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Alaskan Steamers Bring Treasure and Hard Luck Stories.

HALF MILLION IN GOLD ON BOARD.

Five Hundred Miners Reach Home With Varied Tales of the North—Many Return Hopelessly Broken In Health and Fortune—Others More Fortunate.

SEATTLE, Sept. 2.—Two steamers arrived from Alaska yesterday bringing about 500 miners, fortunate and unfortunate. The Laurada came from St. Michael and the Humboldt from Skagway. The total amount of gold dust they brought down is estimated at \$500,000. The reports from the Cape Nome district are still conflicting, but the fact remains that considerable gold dust was brought from there by passengers on the Laurada. The dust is very fine and has to be amalgamated. One stalwart miner struggled toward the assay office this morning with a sack of dust 15 inches long and was asked where he came from.

"Eagle City, sir, and that's on the American side, and I'm an American miner and don't forget it," he replied. He seemed to take as much pride in the latter part of his statement as he did in his sack of dust.

Many hard luck stories are also told. T. C. Martin of Chicago lies in Providence hospital, and his old partner, Thomas Cragie, of the same place, is dead on the barren and inhospitable shore of Kotzebue sound. Martin went in two years ago, and is a physical wreck, glad to have escaped with his life. He says the tortures they experienced were awful and cannot be described. Several others encountered sickness, cold and starvation and returned hopelessly broken in health and fortune.

Read Postpones Discussion. PRETORIA, Sept. 2.—The volksraad has deferred the discussion of the correspondence exchanged between the im-

OUR NEW DESTROYERS.

High Speed Fighting Craft Which Will Strengthen the Navy.

BY CAPTAIN T. D. FRANCIS.

The launching of the 30 knot torpedo boat, or "destroyer," Bailey calls attention to what is being done toward strengthening this important arm of our navy.

The Bailey is one of a number of the high speed craft which are being added to the sea fighting force of Uncle Sam, among the others being the Dahlgren, the Craven and the Stringham. This style of craft is one of the mechanical wonders of the present generation. The general name of torpedo boats is applied to all these swift, death dealing vessels, though there are some essential differences in their construction and displacement. Among naval men, however, the larger and more powerful of this type of warships are known as "destroyers."

The four vessels just mentioned are well along toward completion and by the end of the year will be ready to go on the active list. Properly two of them, the Dahlgren and the Craven, are torpedo boats of exceptional speed, while the Bailey and the Stringham are certainly entitled to the designation of "destroyers," even though no such official classification exists.

Aside from the features common to both types, the "destroyer" earns its title by reason of its greater speed and especially the power to maintain that speed in the face of a considerable sea and then to the farther reach and greater might of her guns. A craft that may be able to do her 30 knots on a smooth stretch, if she be light, will certainly fall below that in a bumping seaway which brings her partly to

pounds to the square inch will be supplied by four Thornycroft water tube boilers divided into pairs and in two separate water tight compartments.

She has comfortable accommodations for 43 persons, officers and enlisted men, and is lighted by electricity, artificially ventilated and provided with all the conveniences that can be stored away within her snug interior.

As a torpedo boat destroyer she carries a battery of four semiautomatic, rapid fire 6 pounders, mounted in commanding positions, and as a torpedo boat her two 18 inch Whitehead torpedo tubes will make her an unpleasant neighbor for the mightiest of an enemy's battleships, while her ability to keep the sea will make her that much more dangerous.

The Stringham, which was authorized by the same act of congress as that which made provision for the Bailey, is a sister ship of the latter. Her armament is practically the same as that of the Bailey, and she is built upon substantially the same lines, though in some respects she is regarded as a superior boat. At least she cost more money. She was awarded at the contract price of \$230,000 to the Harlan & Hollingsworth company of Wilmington, Del. Her dimensions are: Length, 225 feet; extreme beam, 22 feet, and her maximum draft on a displacement of 340 tons will be but 7 1/2 feet. The Stringham was launched some time ago and will be ready for sea service in a few months.

The shortest crop in the northwest this fall is the crop of freight cars. The so called granger railroads have a tremendous harvest of transportation in sight and will not have the cars with which to do the business.

There is practically no clover seed being raised this year in any of the northwestern states. It is pretty certain that if you have seed to buy for use next spring you will never get it cheaper than you will right now.

What the schoolhouse and the church do for a community in an educational and religious way the creamery does in an agricultural way. The more good butter and cheese made the richer the people and the land become.

A visit to the state fair is something which should be made if possible. The best things, the newest things, as affecting the farmer may there be seen. It is worth as much for the farmer to be up to date as it is to the merchant or professional man.

Just so many men unwisely put their confidence in bulls, with the result that the undertaker has a wretched job fixing the corpse up so that it is fit to be seen at the funeral, and a wife and little one are left to get along as best they may without a pension.

A corn fed hog makes the cheapest pork, but if you want the best pork for your own eating raise and fatten your pig on milk, barley, oatmeal or other nitrogenous foods. The ration has everything to do with the texture and flavor of the meat of the hog.

The Virginia creeper is one of the best climbers for ornamental purposes in the northwest. It is entirely hardy, needing no protection whatever. It is clean and of a good color. It has given us more satisfaction than any other climber we have ever tried.

LUCKY AMERICAN GIRL. Will Sing in the Grand Opera Company of Amsterdam.

Miss Electa Gifford is a fortunate and talented American girl. She has been engaged to sing leading roles in the Grand Opera company of Amsterdam. When she returns to this country, it will probably be as a prima donna.

Miss Gifford is a native of Toledo. She was graduated at a musical conservatory in that city, but her friends, recognizing the promise of great ability in the young

singer, induced her to go to Chicago in 1890 to receive a thorough musical education. Her first teacher in that city was Mrs. Sarah Eddy, wife of Clarence Eddy, the organist.

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ILLINOIS CENTRAL R. R.
OF INTEREST TO STOCKHOLDERS.

RETRANSPORTATION TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL MEETING AT CHICAGO.

The Board of Directors of the Illinois Central Railroad Company, at a meeting held July 21, 1899, adopted the following preamble and resolution:

To the end that the stockholders of the Illinois Central Railroad Company may more readily attend, in person, the annual meetings of stockholders, which the by-laws require to be held in Chicago on the last Wednesday in September in each year, be it

RESOLVED, That until the further order of this board, there may be issued, to each holder one or more shares of the capital stock of the Illinois Central Railroad Company, as registered on the books of the company, a ticket enabling him, or her, to travel free over the company's line from the station on the Illinois Central Railroad nearest to his or her registered address, to Chicago and return, for the purpose of attending, in person, the meetings of stockholders. Such ticket to be good for the journey to Chicago only during the four days immediately preceding, and the day of, the meeting, and for the return journey from Chicago only on the day of the meeting, and the four days immediately following, when properly countersigned and stamped in the president's office. (These tickets will now be countersigned and stamped in the office of W. G. BAUM, Assistant Secretary, Chicago.) Such a ticket may be obtained by any registered holder of stock on application, in writing, to the president of the Company in Chicago. Each application must state the full name and address of the stockholder exactly as given in his or her certificate of stock, together with the number and date of such certificate. No more than one person will be carried free in respect to any one holding of stock as registered on the books of the company. By order of the board of directors,
A. G. HACKSTAFF,
Secretary.

The next annual meeting of the stockholders of the Illinois Central Railroad Company will be held at the office of Company, in Chicago, on Wednesday, September 29, 1899, at noon. For the purpose of this meeting, the Stock Transfer Book will be closed from the close of business on September 12 to the morning of Sept. 28th.

ILLINOIS CENTRAL R. R.
HOMESEEKERS EXCURSIONS.
IN JULY, AUGUST SEPTEMBER, OCTOBER.

SOUTH! The Illinois Central will run Home-seekers' Excursions to points in the South on the lines of the Illinois Central and Yazoo & Mississippi Valley Railroads from all their stations west of and including Alden and from points on the Lyle and Cedar Rapids branches on July 17th and 31st, August 14th, September 4th and 18th, and October 2d and 16th, and from all points east of and including Williams ONE DAY LATER than the dates named.

The new "Southern Home-Seekers Guide" describes in detail the agricultural advantages, the soil and products at all points south of the Ohio River on the lines of the above mentioned roads. For a copy address the undersigned.

For information concerning Railroad Lands in the fertile Yazoo Valley of the Mississippi address E. P. Skene, Land Commissioner I. C. R. R., at Chicago.

WEST! Home-Seekers' Excursion tickets will be sold from stations in Iowa east of and including Cedar Falls, and from points on the Lyle and Cedar Rapids branches, July 18th, August 1st and 15th, September 5th and 19th, and October 3d and 17th, to points on the Illinois Central Railroad to which the one way rate is \$7.00 or over, in South Dakota, Minnesota and in Iowa to points west of Ackley inclusive, except points west of LeMars.

Home-Seekers' Excursions to Points On Other Lines of Railroads.

The Illinois Central will also sell on the third Tuesdays in July, August, September and October, Home-Seekers' Excursion Tickets to points on foreign lines of railroads in many of the Western, Southwestern and Southern states. For rates, routes, etc., inquire of your nearest Illinois Central Ticket Agent.

All Home-Seekers' Excursion Ticket are sold at a rate of

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A. G. P. A., Ill. Cent. R. R.,
Dubuque, Iowa.

Mortgage For Half a Million.

BOONE, Ia., Sept. 2.—The third railroad mortgage of the last 12 months was filed with County Recorder Olson yesterday for the amount of \$520,000, covering all the property of the Marshalltown and Dakota railroad and all its extensions. The purpose of the loan is to defray the expense of construction on the road from Fraser to Gowrie and the cost of building next year from Story City to Fraser.

Trenholm on Inspection Tour.

OMAHA, Sept. 4.—Superintendent F. J. Trenholm, the new head of the Nebraska division of the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha road, has just taken hold of his official duties, and left for a tour of inspection over the line.

From Cattle to Sheep.

Wyoming is fast becoming the sheepmen's country, and it is only a question of a few years when they will possess the state. Only five firms in the western portion still range cattle there. All the country south of Rawlins has been given up to the sheepmen, and firms that formerly ranged cattle have been forced to change their holdings into sheep. One cattleman says he is surrounded by sheep, but, having purchased a large tract of country from the Union Pacific, he has succeeded in holding his range. The business is being overdone in that section, and there is a disposition on the part of some of the sheepmen to sell and get out, and it is probable that a large number of sheep will be thrown upon the market this season.—National Stockman.

Excursion Tickets to the Great American Exposition, to be held at Omaha, Neb., until October 31, 1899.

Via the North-Western Line, will be sold at reduced rates, from certain stations on specified dates. For rates, dates of sale and limits of tickets apply to agents Chicago & Northwestern Ry. 59-61-63-72-76-80-84.

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THE BAILEY.

heavy enough to maintain her momentum, otherwise she is likely to prove an extravagance and of questionable value in time of stress and conflict.

The construction of the Bailey was authorized by act of congress, approved March 2, 1897, and four months later she was awarded to her builders, the Gas Engine and Power company of Morris Heights, N. J., the contract price being \$220,000. She is built after the style of the English destroyers and outclasses a majority of Great Britain's boasted destroyer flotilla.

To use an ancient, platitudinal description, she is, like others of this class, "a long, low and rakish craft" and will be able to hold her own in the teeth of a pretty good gale. She is 200 feet long, having a maximum beam of 19 feet and a displacement of 235 tons. She has a total bunker capacity of 50 tons and a correspondingly big radius of action.

Like the other torpedo boats, she will be driven by two triple expansion engines operating twin screws and capable of developing an energy of 7,200 horsepower when making 400 turns a minute and inducing a speed of 30 knots. Steam at an impulse of 240

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