

An Eastern brook trout with two well-developed mouths, one above the other, was a singular catch recently made in Clear lake, near Georgetown, Col., by Robert Maxwell.

According to statistics collected by the government there were 47,009,367 hogs in the United States on January 1 last with an average farm valuation of \$6.15 per head.

The supreme court of Pennsylvania, in an opinion just sent to Schuylkill county, notifies the lawyers that they can profitably edit their too verbose arguments.

The State Agricultural college, at Ft. Collins, Col., has purchased what is known as the "model Colorado farm," adjacent to the college grounds, to be used for practical and experimental work.

The Australian and German governments both have experts in Colorado this summer, studying the irrigation systems of the state.

Plans have just been completed by an eastern railroad for the introduction of a number of hospital or ambulance cars, with which to cope with the effects of collisions or other accidents.

The total production of gold from the mines of the world for 410 years or since there have been any records of the same kept, is officially given at \$10,698,286,302.

A traveler in Siberia, a few years back, noted that among the natives along the northern coast wood, in a certain form, is a most common and constant article of diet.

The mountains of iron which exist in almost unlimited quantities, it is believed, will cause Mexico to become great in her manufactures of iron and steel products.

The presence in this country of Mr. J. W. Hoffman, an agent of the British government, to study the details of cotton growing, in order to facilitate the production of the staple in British West Africa, emphasizes the discontent which exists among the cotton manufacturers of the United Kingdom on account of the high prices of their raw material.

The 1,200 cutters now on strike in New York averaged about \$18 a week, and have surrendered a weekly income of at least \$21,600.

One of the most peculiar objects connected with the cult of lama Buddhism throughout Tibet is the prayer-wheel. One sees the natives constantly twisting these instruments while bartering together, herding their cattle or journeying on the highway.

HORROR OCCURS ON WESTERN ROAD

EAST TRAIN PLOUGES THROUGH A BRIDGE OVER SWALLOW CREEK IN COLORADO

Three Cars Engulfed in the Torrent—One Hundred Lives Are Lost—No Far Seventy-Nine Bodies Have Been Recovered.

Pueblo, Col., Aug. 2.—The wreck of the world's last flyer on the Denver & Rio Grande railroad near Eden, seven miles north of Pueblo, Sunday evening, proves to have been one of the greatest railroad disasters in the history of the country.

Careful revision of the lists of dead and missing confirms the estimate that not less than 100 lives were lost in the wreck. Seventy-nine bodies have been recovered, 19 passengers on the wrecked train are missing, and ten other persons are reported missing who are not positively known to have been on the train.

Shipments of bodies to points outside this state have been made as follows: George A. Beck, to Princeton, Ind.; Capt. Frank Bodean, to Florence, Mass.; Miss Carrie O. Bishop, to Hartford, Conn.; Alfred E. Hoss, to Clinton, Ill.; Robert W. O'Bannon, to Lamont, Mo.; Elsie Roland, to Lindbergh, Kan.; Mrs. L. A. Stevens, to Northampton, Mass.; Miss Lottie Shoup, to Fort Wayne, Ind.; Mrs. Mary Welch, to Chicago, and Mrs. A. H. Yeagla, to Lima, Ill.

Recovering the Bodies. Five hundred men scoured every inch of the river and its surroundings a few hours after daylight. They waded in the stream and carried out mud begrimed bodies which were found at widely separated points, some of them miles from the scene of the accident.

A second party farther down the river found several persons entangled in a mass of debris, thought to have been part of the baggage car, which was literally torn to pieces. In a short time a large number of bodies were dug out of the sand here. One woman was completely buried, save one foot, which stuck above the water. Some bodies were found lodged in the shrubbery along the banks, others in the wreckage in mid-stream and many half buried with only an arm or a bit of clothing to reveal their whereabouts.

Without doubt the great majority were drowned like rats in a trap when the cars were plunged without a moment's warning into the swirling water 35 feet deep, 100 feet wide, and with a current strong enough to carry thousands of pounds of weight nearly a mile before subsiding.

PARKER IS NOTIFIED. He Accepts and Says if Elected He Will Not Be Candidate for a Second Term.

Esopus, N. Y., Aug. 11.—Judge Alton B. Parker on Wednesday received formal notification of his nomination for the presidency of the United States as the candidate of the democratic party and in accepting gave public expression for the first time of his views on the issues of the campaign.

Standing bare headed, during a brief lull in the rainstorm which had lasted since soon after daylight, Judge Parker accepted the nomination and set forth his views in a speech that evoked frequent and hearty applause. He spoke for a little more than half an hour. His pledge not to accept a second term if he was elected aroused instant interest, which increased to marked enthusiasm when the speaker went on to explain his position.

The ceremony was held on the lawn at Rosemont, under the trees at the north of the house and was attended by upward of 600 people, the larger number of whom came from New York city with the notification committee on the steamer Sagamore.

Brothers Are Rivalled. Ocaso City, Md., Aug. 11.—Former Gov. Eilhu E. Jackson was nominated for congress Wednesday by the democratic convention of the First Maryland district. Ex-Gov. Jackson's opponent will be his brother, William H. Jackson, the present republican representative in congress from this district, who has been re-nominated.

No Assets. Springfield, Ill., Aug. 13.—A petition in bankruptcy was filed in the office of the clerk of the United States court by L. S. Baldwin & Bro., live stock dealers of Whitehall, Green county, Ill. They have no assets.

RIOTERS SPILL MEAT.

Driver Set Upon by a Crowd at Chicago and Load Is Scattered About Street.

Chicago, Aug. 11.—Disorder connected with efforts of stock yards strikers to block deliveries from cold-storage warehouses took place Wednesday. There was rioting near the warehouse of A. Booth & Co., 152 Kinzie street, shortly before noon. One driver was set upon by a crowd and slightly injured. The contents of his wagon was scattered about the street and the meat was seized by hoodlums, who ran in different directions carrying sections of beefs with them.

Chicago, Aug. 10.—With an army of more than 300 pickets the Ice Wagon Drivers and Helpers' union Tuesday began a blockade of the retail market and cold-storage business of Chicago. In front of the markets, including big downtown meat stores, and before the cold-storage warehouses, one picket or more was assigned to duty to prevent delivery from the stock yards or elsewhere. The union's determination to extend the strike to the cold-storage warehouses came as a surprise to the packers. It means, according to union officials, that truck teamsters are now involved, as they haul meat from the cold-storage plants.

Chicago, Aug. 13.—A break in the strike is threatened. There is dissatisfaction among the packing house teamsters over the manner in which the strike is being conducted. A report is being circulated that the teamsters are discouraged and are ready to go back to work.

St. Joseph, Mo., Aug. 12.—One packer estimates that over a quarter of a million dollars has been lost to wage earners here since the strike was inaugurated a month ago. But the employees of the packing houses have not been the only losers. The railroads, the street railway company and stock growers have suffered heavily. If losses in all lines were computed the estimate would run beyond \$1,000,000. Of the 5,000 men who struck about two-thirds have returned to work.

REVIEW OF TRADE.

Fairly Encouraging Conditions Exist—Labor Troubles Most Harmful Feature.

New York, Aug. 13.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says: "Moderate improvement in midsummer means more than an equivalent increase at any other season, and the better trade reported during the past week is consequently most encouraging. Dispatches from all parts of the country are by no means uniform, in some cases the outlook showing no change, while at a few points there have been setbacks; but on the whole the progress is unmistakable. Despite some injury to spring wheat the agricultural prospect is very bright, while higher prices promise to neutralize the effect of such loss in quantity as occurred. Interior buyers have placed liberal fall orders in the leading dry-goods markets, and confidence in a large spring trade is becoming general. The approaching presidential election is viewed with more equanimity than any other contest of recent years, both in financial and industrial circles.

Failures this year were 222 in the United States, against 174 last year and 23 in Canada compared with 22 a year ago. Bradstreet says, "Industrial conditions are not altogether promising, in view of the continuance of the meat strike, the Fall River difficulty and the calling out of large numbers of building hands at the metropolises. To the influence of the meat strike is directly traceable the demoralized markets for live stock, which are reported too freely supplied with live animals, and in the advanced quotations for hides, and consequently for tanned leather, growing out of the scarcity of domestic supplies of the raw material. The scarcity of hides is reported causing a number of tanneries to suspend operations."

HE WILL BE SILENT.

Cortelyou Announces that President Will Make No Campaign Speeches.

New York, Aug. 13.—Chairman Cortelyou said on Friday that President Roosevelt would not make any political speeches this year, setting at rest many rumors to that effect which have been in circulation. Beyond the speech to the notification committee and the letter of acceptance, which is yet to be published, the president will not take any public part in the campaign. This is in line with the course pursued by President McKinley in 1900. He made a speech to the notification committee and wrote his letter of acceptance, but did not deliver any speeches. He caused the announcement to be made that as president of the whole country he did not believe it proper to receive delegations and speak to them as he did in 1896, when Canton was the Mecca of republican organizations from every part of the country.

Bryan Loses. New Haven, Conn., Aug. 13.—The supreme court which has been considering W. J. Bryan's appeal from the district court decision which excluded the "Meat Letter" in the Bryan case, has adjourned, having found no error. By this decision Mr. Bryan loses the \$50,000 deposit.

Charged with Embezzlement. South Haven, Mich., Aug. 12.—J. E. Reardon, formerly president and treasurer of the Reardon Lumber company, of Kansas City, Mo., was arrested here Thursday on a warrant charging him with embezzlement of \$43,200 from the lumber company.

MAP OF THE THEATER OF WAR; LOCATIONS OF TROOPS OF CONTENDANTS.



RUSSIAN THRONE HAS NOW AN HEIR

A SON IS BORN TO EMPRESS AND EMPRESS AT THE ALEXANDRA VILLA

Manifestations of Joy Throughout the Empire Over the Important Event—The Child Will Be Christened Alexis.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 13.—A son and heir to the Russian throne has been born. The birth occurred at 12.30 p. m. The child will be christened Alexis. The birth so greatly wished for, that of an heir to the Russian crown, occurred, not in the great palace at Peterhof, but in the Alexandra villa, one of a group of four small palaces in a secluded corner of the magnificent Peterhof park.

Birth Attended with Ceremony. The birth of the heir to the throne was attended with all the ceremonial



CZARINA OF RUSSIA

ordained by imperial tradition. In accordance with the Russian law there were present, besides the emperor, Baron Fredericks, the master of the ceremonies, and Prince Dolgorouky, the grand marshal of the court. Dr. Roth, the emperor's family physician, was the accoucheur, and Dr. Hirsch was the surgeon in attendance. Dr. Roth personally announced the birth of the heir to the awaiting imperial family. An imperial salute of 101 guns was subsequently fired, first from Peterhof and it was then repeated by all the forts around St. Petersburg. The christening of the heir will take place in a fortnight. It will be a ceremony of the most elaborate sort.

A day marked by the display of flags, the firing of salutes, the holding of religious services, and the extending of official congratulations was followed by a night of brilliant illumination. Garlands and lamps were strung to-night across almost every house front, while from many of the larger buildings flashed the Russian arms, the imperial monogram and other devices picked out in electric globes. Early tens of thousands of tapers glimmered before the altars of St. Petersburg's many shrines. In chapels and cathedrals everywhere there were solemn choruses of thanksgiving from the imperial chapel to the Peterhof palace to the humble lamp-lit shrines of the streets.

Have Four Daughters. The emperor and empress of Russia (formerly Princess Alix of Hesse), who were married November 14, 1894, had, previous to the birth of the child born Friday, four daughters, Olga, born Nov. 29, 1897; Marie, born June 14, 1899; and Anastasia, born June 6, 1901.

Lightning Kills Birds. Chicago, Aug. 11.—Evansston and the North side were struck hard by electrical and windstorm which visited the city Wednesday night and raged for an hour. Hundreds of English sparrows, huddled together to escape the terror of the storm, were struck by the lightning, which struck the trees in which they were roosting, and some streets were almost covered with their dead bodies.

FRENCH STATESMAN DIES.

Following an Operation Former Premier M. Waldeck-Rousseau Passes Away.

Paris, Aug. 11.—Former Premier Waldeck-Rousseau died Wednesday afternoon as the result of an operation. Pierre Marie Ernest Waldeck-Rousseau was born at Nantes, France, December 2, 1846, and was a son of Rene Waldeck-Rousseau, at that time a prominent member of the assembly. Waldeck-Rousseau studied law at Saint Lazare, where he practiced for some time before settling at Rennes. There he made his first entrance into politics, being elected deputy in 1879. He then became prominent in the ranks of the republican union, which was very conspicuous in opening the way for innovation and the present republicanism and was considered one of the most prominent orators of the assembly. His best work was for the reform of the judiciary. He was re-elected on August 21, 1881, and on November 14 of the same year, although only 35 years old, was admitted into Gambetta's cabinet as minister of the interior. In 1886 he was elected senator, although he was not present at the election. In 1889 Waldeck-Rousseau was elected to the bar of Paris and since then pleaded some of the most important cases of the time. He also favored a revision of the Dreyfus case. On June 22, 1899, Waldeck-Rousseau was called upon to form his own ministry, and after having been successfully in office for over three years he resigned in June, 1902, his ministry having the longest duration of any cabinet under the republican regime.

DEATH OF GEORGE G. VEST.

After a Lingering Illness Venerable Ex-United States Senator from Missouri Passes Away.

Sweet Springs, Mo., Aug. 10.—After lingering for weeks between life and death, former Senator G. G. Vest passed peacefully away Tuesday morning. He had been so near death for the past three days that the end came without a struggle. He was conscious until about two o'clock Sunday morning, when he sank into a state of coma from which he never aroused.

George Graham Vest was born at Frankfort, Ky., December 6, 1830, and graduated from Center college, Kentucky, in 1848. He completed his law course at the Transylvania university in 1853, and moved to Missouri the same year. He was in the Missouri senate when the war broke out. He went with the south and became a confederate senator. He was elected to the United States senate in 1879, and served until December, 1903, when, on account of failing health, he retired to his daughter's home at St. Louis.

St. Louis, Aug. 12.—All the municipal offices were closed for two hours Thursday and the flags on city institutions were placed at half-mast during the funeral of former Senator George Graham Vest, who died Tuesday at Sweet Springs, Mo., and whose remains were laid to rest in Bellefontaine cemetery in this city. The services, which were very simple, were performed by Rev. John C. Shaleford, of Sweet Springs, at the grave.

Dies of Paralysis. Michigan City, Ind., Aug. 12.—Abram R. Colborn, head of the wholesale lumber firm bearing his name, died Thursday from paralysis. He had many real estate establishments throughout the state. He leaves an estate valued at several millions.

Two Drowned. Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 12.—Fred Thompson, aged 21, an attorney in the Hartford building, Chicago, and his cousin, Eli Thompson, age five, were drowned in Eagle creek, Friday. He was carrying the child on his back and sank with cramps.

Status of Franz Sigel. St. Louis, Mo., Aug. 11.—A contract has been awarded to Robert Cauer, a New York sculptor, for a life-size bronze equestrian statue of Gen. Franz Sigel, to be erected in St. Louis by the Sigel Monument Association.

FLEET MAKES DASH FROM PORT ARTHUR

RUSSIAN WARSHIPS TRY TO ESCAPE BUT ARE ATTACKED BY JAPANESE SQUADRON

Our's Vessels Are Scattered—Some Escape Badly Damaged—Others Are Forced to Return to the Harbor.

Tokio, Aug. 13.—A Russian fleet has reported as follows: "On August 10 our combined fleet attacked the enemy's fleet near Gusan rock. The Russian vessels were emerging from Port Arthur trying to go south. We pursued the enemy to the eastward. Severe fighting lasted from one o'clock Wednesday afternoon until sundown. Toward the close the enemy's fire weakened remarkably. His formation became confused and then his ships scattered. The Russian cruisers Askold and Novik and several torpedo boat destroyers fled to the southward. Other of the enemy's ships retreated separately toward Port Arthur. We pursued them and it appears that we inflicted considerable damage. We found life buoys and other articles belonging to the Russian battleship Carevitch floating at sea. The Carevitch probably was sunk. We have received no reports from the torpedo boats and the torpedo boat destroyers which were engaged in the attack on the ships of the enemy. The Russian vessels, with the exception of the Askold, the Novik, the Carevitch and the cruiser Pallada, appear to have returned to Port Arthur. Our damage was slight. Our fighting power has not been impaired.

Russian Fleet Scattered. London, Aug. 13.—Dispatches from various points Friday indicate that the attempt of the Russian Port Arthur squadron to reach Vladivostok failed and that the vessels have become widely scattered. One torpedo boat destroyer put into Chefoo where she was boarded and captured by the Japanese. The battleship Carevitch, the cruiser Novik and a torpedo boat have arrived at Tsingchow, at the entrance of Kiaochow bay, the German concession on the southern shore of the Shantung peninsula. The Askold, badly damaged, has reached Woussung. Another Russian cruiser and a torpedo boat destroyer are reported as near Shanghai and four battleships are off the Saddle Islands, about 70 miles southeast of that port.

Protests to the Powers. St. Petersburg, Aug. 13.—Russia has already formally protested to Japan, through France, against the action of the Japanese torpedo boat destroyers in attacking the dismantled Russian torpedo boat destroyer Ryschikeln at Chefoo and towing her away from that port, and the protest has been communicated to the powers. It is stated here that both France and Germany are supporting at Peking the protest. May Be Serious Offense. Washington Aug. 13.—The report of the capture by the Japanese torpedo boat destroyers of the Russian destroyer Ryschikeln, in the harbor of Chefoo, as conveyed to Washington by consul general's cablegram Friday, was received with the deepest interest and also concern, for it was realized that there were in this incident the germs of serious international trouble. Officials here fear that the Japanese have committed an offense against international law by violating Chinese neutrality, and in addition have broken the agreement they entered into at the beginning of the war, at the instance of the United States government, to limit the field of warlike operations to Manchuria and Korea and their waters. Should this prove to be the case, the results probably will be grave and vexatious.

Japanese Losses. Washington, Aug. 13.—The Japanese legation has received a revised list of casualties on the Japanese side from the battle of Chingliu, March 28, up to and including the battle of Yangtzing, August 1, showing the total estimated casualties to be 12,055.

A New Counterfeit. Washington, Aug. 12.—Chief Wilkie, of the United States secret service, has received from Boston a new counterfeit two-dollar silver certificate of the series of 1899, check letter A, Lyons register, Roberts treasurer of the United States, with a portrait of Washington. The note apparently is a zinc etching poorly printed on two sheets of paper between which ink lines have been made to serve the purpose of silk threads. The face of the note is heavy and blurred.

Wrote Valuable Books. Berlin, Aug. 11.—Frederich Ratzel, professor of geography at Leipzig, died Tuesday. He had traveled extensively in the United States. His principal work was "The United States of North America," in two volumes, an exhaustive study of the natural resources of the United States and their relations to the population.

Auto Factory Burned. Elgin, Ill., Aug. 12.—The automobile factory owned by the Fauber Manufacturing company, was almost totally destroyed by fire Thursday. Loss, about \$40,000.

Bank Robbed. Granite Falls, Minn., Aug. 13.—The state bank at Hazel, ten miles west of this place, was looted by burglars and \$2,000 in money taken. The vault and safe were blown to pieces.