

SIOUX FINISH ON TOP.

LANDING THE WESTERN LEAGUE.

Illinois' Governor Talks of Pullman's Assessment—Possibility of a General War in the East—Incendiaries Burn Erie's Big Car Works.

Corn-harvesters at the front. With Tuesday's harvest the season of the Western Base-ball League came to an end. The Sioux City landed the pennant. The Toledo, by a great upset, managed to cut the Kansas City out of second place. The Minneapolis Club failed to keep up its former good showing and is credited with fourth. The Grand Rapids team is in fifth place, with Indianapolis sixth, Detroit and Milwaukee following in the order named. The detailed standing was as follows:

Team	W.	L.	P.
Sioux City	41	20	62
Toledo	38	23	61
Minneapolis	37	24	61
Grand Rapids	36	25	61
Indianapolis	35	26	61
Detroit	34	27	61
Milwaukee	33	28	61

AFTER MR. PULLMAN.

Gov. Altgeld Says the Palace-Car Man Should Pay More Taxes.

Governor Altgeld addressed the Illinois State Board of Equalization on the assessment of the Pullman Palace Car Company. He wants a higher assessment. He submitted the testimony of Mr. Pullman before the strike commission, in which Mr. Pullman said the company had always paid dividends, never less than 8 percent; that its capital stock is \$30,000,000; and that its undivided profits amount to \$25,000,000. Taking Mr. Pullman's own figures, the Governor said that the Pullman Company's stock was worth \$61,000,000. As the result of letters recently sent by the Auditor of Public Accounts to all States in the Union, and to the Dominion of Canada, it was developed that in sixteen States the company paid no taxes at all; in several other States and in Canada no assessment is shown; in seventeen States the total of the taxes paid is only \$21,425, while in the seven remaining States, the estimated taxes (based on assessments) are \$19,325, making the total taxes paid outside of Illinois \$40,750. "In Chicago," said the Governor, "this sum would pay taxes on less than \$40,000 worth of property." In Illinois the assessment is \$1,055,000, which at the average rate of assessment represents \$7,629,750 worth of property. At the very highest," the Governor said, "the Pullman company does not pay taxes on more than \$20,000,000 worth of property in America."

ORIENT IS LURID.

New Alliance Likely to Increase the Field of Hostilities.

News received from Tokio is that, despite her treaty with England, Japan has made an alliance embracing both Russia and France, and has effected a loan of \$5,000,000. Japan is bidding high for munitions of war, and European firms are undertaking great contracts. The opinion prevails in Japan that England, Russia, and France will all be drawn actively into the controversy. The Russian of Japan seem to be quite as enthusiastic concerning the war as the men. Viscount Tanaka, who is the wife of one of the generals and many ladies of rank are spending all their time making "warrior" or straw sandals for the troops. The viscountess has furnished her retinue of servants and performs all the household duties herself. Many other titled ladies, in order to evince their patriotism, have followed this illustrious example. So many "warrior" have already been contributed by women, children and old men, who make them during every leisure moment, that the government is really embarrassed by the extraordinary number of these patriotic offerings. Up to the present time they have received over 1,000,000.

PENSION OFFICE SCANDAL.

Novel Plot Developed After the Arrest of Special Examiner Russell.

Major Alex A. Russell, a special examiner in the Pension Office, was arrested, charged with perjury by John O. Ober, an Indian Bureau clerk. Ober's wife is a clerk in the Pension Office, occupying a desk next to that of Russell. It is charged that he borrowed money from her neighbor, executing deeds of trust against suburban property, valued at \$22,000, owned by her husband, and that Russell forged Ober's name to these deeds. The accused claims that his arrest is due to a plot of his wife, from whom he is seeking a divorce.

ERIE HAS A \$300,000 FIRE.

Largest Car Works in the Country Destroyed by Incendiary.

The plant of the Erie car works, the largest concern of its kind in the country, was almost wholly destroyed by fire. Several acres of buildings and a number of cars were burned. The works had been used by the Erie Railroad for the past fifteen months as repair shops, and the cars destroyed were the property of that company. The fire was incendiary in origin and the second attempt to burn the works within two weeks. The loss will total up \$300,000, upon which there is small insurance.

Choctaw Is Shot for Murder.

Jim Allen, a full-blooded Choctaw Indian, paid the death penalty at the Chickasaw court grounds, in Jackson County, I. T., by being shot. Allen killed Dixon Hewter, a Choctaw, who was a witness against Allen on a charge of theft.

Suicide of a Sioux City Man.

The Coroner's inquest on the body of Charles P. Ibs, a Sioux City man found dead in a hotel, disclosed the fact that he committed suicide on account of financial reverses.

Ats Poisonous Toothpicks.

In the little home of Thomas Flumehel, a Bohemian blacksmith employed in West Virginia, and his wife, Mrs. Flumehel, and two sons, victims of poisonous mushrooms. Last Thursday members of the family found some of the poisonous stuff, and, mistaking it for the edible variety, ate a quantity for their supper.

Will Be Electrocutured.

Charles P. Wilson was sentenced at Syracuse, N. Y., to be electrocuted at Auburn State Prison during the week beginning Nov. 6 for the murder of Detective James Harvey.

Old Veterans Meet.

Soldiers' reunions Wednesday: At Indianapolis, the Second and Third Indiana Cavalry and the Thirtieth, Thirty-seventh, Fifty-first and Seventy-ninth Regiments. At Columbus, Ind., the Twenty-second, Fifty-second and Sixty-seventh Regiments. At Ottawa, Ill., the One Hundred and Eighty-ninth Infantry. At Ridge Farm, Ill., the Seventy-ninth.

Killed in a Railroad Wreck.

Big Four freight train No. 63 derailed and switched engine No. 261 and a lot of cars four miles east of Dayton, Ohio, Sunday morning, killing one man and injuring several others.

CORN CROP ESTIMATE.

Reports from 200 Correspondents Fix the Yield at 1,300,000,000 Bushels.

The New York World has published a detailed statement from hundreds of Western towns, showing a heavy shortage in the corn crop. The World says:

The biggest crop raised by a single country is Indian corn, and the United States is the country that raises it. The greatest production of this staple and has produced more. At the average market price of \$1.00 a bushel, the gold production of the whole world for a year is 1,300,000,000 bushels. The greatest production has been in the States west of the Mississippi, and their loss has been heavy. Kansas, which raises more than 150,000,000 bushels in a good year, reports only 42,000,000 bushels. But the States east of the Mississippi River, where rainfall is a more certain quantity, bring up the average.

GOULDS BRANCH OUT.

Edwin President of a New Match Company.

Not satisfied with owning a large share of the railroads in the country and holding a virtual monopoly of the telegraph lines, the Goulds are preparing to enter the field of manufactures and compete with one of the biggest commercial monopolies in this country, the Diamond Match Trust. Edwin Gould's name appears in the articles of incorporation of a new company which is to be known as the Goulds Manufacturing Company. Its charter is framed "for the manufacture of matches and other wooden articles." Capital, \$1,000,000; President, Edwin F. Gould; Vice President, W. F. Hutchinson; Secretary and Treasurer, Wallace A. Gould. New match-making machines will be used. Each is slightly larger than a sewing machine, and all that seems necessary to make matches is to feed a roll of veneered wood in one end of the machine and push a button. The all-cut, fly out of the other at the rate of 150,000 a minute. These match machines are patented in every country of the globe and are fully protected. The highest speed attained by any other machine is 8,000 matches a minute.

WHISKY TRUST CRISIS.

Belief at Peoria that Officials Would Not Oppose a Receivership.

A Peoria, Ill., dispatch is authority for the statement that it is the belief of those who know something of the inside workings of the whisky trust that a crisis is rapidly approaching, and that some of its officers would not care much if they were thrown into the hands of a receiver. This belief is heightened by the presence there of the officers of the American Distributing Company, of New York, who have come to make an investigation of the safety of the rebate vouchers. They have been in consultation with Sam Woolner, whose new distillery, the largest in the world, will be ready for operation next month, and which alone can supply all the whisky in the present condition of the trade. It is possible, the dispatch says, that a deal may be made with him and the trust left out.

TO HAVE BATTLE IN KENTUCKY.

Property-Owners Take Up Arms to Avoid Paying Taxes.

A fresh shipment of firearms has been made to Union County, Ky., to arm the property-owners of Lindie and Caseyville precincts, who are resisting collection of taxes about 700 men are now armed with Winchester and Remington rifles. Collector Blackwell and his 100 men of the county are now armed with Winchester and Remington rifles. Capt. Blackwell says that he will collect the tax if it takes military power to do it.

Five Warships Destroyed.

Dispatches received from Shanghai state that the total number of the Chinese fleet engaged in the battle fought off the mouth of the Yalu River was twelve warships and four torpedo boats. The Japanese fleet, it is added, was composed of seventeen ships, most of which were small vessels. The Chinese claim to have sunk the Japanese warships Abashima and Yoskida and a Japanese transport which had been converted into a cruiser and named the Saito. It is reported that the Chinese transport Tonan was sunk and that four of its troops were killed. The Japanese army is marching on Wiju. Neither the Chinese nor Japanese Legation at Washington has received any advices as to the naval engagement off Yalu. The Chinese Minister declines to discuss the recent battles of any phase of the war. In response to an inquiry he sent word that no advices had been received and that he was very busy. Field Marshal Count Kuroki, commanding the forces in Manchuria, and was considered one of the best in the English merchant marine service. The captain was accompanied by his young daughter, and the crew forward consisted of twenty-seven men.

Great Electric Road Projected.

The Central Ohio Electric Railway has been incorporated. It is a scheme for connecting Pittsburgh and Chicago by electric railway. The cost of construction will be from \$10,000,000 to \$20,000,000. The incorporation nearly all hail from Mount Vernon, Ohio.

Trouble Over a Teacher.

One of the grammar school at Salisbury, Mass., was closed as the result of a religious quarrel precipitated by the appointment of Miss Isabel Cavanaugh, a Catholic, as a teacher.

Faith Did Not Cure.

The particulars of a remarkable case of Christian science treatment are divulged at Richmond, Ind., and have caused much indignation. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Forbes,

of Williamsburg, allowed their little daughter to die in agony without any attempt to do anything for her in the belief that she would be cured through absent treatment, the doctor being James Armstrong, of Boston, Mass. The coroner delayed the funeral of the child until a postmortem and the case has been turned over to the humane Society.

BRITISH CAN'T RAISE FRUIT.

Product of English Farmers Inferior to That of America.

A London dispatch says: The controversy upon the question of English fruit is growing largely. It was stirred up by the recent invasion of California fruit and by Mr. Gladstone's recommendation to small British farmers to give up growing wheat and take to fruit growing. In this connection Richard B. Blackmore, the novelist, who for forty years has been a large fruit grower upon his model farms in Surrey, has written a letter to the Times in which he says that it is impossible at the present time to raise fruit in England to make a fair profit. Apple trees, says Mr. Blackmore, would give a fair return if the British farmers only had them. In the face of these facts, which can only become more adverse every year, Mr. Blackmore expresses the opinion that it would be a cruel mistake to talk of profitable fruit growing in England. Mr. White, of Covent Garden market, tells that the bulk of English fruit is maggoty, while in America the fruit-growers destroy the most unsatisfactory trees. Up to a fortnight ago 4 shillings was the top price for the best English pears. At the same time he was selling thousands of forty-pound cases of California pears at 1 shilling to 1 shilling per case. In conclusion Mr. White says: "The public are the best judges, and they prefer to pay this price for a first-class article to buying English pears at 2 shillings and 4 shillings per bushel." The Times, commenting on the subject remarks: "Foreign competition is increasing rapidly, and is expected to increase. Covent Garden prefers to sell foreign fruit to home-grown fruit, and we suppose it follows the public taste."

SUGAR IMPORTS INCREASING.

Enormous Receipts at the Custom House.

At the Philadelphia Custom House there was paid Friday for sugar duties alone \$91,396. It was on one invoice of the sweet article received by the W. J. McCabhan Sugar Refinery from Java, which reached port by the steamer Fortuna. Not since Collector Reed's time has there been such a large sum been received in one day. It is the effect of the new tariff bill imposing a duty upon sugar. The business at the port has recently grown so great that the force of employees, especially of assistant weighers, has become inadequate. It is necessary to employ more men. Secretary Carlisle for the purpose of obtaining authority to appoint additional assistant weighers. The sugar importations have grown to such proportions that Reed has been besieged by sugar merchants, brokers and stevedores who wish to afford them relief by increasing the number of weighers.

HOT AFTER THE SPORTS.

Chicago Aroused to a Frenzy of Enthusiasm Against Gambling.

The campaign against gaming is on in full earnest in Chicago. Within the past few days raids, instigated by the Civic Federation, have been made upon many of the largest gaming houses, and the "layouts" captured and burned. Sports and gamblers are now on edge. A "job" stand around their old haunts and wear at the order of things. Sunday a mass meeting was held in Central Music Hall, and this gathering declared war against the evil. Rev. H. A. Delano, in his sermon, deplored the fact that the big speculators in grain escaped unscathed. Rev. William M. Lawrence, of the Second Baptist Church, rated bargain day patrons as gamblers. The first Methodist Church was crowded with enthusiasts engaged in the crusade against gambling, and many other ministers joined in the crusade.

Business Better Than Last Year.

R. O. Dun & Co's Weekly Review of Trade says:

Plenty of material for encouragement and also for discouragement can be found by those who seek that and nothing else. But the Review, which is an anticipated exactly as it is found accounts for a conflict that it is difficult to strike a balance. In the aggregate, business is about a tenth above the level of last year, but falls about 25 percent below a full volume for the season.

Alix Tots in 2:03 3-4.

Fifteen thousand persons yelled themselves hoarse Wednesday afternoon at Galesburg, Ill., when the great trotting queen Alix beat the world's record by coming under the tape in 2:03 3-4. The Chinese Minister declines to discuss the recent battles of any phase of the war. In response to an inquiry he sent word that no advices had been received and that he was very busy. Field Marshal Count Kuroki, commanding the forces in Manchuria, and was considered one of the best in the English merchant marine service. The captain was accompanied by his young daughter, and the crew forward consisted of twenty-seven men.

Their Coin Is "Queer."

A detective named Harris has unearthed a dangerous gang of counterfeiters, who have been working in the States of Oregon and northern California with spurious coin.

MARKET QUOTATIONS.

CHICAGO.

CATTLE—Common to Prime... \$7.75 @ 8.00

HOGS—Shipping... 4.00 @ 4.25

SHEEP—Fair to Choice... 2.00 @ 2.50

WHEAT—No. 2... 53 @ 54

CORN—No. 2... 29 @ 30

RYE—No. 2... 31 @ 32

BUTTER—Choice Creamery... 24 @ 25

EGGS—Fresh... 15 @ 16

"POULTRY—NEW YORK.

CATTLE—Shipping... 3.00 @ 3.25

HOGS—Choice Light... 4.00 @ 4.25

SHEEP—Common to Prime... 2.00 @ 2.25

WHEAT—No. 2... 52 @ 53

CORN—No. 2... 28 @ 29

RYE—No. 2... 30 @ 31

BUTTER—No. 2... 23 @ 24

EGGS—No. 2... 14 @ 15

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CATTLE—No. 2... 3.00 @ 3.25

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SHEEP—No. 2... 2.00 @ 2.25

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DEATH IN THE WIND.

Awful Loss of Life Reported in Iowa and Minnesota.

Trail of a Tornado.

Whole Towns Are Wiped Out of Existence.

Number of Injured Said to Run Into the Hundreds—Entire Counties Laid Waste by Wind and Hail—Several Villages Effaced from the Map—No Estimate of the Aggregate Property Loss Is Made, but It Will Be Something Enormous.

THE fearful cyclone which swept over a portion of southern Minnesota and northern Iowa Friday night is now known to have been the most disastrous of any storm which has visited the Northwest in many years. From best advices obtainable at the time this is written, seventy-eight persons are known to have been killed outright, and at least a many more were dangerously injured, and the number of those less seriously hurt would exceed 100.

The towns of Emmetsburg, Britt, Cerro Gordo, and Algona, Iowa, and Spring Valley and Leroy, Minn., were visited, and the country around them was laid waste. The telegraph wires are down so badly that all accounts of the awful disaster cannot yet be obtained, but the dead, numerically, so far as is known, are as follows:

Near Algona, Iowa... 26

Near Cerro Gordo, Iowa... 10

Near Spring Valley, Minn... 10

Near Britt, Iowa... 10

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