

SWEPT AWAY BY EPIDEMICS

Natives of the Aleutian Islands Are Fast Disappearing.

REPORT OF REVENUE CUTTER RUSH

Terrific Earthquake Shocks in Alaska Do Great Damage, and Some Lives Were Lost.

PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., Oct. 16.

The United States revenue cutter Rush arrived this morning from a cruise in Bering Sea, and is the first of the fleet to return. During her cruise she steamed about 15,000 miles, and rendered assistance to fifteen vessels in distress along the Alaskan coast, besides doing patrol duty in the interests of sealing. She supplied the natives of the islands with provisions. Captain Cushing reports finding the natives in a wretched condition, suffering from hunger and disease. Epidemics have made sad inroads upon the native tribes. The Rush was engaged in taking a census of the islands, and on Atka Island only seventy-three persons, including men, women and children. On Atka Island a large island of the Aleutian group, 137 remain of a once numerous tribe, and since leaving that island 27 deaths were reported to Captain Cushing.

At the present rate of decrease, Captain Cushing predicts, the natives of the Aleutian Islands, will soon become extinct.

EARTHQUAKE IN ALASKA.

Seattle, Wash., Oct. 16.—Advices received here today from Kodiak, Alaska, tell of a series of earthquakes which were felt in that place on October 9th. The tremblings began at 2:55 a. m., and lasted at intervals for six hours. Much damage was done to property, and one life was lost. At Karluk, 90 miles from Kodiak, the bark Heron, loading salmon for San Francisco, broke from her moorings and was driven on shore in a fierce storm which accompanied the earthquake. One sailor was drowned. The cargo, consisting of 12,000 cases of salmon was lost.

The first shock felt at Kodiak created havoc in the store of that place. At Wood Island the North American Company lost a quantity of breakable goods. The wharf at that place was also destroyed.

IN WINTER QUARTERS.

Seattle, Wash., Oct. 16.—The steamship Humboldt arrived today from Skagway, bringing \$700,000 in Klondike treasure and 200 passengers, including a number of prominent mining operators. All the upper river steamers on the Yukon have gone to winter quarters except four. These intended, if possible, to make another round trip between White Horse and Dawson, before the close of navigation. Large quantities of ice are already floating in the river.

HE WAS HANGED.

A Klondike Murderer Pays the Penalty for His Crime.

Seattle, Wash., Oct. 16.—Dawson advices, received today, tell of the hanging of Alexander King, on October 2d for the murder of Herbert Davenport, on the Yukon river, July 15th. King was cool enough to talk to the hangman in a joking way, while the latter was adjusting the noose. When asked if he had anything to say, he replied: "No, nothing to raise a sensation—no lies to tell."

YOUTSEY'S TRIAL.

The Defendant Heard Nothing of the Testimony Presented.

Georgetown, Ky., Oct. 16.—If Henry Yousey heard a word uttered in his trial today he gave not the slightest indication of it by any movement of hands, head, eyes or lips. So far as any one in the court room could tell he never uttered a word all day. The defense presented some strong testimony, contradictory of the prosecution's witnesses, and said that they have something stronger for tomorrow when they expect to rest their case.

IN SECRET SESSION.

Mine Operators in Consultation in Pennsylvania.

Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 16.—A secret conference was held in the office of the Philadelphia & Reading Railway Company, between representatives of the various coal carrying roads and a number of individual operators. The participants were pledged to secrecy as to the object of the consultation, and nothing could be learned of what took place. After the consultation Geo. F. Baer remarked in a general way that it might be several days before a settlement of the strike is reached.

How Are Your Nerves?

If they are weak and you feel nervous, "flustered," can't sleep, and rise in the morning unrefreshed, your blood is poor. Strong nerves depend upon rich, nourishing blood. Hood's Sarsaparilla makes the nerves strong by enriching and vitalizing the blood. It gives sweet, refreshing sleep and completely cures nervous trouble. Begin taking it today.

Nausea, indigestion are cured by Hood's Pills.

WRECKED IN IDAHO.

Pocatello, Idaho, Oct. 16.—The Oregon Short Line's fast mail train was wrecked at Tapanz, thirty miles east of here, this afternoon, by running into the rear end of a freight train standing on the main line. The engine of the passenger train rolled down the

embankment, and Engineer Beckman and Fireman George were badly injured. An unknown tramp was killed and another had his leg crushed.

HEAVY LOSS OF LIFE.

Schooners off the Newfoundland Coast Met with Disaster.

St. Johns, N. F., Oct. 16.—The St. Pierre schooner Flona drifted in Fortune Bay during the recent gale, and her entire crew of 20 men were drowned. The schooner Alania, Moschubud and Angler, with crews aggregating eighteen men, were also lost. The schooner Huntress is ashore on the Labrador coast. Five of her crew were drowned.

METALLIC SOLUTIONS.

A Russian chemist has found that copper is dissolved by an alkaline solution of gelatin, the copper going into solution as colloidal copper. The old rule that the metals are insoluble in water is being widely disproved—solutions of metallic gold, mercury, and silver, and now of copper having been prepared quite recently. In all these the metals are in a very fine condition, but are true metallic solutions.

THE ATTITUDE OF RUSSIA.

WILL NOT TAKE PART IN WAGING FURTHER WAR.

Efforts to Be Made to Secure a Peaceful Settlement of the Difficulties in China.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—A cable dispatch from St. Petersburg, indicating that Russia's attitude in China will be independent of the concert of the powers, caused no surprise among the officials here. It was noted, when the aggressive military movement was begun by Germany, and the expedition against Pao Ting Fu started, that Russia was among the powers which did not join in the movement. The dispatch from St. Petersburg is looked on as merely another step similar to that taken when Russia withheld her support from the Pao Ting Fu expedition and other aggressive military moves. Moreover, it is regarded as quite in consonance with the pacific tendencies of this Government, which have been directed, all along to securing a settlement by diplomatic means rather than by the sword.

GOING HOME.

Victoria, Oct. 16.—Among the passengers on the Empress of Japan, which arrived this evening, was Baroness Von Ketteler, wife of German Ambassador who was murdered at Pekin. Another passenger was Leigh Hunt, an American, who has valuable mining concessions in Corea. Baroness Von Ketteler was suffering from nervous prostration, but was recovering. She was accompanied by Mr. Ledyard, her brother. She is bound for her father's home in Detroit, Michigan. Her father is president of the Michigan Central Railway.

PROTECTION AGAINST BURGLARS.

In tearing down the Atlantic Mutual Insurance company building in New York city a secret method of protection against bank burglars has been revealed in the form of cannon balls loosely imbedded in the walls surrounding the money vault. The idea was to frustrate attempts to pick the wall apart by opposing the rounded surfaces and freely revolving bulk of the cannon balls to the burglars' tools.

MONTAG WAS NAMED.

Portland, Oct. 16.—The Democrats today nominated John Montag for member of the Legislature to fill the vacancy caused by the death of A. J. Knott. Col. John McCracken is the Republican nominee.

SEEDLESS APPLES.

A fruit tree propagator has produced a seedless apple. These new apples are superior in flavor to the ordinary kinds. High prices are being paid for the trees.

NAIL BITING.

A French scientist has found a name for the finger-biting habit. He calls it onychophagia, from the Greek, meaning nail-eating.

IN DOUBT.

"How is my son getting on?" inquired the boy's father. "I can't speak as approvingly as I'd like to," answered the instructor. "Whenever I ask him a question he wants at least a day to look up the answer, and when he gets it it is usually unsatisfactory." "Well," answered the parent, with a sigh, "time alone can tell. I suppose he will turn out to be either a great diplomat or no good on earth."—Washington Star.

RESIGNS OFFICE TO VISIT SAVIOR'S TOMB.

Employee of Postoffice in Philadelphia Will Make Pilgrimage Afoot to Palestine.

Patterson, Md., Oct. 6.—To make a pilgrimage to the tomb of Jesus Christ in Palestine in time for the Savior's second coming is the reason Francis L. Favour resigned his place as clerk in the Baltimore Postoffice. He will go afoot as far as possible and preach along the way. Mr. Favour, about twenty-six years old, tall, slender and ascetic. He is a son of Charles Favour, for many years in the distributing department of the postoffice. He was appointed a clerk under civil service law under Postmaster Johnson and has been considered one of the most efficient men in the service. He has often preached here in the streets and has been planning his pilgrimage for many months. He will start west on foot, St. Louis being his first objective point. From there he will go to the Pacific coast and thence by steamer to China and India and so on to Palestine, doing missionary work all along the way.

Pacific Homestead, Salem, Or. Rest farm paper. Issued weekly. \$1 a year.

Praised by a Preacher. From the Era Headlight, Grand Junction, Iowa. No higher praise can be given Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People than the many voluntary testimonials from ministers of the gospel which have come from all parts of the country and which have more than supported all the claims made for this excellent medicine. The most recent endorsement is that coming from Rev. Enoch Hill, pastor of the M. E. Church of Grand Junction, Iowa, who says: "I am a firm believer in the efficacy of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, the remedy having been used in my family with highly gratifying results. For three or four years I was a sufferer from general debility. I seemed to be lacking in vitality, was tired out most of the time and sleep gave me no rest or refreshment. I was troubled with headache much of the time and although I was not confined to my bed, my illness incapacitated me for energetic work in my pastorate. A sister-in-law living in Nebraska, who had suffered very much and who has used Dr. Williams' Pink Pills with good results, recommended them to me and I decided to try them. I had taken but two or three doses of the pills when I found that they were helping me and further use of the remedy brought such relief that I am glad to offer this public recommendation of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People in the interest of suffering humanity. REV. ENOCH HILL. At all druggists or direct from Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y., 50c. per box; six boxes \$2.50.

IN BUILDING CIRCLES

POHLE & BISHOP AND P. J. LARSEN ERECT A NEW STRUCTURE.

Preliminary Work for the Anson Electric Light Plant Began Yesterday—Poles Are Here.

(From Daily Statesman, Oct. 17.)

Work began yesterday on the building to be erected at the corner of Liberty and Ferry streets by Pohle & Bishop and P. J. Larsen. There will be practically two buildings, one 48 by 56 feet, to belong to Pohle & Bishop, and the other to Mr. Larsen with dimensions of 40x56 feet. The stone foundation for the buildings was constructed last year, and the work of completing it was left until this fall. The building will be corrugated iron with a wooden front, and will not be a bad looking structure. The commodious rooms will be occupied by shops and the stock of buggies and wagons owned by Pohle & Bishop. The first work on the rebuilding of the German Lutheran church on East State street, which was destroyed by fire a few weeks ago, was done yesterday. The building to be erected will be similar to the one which was destroyed, and will cost in the neighborhood of \$1200. The church has shown a commendable spirit in its determination to rebuild and the promptness with which it has started the work. The first work of any importance on the Salem Light, Heat & Power Co.'s pole plant was done yesterday on the poles that arrived a few days ago from the lower Columbia. Men were at work on these poles smoothing them so that they will take a coat of paint. They will be put in place in the next ten days to make room on the grounds for another shipment that is in Portland. The plant for this lighting system will be located some place in the

vicinity of the Southern Pacific freight depot, if a site can be satisfactorily arranged for. It is impossible to give a date when the plant will be in operation, but it is the intention of the company to push the work to completion as rapidly as possible. The new plant will probably not be put in until next year. HE WAS BUSY TAKING NOTES. That Was Why the Country Principal Did Not Hear the Lecture. Professors who teach by lecture do not teach so much as the chronic note-taker. Students who scribble away industriously at notes nearly always miss the salient points brought out in discussing a topic. Apropos of this, a good story is going the rounds at the University of Chicago. Mrs. Ella F. Young, formerly assistant superintendent of schools, and now professor of pedagogy at the university, has a particular aversion to elaborate notes. At the beginning of the quarter a young fellow, principal in a village school, applied for admission to one of her lecture courses. Mrs. Young knew him. "If you were to contribute my class," she said sharply, "you'd worry me to death with your precious note-taking. Just as soon as you get your mouth open, down would go your pencil, as if they were both strung on the same wire." The young fellow admitted that he did have the note-taking habit, but he promised to reform. "It seems to me I can't think unless I'm taking notes," he said. "You are in a very bad way, then," Mrs. Young declared. Next morning when the lecture opened the country principal sat at one of the front desks. Mrs. Young announced her subject and reached the second paragraph. "Will you please repeat that? I did not quite catch it," said the principal. "Why?" inquired Mrs. Young, with fire in her eyes. "Well, the fact is," admitted the culprit, "I-I was busy taking notes." Fine printing, Statesman Job Office.

WILL PLAY FOOTBALL

LOCAL FIG-SKIN KICKERS FORM A STRONG ORGANIZATION.

The Athletic Club Receives Support and Endorsement of Business Men—Game at Eugene.

(From Daily Statesman, Oct. 17.)

The past month has witnessed an unusual revival of public interest, locally, in the popular game of football. So intense, in fact, has the interest become that the initial steps looking to the organization of a strong team have been taken and a tournament of competitive games will be arranged with other teams in the Northwest.

The business and professional men of the Capital City have become interested in the movement to have Salem represented by a strong eleven and are giving the footballists very substantial encouragement. The Capital Amateur Athletic Association, which was recently organized already has an enrolled membership of over sixty and its active canvass that is being made is daily adding many new names to the membership roll.

Salem will this year not be content with merely a team organization but proposes to have one of the strongest aggregations in the Northwest. With the substantial financial backing the team is assured from the business men of the city, it will be in good standing and will receive the recognition of all the big teams of the Northwest. There resides within the Capital City a company of veteran footballists which has formed the nucleus for the building of a strong team. Among the old and experienced resident players, who have achieved distinction on the gridiron, and who will have places on this year's team may be mentioned the Bishop Bros., Clarence, U. of O.'s phenomenal half-back and Chauncey, who last year played a remarkable game in the same position on the Salem team; also Young, Judd, Olinger and Reeves of last year's team. Gault, captain of the Forest Grove team last year will probably play half-back. The addition of Saunders, as end, and Graham, one of the tackles, both being star members of Chemawa's team, will materially strengthen the organization. Reed, the plucky tackler on last year's team was out for practice last evening. He will probably have a place on the new team. Word was yesterday received from Jarvis, center on the W. U. team last year, and he will probably be secured for a place on the new Salem team. He is understood to be anxious to return to Salem and an effort is being made by the club to get him. John Williams, the reliable guard on last year's university team, may not be able to play this year by reason of his close confinement at work.

Prospective members of the team, numbering about twenty, congregate on the university campus and indulge in vigorous and thorough practices. There are numerous candidates for the different positions on the team, the final organization of which will not take place until a few days before the team goes to Eugene on the 27th inst. The boys have not gone to the expense of contracting the services of a coach, but will depend upon the experienced footballists. Many new men turn out nightly and enter into the practice games with intense enthusiasm and although many are promising players they have not yet been assigned to any particular position. But the prominent candidates for the various positions are as follows:

Center—Lounis, Jarvis. Guards—Judd, Williams, Reed. Ends—Olinger, Bonham, Saunders. Half-backs—Clarence, Bishop, Chauncey, Bishop, Lucas, Miller, Jessup. Full-back—Gault, Sanders, Evans (Wm.). Quarter-back—Bruce, Regan, Shipp.

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NOT A DREAMER. De red man dream 'bout huntin', An' horseback gallopin'; De yaller man, he's dreamin' 'bout a lie, which is a sin. De white man dream 'bout money, Or gittin' up a night; But de black man thinks 'bout chick, 'bout a gal, which is a sight. An' dat keeps him up all night. —Washington Star.

COSTLIEST THIMBLE. The costliest thimble in the world is that which the King of Siam has presented to his wife. It cost \$75,000, is of gold set with diamonds and other precious stones, and resembles a half-opened lotus flower in shape. "Poor pain!" she sighed. "What's the matter with your father?" he asked anxiously. "Oh, he feels so poor and the gas bills are so high," she answered. —Chicago Evening Post.

A PERMANENT HAIR CURLER. "Flossie" of Roland Park inquires: "What will give a permanent curl to my hair?" Royal parts of liquid glue and builder's cement, applied at night. Remove preparation when the hair is curled satisfactorily; use a cold chisel and a sledge hammer. —Baltimore American.

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