

CALIFORNIA WINE CROP.
The Vintage This Year Superior to Any Since 1892.

In Sonoma County It is Reported the Finest Ever Known.

The Total Vintage of the State Estimated at Between Fifteen and Twenty Million Gallons—Prices Will Probably be Low, Owing to Competition Among the Big Corporations Handling the Produce.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 23.—The California vintage is later than usual, but will be superior to any since 1892, while the dry wine crop will be the largest the State has produced since the bonanza year of 1893. The total vintage is estimated at from 15,000,000 to 20,000,000 gallons. The price, however, will probably be low, owing to competition among the big corporations handling the produce.

The Sonoma County vintage is the finest ever known. The berries are fat and clean. Three million gallons of capacity have been added, which will permit the vineyardists to store all of the wine, which will amount to about 6,250,000 gallons.

Last season the product of Santa Clara County was 4,000,000 gallons, which has been increased this year to 5,000,000. Some damage has been done by the vine hopper, but as a rule the quality of the wine is good.

The Livermore Valley sustains its high standard of excellence, and this season will exceed its last year's yield of 1,500,000 gallons.

In Napa County, although there has been some planting of resistant stock, it has not kept pace with the ravages of the phylloxera. The quality of the wine is good, and the yield will be about 1,500,000 gallons.

HEIR TO A FORTUNE.

A Man Confined in Jail on a Charge of Embezzlement.
SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 23.—W. F. Karon, now imprisoned in the County Jail here charged with embezzlement, has fallen heir to a quarter of a million dollars. James Karon, the prisoner's uncle, who was a prominent mining operator of Montana and Nevada, died last week at Austin, Ia., leaving property valued at \$500,000 to be equally divided between his two nephews. One of these is the prisoner, W. F. Karon. The other, Linnie Karon, is a barber in Sioux City. No other surviving relatives are known to exist. The San Francisco heir was formerly business manager of the "California Commerce," a souvenir magazine.

TROUBLE IN GUATEMALA.

Champerico and San Felipe in the Hands of Insurgents.
SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 23.—Late tonight the following private dispatch was received in this city from Champerico, Guatemala, via Acapulco: "Champerico and San Felipe are both in the hands of the insurgents. Barrios has shot and imprisoned prominent men who sympathized with the revolutionists. The wives of revolutionists have also been arrested. Anarchy is feared. A letter from the City of Guatemala has also been received. The writer

SPECIALS FOR TO-MORROW (SATURDAY).

IN-SHOE DEPARTMENT.
LADIES' Vici Kid Shoes, in lace or button, coin or needle toes, neat kid or patent leather tips, cloth or kid tops. Regular \$2.50. Special at \$1.95.
MISSES' Fine Dongola Kid Shoes, either lace or button, coin, narrow square or needle toes. A perfect fitting and easy shoe. Special price for Saturday, sizes 1 1/2 to 2. 95 CENTS.
\$1.15; 3/4 to 11. 95 CENTS.

IN BOYS' CLOTHING DEPT.
Boys' School Suits of Mixed Cheviot, in brown, black or gray shades. Two styles—double breasted, two-piece suits and reefer with deep sailor collars. Special price for Saturday, sizes 10 to 14. 95 CENTS SUIT.

IN MEN'S CLOTHING DEPT.
All-wool Cheviot Pants for men. Neat hairline stripe in dark gray or tan shades, good weighty goods and sold regularly at \$2.50. The color being rather light for this season of the year we reduce them to \$1.50.

IN MEN'S FURNISHING DEPT.
Men's Black and White Check Overshirts of good durable material, well made and one of the best 50-cent shirts we have seen this year. Strongly sewed and will not fade. Sizes 14 1/2 to 17. Saturday's price..... 35 CENTS.
Men's Natural Wool Seamless Socks, Regular 20-cent value. Saturday's price..... 10 CENTS PAIR.

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declares that everything at the time of writing was in a state of chaos. Barrios, he says, has lost his head from fright, and in a delirium of terror is imprisoning and shooting all who evince the slightest leaning toward the insurgent cause. Loans are collected by force, and death is the penalty for refusing financial assistance to the dictator.

Francisco Castillo, Barrios' Chief of Police, under the orders of his superior, has, it is asserted, usurped the places of the civil officers. Barrios himself is in constant fear of assassination. Two hundred soldiers sleep in the palace day and night, and he is constantly attended by a guard of one picked men, who never leave him alone, accompanying him even to his bath. Villa Algeria, the residence of Mrs. Barrios, is guarded by a large force of police. At the other country places of the President, police are stationed to prevent the destruction of property. Barillas is occupying a neutral position in the present contest.

Southern Methodist Conference.
OAKLAND, Sept. 23.—At the annual conference of the Methodist Church, south, to-day, the following resolutions were adopted: "Resolved, that we do hereby approve of the conference on proposition: J. A. Shipley of Colusa, C. L. McCausland of San Francisco and J. D. Houck of Fresno. Bishop Hargrave, in speaking of the duties of church stewards, paid a high tribute to the Epworth League. The session adjourned.

A Lawyer Missing.
PORTLAND (Or.), Sept. 23.—Henry G. Reid, a lawyer, who recently came here from Kansas City, is missing, and his whereabouts has not been ascertained. It is believed that he has either committed suicide or been murdered. He had been drinking heavily, and went to the Good Samaritan Hospital to undergo treatment about ten days ago. In a few days he recovered sufficiently to take a walk down town, but since Tuesday he has not been seen at his lodgings, and the police have no trace of him.

Reduced Freight Rates.
SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 23.—The Southern Pacific Railroad to-day announced and put into effect reduced freight rates on its line between Fresno and Visalia. A cut was made only on the route of the road. The old rates stand between Visalia and San Francisco and between Visalia and Stockton. The new rates conform exactly with those previously established over the same territory by the Valley Road.

Took Her Own Life.
SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 23.—A neatly-dressed woman, who had given her name as Miss Schneider, but who was subsequently discovered to be Almee de Lisalle, was found dead this morning on the floor of her room at 1304 Post street. A bullet hole through her right hip side showed how she had taken her life. No reason is known why she should have made away with herself.

Captain Jenks Sentenced.
SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 23.—Captain Charles A. Jenks, Troop A, N. G. C., was to-day sentenced by Judge Conlan to pay a fine of \$500, with the alternative of six months' imprisonment in the County Jail, for cruelty to the horses attached to the troop. Notice of appeal was given, and he was admitted to bail in the sum of \$1,000 pending his appeal.

The Supervisor Muddled.
SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 23.—Late at night the Supreme Court granted the writ of mandamus applied for by Thomas Morton of the ousted Board of Supervisors to compel Auditor Broderick to recognize the validity of the tax levy submitted to him, and issued an order requiring Auditor Broderick to appear on Monday, September 27th, to show cause why he should not be compelled to accept said levy.

Boiler Explosion.
HANFORD, Sept. 23.—By the explosion of a boiler at the Bonanza prune orchard to-day August Blix, engineer, was seriously and perhaps fatally injured. His right leg was broken and his head fractured, and he was scalded. T. D. Baird, a laborer was blown twenty feet, but escaped with slight wounds. The boiler exploded under eighty-five pounds' pressure.

Will of Emery Upham.
VALLEJO, Sept. 23.—The will of the late Emery I. Upham was filed for probate at Fairfield to-day. The value of the estate is \$350,000, and the legacies include one for the Good Templars' homes for orphans, amounting to \$120,000. This bequest, which is provisional, is practically annulled by a subsequent provision requiring that if there is not sufficient money to pay the individual legacies that the sum intended for the home should be divided pro rata.

Valley Railway Bonds.
SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 23.—The purchase of \$5,000,000 of bonds of the Sonoma Valley Railroad made by J. W. Hellman and the syndicate he represented was to-day ratified by the Directors of the company. The syndicate, it is said, expects to sell two-thirds of the securities and to distribute the remainder among its own members.

University Experimental Station.
BERKELEY, Sept. 23.—Governor Eudd has offered the University Agricultural Department the use of the land of the Feeble-minded Home in Sonoma County for an experiment station to investigate the sugar of phylloxera and to test resistant vines. Mrs. Hearst has also tendered the use of land of hers which adjoins the State property.

An Accidental Shooting.
STOCKTON, Sept. 23.—While carelessly handling a revolver this evening George Cook, who testified in the Williams' train wrecking case that he had been approached by Williams, accidentally shot his niece, Miss Maude Lamb, in the left side of the face. It did not cut any arteries, and the young lady will recover.

Evidence Insufficient to Convict.
LOS ANGELES, Sept. 23.—The trial of Kitty Calvert, charged with being accessory to the murder of an old soldier named Duplane at Santa Monica several weeks ago, came to an end to-day, the defendant being discharged upon motion of the Assistant District Attorney because of insufficient evidence to convict.

Black Sand Mining.
EUREKA, Sept. 23.—A local company has been organized for black sand mining on the beach at the mouth of Little River. Four thousand dollars' worth of improved machinery has been purchased and eighty-eight acres leased. The plant will work 800 tons of sand every twenty-four hours, averaging 80 cents per ton.

ANOTHER WARSHIP GOING TO HAWAII.

Gunboat Wheeling Ordered to Sail for Honolulu.

The Baltimore Will Also Shortly Proceed to the Islands.

A Seaman on Board the Philadelphia at Honolulu Commits Suicide by Hanging Himself With His Hammock Lashing—He Had Been Sentenced to Solitary Confinement for Disorderly Conduct.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 23.—Orders were sent from the Navy Department to-day to San Francisco to have the gunboat Wheeling sent to Honolulu as soon as she can be prepared for the voyage. The vessel has been put in commission recently, and was about to start in a short time for Sitka, taking stores and relief for the gunboat Concord, now on duty in Alaska. She is a small, but well equipped modern gunboat, somewhat smaller than the Benbow, now at Honolulu, but together with her boats will make a good force. The Philadelphia will remain at Honolulu until the Wheeling arrives. Whether the Yorktown will then be detained is not certain, but it is likely that she will not stop at Honolulu on her way home from China longer than is necessary to secure coal and stores. The Philadelphia, upon reaching Mare Island, will place most of her men on the Baltimore, which has just been extensively repaired, and the latter will go to Hawaii as Admiral Miller's flagship. The Admiral will remain at Honolulu, while the exchange is being made.

LATEST FROM THE ISLANDS.
SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 23.—The steamship Moana, from Sydney via Honolulu, arrived this morning with the following Hawaiian arrivals: HONOLULU, Sept. 16.—Woolf, a seaman on board the Philadelphia, died and confined in the brig on a serious charge, committed suicide on the 14th by hanging himself with his hammock lashing. The body was found at an early hour in the morning when the Corporal went in to inspect his cell.

Woolf was ashore last Saturday night and commenced drinking heavily. Late at night he went aboard the German ship Glade and lay down in the forecastle. He created such a disturbance there that the sailors drove him out and chased him to the water's edge, threatening to use violence if he caught him. The matter was reported the next morning to Captain Dyer of the Philadelphia, who started an investigation. The Captain of the Glade, being anxious to go to sea, refused to prosecute Woolf in the local courts. Captain Dyer, however, found that Woolf was guilty of disorderly conduct and bringing disgrace upon the ship, and sentenced him to five days' solitary confinement on bread and water, at the same time reducing his rating from first class to second class. Captain Dyer believes that the man was insane. The dead man was an Austrian by birth and about 35 years of age.

The deplorable condition of the Hagston orphans, who were sent to San Francisco from this city on the bark R. K. Ritter last month, is attracting considerable attention in Honolulu. Immigration Commissioner Stradley, as well as the press, are condemning the Honolulu people for dumping their paupers in California. They are strongly opposed to the children remaining in the country, and it is expected that a petition will be presented to-day for opening the State to paupers. The Honolulu people claim that they acted in good faith, and it was not until the consent of Attorney-General Smith was obtained that the children were sent up here.

The convention of the American Union party of Honolulu met last evening and nominated six candidates for the House of Representatives. The election will be held on the 29th inst. The candidates are: Alatau T. Atkinson, editor of the "Hawaiian Star"; A. G. M. Robertson, a prominent attorney; A. V. Gen. J. L. Kaulukou, S. G. Wilder and L. L. McCandless. All the candidates are pledged to annexation. James B. Castle, who recently resigned the office of Collector of Customs, has been appointed Secretary of the Hawaiian Legation at Washington. He will leave at an early date for his new post, along with Minister Hatch, who has been visiting Honolulu. Mr. Castle has a reputation for being an able man. He is a son of the late S. N. Castle.

REPORTS DENIED.
WASHINGTON, Sept. 23.—Referring to reports brought by the Chamber Pe-king that the passengers saw a large number of well drilled Japanese land in Hawaii, under the direction of a sergeant, and divided into military squads, Durham W. Stevens, counselor of the Japanese legation, says the reports are an unjustifiable impression against Japan. Mr. Stevens said no Japanese immigrants are allowed to land in Hawaii unless they have previously secured the approval of the Hawaiian Immigration authorities, and such have been previously engaged by the Hawaiian planters. It is impossible, therefore, for the Japanese to land unless Hawaii desires their presence.

Persistent reports have appeared that the Japanese were gradually and quietly building up a strong military establishment in Hawaii, but Mr. Stevens says all these reports are false and prejudicial. The Japanese warship Nanika has been withdrawn from Hawaii, so that Japan is no longer represented by any military or naval force.

THE WHEELING SAILS.
SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 23.—The gunboat Wheeling steamed out through the Golden Gate about 10 o'clock to-night bound for Honolulu, whither she had been ordered by the Navy Department. She received notice to-day to coal up and proceed to the islands immediately, and all day she was being loaded with provisions and coal, and in order to complete her crew men were drafted from the warships lying at the Mare Island navy yard. This is the

Wheeling's first dip into the waters of the Pacific, she not having had a sea trial. The sea trial was to have commenced to-morrow.

INCREASE THE NAVY.

Not Enough Officers or Men to Man the Warships.
WASHINGTON, Sept. 23.—The necessity of increasing the personnel of the navy will be presented to Congress in the forthcoming reports of bureau chiefs of the Navy Department. Both officers and men are needed to man the large number of ships now in commission.

Captain Crowinshield, chief of the Bureau of Navigation, in order to find officers for vessels, is compelled to search the service with a fine rake. The four shore duty of line officers, with the exception of thin command grades, has been cut down in many cases, and hereafter the young officers will have considerably less time on shore. So far as the engineer corps is concerned, it is understood that Engineer-in-Chief Mallory proposes to recommend that 100 officers be added to the corps as soon as possible. The number of engineer officers is now so limited that on the battleships the chief engineers have only three assistants, when they should have at least five. Chief Naval Constructor Hiehorn also proposes to call attention to the small number of officers in his corps. In comparison with the construction corps of other countries, that of Mr. Hiehorn is much smaller, and he believes it should be increased.

The lack of enlisted men has been apparent for some time. The department has not enough men to place the cruiser Baltimore in commission, and the Philadelphia must put her first 500 United States before October 15th in order that her officers and crew may be transferred to the Baltimore and that vessel placed in commission for duty in Hawaiian waters.

THE WAR IN INDIA.

British Attack and Drive Tribesmen From Their Position.

SIMLA, Sept. 23.—The expected attack of General Elles with the brigades from Camp Hazrat, on Badmaia Pass, held by the Haddad Mullah with a large force of Mohmonds and Shinwaris, took place yesterday. The tribesmen were finally driven out of every position. The British now hold the heights, commanding the pass and Bermania village on the other hand. The mountain guns first bombarded the enemy, whose positions were stormed in capital style by the Twentieth Punjab Infantry, supported by a Maxim detachment.

It is a significant fact that the Twentieth Punjab is partly composed of Afghans. The British continue to advance. It is expected that they will capture Jarobi, the Haddad Mullah's village to-morrow (Friday) afternoon. The defeat of the Mullah, it is hoped, will have a great effect upon all the surrounding tribesmen, as he is the leading spirit of mischief in the Mohmond country.

CAUSED A SENSATION.

The Attitude of the United States Toward Spain.

PARIS, Sept. 23.—A dispatch to the "Temps" from Madrid says: The attitude of the United States has caused a great sensation at Madrid, because opinion has been lured on by the optimistic reports of the Spanish Minister at Washington upon the character and duration of the correct attitude of the Government, and that, too, despite several warnings from Mr. Olney and Mr. Cleveland's message.

The official bulletins of Captain Weyler have created a feeling of confidence when the United States Government was every month receiving from its Consuls and special envoys totally different news. The general impression at San Sebastian and Madrid is that the Spanish Government will try to drag negotiations along, unless it is purely and simply the good offices of the United States on the ground of public opinion, and upon the further ground that the opposition would not permit it to tolerate foreign intervention, though amicable.

CUBAN INDEPENDENCE.

President Allen's Address to Members of the League.

NEW YORK, Sept. 23.—President Ethan Allen of the Cuban League of the United States to-day issued the following address to the members of the league: "A year of patriotic work is about to end in the grandest results. Last spring nearly every Governor of this State, at my request, backed by the Legislature of his State, spoke for Cuban independence.

"Now the hour of emancipation for Cuba is at hand. The commanding voice of the nation has at last reached the Executive, though the delay has been too long. Our Minister in Spain, with a patriotic protest behind him, will do that which shall end the murder, plunder and medieval tyranny in Cuba, allowing its entry into a sovereign State. The nation is ready with guns. If necessary every member of the league should be at hand to uphold the President in such a policy. Let all, when the moment comes, say to him, 'All divisions end at the water's edge.'"

Attempted Train Hold Up.
ST. LOUIS, Sept. 23.—A special to the "Republic" from Guthrie, Ok., says: An attempt to hold up the south-bound Santa Fe passenger train near Edmond at 7 o'clock to-night was frustrated by Deputy Marshals and several of Chief Kenney's men. The outlaws are being chased. Two of them are ex-Deputy United States Marshals.

Filibustering Expedition Captured.
JACKSONVILLE (Fla.), Sept. 23.—A Floridian from Cuba reports that the recent filibustering expedition for the islands was captured and that nineteen men on the vessel were slain by the Spaniards. He adds that Havana is suffering from a beef famine.

Farrell an Easy Mark.
HARTFORD (Conn.), Sept. 23.—At the Gladiator Athletic Club to-night Steve O'Donnell knocked Charles Farrell all around the ring in two rounds, and Farrell's manager threw up the sponge.

The Fight Failed to Come Off.
WASHINGTON, Sept. 23.—The twenty-round bout scheduled between Pat Ready of this city and Nick Bury of San Francisco for to-night failed to come off, the principals being unable to agree on the terms of the fight.

The Queen reigns over an continent, 100 peninsulas, 500 promontories, 1,000 lakes, 2,000 rivers and 10,000 islands.

Experts Say Where Finest Food Is Required Royal Baking Powder Must Be Used.

Miss Suzy Tracy, the cooking demonstrator in the Model Kitchen at the Mechanics' Fair, says:—

"In the practice of my profession as a teacher of cooking I have tried the different brands of baking powder, and I find that Royal Baking Powder gives the best satisfaction. I can accomplish the best results with a smaller quantity of Royal Baking Powder than of any other kind, and I find it always to be perfectly uniform in its action."

Suzy Tracy

BOUND FOR ALASKA.

Soldiers Who Go to St. Michaels and Up River Points.

SEATTLE, Sept. 23.—Soldiers and civilians mingled together in a busy crowd to-day on the Schwabacher dock, where preparations were being made for the sailing to-night of the steamer Humboldt for St. Michaels, Alaska. Lieutenant-Colonel Randall with his twenty-five men from Fort Russell looked fit to cope with the rigors and hardships of the winter that confronts them on the Yukon. The company had an outfit of 150 tons of stores and provisions. Besides the baggage of the soldiers, the Humboldt carried 400 tons of steamboat machinery and provisions and 40,000 feet of lumber.

Lieutenant-Colonel Randall said to-night: "The intention of the Government is to aid American miners in every way possible, and if this entire detachment is responsible for the relief of one worthy American I shall feel that the mission to the north has not been without satisfactory result."

At St. Michaels the company will be joined by Captain Ray, who has been there several weeks. A part of the detachment will be stationed at St. Michaels, and the rest will go up the river, being stationed near the Alaska-British boundary.

In an interview to-day United States District Attorney Burton E. Bennett of Alaska said: "I have been quoted as saying that the greatest hardships to be encountered by the northern argonauts would be met on White Pass, when as a matter of fact it will not probably occur on the pass, because they will hurry over in good weather. As a matter of fact, I do not believe that 10 per cent. of those who will go into the Yukon country will ever be encountered by the northern argonauts. The majority will return to civilization after having spent what little money they could get together, and with their constitutions broken."

SCANDAL AT FRESNO.

Woman Arrested for Sending Obscene Matter Through Mails.

FRESNO, Sept. 23.—Mrs. R. A. Carlyle was arrested here to-day on complaint of J. B. Rutledge, charging her with sending obscene matter through the mail. Rutledge is a prominent merchant, and has incurred the enmity of Mrs. Carlyle. His wife has been seriously on Mr. Rutledge, and come within the meaning of the statute against mailing obscene matter. The matter was placed in the hands of the postal authorities, and the letters traced to Mrs. Carlyle. She was arrested and held on \$500 bonds. All the parties are prominently connected.

San Francisco County Clerk's Office.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 23.—Fifty-four clerks are to be dropped from the payroll of the County Clerk's office at the end of this month, unless the Superior Court, to whom the Clerk has applied for advice, directs him to continue his present staff. He contends that he is unable to conduct his office properly on \$6,000 a month, and he fears that if he exceeds that sum an effort will be made to remove him for malfeasance.

Coal Fields in Mexico.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 23.—The Southern Pacific Railroad Company thinks it will soon develop great coal mines in the State of Sonora, Mexico. Five prominent officials of the company, with H. E. Huntington at their head, have just returned from a hasty visit to that region. The company has secured an option on what it believes to be rich anthracite coal fields of a wide area. Mr. Huntington says that the coal producing territory is about sixty miles square.

U. S. Court Commissioner.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 23.—In the United States District Court to-day Albert A. Smith of Alturas, Modoc County, was appointed United States Commissioner for the Northern District of California. Frank P. Peck of Loyalton, Sierra County, was also appointed a Commissioner.

Death of a Pioneer.
SALINAS, Sept. 23.—Francis Jolly, a pioneer of this county, died this evening, aged 74 years. For thirty years he was Surveyor and Civil Engineer in the Salinas Valley, and located many settlers near Paraiso Springs.

Dr. Lovelace Dead.
SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 23.—Dr. A. S. Lovelace, Health Officer of this city, died this morning of apoplexy. He was a native of Missouri and 42 years of age.

The Nonpareil

SPECIAL UMBRELLA SALE TO-DAY!

Men's, Women's and Children's.

Wet Weather Shoes. The lowering skies, aside from the weather clerk's predictions, are as a suggestion to you to prepare for wet weather. Look well to your shoes. You would not risk a leaky boot. Then look to your feet as you would to your life. Many a doctor's bill and even life has been saved by the correct wet weather shoes. We show them as follows:

Women's Willow Calf Shoes, with heavy soles, lace, made on the new coin toe. This shoe is waterproof, and can be worn in wet weather without rubbers. Price, \$2.45.

Women's Heavy Vici Kid Lace Walking Shoes, with hand welt soles. Made on the latest coin last, in lace. An easy, comfortable-fitting shoe. Regular \$5 value. Price, \$4.

Boucle Jackets. This \$5 Boucle Jacket is a value rarely found at the price. Made from heavy glassy storm-proof boucle cloth, with high storm collar, box cut, fly front, and the newest style of sleeve. This garment is 26 inches long, half silk lined, with piped seams. Extra well made in every particular. One of our buyers was fortunate enough to secure 100 of these jackets at a price, and they're yours while they last at \$5. When they're gone no more at \$5.

Hosiery. Our warm fall and winter Hosiery for women and children is here in assortment and prices to meet the requirements and purse of all.

Ladies' Fast Black Full Cotton Hose, drop stitch, in three different styles, 25c.

Children's Fast Black 1x1 Rib School Hose, double knee, heel and toe. Price, 12c. Sizes 5 to 8 1/2.

Men's 25-inch fast black twilled cotton covering, on a solid frame, supported by steel rod, with heavy natural crook and bulb handles. Special Price, 85c.

Men's 28-inch Umbrellas, good, strong frame, covered with fast black twill, has steel rod and natural crook, carved and horn handles. Special Price, \$1.25.

Men's 28-inch Umbrellas, good, strong frame, covered with fast black twill, has steel rod and natural crook, carved and horn handles. Special Price, \$1.25.

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A new line of Gun Cases, Hunting Coats, Boots and everything pertaining to field shooting. An Illustrated Catalogue free for the asking.
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MANY LIVES WERE LOST.

Two Marine Accidents of a Very Serious Nature.
LONDON, Sept. 22.—A special dispatch from Vienna says that seventy persons were drowned as the result of a collision yesterday between the steamers Ika, a local passenger vessel, and a British steamer which was leaving that port as the former was entering.

The Ika sank in full view of 200 persons who crowded to the pier and water front when the accident became known. One report says, however, that only thirty persons were drowned.

EIGHT LIVES WERE LOST.
HAMBURG, Sept. 22.—Torpedo boat No. 26 has capsized and sunk near the first lighthouse of Cuxhaven.

Eight of her crew, including her commander, Duke Frederick William of Mecklenburg-Schwern, were drowned. The duke was born in 1871, held the rank of Lieutenant in the German navy, and was a brother of the Grand Duke of Mecklenburg-Schwern.

A salvage steamer has gone to the scene of the disaster.

GRAIN SUPPLY.
Comparative Statement with the Situation Last Week.

NEW YORK, Sept. 22.—Special cable and telegraphic dispatches to Bradstreet's, covering the principal points of accumulation, indicate the following changes in available supplies to last Saturday, as compared with the previous Saturday:

Wheat—United States and Canada, east of the Rockies, increase 2,051,000 bushels; afloat for and in Europe, increase 4,151,000 bushels.

Corn—United States and Canada, east of the Rockies, increase 1,301,000 bushels; afloat for and in Europe, increase 1,200,000 bushels.

Postoffice Raised.
WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.—The following-named postoffices will be raised from fourth to third-class on the 1st of October, rendering necessary the appointment of a Postmaster for each of them by the President: Newman, Cal;

Virginia City, Mont.; Black Hawk, Col.; Demar, Id.; Berwick, Mo.; Kennett, Mo.; Edna, Texas.

Workmen's Houses Exempted.
WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.—Henry Morris, United States Consul at Ghent, reports to the State Department that the Belgian Government has exempted from building, paving and sewerage tax houses erected by workmen for their own use, or by building associations for workmen's occupation.

An Unlucky Number for Kings.
Two has been an unlucky number for kings, and for those who live long enough to witness the present rulers of Germany and Russia will have a peculiar interest. Ethelred II. of England was forced to abdicate; Harold II. was killed at Hastings; William II. was shot in the New Forest; Edward II. was murdered; Richard II. and James II. were driven into exile. Other histories will show that Charles II. of France was poisoned, and Henry II. of Anjou passed nearly the whole of his life in captivity. Napoleon II. never reigned, and Franz II. of Germany lost all of his valuable Rhine possessions. Frederick II. of the same country had a more remarkable experience. He was in turn anatomized, excommunicated, dethroned and poisoned. John II. of France was conquered and captured by the Black Prince; while Romulus II. terminated the empire of the west; Peter II. of Russia was a disgrace to that country; Peter II. de Medicus was shipwrecked; James II. of Scotland was killed by a cannon shot; James II. of Majorca was murdered; James II. of de France was dethroned and strangled, and Henry II. of France killed in a tournament. The list might be almost indefinitely prolonged.