

OUTLOOK IS BETTER

Prospect for Autumn Trade in Seasonable Goods Shows Improvement.

Advance in Price of Wheat One of the Most Encouraging Features.

Industrial Situation, However, Shows No Increase in Production.

NEW YORK, Sept. 7.—Bradstreet's says: There is a somewhat better feeling among wholesale merchants as to prospects for autumn trade in seasonable goods. This extends to some industrial lines, notably iron and steel. Chicago sales of iron this week are larger than for all of August, and Pittsburgh sales are larger and pricier. The most notable increase in sales of seasonable goods has been at Chicago, mostly among dry goods and hardware jobbers. St. Louis also reports a moderate gain in demand, as does St. Paul. Baltimore's wholesale trade is checked by restricted bank credits, but is still

Larger Than One Year Ago.

At the South relatively the most active demand is at Charleston, Augusta, Birmingham, Nashville and New Orleans.

The more encouraging feature as to the movement of prices lies in advances of quotations for wheat on the stronger statistical position and free export movement, higher prices for iron and steel at Pittsburgh and Chicago, with a gain in demand and a further appreciation in quotations for cotton on renewed reports of damage to the crops. On the other hand there has been no general increase in industrial production, the output, as a whole, being smaller than previously during the year.

RATE DEMORALIZATION

Threatened Now Between St. Paul and Chicago.

CHICAGO, Sept. 7.—Western roads are now fearful that they will be obliged to confront demoralization in passenger rates between Chicago and St. Paul, as well as between Chicago and the Missouri river. The scalpers have succeeded in loading up with great numbers of tickets to St. Paul, and they are selling them at rates considerably under the agreed tariff, even for the encampment of the G. A. R. The rates are bound to be badly demoralized for 10 days, at least, and there are fears that they may not be any better at the end of that time than they are at present. A meeting of the interested lines may be called in a few days to consider the matter.

RATES CUT AGAIN.

New Tariff Put in by the Michigan-Superior Company.

CHICAGO, Sept. 7.—The Lake Michigan and Lake Superior Transportation company has put into effect the following rates between Chicago and St. Paul: First class, 10 cents; second class, 9 cents; third class, 8 cents; fourth class, 6 cents; fifth class, 4 cents; class A, 6 cents; classes B and C, 4 cents. These rates apply only on traffic destined to points west of Duluth and certain points on the Northern Pacific. The Lake Michigan Car Ferry company says that it will not meet these rates, until after the meeting of the rail lines, which is to be held in Chicago next week.

Seized in Behring Sea.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7.—A telegram from Captain Hooper, at Unalaska, in command of the Behring sea patrol fleet, stated that the cutter Perry had seized the British schooners Ainaka and Beatrice and the American schooner James G. Swan. All were caught sealing inside the prohibited area. The British schooners, according to orders, were turned over to the commander of the British ship Pheasant.

Fox River Waterpower Deal.

NEENAH, Wis., Sept. 7.—Articles were filed incorporating the Neenah and Menasha Waterpower company, with \$100,000 capital. J. A. Kimberly is president and J. S. Shattuck secretary. This is the culmination of Stuart's plan of consolidation started two years ago. The new company will control all power on the Fox river from Deper south.

Armour and Pullman in Control.

CHICAGO, Sept. 7.—At a meeting of the board of directors of the New York Biscuit company Mr. George H. Webster, a former partner and representative of Mr. P. D. Armour was elected treasurer. The vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. J. H. Moore will be filled later by a director to represent the interests of Mr. George M. Pullman.

The World's Big Canal.

SAULT STE. MARIE, Mich., Sept. 7.—The report of the Sanit canal for August shows traffic for the month of 2,512,885 tons, or nearly up to the maxi-

mum reached in July. It makes a total for the four months of 10,678,116 tons. The total tonnage for the season, with three months yet to hear from, exceeds any full year up to 1892.

Duluth Waterworks for Sale.

DULUTH, Sept. 7.—W. O. Cole of Chicago and A. H. Gay of New York, representing bondholders of the Gas and Water company, have made the city council an offer to sell the gas and water plant for \$1,695,000.

Gold for the Treasury.

NEW YORK, Sept. 7.—Lazard Freres have deposited at the sub-treasury \$1,750,000 in American gold coin. Heidebach, Ickelheimer & Co. deposited at the assay office \$500,000 in gold bars.

Fusion Failed in West Virginia.

WHEELING, W. Va., Sept. 7.—Fusion between the Democrats and Populists in this state was declared off at Clarksburg after nearly 36 hours of fruitless endeavor to get together. The Populists absolutely refused to support General Watts, the Democratic candidate for governor.

Jesse Grant a Populist.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Sept. 7.—At the Populist county convention a sensation was caused by the reading of a letter from Jesse R. Grant, son of General U. S. Grant, announcing his espousal of the People's party. Mr. Grant has been a resident of San Diego for several years.

SPORTING NEWS.

Choynski knocked out Joe McAniff at San Francisco in four rounds.

Jimmy Ryan was knocked out by Paddy Purtell near Kansas City in six rounds.

RAILROAD NEWS.

An enormous increase in earnings is reported by the Chicago Great Western railway.

Several western railroad managers have been summoned before the interstate commerce commission to explain some of their peculiar methods of business.

MISCELLANEOUS NEWS ITEMS.

Wisconsin forest fires have been quenched by rain.

At Green Bay Wis., John Holmes died while driving a horse in a race.

Buffalo has been selected as the place for the 1897 encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Mrs. Ingham of Laporte, Ind., has fasted 200 days. Physicians say she will die very soon.

The big statue, "Republic," a relic of the world's fair at Chicago, has been burned to get it out of the way.

Vice Chancellor Philip B. Colgrove was elected supreme chancellor of the Knights of Pythias at Cleveland.

The supreme lodge Knights of Pythias, decided that two annual sessions of the lodge shall be held hereafter.

Forest fires are raging between Oak Point and Eagle Cliff on the Washington state shore of the Columbia river.

The speed of the cruiser Brooklyn on her trial trip was a trifle less than 22 knots an hour, which earns the Cramps, her builders, about \$300,000.

Cardinal Satolli has received word from Rome that his successor, Father Sebastian Martinelli, will arrive in Washington on or about Sept. 20.

The system of excavation by means of cable transfer, as practiced so successfully in the construction of the Chicago drainage canal, has been adopted in part by the French engineers prosecuting the Panama canal work.

TWELVE MILLION BARRELS.

Immense Flour Output for the Crop Year Reported.

MINNEAPOLIS, Sept. 5.—According to the Northwestern Miller the flour output last week at Minneapolis was 280,150 barrels, against 268,750 barrels for the week before, and 219,120 barrels in 1895. At Superior and Duluth the output was 81,340 barrels, against 86,170 the previous week and 76,390 in 1895.

The flour output on the crop year reached the immense figures of 12,577,000 barrels, or over 1,000,000 barrels per month. This is a gain of 2,000,000 barrels over any previous year and more than 3,000,000 greater than was ground on the crop of a year ago.

GROUT IS GOVERNOR.

Republicans of Vermont Carry the State by Largely Increased Majorities.

ST. ALBANS, Vt., Sept. 3.—Revised returns of Tuesday's election from the fourteen counties of the state give Grover (Rep.) 53,676 and Jackson (Dem.) 13,983, a Republican plurality of 39,692. Both Republican congressmen are re-elected by increased majorities and the legislature is also reliably Republican.

Father, Mother and Child Dead.

NEPESSET, Ill., Sept. 5.—The bodies of Lou Wilson a farmer, Mrs. Wilson, his wife, and a 4-year-old son were found dead on their farm. All were shot through the temple, and Wilson still held a revolver in his hand. No cause for the tragedy is known.

BRYAN IS SATISFIED.

Sums Up the Results of His Trip Through the "Enemy's Country."

Eastern States, He Believes, Are Veering Toward the Chicago Platform.

Letter From Sewall Denying He Has Any Intention of Withdrawing.

CHICAGO, Sept. 7.—"I am perfectly satisfied with the result of my trip East," said Mr. Bryan, "and my observation is not based simply on impressions formed from the rostrum. To address people by the tens of thousands, as I have done since leaving Chicago, would naturally carry with it the impression that the audiences addressed were swayed by the utterances delivered. A speaker is apt to be carried away by such an idea. But when I say that I am satisfied with the result of my trip East I do not mean that my observations from the speaker's stand have led me to suppose that the large audiences whom I have addressed were carried away with the principles advocated, as their applause

Would Appear to Indicate.

My estimate is based on entirely different sources. People whom I have met and who have mingled with audiences at Democratic gatherings have voluntarily come forward to assure me that the sentiment was veering around toward the Democratic platform. Others have come to me, men who even disagree with our party principles, and have assured me that the change in sentiment toward the free coinage of silver was something they had never seen the like of."

Mr. Bryan spent some time during the afternoon with Chairman Jones reviewing his letter of acceptance of the nomination of the Silver party, of which he will be formally notified at Lincoln on Tuesday.

Sewall Will Not Withdraw.

NEW YORK, Sept. 7.—The Commercial Advertiser prints the following dispatch from Arthur Sewall: "Any statements or inferences that I propose to withdraw from the Democratic national ticket are without foundation. I never had, and have not now, the remotest intention of doing so."

MONTANA FUSIONISTS.

Democrats and Populists Jointly Name a State Ticket.

HELENA, Mon., Sept. 7.—The Democrats and Populists effected fusion during the day and the following is the ticket: Populists—Governor, Robert B. Smith; lieutenant governor, A. E. Spriggs; secretary of state, T. S. Hogan; superintendent of public instruction, E. A. Carleton. Democrats—Attorney general, C. B. Nolan; associate justice, H. R. Buck; treasurer, T. E. Collins; auditor, T. W. Poindexter. The congressman was allotted to the Democrats, but the convention decided to put up no candidate against Hartman, who followed Senator Teller out of the Republican convention.

NEBRASKA DEMOCRATS.

Endorsed Bryan and Sewall and Nominated a Fusion Ticket.

OMAHA, Sept. 7.—The Democratic state convention met here, the silver men being in control. Hon. J. C. Smythe of Omaha was selected for attorney general, the only place the Populists had left vacant, and the balance of the Populist state ticket was endorsed. The body named four electors and endorsed the four Populist electors. The convention enthusiastically endorsed the Chicago convention platform and nominees. The Democratic and Populistic electoral ticket now stands eight for Bryan, four Democrats for Sewall and four Populists for Watson.

Buckner Welcomed at Louisville.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Sept. 7.—General S. B. Buckner returned from Indianapolis during the day. At the head of the Kentucky, Alabama, Georgia and Tennessee delegations he marched from the station to the Willard hotel and was given a hearty welcome all along the route. The Southern delegation visited the various newspaper offices in a body and there was speechmaking and general felicitation on the result of the Indianapolis convention.

Run Over by a Train.

SAUK CENTER, Minn., Sept. 7.—E. C. Green and R. C. Blue, employes of the Great Northern work train, were seriously injured by falling from and being run over by the train. The recovery of either is doubtful.

Accepted Reform Plans.

CANEA, Sept. 7.—The assembly, after consulting with the revolutionary committee, has accepted the reform plans drawn up by the powers and approved by the sultan of Turkey.

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