

Enormous Wheat Movement.

Winnipeg, Man., Oct. 6.—The Canadian Pacific fleet last week moved an average of fifty trains of grain daily to Thunder bay, according to a statement given out by the officials of the company today. Never in the history of the railroad has there been such a quantity of grain transported before the close of navigation. Some blockades have been reported, but on the whole the movement to water has been enormous. The farm implement houses from the United States have done an enormous business in Western Canada this year.

Ten Victims of Firebug.

New York, Oct. 6.—Fire Marshal Kelly announced today that the Black Hand is responsible for the incendiary tenement fire yesterday, which cost ten lives and resulted in the probable fatal injury of several others. He says that two men were seen rolling a barrel into the building a few minutes before the fire broke out. Two explosions followed almost simultaneously. Kelly says that certain inmates of the place had received threatening letters.

693 Miles Under Water.

Cherbourg, Oct. 6.—The submarine Emerald arrived here today, after a run of 81 hours, in which she covered a distance of 693 miles under water. The vessel maintained a regular speed of nine knots an hour. The crew, although much fatigued, bore the severe trial admirably.