

California produces more dollars' worth of oranges than of gold—orange over \$18,000,000 and gold \$17,900,000.

The intellectual life of Russia may be said to be centered at St. Petersburg and Moscow. And yet as much as one-third of the population of the former can not read or write.

Competition in the German medical profession has become acute. The German Association of 1900 physicians issued a notice that 1000 doctors were coming to Germany from other countries.

A plantation belonging to J. C. Horner, situated in the Pearl Lagoon district, Nicaragua, about thirty miles north of Bluefields, is the object of a number of estates devoted to the cultivation of the kind of rubber known as Castilla elastica.

In 1903 Denmark exported 24,441 horses, 62,929 head of cattle, 23,290,000 pounds of beef, 165,330,000 pounds of ham and bacon, 770,000 pounds of butter, 20,154,000 pounds of meat products (congeals, sausages, fat, etc.) and 156,560,000 pounds of butter.

Owing to the dry hot winds that have prevailed during the past three weeks in Smyrna the estimate of the coming sultana raisin crop has been reduced to 25,000 to 27,000 tons, against 62,500 tons last year.

The total values of the sewing machines and parts thereof which were imported into Germany during the first six months of 1902, 1903 and 1904 were \$745,892, \$1,036,450 and \$1,417,523, respectively.

The total quantity of rubber exported to Europe from the Amazon river during the year 1903-'04 was 36,061,482 pounds, against 33,643,537 pounds during the previous year, and 33,263,109 pounds were exported to the United States, against 32,112,116 pounds during the previous year.

From Tzaritzyn, a town on the Volga, comes the report that a new industry has been discovered, that of making caviar from the spawn of a large species of frog which is found there.

The average quantity of wine produced in Spain annually in the last ten years is 557,251,000 gallons. In 1900 the product was 596,866,000 gallons.

A contrivance which enables one to catch the gamest trout with a mirror has been patented by a man in East Greenwich, R. I.

The long-pending plan to connect Singapore with Penang by railroad is about to be carried out.

Realizing that a crowless rooster was a long-felt want of poultry lovers, Farmer Charles Ross, a Burnwood (Pa.) farmer, has risen to the occasion and bred a crowless rooster.

Dogs trained to catch fish are among the features of everyday life on the barren shores of that distant part of Labrador which belongs to Newfoundland.

JAPANESE DRIVE RUSSIANS BACK

FIGHTING IN THE VICINITY OF MUKDEN MOST SEVERE OF ENTIRE WAR.

Both Sides Said to Have Lost Heavyly—Kuropatkin's Army in Full Retreat—Situation at Port Arthur—Bombardment is Continued.

London, Oct. 15.—The main armies of Russia and Japan in Manchuria continue to be engaged in desperate struggle for supremacy over Mukden. On both sides there have been such losses in killed and wounded as mark the contest as one of the bloodiest battles in history.

In Full Retreat.—London, Oct. 15.—The Daily Chronicle's correspondent at Yantai, telegraphing October 12, via Fusan, October 14, says: "The Russian attack failed everywhere, and they are in full retreat along the whole line, pursued by the Japanese."

Gloom in St. Petersburg.—St. Petersburg, Oct. 15.—The great feeling of concern which exists in high circles in the Russian capital by no means equals the foreboding of coming disaster pervading the general public.

Losses Are Heavy.—St. Petersburg, Oct. 14.—Desperate fighting and heavy losses on both sides with varying success for the Russians, such is the summing up of the situation by Gen. Kuropatkin in a telegram filed October 13.

Situation at Port Arthur.—In the midst of the anxiety and suspense involved in the great fight south of Mukden comes also the first word in many days from the gallant defenders of Port Arthur.

After a desperate assault the Japanese captured the important signal station hill, but were unable to hold the position in the face of the fire from the fortress.

Fall from a Train.—St. Louis, Oct. 14.—While on his way to visit his daughter, whom he had not seen for 20 years, George Krebs of Kansas City fell from the platform of a Missouri Pacific train at Kirkwood, a suburb of St. Louis, and was instantly killed within a short distance of where his daughter stood waiting for him.

TRADE CONDITIONS HOPEFUL

Degree of Confidence is Best Shown by Increased Ease in Making Collections.

New York, Oct. 15.—Bradstreet says: "Despite irregularities, due to warm weather conditions or to reductions in crop movement, trade as a whole maintains a satisfactory volume."

R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says: "Progress is slow but sure in the leading branches of manufacture, contracts being more readily placed for distant delivery, while the percentage of idle machinery steadily decreases."

SCHOONER IS WRECKED.

Strikes on Bar and Goes Down Off Coast of Cape Cod—Twelve Lives Lost.

Chatham, Mass., Oct. 15.—A small part of the forward section of the hull and a slanting foremast stand as mute reminders of the ocean tragedy enacted here Thursday night when the three-masted schooner Wentworth, of Moncton, N. B., struck on Chatham bar during a raging northerly gale.

GENEROUS BEQUESTS.

Will of Iowa Philanthropist Gives Over \$300,000 to Schools, Churches and Charities.

Des Moines, Ia., Oct. 14.—More than \$300,000 was given to various public charities, schools and churches by the late James Callanan of Des Moines, whose will was opened and read Wednesday afternoon.

Celebrate Michigan Day.

St. Louis, Oct. 13.—"Michigan day" was celebrated Wednesday at the exposition. A parade of military organizations began the celebration, which was followed by exercises in the Michigan building.

Hill Presents New Issue.

Wheeling, W. Va., Oct. 14.—David B. Hill injected a new argument into the democratic campaign here Thursday night—a straightforward condemnation of "government by injunction."

Will Be Tried in Feoria.

Chicago, Oct. 14.—The Iroquois theater case will be tried in Feoria county, Judge Kersten made this decision Thursday after a long wrangle between the state and defense.

Cost of Feeding the Army.

Washington, Oct. 13.—The annual report of Brig. Gen. J. F. Weston, commissary general of the army, says the total cost of feeding the army during the past fiscal year was \$8,281,750.

A SUGGESTION FOR A NEW PEACE MONUMENT AT THE HAGUE.



DIVORCE CANON IS VOTED DOWN

IMPORTANT ACTION IS TAKEN BY THE EPISCOPAL CONVENTION IN BOSTON.

Proposed Amendment Prohibiting Remarriage of Divorced Persons Receives a Severe Blow in the House of Deputies.

Boston, Oct. 15.—The house of deputies of the Episcopal general convention, at the close of a four days' debate, on Friday rejected an amendment to the divorce canon, which sought to prevent the remarriage of divorced persons by clergymen of the denomination.

The final vote, however, was taken by dioceses and orders, and where a diocese was evenly divided in sentiment its strength was counted in the negative.

Practically the entire strength of the middle western states, the stronghold of the high church party, declared for the proposed reform, but the Pacific states and a number of the southern states voted against a change of the present canon.

Chicago, Oct. 14.—Mrs. Netcher, the widow of the late Charles Netcher, the State street merchant, has taken out two insurance policies on her life aggregating \$700,000.

Heart Failure Causes Death.

Chicago, Oct. 15.—Moses Bensinger, president of the Brunswick-Balke-Candler company, manufacturer of billiard tables and bar equipment, died early Friday at French Lick Springs, Ind.

Conductor Killed.

Chillicothe, Mo., Oct. 12.—Two Wash freight trains, west-bound, collided near here, Tuesday morning, and George Runyon, of Moberly, Mo., conductor of one of them, was killed.

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New Swiss Minister.

Berne, Oct. 12.—Dr. Leo Vogel, a lawyer and secretary of the Swiss legation at Berlin, has been appointed minister to the United States.

TO REMAIN IN RACE.

Factional Fight Between Wisconsin Republicans to Be Pushed to the End.

Milwaukee, Oct. 13.—The national republican (stalwart) state ticket, headed by former Gov. Edward Scofield, will remain in the field. This was decided after a protracted meeting of leading stalwarts from every part of the state Wednesday, when the question of withdrawing the ticket came up for discussion.

Senator Spooner was one of the first speakers to give his views on the subject. It is said that while he did not advise the withdrawal of the ticket, he did not wish to oppose the national committee, and that he would support whatever action the meeting might take.

Ex-Gov. Edward Scofield, the stalwart candidate for governor, when seen after the conference, expressed himself as being satisfied with the conclusions reached by the conference.

GIRLS COMMIT SUICIDE.

Killed by Sweethearts, Two Young Ladies Take Poison and Die Together.

Kankakee, Ill., Oct. 12.—Lulu Cook, aged 15, and Minnie Ifland, aged 19, killed by the two young men who for a time had been attentive to them, and fearful of ridicule from the town gossips, committed suicide together by poison.

FOUND GUILTY.

Young Girls Convicted of Complicity in Murder and Sent to Prison.

Bellefonte, Ill., Oct. 12.—After being out 14 hours, a jury in the Bellefonte circuit court returned a verdict finding Nellie Gardner and Mabel Wright guilty of complicity in the murder of John Dunlap, and fixed their punishment at 14 years each in the penitentiary.

Bad Fire in Winnipeg.

Winnipeg, Man., Oct. 13.—This city was visited Tuesday night by the worst fire in its history. In two hours two of the most important business blocks were destroyed, entailing losses aggregating \$700,000, with insurance of \$300,000. No lives were lost.

Died at the Age of 111 Years.

Burlington, Vt., Oct. 15.—The funeral of Joseph King, of Milton, Vt., 111 years old, was held here. Mr. King was born in Canada and served during the Pan-American rebellion in 1837.

PAID OUT MORE THAN RECEIVED

DEFICIT OF \$41,770,571 BETWEEN RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES OF THE TREASURY.

Purchase of Panama Canal and Loan to Louisiana Exposition Account for It—Treasurer Roberts Makes Report.

Washington, Oct. 15.—Ellis H. Roberts, treasurer of the United States, has submitted to Secretary Shaw the annual report on the transactions of the treasury during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1904.

The general revenues are shown to have been \$40,217,700, a decrease of \$9,832,400 as compared with 1903, and the general expenditures \$81,988,271, an increase of \$77,833,300. In the receipts the principal falling-off was \$3,205,011 in customs, while in the disbursements the important increases were \$11,423,444 in commerce and labor, \$40,068,580 in treasury proper and \$20,338,000 for the navy.

The operations affecting the public debt exceeded those of the preceding year and amounted to \$699,660,941 in receipts and \$638,924,379 in disbursements. The aggregate receipts for the year were therefore \$1,240,292,690, and the aggregate disbursements \$1,881,376,701.

In consequence of the deficiency in the revenues, the cash in the offices of the treasury and mint declined during the year from \$170,020,562 to \$137,530,204, and by October 1 to \$125,964,888.

Increase in Banks.—The operations affecting the public debt exceeded those of the preceding year and amounted to \$699,660,941 in receipts and \$638,924,379 in disbursements.

Supply of Money.—An addition of \$118,723,148 was made during the year to the monetary stock of the country and another of \$31,829,599 in the following quarter.

Circulation of \$31.16 Per Capita.—Since July 1, 1900, there has been a growth of \$463,991,862 in the money in circulation, or an average of nearly \$116,000,000.

Bank Notes Redeemed.—The national bank notes presented for redemption during the year amounted to \$262,141,930, or 61.12 per cent of the average outstanding.

Minor coins are not included in the general statements of circulation; yet a volume of no less than \$38,149,519 is shown to have been coined and not redeemed.

Worn gold and subsidiary silver coins, the former of the face value of \$1,478,391 and the latter of \$2,828,284, were recoined. The loss was \$11,347 on the gold and \$172,280 on the silver.

CRANE TO SUCCEED HOAR.

Ex-Governor of Massachusetts Is Appointed United States Senator.

Boston, Oct. 13.—Gov. John L. Bates Wednesday appointed former Gov. W. Murray Crane, of Dalton, United States senator, to fill the unexpired term of George F. Hoar, recently deceased.

Wynne Succeeds Payne.—Washington, Oct. 11.—President Roosevelt Monday announced the appointment of Robert J. Wynne, acting postmaster general, as postmaster general. How long Mr. Wynne may continue as postmaster general has not been determined.