

DO NOT BORROW
 your Neighbor's Paper.
 You can save the subscription by patronizing Post ad-

STOVE PIPE
 STEEL, 272242101,
 of best quality, soft and smooth; also Joints, Dampers, Ventilator Rings, Elbows, Collars,
 Zinc, Rivets, Solder, Galvanized Iron, Tin Plate, etc.

Peden & Co.,
 Office 1013 Franklin Ave. Phone 170.

WOOD SPLITTERS
 Single or Double Knife, Strong, Neat, Durable.
 Write for prices also on Lumber Trucks, Dollies, Etc.

Hartwell Iron Works,
 HOUSTON, TEXAS.

S. L. Gohlman & Co.,
COTTON FACTORS,
 HOUSTON, TEXAS.

Liberal advances, quick sales and prompt returns. Correspondence solicited.

paper mills at Glenn's Falls with a view to introducing improved American methods in their own mills.

WEATHER INFORMATION.
 Last Night's Readings.
 An area of high pressure which predominates the weather generally throughout the country tonight is central at Kansas City, where the barometer is 30.72 inches. An area of low pressure is central over the South Atlantic States, and the barometer is falling over the extreme Northwest.

General Observations.
 Observations taken by the United States weather service at 3 p. m., 7th meridian time:

Place	Temp.	Rain.	Wind
Jacksonville, Fla.	70	0.00	0.00
Atlanta, Ga.	58	0.00	0.00
Montgomery, Ala.	58	0.00	0.00
Vicksburg, Miss.	48	0.00	0.00
New Orleans, La.	60	0.00	0.00
Palestine, Texas	60	0.00	0.00
Galveston, Texas	60	0.00	0.00
Corpus Christi, Texas	60	0.00	0.00
Memphis, Tenn.	44	0.00	0.00
Nashville, Tenn.	44	0.00	0.00
St. Paul, Minn.	26	0.00	0.00
Dayton, Iowa	30	0.00	0.00
St. Louis, Mo.	30	0.00	0.00
Kansas City, Mo.	30	0.00	0.00
Des Moines, Iowa	30	0.00	0.00
North Platte, Neb.	40	0.00	0.00
Dodge City, Kan.	34	0.00	0.00
Omaha, Neb.	36	0.00	0.00
Oklahoma City, Okla.	36	0.00	0.00
Arlene, Texas	44	0.00	0.00
El Paso, Texas	50	0.00	0.00

Probabilities.
 Washington, November 16.—For Eastern Texas—Fair; slowly rising temperature; northerly winds.
 Georgia and Alabama—Fair; decidedly cooler.
 Mississippi and Louisiana—Fair; colder in southern portion; northerly winds.
 Oklahoma, Indian Territory and Arkansas—Fair; slowly rising temperature; variable winds.
 Tennessee and Kentucky—Fair; continuing low temperature; northerly winds.
 North and South Dakota—Increasing clearness; occasional light snow or rain; warmer; scattering winds.

EXCITING SEA INCIDENTS
Steamship Belgoiland Rescues the Crews of Two Vessels.
 Philadelphia, November 16.—The closing portion of the voyage of the steamship Belgoiland, which arrived today from Liverpool, was eventful and interesting to those on board. On Sunday morning the waterlogged and sailless schooner Willie L. Maxwell was sighted and she was taken in tow to the great relief of her crew of ten men, the vessel having become helpless. On Monday a small boat was sighted drifting helplessly, with five men aboard. When the men were taken on board it was found they were the crew of the abandoned schooner Theodore Dean. Captain James P. Hodgson of the Dean had been washed from the small boat and lost. The Theodore Dean left South Amboy on Friday last for Norfolk with a cargo of coal. When off Abacoon light she lost her masts and on Saturday at noon, when forty-five miles east northeast of Barnegat, she sprung a leak, a plank having been torn from her starboard side. The vessel filled rapidly and with side. The vessel filled rapidly and with side. The vessel filled rapidly and with side.

THE WILY DAUNTLESS.
 With Another Expedition on Board She Eludes the Warships.
 New York, November 16.—A special to the Tribune from Washington says: The filibustering steamer Dauntless is again causing serious concern to the naval authorities. A telegram to the navy department from Key West, where the cruiser Montgomery and the gunboat Annapolis are supposed to be on the watch, announces the sudden arrival of the Dauntless at that port. At noon Saturday the commanding officer of the Vesuvius, who was watching at Jacksonville, reported her in dock there.

COTTON.
 We will pay the freight and advance \$25.00 per bale on cotton of average weight and grade and hold for six months, weight and grade and hold for six months, weight and grade and hold for six months.

MARKING INK
BLACK I-X-L WILL NOT FADE.
 Cotton Marking Ink
 COTTON MARKING INK
 WILL NOT FADE.

Houston Drug Co.
 Wholesale Grocers and Cotton Factors,
 Houston, Texas.

National and Great Northern Railroad
 Operates the Finest Through Train in Texas.
I. & G. N. "Fast Mail" Train
 ONLY ONE DAY TO MEMPHIS, ST. LOUIS, CHICAGO, CINCINNATI, ETC., TWO DAYS TO NEW YORK.
 217 Main Street.

BLANCO IN A DILEMMA

The Possible Chance of His Ability to Execute Reforms.

UNABLE TO PROTECT THE PLANTERS.
 If He Does So He Must Abandon Military Operations.

TRICKY LITTLE DAUNTLESS.
 She Again Gets Away From the Cruisers—Thousand Lives Sacrificed by Weyler's Policy.

New York, November 16.—A dispatch to the World from Havana says: General Blanco has entered upon an almost hopeless task. The present Cuban situation is such that it seems impossible to effect by reforms and snavity what the greatest army in the history of the colonial wars has failed to accomplish.

If carried out it will be a virtual abandonment of the field to the insurgents. It will yield them much money and food and will cause the further loss of valuable property. If not put into effect it will incur the suspicion of being a false promise, made to promote the idea of Cuba's pacification and especially to influence the United States congress. To adequately protect the sugar estates likely to operate, General Blanco will have to practically close the operations against the insurgents. He has not enough men to do both things.

Only about 20 per cent of the sugar plantations of Cuba, that have operated for years, have cane in good enough condition to warrant grinding at the present price of sugar.

It is not likely that any officially protected plantations could run at a profit this year, however well protected, but they will probably cut as much cane as possible to prevent the ground from going from bad to worse.

Notwithstanding sensational reports of the total destruction of sugar properties, only a very small portion of modern sugar grinding plants have been destroyed by either Cubans or Spaniards. The long piped lists of burned plantations stand amid a sea of mostly of useless plants abandoned years ago when beet sugar forced the construction of larger "central" factories. Most of the plantations were worked last year for short periods. All paid their own guards, and most of them paid the Cubans as well. Those planters who did not pay tribute were forced to double or treble their guerrilla guards.

As a rule and with first-class men under their orders, the planters had to use 100 guards apiece. With Spanish troops of the line at least double the number will be required. By reason of the heavy losses of the last two years and the present generous offer of the government it is not likely that any planter will pay for guards this year.

General Blanco will have to furnish, estimated moderately, at least 12,000 or 25,000 for the three nearest provinces. More than half of the suburban population has disappeared, having been murdered by Weyler and his supporters.

The best informed Cubans admit that disease and starvation have reduced the rebel army of able-bodied men from 100,000 to 40,000. The real figure probably is nearer 20,000. Still, there are more than General Blanco will have to send against them, and they are vastly better armed and have fifty times more experience than when they baffled the efforts of Weyler.

Should the insurgents continue their tactics of running away, Spain's chances of keeping the yellow and red over Cuba grow less with each soldier taken from against her enemy.

Fire Raging in Detroit.
 Detroit, Mich., November 17.—Fire broke out after midnight in the factory of Baydell Brothers, white lead and color company, corner of Fort and Beaubien streets, and at 2 o'clock is still raging fiercely, and with prospects of soon being brought under control. Building and contents will be a total loss. The value of the building is given at \$15,000 and the stock and machinery at \$35,000, fully insured.



"And, behold, there came a great wind from the wilderness, and smote the four corners of the house, and it fell upon the young men, and they are dead, and I only am escaped alone to tell thee."—Washington Post.

A SUMMARY OF TODAY'S IMPORTANT NEWS.

DOMESTIC.
 Canadian commissioners wish to take up reciprocity, border immigration and all pending questions in connection with the Bering sea controversy. Seal commissioners have come to an agreement on the subject.
 The agricultural department's monthly review shows a big decrease in the grain crops of all European countries.
 National convention of stock growers called to meet in Denver, January 25 to 27.
 Julian Gullman, the boy who killed District Attorney Jones at Carson City, Nev., exonerated by the grand jury.
 William Carr of Liberty, Mo., who drowned his 3-year-old child, sentenced to hang.
 Eleven new cases of fever and two deaths at New Orleans; nine new cases in Alabama.
 Assistant postmaster at Atlanta objects to being ousted, he will have to go, however.
 A call for a national convention of stock growers has been issued by Denver.
 President Weathers of the three failed banks in Indiana has made a statement exculpating himself.
 German exports to the United States have decreased nearly 50 per cent.

CUBA.
 General Blanco must abandon the field to the insurgents if he attempts to protect the sugar estates.
 The Dauntless eludes the United States cruisers at Key West and is suspected of having on board another filibustering expedition.
 Havana advices say that 75 per cent of the 400,000 concentrated are dead and the others are in deplorable condition.

FOREIGN.
 Count Esterhazy denies that he betrayed French military secrets, and says he has papers damaging to Dreyfus.
 Haddadullah says now is the time to strike a blow for Islam.
 English conservatives elect Earl Cadogan to succeed the Earl of Derby.
 A West Indian celebrity predicts that the West Indies will soon ask to be annexed to the United States.
 Czar of Russia proposes to rebuild the Christian quarter of Canea at his own expense.
 An African chief razed a village and massacred thousands of his subjects who refused to pay taxes.
 William will use the Haytian and Chinese incidents in pointing out to Germans the need for a big navy.
 The Turk has not gracefully yielded to Austria's demand, as reported, and Mexico may have to be bombarded; Sultan is regarded as being in a dangerous mood.

POLITICAL.
 Senator Foraker has already begun his campaign against Mark Hanna being returned as senator.
 If his deputies are to be changed every ninety days, Collector Maria of Brownsville can make many republicans happy.
 Jake Walters won't run for congress and says he is out of politics.

TEXAS.
 Texas Cattle Raisers' association will celebrate its twenty-first anniversary at Fort Worth November 20.
 Sam & Jake Lapowski of San Angelo, Abilene and Gameville filed a deed of trust.
 Temple has leased all city convicts to a farmer.
 A little cotton is left to pick, but many farmers have turned cattle into the fields.
 Chief of Galveston fire department says there are a number of firebugs in that city.
 Grand Lodge Knights and Ladies of Honor is in session at Sherman.
 C. S. Beck of Dallas assigned; liabilities about \$49,990.
 Jack Moore was given a life sentence for the murder of Deputy Sheriff Fata at Dallas.
 Orange county officials are displeased that quarantine has been raised.
 A farmer found dead at Waco, with indications that he was drugged and robbed.

RAILROADS.
 The citizens of Victoria raised \$200,000 for the building of Uriah Lott's contemplated road.
 Service of the Chicago, St. Louis and Texas Air Line completed.
 Date of the coal rate hearing changed.
 Commission steaming on tariff for transportation of cotton seed products.
 The American and the United States Express companies refused to give the commission information in accordance with the law.
 Meeting of Louisiana people at Lafayette, La., today.

SPORTS.
 Jockey Willis was seriously injured on the Fort Worth track.
 Bob Arthur will referee the Goddard-Sharkey fight.

COMMERCIAL.
 Wheat 4c lower; corn 4@3-8c down; oats 4c off and provisions unchanged.
 Dullness pervaded the New York stock market, but prices were pretty well maintained.
 Wool market quiet, but values are firm.
 Liverpool spot cotton 1-32d up and American spot markets 1-16c higher.
 Liverpool 1-64d-64d up on futures, and New Orleans and New York both closed higher.

LOCAL.
 Frank Golin allowed bed.
 Jan Shevak, charged with murder, released on habeas corpus.
 The F., F. and V. buttons still bringing fancy prices.
 The Illuminated bicycle parade.
 A laborer on the asphalt paving work struck by a motor car, but not badly hurt.
 Annual meeting of the Z. Z. club.
 What the druggists demand.
 To organize a chapter of the Daughters of the Confederacy.
 The San Jacinto battleground commission.

CONCLUSION REACHED

The Seal Experts Are Agreed on Certain Points.
 DIPLOMATS WILL NOW TAKE IT UP.
 The Canadians Wish Many Things to Be Considered.

A SYNOPSIS OF THE REPORT.
 Seal Herd Is Being Rapidly Killed Off, Both Females and Young Being Taken.
 Washington, November 16.—The Bering sea meeting, in which the representatives of Great Britain, Canada and the United States have participated, came to a close tonight, the seal experts making a unanimous report concerning the condition of the seal herds and the diplomatic representatives of the respective governments reaching an understanding by which they hope, at a later day, to effect final adjustment not only of the Bering sea question but of other pending border controversies. For the present, however, no final action was taken as to the suspension of pelagic sealing.

The Canadians urged that other questions be embraced in any plan of settlement and suggested an international commission to accomplish this end. This proposition was fully discussed and an agreement reached that the Canadian officials would put their views in writing after returning to Ottawa and submit them to the authorities here. All parties concerned say that the outlook is favorable to a satisfactory adjustment.

The unanimous agreement of the experts brings the governments together for the first time on all the facts relating to the seals. This agreement was reached after painstaking comparison of notes and the results were announced in an official statement by General Foster as follows: "The delegates to the fur seal conference have agreed unanimously upon certain propositions touching the fur seal herd of Bering sea."

The report contains sixteen propositions, which are briefly epitomized as follows:
 That the Phyllophora herd has declined in numbers from 1884 to 1887, that the number was formerly three to five times that which now exists, that the death rate among pups is great, not more than one-half to one-third surviving to the age of three years; that the number of breeding females in 1890 and 1891 was between 100,000 to 130,000; that the decrease from 1890 to 1891 was notable, though its extent could not be definitely determined; that land killing of males as now practiced does no harm to the herd; that the pelagic sealers respect no limitations of the law; that pelagic sealing involves indiscriminate killing; that the catch at sea contains a marked excess of females; that the killing of males on land is the cause of this; that among the females killed are not only those both nursing and pregnant, but also many who are immature or who have a ready lost their pups; that the fur seal being polygamous, a large number of males may be killed with impunity; that females can not be killed in similar numbers without checking the increase of the herd or bringing about an actual decline; that a small number of females less than the annual increment of breeders might be taken without producing actual decrease; that excessive pelagic sealing has led to a reduction in the herd; that pelagic sealing has of late fallen in greater ratio than the herd has, thus producing a tendency toward equilibrium in numbers; that in estimating the future condition of the herd must be taken into consideration, reductions in the number of surviving pups, caused by the pelagic catches of 1894-95; that the herd is not in danger of actual extermination so long as its haunts on land are protected and the protected zone is maintained; that both land and sea killing now yields an inconsiderable profit either to the lessee or to the pelagic sealers themselves.

The delegates signing the agreement are as follows: Charles Sumner Hamlin, David Starr Jordan, D'Arcy Wentworth Thompson, James Melvin Macoun.
 Following the agreement of the experts the diplomats assembled at General Foster's house to discuss the larger question of putting an end to pelagic sealing and of settling other border controversies. Owing to the continued illness of Sir Julian Pauncefote, who is confined to his room, the British government was represented by the first secretary of the British embassy, Mr. Adams.

Sir Wilfred Laurier and Sir Louis Davies were present in behalf of Canada. General Foster's powers have been materially enlarged since the coming of the Canadian officials, for as a result of the long and friendly talk between Sir Wilfred Laurier and Secretary Sherman the latter had written to the Canadian premier on the various border questions which Sir Wilfred had called to the attention of Mr. Sherman, and, with the co-operation of the British government, to conclude treaties covering these subjects. This gave the meeting a broad significance. It began at 4 p. m. and lasted until 7 o'clock. During the

Royal makes the food pure, wholesome and delicious.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER
 Absolute Purity
 Royal Baking Powder Co., New York

CONCLUSION REACHED

The Seal Experts Are Agreed on Certain Points.
 DIPLOMATS WILL NOW TAKE IT UP.
 The Canadians Wish Many Things to Be Considered.

A SYNOPSIS OF THE REPORT.
 Seal Herd Is Being Rapidly Killed Off, Both Females and Young Being Taken.
 Washington, November 16.—The Bering sea meeting, in which the representatives of Great Britain, Canada and the United States have participated, came to a close tonight, the seal experts making a unanimous report concerning the condition of the seal herds and the diplomatic representatives of the respective governments reaching an understanding by which they hope, at a later day, to effect final adjustment not only of the Bering sea question but of other pending border controversies. For the present, however, no final action was taken as to the suspension of pelagic sealing.

The Canadians urged that other questions be embraced in any plan of settlement and suggested an international commission to accomplish this end. This proposition was fully discussed and an agreement reached that the Canadian officials would put their views in writing after returning to Ottawa and submit them to the authorities here. All parties concerned say that the outlook is favorable to a satisfactory adjustment.

The unanimous agreement of the experts brings the governments together for the first time on all the facts relating to the seals. This agreement was reached after painstaking comparison of notes and the results were announced in an official statement by General Foster as follows: "The delegates to the fur seal conference have agreed unanimously upon certain propositions touching the fur seal herd of Bering sea."

The report contains sixteen propositions, which are briefly epitomized as follows:
 That the Phyllophora herd has declined in numbers from 1884 to 1887, that the number was formerly three to five times that which now exists, that the death rate among pups is great, not more than one-half to one-third surviving to the age of three years; that the number of breeding females in 1890 and 1891 was between 100,000 to 130,000; that the decrease from 1890 to 1891 was notable, though its extent could not be definitely determined; that land killing of males as now practiced does no harm to the herd; that the pelagic sealers respect no limitations of the law; that pelagic sealing involves indiscriminate killing; that the catch at sea contains a marked excess of females; that the killing of males on land is the cause of this; that among the females killed are not only those both nursing and pregnant, but also many who are immature or who have a ready lost their pups; that the fur seal being polygamous, a large number of males may be killed with impunity; that females can not be killed in similar numbers without checking the increase of the herd or bringing about an actual decline; that a small number of females less than the annual increment of breeders might be taken without producing actual decrease; that excessive pelagic sealing has led to a reduction in the herd; that pelagic sealing has of late fallen in greater ratio than the herd has, thus producing a tendency toward equilibrium in numbers; that in estimating the future condition of the herd must be taken into consideration, reductions in the number of surviving pups, caused by the pelagic catches of 1894-95; that the herd is not in danger of actual extermination so long as its haunts on land are protected and the protected zone is maintained; that both land and sea killing now yields an inconsiderable profit either to the lessee or to the pelagic sealers themselves.

The delegates signing the agreement are as follows: Charles Sumner Hamlin, David Starr Jordan, D'Arcy Wentworth Thompson, James Melvin Macoun.
 Following the agreement of the experts the diplomats assembled at General Foster's house to discuss the larger question of putting an end to pelagic sealing and of settling other border controversies. Owing to the continued illness of Sir Julian Pauncefote, who is confined to his room, the British government was represented by the first secretary of the British embassy, Mr. Adams.

Sir Wilfred Laurier and Sir Louis Davies were present in behalf of Canada. General Foster's powers have been materially enlarged since the coming of the Canadian officials, for as a result of the long and friendly talk between Sir Wilfred Laurier and Secretary Sherman the latter had written to the Canadian premier on the various border questions which Sir Wilfred had called to the attention of Mr. Sherman, and, with the co-operation of the British government, to conclude treaties covering these subjects. This gave the meeting a broad significance. It began at 4 p. m. and lasted until 7 o'clock. During the

Royal makes the food pure, wholesome and delicious.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER
 Absolute Purity
 Royal Baking Powder Co., New York

Royal makes the food pure, wholesome and delicious.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER
 Absolute Purity
 Royal Baking Powder Co., New York

Royal makes the food pure, wholesome and delicious.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER
 Absolute Purity
 Royal Baking Powder Co., New York

Royal makes the food pure, wholesome and delicious.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER
 Absolute Purity
 Royal Baking Powder Co., New York