

Not Unavoidable. Mrs. Gadabout—That Mrs. Hardbent next door doesn't seem to have many friends. Hostess (nearly)—No-o. I wonder how she manages it?—July.

A West Indian Hurricane Recently traveled up the coast at will, and did an entirely different manner from any other storm. Sometimes dyspepsia acts the same way. It refuses to yield to treatment which has cured similar cases. Then Hostetter's Stomach Bitters should be taken. It has cured stomach trouble for half a century.

A train running from New York to Boston made over 80 miles an hour recently.

In France advertising posters must bear revenue stamps varying in value according to size of the poster.

"Circumstances Alter Cases."
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An Oddity in Railroad Building.
"The craze for fast time on railroads is taking a new feature," observed a prominent railroad official to a star writer recently. "It is the shortening of lines and reconstruction of surveys in order to make a given line as straight as possible between two points. It is, in fact, a scheme to make time by saving distance. A railway without a curve or a cutting is, of course, a splendid thing from an engineering standpoint, but it is a very tedious affair to the passenger. To thoroughly realize how extremely monotonous a long journey on a railway without a curve or cutting is, one must travel on the road from Boston to New York to the Andes. That railroad beats all known records for having 200 miles of tracks almost on a line, such as mathematicians describe as the shortest distance between any two points. No one who has not seen this remarkable stretch of road, straight in front and behind as far as the eye can reach, even when aided by a field glass, can grasp what it means or what an amount of monotonous monotony it involves and entails."—Washington Star.

Improved Train Equipment.
The O. R. & N. and Oregon Short Line have added a buffet, smoking and library car to their Portland-Chicago through train, and a dining car service has been inaugurated. The train is equipped with the latest chair cars, day coaches and luxurious first-class and ordinary sleepers. Direct connection made at Granger with Union Pacific, and at Ogden with Rio Grande lines, from all points in Oregon, Washington and Idaho to all Eastern cities. For information, rates, etc., call on any O. R. & N. agent, or address W. H. Harburt, General Passenger Agent, Portland.

The Betrothal Kiss.
First Boarder—Did you hear the report of the engagement of our landlady's daughter?
Second Boarder—I should say I did. I was sitting in the next room at the time, and it was a pretty loud report, let me tell you.—Richmond Dispatch.

Hostess's Manners Abroad.
Fuddy—The Halcans are very discreet. Daddy—In what way. Fuddy—They never smile when they are in public together. They are afraid people will think they are not married. They both of them hate a scandal above all things.—Boston Transcript.

The largest mass of pure salt in the world lies under the Province of Galicia, Hungary. It is known to be 550 miles long, 20 broad and 250 feet in thickness.

London annually consumes 40,000 tons of imported meat.

Germany manufactures 70 per cent of the world's production of coal-tar colors.

The New York Varnishers' Union reports that all its members are busily employed, and its business agents have applications from employers for more men. All union varnishers receive not less than \$3 a day, and some are getting \$3.25 and \$3.50 for eight hours' work.

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ALONG THE COAST.

Items of General Interest Gleaned From the Thirving Pacific States.

The Stage Robbery.
It transpired that Van C. Alexander, the man who gave up \$170 of the money stolen from the United States mails on the stage near Westfall, Or., on September 22, is admittedly the main person responsible for the hold-up. The indications during the examination in United States Commissioner Halley's court here on Saturday, pointing to Alexander as the one planning the robbery, with the two boys as his accomplices, are confirmed by the developments. It is announced here that this phase of the case will be called to the attention of Judge Bellinger, of the federal court at Portland, before whom the two boys are to be tried.

Big Steam Heating Plant.
Upwards of \$600,000 is to be spent by the Boston capitalists who have purchased the plant of the Seattle Steam Heat & Power Company, and six of the street railway lines of Seattle, in the erection of a new and modern power plant and in the rebuilding and the distributing system. This part of the plant will be almost wholly reconstructed, new mains being laid in conformity with the latest ideas of steam engineering. This is but the beginning of large improvements which will be made. Plans are now being drawn for the new building and plant, which will be finished by January 1, after the rebuilding of several of the street car lines recently purchased.

Motioned Sustained.
Judge Burnett, of Salem, has sustained a motion for non-suit against the plaintiff in the case of L. H. McMahon vs. The Canadian Pacific Railway Company. The action was begun to recover about \$500, alleged to be due the plaintiff on account of advertising in the Woodburn Independent and the Salem Independent. The defense claimed that the agent who made a contract for the advertising had no authority to do so, and that the newspaper company was to take pay in transportation.

Labor Scarce at Fairhaven.
Labor is so scarce in Fairhaven, Wash., that railroad contractors and others are delaying work on various enterprises until more plentiful supply of workmen are to be had—a change from three years ago, when laboring men were sitting around on the curbstones, waiting for something to turn up. Fairhaven's pay roll is almost 16 times larger than it was two years ago, with a certainty of an increase next year.

Hillsboro Young Man Hurt.
Charles V. Doughty, a young man and resident of Hillsboro, Or., while riding a bicycle at a rapid rate over a crosswalk, was thrown from his wheel and seriously injured. He was rendered unconscious for about two hours, and received a deep cut across the left eye and his upper lip was badly lacerated. The wheel was completely demolished. Young Doughty was a member of company H, Second Oregon volunteers, and enlisted from Hillsboro.

Landlords Smiling.
Portland hotels are generally doing a good business these exposition times, and would soon be filled to overflowing were it not that guests keep going away as well as coming in. About two days is the average length of the out-of-town visitor's stay in the city, and his place is taken just about as quickly as he has vacated. The principal hotels have good long lists of names on the daily registers.

A Ninety-Pound Pumpkin.
A clothing house at New Whatcom, Wash., gave farmers pumpkin seeds last spring, and offered five prizes for largest results. The first prize went to R. D. Perry, of Clearbrook, whose pumpkin weighed 90 pounds; second, Cal Watkinson, of Edison, 88 pounds; third, Cyrus Bradley, of Lynden, 61 pounds. The fourth and fifth weighed 42 and 37 pounds respectively.

Gold Hill Water Ditch.
Engineer J. S. Howard, of Medford, Or., has completed the survey of the Gold Hill water ditch. He employed a party of 12 men, who completed the permanent survey in 98 days. Much interest is shown in the ditch, not only by local enterprise, but by many Eastern capitalists, who are ready to invest money in it.

To Propagate Steelheads.
The Willapa hatchery will be completed this week. As steelheads are more numerous in Willapa river than in any other stream in this section, a special effort will be made to propagate them here, and to stock other streams from this hatchery. The propagation of steelheads has not as yet been attempted in any Washington hatchery.

Catches All the Fish.
Lew and Sanford Mayhew have one of their floating traps located near the Point Francis portage, near Whatcom, Wash. It has 300-foot leads and catches all the fish that come its way. The boys say the trap's success is assured, and they will have it towed farther up the Sound, where the fall run of fish is better.

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BRADSTREET'S REVIEW.

Distributive Trade is Still an Encouraging Volume.

Bradstreet says: Distributive trade, while smaller at some markets, is still of encouraging volume, industry is active, railway earnings heavy, prices still tend upward and bank clearings increase, while failures lessen. Fall festivals and other celebrations at several cities have had an appreciable effect upon retail trade, and proved a stimulating factor in wholesale lines. Industrial activity is widespread, and strikes are fewer and less costly than in most years. Though lessened by holidays, bank clearings, swelled partly by heavy October disbursements and partly by general business expanding, tend to enlarge as the season advances.

Business failures are apparently at a minimum, and liabilities are certainly less costly than for many years past. Prices as a whole manifest aggressive strength. Farm products are especially prominent in this direction, the South's greatest staple, cotton, owing to short crop, advancing, and, owing to active speculation leading in extent of gain with an advance of nearly 1/2 cent for the week of nearly 2 cents as compared with a year ago and of quite 2 1/2 cents as compared with the low water price touched in the season of 1898-9.

Iron and steel hold all of their old strength. Wheat (including flour) shipments for the week aggregate 5,183,359 bushels, against 3,872,455 bushels last week, 5,497,273 bushels in the corresponding week of 1898, 4,823,461 bushels in 1897, 4,050,772 in 1896, and 2,244,323 bushels in 1895. Since July 1, this season, the exports of wheat aggregate 55,699,413 bushels, against 52,498,121 bushels last year, and 60,980,412 bushels in 1897-8.

PACIFIC COAST TRADE.

Portland Market.
Wheat—Walla Walla, 58@59c; Valley, 58@60c; Binneton, 61@62 1/2c per bushel.
Flour—Best grades, 63@65; Graham, 62@65; superfine, 62.15 per barrel.
Oats—Choice white, 35@36c; choice gray, 33@34c per bushel.
Barley—Feed barley, \$15@16.50; brewing, \$18.50@19.00 per ton.
Millet—Bran, \$17 per ton; middlings, \$22; shorts, \$18; chop, \$16 per ton.
Hay—Timothy, \$9@11; clover, \$7@8; Oregon wild hay, \$6 per ton.
Butter—Fancy creamery, 45@50c; seconds, 40@42 1/2c; dairy, 30@35c; store, 22 1/2@27 1/2c.
Eggs—21@22 1/2c per dozen.
Cheese—Oregon full cream, 18c; Young America, 14c; new cheese 10c per pound.

Seattle Market.
Onions, new, \$1.25@1.50 per sack.
Potatoes, new, 75@81c.
Beets, per sack, \$1.10.
Turnips, per sack, 75c.
Carrots, per sack, 90c.
Parsnips, per sack, 90c.
Cauliflower, 75c per dozen.
Cabbage, native and California, \$1@1.25 per 100 pounds.
Peaches, 65@80c.
Apples, \$1.25@1.50 per box.
Pears, \$1.00@1.25 per box.
Prunes, 60c per box.
Watermelons, \$1.50.
Cantaloupes, 50@75c.
Butter—Creamery, 27c per pound; dairy, 17@23c; ranch, 12 1/2@17c per pound.
Eggs—27@28c.
Cheese—Native, 13@14c.
Poultry—14c; dressed, 15 1/2c.
Hay—Puguet Sound timothy, \$8@11; choice Eastern Washington timothy, \$14@15.
Corn—Whole, \$23.00; cracked, \$22; feed meal, \$23.
Barley—Rolled or ground, per ton, \$21; whole, \$22.
Flour—Patent, per barrel, \$3.50; blended straight, \$3.25; California, \$3.25; buckwheat flour, \$3.50; Graham, per barrel, \$2.90; whole wheat flour, \$3.00; rye flour, \$3.75.
Millet—Bran, per ton, \$15.00; shorts, per ton, \$15.00.
Feed—Chopped feed, \$20.50 per ton; middlings, per ton, \$22; oil cake meal, per ton, \$35.00.

San Francisco Market.
Wool—Spring—Nevala, 12@14c per pound; Eastern Oregon, 12@15c; Valley, 17@19c; Northern, 8@10c.
Hops—1899 crop, 9@12c per pound.
Onions—Yellow, 75@85c per sack.
Butter—Fancy creamery 27@28c; do seconds, 24@26c; fancy dairy, 22@24c; do seconds, 19@21c per pound.
Eggs—Store, 21@26c; fancy ranch, 36@38c.
Millet—Bran, \$17.50 @ 19.50; nran, \$16@17.
Hay—Wheat \$7@9.00; wheat and oat \$7.00@8.50; best barley \$3.00@7.00; alfalfa, \$3.00@7.00 per ton; straw, 20@35c per bale.
Potatoes—Early Rose, 40@50c; Oregon Burbanks, \$1.25@1.50; river Burbanks, 45@70c; Salinas Burbanks, 90c@1.10 per sack.
Citrus Fruit—Oranges, Valencia, \$2.75@3.25; Mexican lemons, \$4.00@5.00; California lemons 75c@1.00; do choice \$1.75@2.00 per box.
Tropical Fruits—Bananas, \$1.50@2.50 per bunch; pineapples, nominal; Persian dates, 6@8 1/2c per pound.

Followed Her Doctor's Advice

Mrs. A. W. Palmer, of Jacksonville, Vt., writes: "Two years ago I was afflicted with stomach and bowel trouble. My case puzzled the doctors. I consulted only on the slightest kind of diet. My stomach would not retain solid food. The pain in my stomach and bowels was so intense that I could not sleep. I continued to grow worse. I lost 48 pounds, my nerves were completely shattered, and I was very weak. Dr. C. W. Jacobs, of Richmond, advised me to take Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. I began to use the pills, and the first effect was the restoration of my appetite, and the quieting of my shattered nervous system. I began to regain my lost strength, and in one month after commencing to take the pills I was able to do my household work. I have gained 50 pounds and today am in good health."

Not Always.
Bertha—"It's a curious expression. 'She went in bathing.' Why is it not enough to say, 'she went bathing'?"
Bobby—"Sure enough. When a girl goes bathing she doesn't usually go in."
—Boston Transcript.

Mothers will find Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup the best remedy to use for their children during the teething period.

At Tacoma tinmiths and men skilled in regular tin and sheet iron work are hard to get and are getting \$2.50 a day.

At Dawson City eggs cost 50 cents a dozen.

The number of mining firms using coal-cutting machines in 1898 in the United States was 26 per cent greater than in 1897, and the gain in Pennsylvania was about 50 per cent.

Man buried in an avalanche of snow heard distinctly every word uttered by those who are seeking for them, while their most strenuous shouts fail to penetrate even a few feet of snow.

The distance from the farthest point of polar discovery to the pole itself is 460 miles.

The animal that lays the greatest number of eggs at a time is the white ant of tropical countries, which, according to a high authority, produces 66,400 each day during the season.

Analyses made recently by the agricultural department in Germany showed that of 557 samples of fertilizers, 198 were adulterated, and of the samples of bran 74.1 per cent were adulterated.

A War-Time Mistake.

In a Missouri court recently a rather novel case came up for decision. During the civil war a certain Northern soldier went into the service, leaving a young wife at home. In due time the news reached him that his bride had died and when the war ended he did not return to his old home, but settled out West. He married again, and with his second wife accumulated a large amount of property in Pratt county. Not long ago he learned that his first wife had not died, but, supposing him to have been killed, had married another man. This man died, leaving her a widow. When the Pratt county man learned these facts he brought suit for divorce, and the woman in the last heard of it and went out and fought the case, asserting a claim to part of the Pratt county man's property. However, after the lawyers had made a great fight before him, the judge granted the divorce and left the Pratt county man free to marry the woman who has been living with him for many years as his wife.—N. Y. Tribune.

Conscripts in Cologne produced symptoms of heart disease by taking pills recommended for that purpose by local doctors. Several of the physicians have been arrested.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors prescribed it as a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly healing to cure a local trouble, procured permanent cure, but science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Allen's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful, and it cures all Catarrhs of the bladder and kidneys. It cures all Catarrhs of the bladder and kidneys. It cures all Catarrhs of the bladder and kidneys. It cures all Catarrhs of the bladder and kidneys.

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Coffee tablets or lozenges are coming into use in Brazil. One of them dropped into a cup of boiling water produces excellent coffee in three minutes.

The Compania General de Manila, the largest cigar making concern in the world, employs 10,000 hands, and turns out every year 60,000,000 cigars, 40,000,000 cigarettes and nearly 3,000 tons of cut tobacco.

Hereafter bells that can be heard a distance of 500 feet must be attached to all private passenger wagons in Chicago, and these bells must be rung continuously while the wagons are in service, which may be between sunset and sunrise.

The authorities in Algeria gave \$40,000 toward fighting the grasshoppers. In one section 3,200 camels were employed to carry the material for burning over the place where eggs had been deposited.

In the ship building and engineering trades of Belfast, Ireland, 270 out of 8,000 members of the union are employed in the linen trades, 60 out of 1,012; building trades, 47 out of 2,168; furnishing and wood-working trades, 23 out of 800; printing trades, 43 out of 958; miscellaneous, 38 out of 1,864.

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Arcola, Ill., with a population of less than 3,000, leads the world in the broom-corn industry.

The machine shops of the Northern Pacific railroad are compelled to run half a day overtime every other night in some departments in order to catch up. All the engines of the railroad company are in service.

There are 850,000 men in the world who gain a livelihood chiefly by fishing, making an annual catch of \$225 worth of fish for each man. The fisheries of the United States supply 800,000 pounds annually, and those of Europe 1,800,000 pounds.

At Tacoma while in some lines the supply of skilled labor is equal to the demand, there are others in which employers complain of lack of help and could employ more men if the right kind offered. Men employed on scrapers and graders on the streets are paid \$1.75 a day, while men in positions requiring somewhat harder work get \$2 a day. Skilled artisans, such as carpenters for finishing work, get from \$2.25 to \$3 a day. Machinists' wages run from \$2.25 to \$3.50, depending largely upon the ability of the man and the nature of the work.

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