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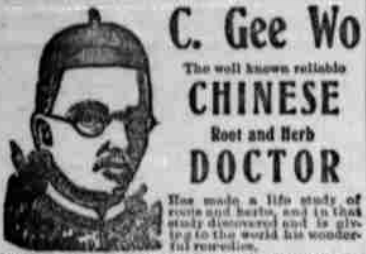
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 "There's Irish, French, Eretallians, Poles, Germans, Russians, Greeks and—"
 Mr. Halloran stopped, and began again:
 "There's Irish, French, Eretallians, Poles, Germans, Russians, Greeks—an' ain't it queer I disremember the other wan? There's Irish, French—"
 "Maybe 'twas Americans," suggested Mrs. Halloran.
 "Sure, that's it," said her husband. "I couldn't think."

MANY TOWNS THREATENED

Settlements on North Shore of Lake Superior Are Doomed.

Heavy Rain the Only Relief Possible—Terror-Stricken Inhabitants Flee to Lake—Heavy Wind Aids Fire—Naval Training Ship Aids in Fight Takes Many on Board.

Duluth, Minn., Sept. 12.—Unless a heavy rain falls within the next 48 hours, the total destruction by forest fires of every town on the north shore of Lake Superior in Cook county is almost certain. No rain has fallen in this district since July 10 and everything in the woods is as dry as parchment. Last evening the walls of fire, with heavy wind behind them, extended all the way to the settlements. Wild-eyed and shaking with fear, the inhabitants are gathered along the shore prepared to take to the lake in small craft should the worst come. Within less than two miles of Grand Marais, a town of 1,500, there is in flames a tract of spruce and brush over three miles in length. A strong land breeze from the northwest is at present shooting the fire along the outskirts of the town, giving the village a lease of life.

The training ship Gopher, which brought the naval militia to aid in fighting the fire, is in the harbor and is taking women and children aboard. The ship was welcomed with tears of joy on her arrival, and only the aid of the militia has saved the town up to this time.

Conditions at Pigeon River Indian Reservation, at Big Bay, Chicago bay, Cascade, Cofton and Nutson, are similar to those existing at Grand Marais. Beaver bay, on Lake Superior, 80 miles northeast of Duluth, is reported to be in peril.

NEW COINS DEFECTIVE.

St. Gaudens Twenties Do Not "Stack" With Old Ones.
 San Francisco, Sept. 12.—Activity at the San Francisco mint in the coining of the St. Gaudens gold pieces has been suspended. The first few days' output amounted to \$430,000, but the double eagles, it has been found, will not "stack" with the old coins of the same denomination. In a stack of \$400 the new coins are half the thickness of a piece short. While the double eagles again bear the legend "In God We Trust," it has been learned that the trust is not of ten-dollar dimensions. Superintendent Sweeney received a telegram from Washington saying, "Coin eagles with 'In God We Trust.'"
 In due time a letter was received by him from Washington authorities which read, "We wired you as follows: 'Coin no eagles with 'In God We Trust.' This we beg leave to confirm."
 The coining of the eagles stopped and the money presses are idle, awaiting instructions.

BEATS OWN TIME.

Wright Files Aeroplane for Over 70 Minutes.
 Washington, Sept. 12.—In a flight lasting one hour, ten minutes and 26 seconds, Orville Wright late yesterday surpassed all his previous exploits for a time and distance flight for a heavier-than-air machine.
 Two flights were made at Fort Meyer, Va., yesterday, the first being of ten minutes and 50 seconds' duration, for the purpose of showing what rate of speed he had been traveling during his long flights of the past three days. Yesterday's test demonstrated, according to the aviator's calculations, that the speed of the aeroplane during the record-breaking flights of Wednesday and Thursday was 39.55 miles an hour.
 The majority of those who witnessed the long flight were roused to great enthusiasm when the aviator for the third successive day broke his previous record.

Wants War Balloon at Atascadero.
 San Francisco, Sept. 12.—Colonel M. P. Maus, head of the department of California, today asked the War department to send at least one dirigible balloon to Atascadero, Cal., when the maneuvers of the California and Arizona troops are in progress. It is the object of the commanding officers to reproduce as nearly as possible the conditions of actual warfare in the encampment this year and it is desired that a balloon be sent here for trial in the sham battles that are to be fought under the oaks.

Quake Loss Very Light.
 San Francisco, Sept. 12.—On August 18 a story was sent out under date of Eureka, Cal., telling of an earthquake at that place on that date. A careful investigation of the damage done has determined that the extent of the loss was exaggerated. Instead of being \$2,000, the damage probably did not exceed \$200 or \$300. The dispatch came to the Associated Press from a source which was believed to be entirely reliable.

Chinese Boycott Things German.
 Tokio, Sept. 12.—The Chinese student of Tokio have decided to boycott German goods and German schools. No reason is assigned for the action.

ALASKA WHEAT.

Idaho Experiment Station Man Writes Concerning It.

On account of the numerous inquiries coming into our station, we find it necessary to issue this press bulletin concerning the so-called "Alaska" wheat.

This wheat, when given ample field space or conditions favorable to the individual plant, has a branching head borne on a rather tough straw at a height of between four and five feet. The mesh bears two and three kernels. When grown under close field conditions the head tends to be much smaller, branches less, and the mesh bears from one to two kernels, very seldom three. If heads grown under these conditions alone were examined the impression would be obtained that this wheat never bears but two kernels to the mesh, a mistake which some writers appear to have made.

The beards, while not numerous, are dark in color and considerably stronger than we find on our common wheats, but not so long or stiff as those found on the durums or macaroni wheats. The normal kernel is light in color, short and plump, with an unusually open groove, which allows the kernel to be easily broken in threshing. A cross-section shows the interior to be white and powdery, with comparatively little horny starch. The shrunken kernels naturally are harder.

Taking everything into consideration, I am led to conclude that this is the Egyptian or Miracle wheat, a Poulard, and that it belongs to that variety of the Egyptian known as Eldorado, which is very closely related to the seven-headed variety. The Poulards are peculiarly adapted to dry regions, but never have been grown to any extent in America. Their yields have never proved to be of such a nature as to warrant their extensive growth, even for stock food. And the inferiority of the flour produced from them has prevented their use to any extent for the production of bread.

The high yields claimed for the wheat in this section of the country, in some cases 277 bushels per acre, are fabulous. One of the promoters states that from one head of the wheat he obtained seven pounds; from these seven pounds he produced 1545 pounds, or a yield in round numbers of 227 fold. It is from these figures that the yields noted in the various papers, and in the circular of the Adams-Hobe Seed Grain company, of Julietta, Idaho, are computed. To show the ridiculousness of computing yields in this way, we determined in a couple of years, the number of grains produced from one seed of Little Club grown under favorable conditions in our breeding plot. One plant produced 1176; the other 1800 kernels. Now, reasoning as this seed company has done, if we should plant one bushel of this Little Club to the acre, we would obtain 1176 or 1800 bushels. This would be a rather high yield, even for Idaho.

This year the company had 700 acres in the wheat grown on different farms in this locality. A thirty-acre tract near Moscow, which was threshed in the middle of August, went about thirty-two bushels per acre. Mr. Adams stated at that time that his best yields had been thirty-five bushels. He supplemented this remark, however, with the statement that his stands were poor in every case. But considering the large acreage, the fact that several different farmers grew the crop, and the effect of a close stand, noted above, we must take this as an indication, at least, of the yielding power of the wheat. This, however, would not be considered an extra large yield for this country.

The analysis of the wheat upon which the company appears to base its hopes amounts to practically nothing in determining the bread-making quality of the flour. It is true, that bluestem wheat, which analyzes higher in protein than Little Club, makes a better quality of flour, but it is also true that macaroni wheat, which analyzes higher in protein than Bluestem, makes a lower class of flour, and consequently is discriminated against by the miller. The low-grade flours turned out from our mills usually show a higher protein content than the patent. Corn has considerable protein, but the chemist seems unable to find any gluten (that all essential part of a good flour). Even if the chemist had found a high gluten content in "Alaska" wheat, we would still not be justified in concluding that the wheat would make a good quality of flour. The proof of the wheat is in the bread it will make.

promised to have a milling test made. Upon our request the company has acceded. Until this test is made, however, we must assume that the wheat will make no better flour under the name of "Alaska" than it did when known as "Wheat of Miracle."

In spite of all the beautiful stories which have been written concerning the origin of this wheat, regardless of the many wonderful things which have been imagined about its quality, and taking into consideration the impression as to yield, which has so skillfully been thrown broadcast throughout the American continent by this seed company, who advertise their wheat for sale at \$20 per bushel, we have yet to find any point of merit in it which would warrant the public paying more for "Alaska" wheat than the prevailing market price of our common varieties.

Southern Biscuit Receipt.
 One quart sifted flour, one-half coffee cup of lard, one-half pint milk, one level teaspoonful salt. Rub flour, salt and lard together until smooth, then add milk. Beat twenty minutes, or until the dough blisters and pops when pulled apart. Roll out about a quarter of an inch thick, cut with small biscuit cutter and prick each with a fork. Bake twenty minutes in rather hot oven. This quantity makes about thirty biscuits.

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