

NEW WESTMINSTER THREATENED BY FIRE.

It Is Feared That the Bush Fires May Destroy It.

Farmers Demand That the Government Deepen the River.

A Wreck on the Northern Pacific Kills Four Men—Terror Wins the Mile Bicycle Race—Accident to an Aeronaut—Will Charge for Bicycles—Mammoth Republican Mass Meeting at San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 22.—A special to the "Call" from Vancouver, B. C., says: Bush fires are raging with unabated fury in the mainland of British Columbia. New Westminster is surrounded, and as firemen cannot be at all places at once, it is feared that some part of the city will be destroyed by the on-coming flames in spite of them. At the Burnaby City limits, at Eighth avenue, at the Sapperton City limits, and on the Pitt River high road, flames are reaching out to the city from every part of the compass, and should rain not come and wind spring up in the wrong direction, nothing can save portions of the city from being destroyed by fire.

CENTRAL PARK CYCLE MEET.

Terrill Wins the Mile Match for a Purse of \$500.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 22.—At the Central Park cycle meet this afternoon William A. Terrill of the Bay City Wheelmen and Allan N. Jones of the Olympic Club rode a match race of one mile, best two heats in three. Neither rider seemed disposed to make the pace, consequently the time was disappointing. Terrill won the first heat in 2:21 3-5. After considerable jockeying in the second heat the riders finished neck and neck, a very pretty dead heat, in 2:31 1-5. The third heat went to Terrill in 2:40 1-5. The men contested for a purse of \$500 and enormous sums were wagered on the result. Other events resulted as follows: One third of a mile, scratch, amateur, P. R. Mott of Oakland won, J. R. Kennis of Oakland second, H. W. Squires of Oakland third. Time—0:51 2-5. One mile handicap, professional, C. Z. Davis of San Francisco (25 yards) won, J. E. Edwards of San Francisco (45 yards) second, H. F. Terrill of San Francisco (30 yards) third. Time—2:40 2-5. One mile handicap, amateur, P. A. Deason of Oakland (50 yards) won, C. D. Gooch of Oakland (35 yards) second, J. Hirsch of Sacramento (20 yards) third. Time—2:31 2-5.

AT LAKE TAHOE.

Governor Budd on a Tour of Pleasure and Inspection.

TALLAC (Lake Tahoe), Aug. 22.—Governor Budd arrived at Lake Tahoe yesterday. He came by way of Placerville on horseback, and was accompanied by his valet and C. E. Hildreth, Road Inspector. When he arrived he immediately lunched with James Austin and wife, appraiser of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, and John McLaren and wife, Superintendent of the Golden Gate Park in San Francisco, and spent the afternoon in resting in the Baldwin cottage, which he has engaged during his stay. His mission is one of combined inspection and recreation, and during the trip has personally inspected the reconstruction of the old

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Placerville road, which was purchased recently by the State.

Governor Budd will remain at the lake for a couple of days at least, when he thinks he will return to Strawberry, but will visit the lake later. To-day, in company with Dr. Hall and Karl Hermann of San Francisco, also Mr. Lawrence, he will take a fishing trip on the steamer Tallac.

FREIGHT TRAIN WRECK.

It Costs Four Men Their Lives on the Northern Pacific.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 22.—A "Call" special from Missoula, Montana, says: West-bound freight train No. 33 on the Northern Pacific Railway was wrecked one mile east of Horse Plains on the Rocky Mountain division, and four train hands lost their lives. The dead are: George Weigle, engineer, Hope, Idaho; R. M. Fish, wiper, Jocko, Idaho; L. O. Frizell, fireman, Hope, Idaho; J. W. Dalgier, brakeman, Spokane. Full details of the accident are lacking, and it is not known whether or not there was further loss of life. The train left Missoula at 9 p. m. under charge of Conductor Clem. When opposite the mileboard just east of Horse Plains a huge falling several hundred feet long spread, throwing the entire train into Clark's Fork River. The victims mentioned were all instantly killed. Their bodies have been recovered. It is supposed that the slide was caused by settling of quicksand. The roadway is still impassable and the railway officials are withholding details.

ALLEGED FRAUD.

S. S. Norton Charged With Selling Stock Under False Pretenses.

WOODLAND, Aug. 22.—Conger Ryder swore to a complaint in Judge Ruggles' court yesterday evening, charging S. S. Norton, representative of the Portland Diaz Gold and Silver Mining Company, with inducing the plaintiff to buy stock in said mine by false pretenses. The warrant was placed in the hands of Under Sheriff Brown, who immediately telegraphed to the San Francisco police to arrest Norton. Brown left on this morning's train for San Francisco to bring the prisoner back to this city for trial. General Norton, as he was generally called, is well known in this city, having visited here many times. Stock to the amount of \$80,000 has been sold by him to the most influential and wealthy citizens of Yolo.

THE MOON'S ECLIPSE.

An Excellent Observation of It Was Obtained.

SAN JOSE, Aug. 22.—Director E. S. Holden of the Lick Observatory sends out the following report of the partial eclipse of the moon to-night. The observations were made by Professor C. D. Perrine.

Light clouds partially obscured the first contact of the shadow, but they soon cleared away and the sky was clear during the remainder of the eclipse. The first certain darkening by the penumbra shadow, S. 25. The first contact with the shadow was at 9:23:31. The last contact with the shadow was at 12:31:50. The obscured portion of the moon was quite bright, the more prominent workings being easily visible. The center shadow was a copper color near its center, shaded to some what greenish tinge at the edge, the penumbra being of a light pink tinge.

CIRCULAR ISSUED.

The Southern Pacific Will Charge for Bicycles.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 22.—The following circular was issued by the Southern Pacific to-day: Commencing September 1, 1896, twenty-five cents will be the charge for transportation in baggage car of a bicycle, a tricycle or a baby carriage between any two points.

The term "bicycle" is here used in its general sense, as including the wheel commonly called a "randem." Passes must not be recognized as covering a free carriage of the articles above named.

Aeronaut Injured.

ASTORIA (Or.), Aug. 22.—J. Weston Daggott, the aeronaut, met with an accident this evening which will in all probability bring his parachute jumping to a close. His balloon had ascended about 2,000 feet, when the parachute was disconnected. Some of the ropes broke, and the aeronaut came down with a succession of rocket-like flights, striking on a hill top in the residence portion of the town. His collar-bone is broken, one of his legs is thought to have been driven into the hip, and internal injuries are feared. The exact nature of the injuries cannot yet be stated.

Oregon Sound Money Democrats.

PORTLAND (Or.), Aug. 22.—The sound money Democrats of Oregon held a convention in this city at which eighty-nine delegates were present, the majority of whom were Federal officials. A platform denouncing the action of the Chicago convention and endorsing the present administration was adopted. Eight delegates to the Indianapolis convention were selected and a State Central Committee named which will nominate Presidential Electors.

Mammoth Republican Meeting.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 22.—Thousands of persons were turned away from the Auditorium to-night on the occasion of the mammoth Republican mass meeting. Speeches were made by Major Frank McLaughlin, George E. Knight, S. M. Shortridge, George C. Perkins, Irving M. Scott, John P. Jackson, T. H. Ford, Rev. Dr. Anna Shaw, D. D., and others.

Hilborn Was Nominated.

VALLEJO, Aug. 22.—Hon. S. G. Hilborn of Alameda was renominated for Congress by the Third Congressional District Republican Convention to-day. The platform endorsed McKinley and Hobart and the St. Louis platform.

Jury Secured.

WEAVERVILLE, Aug. 22.—A jury was secured in the trial of Joe Gregory to-day. The prosecution was outlined by General Post and a couple of unimportant witnesses testified.

A Customer Complained to his grocer about the short weight he gave him for his money, and the grocer promptly retorted that it was nothing to the long wait he got for his. The moral of this tale is evident: Don't wait too long, but save valuable time and start in at once smoking some of those nice, sweet, fragrant, aromatic, clear Havana FLOR DE ADAMIS Cigars and you will find that you will soon increase in weight.

RESIGNATION OF VON SCHELLENDORF.

It Continues to Occupy the Attention of the Country.

Apprehensions of a Grave Ministerial Crisis.

Reported Intention of Prince Hohenlohe and Admiral Hollman to Resign—Forebodings of a Stormy Session of the Reichstag—Professor Egging Sent Over Here in Connection With the Kneebes Affair.

BERLIN, Aug. 22.—The resignation of General Bronsart Von Schellendorf from the office of Minister of War continues to occupy the attention of the press and the public and this has especially been the case since the "Reichsanzeiger," the official journal, published the announcement of the Minister's retirement from office supplemented with the declaration that his health was the main reason of his withdrawal. Since then a storm of protests has arisen on all sides, and instead of pacifying the apprehensions that the country on the brink of a grave ministerial crisis, the statement of the organ has intensified it.

"Why, it is asked everywhere, did the 'Reichsanzeiger' issue such a statement and by whom was its publication authorized. Within the official circle it is not known by anybody that the publication of the statement was suggested to by Prince Hohenlohe, the Imperial Chancellor, or by any other member of the Ministry. If General Von Hahnke, the Chief of the Military Cabinet, obtained the sanction of the Emperor thus to make use of the official gazette it is argued that the military cabinet has obtained control of functions which it should not have. All of the criticisms are clearly forebodings of a fateful and stormy session of the Reichstag, yet the newspapers entirely overlook the fact that the chiefs of the Federal States can interfere and check the action of the Emperor if his majesty shall be found to be attempting any radical injury against the constitution. The resignation of General Von Schellendorf and the officially reported intention of Prince Hohenlohe to retire does not appear to comprise all of the Cabinet changes that may possibly take place. According to the Leipzig 'Neueste Nachrichten,' Admiral Hollman, Admiral Commander-in-Chief of the Imperial Admiralty, will be the next Minister to offer his resignation, and will be accepted without doubt.

Upon the occasion of the bi-centennial anniversary of the founding of the Berlin Academy, which occurred yesterday, the Emperor presented a number of gold medals to artists who are exhibiting pictures at the academy this year. A smaller gold medal was assigned to E. A. Waterlow and Mrs. Alma Tadema.

Professor Egging of the Berlin Veterinary College is about to start for New York. The professor is going to the farm of Robert Kneebes, the American horseman, to examine the racing man, Bethel, which it is alleged that Kneebes entered and started on the Berlin course under the name of Nellie Kneebes. Professor Egging goes to America under the instructions of the Criminal Court, which has postponed its decision upon Kneebes' appeal against conviction and sentence to nine months' imprisonment, pending the Professor's report. In the meantime Kneebes will have to stay in jail.

REFUSES TO SERVE.

Ficke Thinks It a Mistake to Nominate a Ticket.

DAVENPORT (Ia.), Aug. 22.—Ex-Mayor Ficke of this city, and one of the most prominent Democrats in the State, who was named as a delegate to the sound money convention at Des Moines, refused to serve, and said: "If I return to the racing man, after being absent for some time, I found myself without a party. My party, the Democratic, has ceased to be a Democratic organization and has become a Populist party, with which I could not affiliate. If it is proposed to nominate Presidential Electors in this State, as it seems to be the intention of the party to do, as appeared from the call for the convention, then I consider such action a mistake and I cannot consistently assist in that work, as I have previously publicly announced my intention to support McKinley and I do not believe it would be consistent for me to attend a convention and aid in the selection of Presidential Electors which I do not intend to support. The election of Bryan would be a great calamity, which can be averted only if all sound money men will unite in support of the only sound money Presidential candidates who have any possibility of being elected, McKinley and Hobart."

VISITORS TO HANNA.

The Work of the Campaign Will Begin To-Day.

NEW YORK, Aug. 22.—There was a big crowd of visitors awaiting the arrival of Chairman Mark A. Hanna this morning at the Republican National Headquarters. Mr. Hanna arrived at 10:30 o'clock and immediately went into his private office and read his correspondence. He subsequently received Chairman Edward Lauterbach of the Republican County Committee and held a lengthy conference with him. Among the other callers was Senator Thurston of Nebraska.

There were very few callers at Democratic headquarters. Treasurer William P. St. John is still on his vacation and is not expected back at his desk until Monday morning. Then the work of the campaign will begin in earnest. The Democratic Honest Money League is preparing an address in behalf of the sound money.

Reported Spanish Victory.

HAVANA, Aug. 22.—Colonel Albergotti reports that after an engagement which lasted four hours his command captured a rebel fortification near Aguacate, province of Matanzas. The rebels lost nineteen killed. The Spaniards lost four killed and a Major, Captain, two Lieutenants and twenty-three privates wounded.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report. Royal Baking Powder. ABSOLUTELY PURE.

half of sound money which will be circulated all over the United States. Bourke Cockran's reply to Candidate Bryan will also be printed in the last form and scattered broadcast by the league.

HOKE SMITH'S RESIGNATION. It Is Said to Have Been Accepted by the President.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22.—There is the best reason for believing that the Secretary of the Interior, Hoke Smith, has resigned, and that his resignation will take effect within two weeks. Stories of Secretary Smith's resignation have been current in Washington ever since his paper, the Atlanta "Journal," necessarily ruled in the matter of publication. It is known, however, that Smith has declined to extend consideration of cases in his department over which he has jurisdiction beyond the end of August.

Moreover, the private papers of the Secretary at his private library have been shipped by express to Atlanta, and his law offices in that city are being made ready for occupancy. The house which the Secretary leased in this city during his incumbency will be given up at its expiration early in September, and he is quite certain that he will have retired from the Cabinet, but this action may not take effect until after the meeting of the sound money convention at Indianapolis, which occurs September 24.

It is said at the Department that the resignation takes effect August 23, and one of the Assistant Secretaries of the Interior will probably be appointed to succeed Mr. Smith. The First Assistant Secretary is General W. H. Sims of Mississippi, a native of Georgia, who has special charge of all Indian matters and public lands and reservations. General Sims is absent from the city and has been some time. The position of Acting Secretary during the absence of the Secretary has generally been filled by John M. Reynolds, Second Assistant Secretary. His duties have been discharged by General Sims' views on the money question are understood to be tinged with free silver. It is regarded as quite certain that the new Cabinet officer, whoever he may be, will be in accord with the President on the money question.

KILEAUA IS ACTIVE.

A Honolulu Editor Who Victimized the Citizens.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 22.—Special correspondence of the United Associated Presses is as follows: Honolulu, Aug. 15.—Captained John Good of Company E, of enlisted men, has been dishonorably discharged for conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman.

Mrs. J. M. Cooke died on June 11th in her eighty-fifth year. She was a historical character as the preceptress of the late King Kamehameha IV. Her royal chiefs, six of her pupils having ascended the throne. Most of her children possess large wealth. The Kileaua volcano increases in activity. Fire fountains are extremely brilliant. Tourist travel to the crater is large.

The late editor of the "Hawaiian," Julian D. Hayne, on his recent departure to the East victimized a number of Honolulu people to the amount of several thousand dollars by means of worthless drafts upon the Bank of Nevada signed by Mrs. Hayne. He came here under false pretenses three years ago. His earlier antecedents are a mystery. Mrs. Hayne was an elderly widow of property whom he married two years ago in Florida, professing to be a wealthy coffee planter of twenty-five years residence in Hawaii. The holders of the drafts are endeavoring to recover from Mrs. Hayne, who seems to be hypnotized by her husband.

GOMPERS FOR SILVER.

But He Will Not Undertake to Advise Members How to Vote.

INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 22.—President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor in an interview this evening, reiterated his position in favor of free silver. "I do not care to undertake," he said, "to advise the members of the unions in the federation how to vote this fall. I think they all understand the position the federation took long ago on this subject and has ever since maintained. Our organization in three successive conventions has declared for free silver and it has been recognized as a part of its economic creed. Personally I am in favor of it."

Three Failures.

INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 22.—The W. B. Holton Manufacturing Company, bicycle and roller skate manufacturers, failed to-day. The assets exceed the liabilities, but no figures are given. The firm says they will pay dollar for dollar.

AMESBURY (Mass.), Aug. 22.—The stockholders of the Merrimac Wheel and Gear Company have assigned for the benefit of their creditors. The liabilities are \$60,000.

CUMBERLAND (Md.), Aug. 22.—Samuel Reinheimer of Cameron, W. Va., one of the largest merchants in West Virginia, has made an assignment. Liabilities, \$150,000.

Railway Brotherhoods' Meeting.

TERRE HAUTE (Ind.), Aug. 22.—The secret union meeting to-night of members of the various railway brotherhoods was largely attended. Chief Arthur of the engineers, Grand Master Sargent of the firemen, Clark of the conductors, Morrissey of the trainmen, and Secretary Austin of the telegraphers were present. They talked in favor of a close alliance of the brotherhoods in their dealings with the railroad companies, but no definite action was taken. A programme for to-morrow's open meeting was arranged. The program will bring the brotherhoods into closer social and occupation terms.

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PIERCE FORKED LIGHTNING.

IT DESTROYED MANY BUILDINGS IN THREE STATES.

Heavy Damage Done in Chicago and Fatal Results at Greensburg and Rome City.

CHICAGO, Aug. 22.—Storms originating west of Chicago last night played havoc with telegraph and telephone wires throughout the State of Illinois, Indiana and Ohio to-day. It was midnight when the warring elements reached the Western metropolis, and the result was the partial destruction of the barns of the Chicago Street Railway Company, which were struck by lightning. A section of the roof was dashed through the building to the first floor, carrying with it the second and third floors. The loss is \$20,000.

The Chicago Brick Company's plant also was a mark for lightning at 3 o'clock, and the entire building collapsed, causing a loss of \$15,000. In the southern portion of the city the damage, collectively, was great from fire and water. Fortunately no lives were lost. Reports received to-night from towns in Indiana and Ohio are of a similar nature, the greatest inconvenience probably being experienced by the interruption of the lines of communication.

At Indianapolis the storm was of hurricane force. In some of the lower portions of the city the streets were turned into running rivers and the street cars were blocked, while all other traffic was entirely suspended.

Many farm buildings were destroyed by fire after having first been struck by lightning. Near Rome City, Indiana, Arthur Foss, aged 14, who was in a barn, was killed by a bolt.

In the interior towns of Indiana business houses and residences suffered much loss from broken glass in skylights and windows and damage to goods by the heavy downpour of water which followed. At Ellwood, Indiana, lightning demolished Rev. T. J. Wright's residence. All the family excepted in injury but Wright, who was horribly burned and paralyzed from the waist down.

Greensburg, Indiana, reports heavy damage to crops and several bridges washed away. Mrs. John Baumgardner of Wabash was struck by lightning and probably fatally injured. Lester Bliss and Neil Bliss at Delphos, Ohio, were killed by lightning in their barnyard.

Cincinnati reports a tremendous electrical display and heavy rainfall, but comparatively small loss in the city and suburbs, outside of interrupted traffic.

At Hobart, Indiana, a family of three named Smith were burned to death, their dwelling having been struck by lightning.

At Rensselaer, Indiana, the storm broke up a Republican mass meeting, and twenty minutes after the crowd had dispersed the tabernacle fell with a tremendous crash.

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