SUMMARY OF A YEAR'S IM-PORTANT EVENTS.

War in Philippine Islands and South Africa, the Dreyfus Trial, Political Difficulties in Samoa, Death and Destruction by Fire, Wind and Flood.

Many causes have combined to make the year 1899 a rather remarkable one. Its opening was signalized by Spain's surrender of the last vestige of her sovereignty in the western hemisphere; its progress bre the forth the declaration of war between England and the Transvaul Repu and it ose leaves these nations that important political important political and JUCHER, N. Stween the natives

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caused death at Kirksville, Mo., in and at New Richmond, Wis., in a several fatal shipwrecks; deaths prominent men, among them President Felix Faure of France, Garret A. Hobart, Vice-President of the United States, and Robert G. Ingersoll; great street car strike at Cleveland and labor riots at Pana and Carterville, Ill. A brief chronological transcript of the year's events is given below:

January. 1—Spain resigns sovereignty over Cuba.
4—Train held up and robbed at Macomb,
Mo....Peace treaty with Spain introduced
in the Senate.

9-Fourteen persons killed and forty-eight 9-Fourteen persons killed and forty-eight njured in a collision near Dunellen, N. J. 10-McCoy defeated by Sharkey in New York.... Severe storm in California. 13-Fire at Memphis, Tenn., destroys wholesale dry goods house of J. S. Menkin & Co., and causes \$500,000 loss... Death of Congressman Dingley of Maine.

14-British bark Andelina sinks at Tacoma with her entire crew of n. neteen men.

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-Death of John Russell Young, librarian of Congress.

18-Disastrous flood at Cleveland. German consul at Apia, Samoa, ejected from Su-preme Court Building by American and British consuls.

20.—Bank at Arthur, Ill., robbed of \$3,000. 21.—Earthquake shakes Peloponnesan pen-nsula of Greece....Massacre of Spanish of-cers by natives at Balabac, in the Philip-25-One hundred thousand dollars damage

done by fire at Johnstown, Pa....Adelina Patti and Baron Cederstrom married at Brecon, Wales. 26-Ex-Attorney General A. H. Garland dies suddenly in Washington....Court mar-tial finds Gen. Chas. P. Eagan guilty under

two charges.
29-Cold wave over the West; 13 degrees below zero at Chicago.

30—Two hundred thousand dollar lumber yard fire in Chicago. February.

1—Seven persons perish in snowslide in Rogers Pass, B. C. 2—\$7.0,000 fire in Columbus, Ohlo, in which

2-\$7.0,000 fire in Columbus, Ohlo, in which many are injured... Burning of the Buck-fugham Theater, Louisville, Ky.
3-\$800,000 fire at Philadelphia.
4-Battle between Filiplnos and Americans at Manila... Mrs. Botkin receives life sentence for murder... James A. Sexton, Commander-in-chief G. A. R., dies in Washing-

bury of Minneapolis.

19—Capt. Dreyfus pardoned.

21—Fire in Chicago stockyards; loss (25—Admira) Dewcy's flagship, the Olymprarie du Chien, Wis.

25—Dewey naval parade in New York.

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cago: coldest day in twenty-six years... \$500,000 fire in Front street, New York.... Five business houses at Herington, Kan.,

burn.

10—Explosion in Baxter Stove Works,
Mansfield, Ohio, causes a \$100,000 fire...

Kelly Block in Cleveland burns; loss \$150,000...\$200,000 fire in Toronto, Ont...

American troops capture Caloocan.

11—Troops under Gen. Miller take IJolio
...Engagement outside Manila, in which
Filipinos are driven back.

12—Twenty-four Italian miners and familes perish in snowslide at Sliver Plume,

12—Twenty-four Italian miners and families perish in snowsilde at Silver Plume, Colo... McClurg's book store in Chicago burns; loss \$562,000.... Seventeen insane women burned to death at Yankton, S. D. ... Report of War Investigating Board made public in Washington... Great fires in New York City and Albany, N. Y. 13—Digby, N. S., almost wiped out by fire ... Blizzard in the East and South. 14—\$500,000 fire in manufacturing district of Cincinnati... Burning of manufacturers' warehouse in Chicago; loss \$1,000,000. 15—Machine shops in Brooklyn navy yard burned.

ourned. 16-Death of M. Felix Faure, President of 18-Emile Loubet chosen President at France...Riots in Paris. 20-Fire causes \$500,000 loss at Port Wash-ington, Wis.

tngton, Wis. 22-City of Manila fired by Filipinos.

March.

1—Death of Lord Herschell in Washington... Sagasta ministry resigns at Madrid.

3—George Dewey made an Admiral by President McKinley.

President McKinley.

4-Congress adjourns.
5-Storm destroys life and property in East Tennessec...New ministry takes office at Madrid...Terrific powder explosion at La Goubran, France, kills sixty persons.
9-Rev. T. DeWitt Talmage resigns his Washington pastorate...Battle between Americans and Canadians on Porcupine River, B. C.

11-Gen. Maximo Gomez deposed from command by Cuban Assembly.

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13—Pasig captured by American troops...

Understanding reached on Samoan affairs ... Herbert Putnam, of Boston, appointed Congressional librarian.

16—Mob shoots nine negroes at Palmetto, Ga... Death of Editor Joseph Medili...

Five killed in street riot at Hot Springs, Ark... Election riot in St. Louis results in death of two men...B. P. Hutchinson, wheat operator, dies at Lake Geneva, Wis. 17—Peace treaty signed by the Queen Regent of Spain... Windsor Hotel burns in New York, with great loss of life.

18—Fatal riot in Havana.

20—Mrs. Martha Place electrocuted at Sing Sing.

Sing. 4-Race war in Little River County, rk., where many negroes are lynched. 23-Mailetoa Tanus crowned King of Sa-

25-Opening of ship canal at Port Arthur. Texas. 27—Burning of Armour's felt works in Chi-

cago.

29—American and British warships bombard native towns in Samoa....Sinking of the steamer Rowena Lee in the Mississippi below Caruthersville, Mo.

30—One hundred and twenty lives lost by shipwreck of passenger steamer Stella in the English channel. English channel. 31-Fall of Malolos....\$500,000 fire in San

April.

7—Eleven lives lost in burning of Wallace andrews' residence in New York. 9—Death of Justice S. J. Fleid, retired.... seventeen lives lost by breaking of an ice page on Yellowstone River at Glendive, ontana. 10-Seven persons killed in riot at Pana,

inois.

1—Exchange of peace treatles with Spain ends the state of war....Greek coaster Maria sunk off Tripoli with loss of forty-five

lives.

14—Twenty-three Crow Indians drowned in floods near Sheridan, Wyo.

15—Great fire in Cleveland; loss almost \$1,000,000.

18—Fishing schooner Eliza lost off Nantucket, with eleven of her crew.

24—Death of ex-Gov. R. J. Ogleby of Illipois. Thirty persons drowned in wreck of British ship Loch Sloy on Kangaroo Island.

26—Dawson City, Alaska, almost wiped out by fire.

27-Tornado at Kirksville and Newtown, Mo., and in Soldier River valley, lowa. Scores killed and injured.
29-Earthquake shakes Southern Illinois and Indiana and Northern Kentucky....Fatal mine riots at Wardner, Idaho.

May. 1-Destructive fore t fires in South Dakota, Nebraska and Colorado.

3—Resignation of Italian cabinet.

4—Opening of Ute reservation in Colorado.

6—Five killed by tornado in Chickasaw nation, O. T.... Death of Mrs. W. C. Whitney.

7—Report of Wade Court of Inquiry given out.

Russell & Co.'s thresher works at Masen, Ohio, burned; loss \$500,000.

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12-Death of ex-Gov. R. P. Flower of New York.... Twenty-five persons killed in railway collision at Exeter, Pa.

15-Death of Francisque Sarcey, noted French critic... Riot at Princeton between students and Pawnee Bill's Wild West.

16-Cyclone in Ohio and Michigan.

17-Insurgent stronghold at San Isidro, P. I., taken by Americans.

20-Aguinaldo sends envoys to sue for peace.

peace.
21-American liner Paris goes ashore of the Manacles, off Cornwall, England. he Manacles, off Cornwall, England. 22—Buffalo grain shovelers' strike ends. ...Tornado in Erath County, Texas. 25—Death of Don Emillo Castelar, Spanish statesman... Great fire at St. John, N. B., which rendered 1,000 persons home-less... Death of Rosa Bonheur, French artist. 28—Tornado devastates parts of Godden kota, Iowa and Nebraska....Seven person killed in train wreck near Waterloo, Iowa. -Tornado devastates parts of South Da-

June.

9-Rallway wreck at Grandview, Mo....
Jeffries defeats Fitzsimmons at Coney Island, New York.

12-New Richmond, Wis., wiped out by tornado, 150 persons being kilied... Dupuy ministry resigns at Parls.

13-Herman, Neb., destroyed by storm.

18-Thirteen persons drowned in steamboat accident near Stettin, Germany....
Twelve miners killed by mine explosion at Glace Bay, C. B.

22-New French cabinet organized at Parls.

23-Death of H. B. Plant.

29-Nine lives lost in wreck of steamer Margaret Olwill in Lake Erle.

30-Dreyfus lands in France....Walkout at Homestead mills, Pittsburg.

28-Disastrous floods in Texas.

July. July.

5—Death of Bishop J. P. Newman.
6—Death of Robert Bonner....Order Issued for enlistment of ten regiments for the Philippines.
7—Death of George W. Julian, Indiana anti-slavery leader....Lindell Hotel, Lincoln Neb burns. oin, Neb., burns. 16—Street car strike inaugurated in Brook.

yn, N. Y. 19—Resignation of R. A. Alger, Secretary of War. 21—Death of Robert G. Ingersoff, 22—Eithu Root named as Secretary ... Telegraph messengers strike at natt.
23-\$1,000,000 loss by burning of C., H. &
D. elevator at East Toledo, Ohio.
26-Assassination of President Ulysses
Heureaux of San Domingo.
27-Death of A. L. Luetgert in Jollet, Ill.,

30-Tupper Lake, N. Y., wiped out by fire August. 1-Elihu Root, of New York, sworn in as

7—Fall festival in Chicago.
11—War is begun in South Africa....Formal declaration of war made by Boers.
12—Four thousand persons killed by earthquake in Ceram, Molucca Islands.
16—Columbia wins first race for America's

cup.
17—Columbia wins second race, Shamrock being disabled by breaking of topmast.
20—Columbia wins third race....Boers de-

feated at Giencoe. 21-English defeat Boers at Elandslaagte.

23-Battle at Giencoe, South Africa. 24-Boers repulsed at Ladysmith. 23-Death of Gen. Guy V. Henry. 27-Death of Florence Marryat, English

novelist.

30-British badly defeated in desperate battle at Ladysmith...Ferryboat sunk in North River, New York, and ten lives lost.

November.

3-Jeffries defeats Sharkey in New York, 4-American Steel and Wire Company's plant at Waukegan, Ill., burns. 7-Cruiser Charleston goes ashore off-

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9-Adminal I. et al. I Mrs. Mildred Hazen wedded in Washington... Joubert begins bombardment of Ladysmith.

12-Major John A. Logan killed in battle

in Philippines. 21-Death of Vice President Garret A.

23-British defeat Boers in hard battle at

25-Death of George R. Davis, of Chicago,

December.

Grand Opera.

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"Dago? It wuz good Amerikhan

"Yis, jhokes, yez haythen. They

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cums t' th' Cap-tal Shquare The-a-ter,"

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anese children are not segregated on

the school rolls, but are classed as

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-Detroit Free Press.

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Forty-sixth, (Colonel Schuyler), one 1—Einn Root, of New York, sworn in as Secretary of War. 6—Thirty-five killed and tweive injured in trolley car accident near Bridgeport, Conn. ...Collapse of a ferry slip at Bar Harbor, Me., kills twenty persons and injures forty battalion of the Forty-fifth (Colonel Dorst), and one company of the Twenty-seventh infantry, and two guns (Captain Van Deusen,) attacked the enemy, ers.
-Dreyfus trial begins at Rennes, France.
-M. Labori, counsel for Capt. Dreyfus, 600 strong in a mountain stronghold beyond Mont Alban, northeast of San 13-M. Labori, counsel for Capt. Dreytos, shot at Rennes.
20-Great riot in Paris.
21-Business portion of Victor, Colo., destroyed by fire.
28-Chicago Collseum framework collapses killing nine men and injuring as many more. Mateo. A large number were killed and wounded, and 24 were taken prisoners. Lockett captured one cannon, 40 rifles, 20,000 rounds of ammunition, 500 pounds of powder, arsenal fortifica-September. 5—Extremely hot weather in Chicago; thermometer registers 98 degrees. 6—Fifty persons injured in collision on the B. & O. Rallway at Connellsville, Pa. 9—Capt. Alfred Dreyfus convicted at Rentions, all their food supplies and considerable other property.

"This captured point, located on a mountain trail, was formerly supposed 9—Capt. Alfred Dreyfus convicted at Rennes, France.
12—Death of Cornelius Vanderblit.
13—Trust conference begins in Chicago.
17—Seven negroes killed in coal mine riot at Carterville, Ill.... Death of Chas. A. Pilisbury of Minneapolis.
19—Capt. Dreyfus pardoned.
21—Fire in Chicago stockyards; loss \$200.000 to be impregnable. Our casualties: Lieutenant Enlow, Eleventh cavalry, and five enlisted men wounded, mostly slight. Private Matson, Forty-fifth infantry, drowned."

Abandoned Towns.

Wheeler Goes South.

the American garrisons.

trouble.

a rescue.

paign, is now at Paranaque.

Americans Captured Stronghold.

found evidence of Filipino soldiers be-

ing in that vicinity, but it was impos-

sible to bring about an engagement.

Port Townsend, Jan. 1 .- The purchase of foreign vessels by the United states government for use as transports during the Spanish-American war and their subsequent sale by the government to private citizens has resulted in complicating matters for purchasers from the fact that after purchase of such vessels the government refuses to allow them to be documented in the United States as American vessels.

The case in point is the steamship Scipio, which was recently sold by the navy department and was afterwards refused documentation. The purchaser applied to the secretary of the treasury. asking that if he should break the Scipio up, whether the material of which she was constructed would be subject to duty if sold in the United States. Yesterday Collector Heustis received a circular letter covering the above case from the treasury department in which Acting Secretary Spaulding says that upon the sale of said vessel in a port of the United States the material or materials taken therefrom would not be regarded as an importation within the meaning of the customs laws, and would therefore beexempt from duty.

The Plague Scare.

2)—Death of George R. Davis, of Chicago, Director-General of World's Fair of 1893. 27—Death of Charles Coghlan, the actor. 28—Boers defeated in severe engagement on banks of Modder River. 29—Block of Philadelphia business houses burned; loss \$3,000,000. San Francisco, Jan. 1.—The steamer December.

4—Fifty-sixth Congress opens.

5—Death of Senator Hayward of Nebraska.

6—Dick Coleman, negro murderer, burned at the stake at Maysville, Ky.

9—British meet decisive defeat at Stormberg... Thirty-two miners killed by gas explosion in mine at Carbonado, Wash.

11—British suffer great losses in engagement with Boers at Magersfontein.

14—Gen. Buller badly defeated by Boers in attempting to cross Tugela River.

17—Death of Thos. M. Brumby, flag lieutenant of U. S. warship Olympia.

18—Currency bill passed by lower house of Congress... Excitement on Wall street causes two big failures.

19—Gen. Henry W. Lawton killed before San Mateo, P. I. Gaelic arrived here this afternoon from the Orient, via Honolulu. The Gaelic It is composed of nearly 200 paintings, was sent to quarantine, owing to the plague scare, but her cabin passengers were allowed to land, towboats plying between the steamer and the city for the purpose.

The press correspondent at Honolulu says there have been no new cases of plague since last advices. There have been several sudden deaths, and in each instance rumor assigned the plague as the cause. Investigation proved otherwise. The board of health now claims but two deaths were caused by the scourge, the remaining cases be-Missus Mulvaney, jist beyeuz yer man's ing doubtful or suspicious.

Robbed of \$12,000.

Milsap, a prominent stockman, was creased its capital stock \$7,500,000, seized by two men when about to enter for the purpose of acquiring new proptakin' a month's whages whurkin' loike the Klein hotel and was robbed of erties and making extensions and im-\$12,000. The money was mostly in provements on the Pacific coast. The his coat and vest pockets and these Sioux City & Northern and Pacific garments were torn from him. No Short Line, in Iowa and Nebraska, are trace of the criminals has been found. among the new properties to be taken Mr. Milsap was on his way to Mexico in. to buy cattle.

Big Liner Is Ashore.

London, Jan. 1 .- A large German mail steamer, believed to be one of the Hamburg-American liners, has gone aground during a terrific gale in bay, about a quarter of a mile off Dungeness, the southern extremity of Kept. Heavy seas are breaking over the vessel, and life-boats are unable to reach her. Fears are entertained for the

safety of the passengers.

It is reported that the position of the liner is very serious.

AMERICANS BUY A CANAL.

At Least They Now Own an Interest in the Panama. New York, Dec. 30-The incorpora-

tion of the Panama Canal Company of Filipino Bands Returning to America is said to be the first move in I plan to transfer the Panama canal to Americans in order that it may have a better chance in the struggle with the Nicaraguan concessionaries. The NATIVES ASK FOR PROTECTION banking houses and individuals who are understood to be interested are: August Belmont & Co., Kuhn, Loeb & Colonel Hare Loses the Track of the Co., Levi P. Morton, Charles R. Flint, Prisoners He Has Followed-General J. E. Simmons, president of the Fourth National bank; Edward Sweet, George Sheldon & Co., Baring, Magoun & Co., and George W. Young, president of the Manila, Jan. 1.-The insurgents who evacuated the coast towns between United States Mortgage & Trust Com-Dagupan and Vigan, fleeing to the pany.

mountains before the advancing Amer-In addition to these, several banking icans, are returning in small bands to houses in San Francisco and in cities the towns the Americans do not ocin the South and West are interested cupy, terrorizing the natives and in the company. The Herald says this Chinamen, who showed friendship for incorporation of an American company the Americans. The natives and is the result of negotiations between Chinamen are seeking the protection of representatives of the French company, including Baron Openheim, who came Colonel Wessel's cavalry, while to this city from Paris several months scouting in the vicinity of Trinidad, ago, and leading financiers of America. The representative of the French company came to this country empowered to transfer the rights of the company The recent increuse in the garrison of having now been incorporated, the Namacpacan against the threatened transfer will very shortly be effected, the transfer to be given formal approval rebel attack on Christmas day averted by the shareholders in France. These Colonel Hare, of the Thirty-third inshareholders receive shares in the new fantry, who has been following a party American company in proportion to of American prisoners, lost track for their holdings in the old.

three days, about December 20, of such This "Americanizing" of the Pana ma canal, as one of the gentlemen insigns and evidences of their passage as they customarily left behind them. It terested in the new company styled it is thought the prisoners were separated yesterday, has been brought about in and conveyed to remote parts of the order to place the Panama canal on a mountains, thus increasing the difficulfooting in America more satisfactory to ties of General Young's troops to effect the French company, and to place it on the same base as the Nicaragua canal before the United States govern-General Wheeler, who was recently in Manila requesting an appointment ment.

An isthmian canal commission, with south in the line of the expected cam-Rear-Admiral Walker as chairman, is now at work making an exhaustive study of all possible routes for a canal Washington, Jan. 1 .- General Otis across the isthmus of Central America. cables the war department today as fol-This commission was created in the closing hours of the last congress, and "Manila-Colonel Lockett, with a \$1,000,000 was appropriated for its use regiment of two battalions of the through tthe river and harbor bills. Its report will undoubtedly be final as far as the United States is concerned as to the best route for a canal. Its parties, both engineering and exploring, are now scattered over Central America, obtaining material to assist the commission in forming conclusions.

The French company, realizing the importance of the commission's findbut the American financiers who have process. formed the new company, now that the two routes are on an even footing, and that judgment will be made only on the grounds of engineering and general desirability, they argue that the 'Americanizing' of Panama is the only way by which the 400 shareholders can have any hope of any return from the \$200,000,000 which has gone out of France and into the canal, and they believe that this arrangement can produce only good feeling between the two

countries. Since 1884, when the French company was formed, there has been expended in work on the canal something like \$8,000,000. Several thousand men, mostly negroes from Jamaica, have been employed, and experts declare that the money has been proprely expended, and that good progress has been made. There is a large number of men at work on the canal at the present time, and this force will be found at work by the canal commission when it goes over the route, which will probably be during February. The canal is about two-fiths completed and the new American company estimates that the cost of completion would be about \$100,000,000.

New York, Dec. 30 .- The gallery of paintings collected by the late Judge Hilton is about to be sold at auction. mostly by modern French artists, and is valued at more than \$500,000. Among the masters represented are Meissonier, Cort, Daubigny, Gerome, Vibert, Makart, Munckasy, Bourgereau and Tissot.

Quarantine Against New Caledonia. Melbourne, Victoria, Dec. 30 .- A passenger who arrived here on board the steamer Australian from Noumea, New Caledonia, where the plague is raging, has been quarantined, and eight others have been placed under surveil-

Money for Improvement. St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 30.-The Walsenburg, Colo., Jan. 1 .- W. J. Great Northern directory today in-

> Sousa's Band Goes to Paris. New York, Dec. 30.—Commissioner General Ferdinand W. Peck, of the United States commission to the Paris exposition of next year, has appointed Sonsa's band as the official American band to play at the exposition.

> A Christmas Polsoning. Barboursville, W. Va., Dec. 28. Three members of the family of Man-ford Pollock died last night, having been mysteriously poisoned while eat

PACIFIC COAST NEWS

of Interest to the Growing Western States.

Since the first of July the people of Alaska have contributed to the federal treasury in license money the magnificent sum of \$153,276.40 for the privilege of doing business in Alaska and developing the territory, says the Skagway Alaskan. This is in addition to the tariff duties paid, internal revenues, taxes and all other taxes common to the country at large. It is a special tax levied upon business in Alaska alone, such as no other citizens of the United States are required to pay; in fact it is a tax that was never before in the history of the United States levied against any of its people.

Plenty of Supplies at Dawson. D. W. Bullock, lately arrived from

Dawson, said to an Alaskan reporter: "Dawson is supplied with everything eeded there for the winter. The report as to a great shortage of oats is not true. There is plenty of oats along the river and in Dawson to supply the interior. When we got away from Dawson, November 7, oats were selling for 22 cents a pound and hay at 15 cents. Last winter oats went to 40 and 45 cents, and hay to 35 to 50 cents. Tobacco sells in Dawson today for \$1 to \$1.25 a pound, less than it brings in Bennett. The Bennett price is \$1.50 a pound. Flour that sold for \$8 in Dawson a year ago is worth only \$4.75 there today. There will be plenty of beef in Dawson throughout the winter. Dumbolton had four scows loaded with beef on the way in, one of which is at Selkirk and one at Stewart river. I do not know where the others are. Dumbolton will take the meat through to Dawson over the ice after the river freezes. McDougall & Burns have 80 tons below Selkirk and will take it in past. over the ice. The labor market of Dawson is glutted. There were 1,000 to 1,500 idle men in the town when I left, and more were rushing in from up the river.'

Atlins Future Output.

Charles Christopher, who has negotiated more large Atlin mining deals than any other man in the country during the season recently closed, is authority for the statement that there will be no less than half a dozen large hydraulic plants put in operation in Atlin with the opening of spring. He says the output of gold in that country will exceed \$5,000,000. The gold comings, has taken the steps which have missioner collected royalty on about been described, believing that the canal \$700,000 this summer, but he failed to commission would naturally be enabled | collect on more than half the output. to judge more impartially between the There was at least \$1,500,000 taken two routes with both under American out of the Atlin gold fields this year, control. The gentlemen of the French and next year the output will exceed company long since recognized that \$5,000,000. Last summer the great the undertaking of a canal across Nica- majority of the miners did not get to ragua either by the United States or by work before August 1, and they all private parties with the assistance or worked small claims and handled most indorsement of the United States would of the dirt with shovels. Next year be a most serious blow to their project, they will handle it by the hydraulic

> Snowslide on White Pass. News of a big snowslide on the

White Pass & Vukon railroad was brought to Victoria by the steamer Tees. A rotary and two engines were buried by the slide, and after they were shoveled out, the rotary ran into a rock, knocking out 13 of its 20 knives The train which was behind the snow bucking outfit was not injured.

P. O'Regan, one of those who en deavored to walk to Skagway from the snowbound train, was found unconscious, with his face and hands frozen. The operator at Glacier reported to Skagway that the track there was covered for a distance of 850 feet a depth of five to 20 feet. Telegraph wires be yond Glacier are down.

Heathen Chinese Threw & Bomb. At Victoria, B. C., a dastardly attempt was made to wreck a Chinese Methodist mission church. While the congregation, principally Chinese, was worshipping, a bomb made of lead pipe and filled with gundpower was exploded. No one was injured. The deed is ascribed to heathen Chinese jealous of the introduction of Christianity among their countrymen

To List All the Hops.

Directors of the Oregon Hopgrowers Association met in Salem Tuesday afternoon, and were in secret session four hours. The chief business transacted was to require every local representative of the association to obtain a complete list of hopgrowers and the amount of hops now on hand in their respective districts. The board also announced that it is now ready for busi-

Northwest Notes.

An opera house is one of Albany's needs for 1900.

Mule-buyers from California are in Southern Oregon counties.

A Burns paper reports a sale of 2,700 stock sheep at \$2.60 per head.

It is estimated that the call for warrants recently made by the county treasurer of Whatcom county covers about \$170,000 of county indebtedness.

Figures of real estate transfers recorded in King county (Seattle) since July 1 show a total of 495 transfers, of an aggregate value of \$3,989,625, not including, of course, the value of the transfers for nominal sums.

In Umatilla county, wheat farms are advertised for sale at prices from \$20 to \$40 an acre. A farm on the foot-hills east of Milton sold for \$5,800 spot cash.

The old mill, on Chambers creek, near Fort Steilacoom, was recently de-stroyed by fire. It was one of the old landmarks of that part of the country, having been built in 1852.

The convention of the Linn county ing their Christmas dinner. Rrownsville on January 12, 13, and 14. 19.00; bran, \$13@14.00. Christian Endeavorers is to be held in

BRADSTREET'S REVIEW.

femporary Reaction From the Heavier Holiday Trade on Record

Bradstreet's says: Holiday influence and stock-taking impart an appearance of dullness to general distributive trade. broken, however, by fair activity in reorder business to fill up stocks de-pleted by the heaviest holiday trade that has ever been experienced.

Anticipation of spring trade wants has given a more than ordinarily active appearance to business in dry goods at New York, while in industrial lines the efforts of manufacturers to keep up with filled order-books is resulting in unusually active operations. Following the flurry in money, stocks and in some lines of speculative commodities noted last week, has come, as was expected, a more cheerful tone, and a firming up in quotations is noted in such staples as cotton, which was effected by last week's money developments, and also in hog products, cof-fee, copper, tin and lead. The strength of textiles is still a feature which finds justification in current statistics of larger season's receipts and sales of wool, and in reports of enlarged old and heavily increased new capacity in

manufacturing lines. In iron and steel, seasonable quiet as regards new business is observable, but unabated activity on earlier booked orders is reported. In some cases, no shutdown was made for the holidays by mills and furnaces.

Wheat (including flour) shipments for the week aggregate 3,610,557 bushels, agaist 2,813,714 bushels last week. 6,292,625 bushels in the corresponding week of 1898, 5,495,061 bushels in 1895.

For the year, failures are the smallest in number for 17 years past, and were it not for a few heavy fiancial suspensions in December, liabilities, which will exceed those of 1892 slightly. would have been smallest for 12 years

PACIFIC COAST TRADE.

Seattle Markets. Onions, new, \$1.00@1.25 per sack Potatoes, new, \$16@20. Beets, per sack, 75@85c. Turnips, per sack, 60c. Carrots, per sack, 50c. Parsnips, per sack, 75@85c. Cauliflower, 75c@\$1 per dozen. Cabbage, native and California, 78

@ 90c 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.

Nutmegs, 50@75c. Butter-Creamery, 32c per pound; airy, 17@22c; ranch, 22c per pound. Eggs-Firm, 30@31c.

Cheese-Native, 16c. Poultry-9@10c; dressed, 13@14c. Hay-Puget Sound timothy, \$12.00; choice Eastern Washington timothy.

\$17.00@18.00 Corn-Whole, \$23.00; cracked, \$232 feed meal, \$23.

Barley-Rolled or ground, per ton, \$21: whole, \$22.

Flour—Patent, per barrel, \$3.35; blended straights, \$3.10; California, \$3.25; buckwheat flour, \$6.00; ham, per barrel, \$3.80; whole wheat flour, \$3.10; rye flour, \$3.80@4.00. Millstuffs-Bran, per ton, \$16.00; shorts, per ton, \$17.00.

Feed-Chopped feed, \$20.50 per ton; middlings, per ton, \$22; oil cake meal, per ton, \$32.00.

Portland Market.

Wheat - Walla Walla, 51@52c; Valley, 52c; Bluestem, 54c per bushel. Flour-Best grades, \$3.00; graham, \$2.50; superfine, \$2.15 per barrel. Oats-Choice white, 34@35c; choice gray, 34c per bushel.

Barley-Feed barley, \$15@16.00; brewing, \$18.00@18.50 per ton. Millstuffs—Bran, \$17 per ton; mid-dlings, \$22; shorts, \$18; chop, \$16 per

Hay-Timothy, \$9@10.50; clover, \$7@8; Oregon wild hay, \$6@7 per ton. Butter—Fancy creamery, 50@55c; seconds, 42½@45c; dairy, 37½@40c;

store, 25@35c. Eggs-18@19c per dozen. Cheese-Oregon full cream, 18c; Young America, 14c; new cheese 10c

per pound. Poultry-Chickens, mixed, \$2.50@ 3.50 per dozen; hens, \$4.00; springs, \$2.50@3.50; geese, \$7.00@9.00 for old; \$4.50@6.50 for young; ducks, \$4.50 per dozen; turkeys, live, 121/2@180 per pound.

Potatoes-55@70c per sack; sweets, 2@21/4c per pound. Vegetables-Beets, \$1; turnips, 90c; per sack; garlie, 7c per pound; cauliflower, 75c per dozen; parsnips, \$1; beans, 5@6c per pound; celery, 70@ 75c per dozen; cucumbers, 50c per

box; peas, 3@4c per pound; tomatoes, 75c per box; green corn, 121/2@ Hops-8@11c; 1898 crop, 5@6c. Wool-Valley, 12@13c per pound; Eastern Oregon, 8@14c; mohair, 27@

30c per pound. Mutton-Gross, best sheep, wethers and ewes, 8 1/2c; dressed mutton, 6 1/4 @ 7c per pound; lambs, 71/2c per pound. Hogs-Gross, choice heavy, \$5.00;

light and feeders, \$4.50; dressed, \$5.50@6.00 per 100 pounds. Beef-Gross, top steers, \$3.50@4.00; cows, \$3@3.50; dressed beef, 6%@

71/2c per pound. Veal—Large, 61/2671/2c; small, 8@ 8 %c per pound.

San Francisco Market. Wool-Spring-Nevada, 12@15c per pound; Eastern Oregon, 12@16c; Valley, 20@22c; Northern, 10@12c. Hops-1899 crop, 11@12c

pound. Onions-Yellow, 75@85c per sa Butter-Fancy creamery 24@25c; do seconds, 22@23c; fancy dairy, 20 @21c; do seconds, 19c per pound, Eggs—Store, 25@27%c; fancy ranch

Millstuffs - Middlings, \$16.00