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EVENTS OF THE WEEK

The officers of Clark University at Worcester, Mass., have just received from Andrew Carnegie a cablegram giving \$100,000 toward the \$250,000 needed to secure a bequest of \$500,000 by the late Jonas G. Clark. Mr. Carnegie's gift is in honor of Senator George F. Hoar.

It is believed in Paris that King Leopold of Belgium and T. F. Walsh of Colorado are about to make important investments of capital in Persia. The King recently made a flying trip to Paris for a conference with Mr. Walsh, who is his partner in various large enterprises.

The new monument recently completed over the grave of Nancy Hanks Lincoln, mother of Abraham Lincoln, at Lincoln City, Ind., will be formally dedicated on Oct. 5. The monument is peculiarly appropriate, being constructed from stone taken from the grave of President Lincoln at Springfield, Ill., when a new tomb was constructed.

J. M. Speyer of New Orleans, a showman at a street fair in Kansas City, killed his 5-year-old son by cutting his throat while the child slept, and then attempted to commit suicide by cutting his own throat. Speyer was accused of assaulting a 9-year-old girl, and asserts that he intended to kill his son and himself because he feared he would be lynched, although he maintains his innocence of the charge of assault.

Word from Royal Center, Ind., is that John Kane was taken from his bed by twelve masked men, dragged to the edge of town and tied to a telegraph pole. His face was smeared with varnish and lamp black. Then the rope was passed over a crosspiece and he was strung up. Officers were heard approaching and Kane was cut down and a promise exacted that he would leave the community. Kane was found later by his friends and is in a serious condition.

Following is the standing of the clubs of the National Baseball League:

W. L.	W. L.
Pittsburg . . . 54 15 Philadelphia . . . 31 41	
Boston . . . 37 31 St. Louis . . . 31 41	
Brooklyn . . . 37 31 Cincinnati . . . 32 40	
Chicago . . . 39 34 New York . . . 22 50	
The clubs of the American League stand as follows:	
W. L.	W. L.
Chicago . . . 42 25 Cleveland . . . 33 39	
St. Louis . . . 37 31 Washington . . . 34 38	
Boston . . . 38 34 Baltimore . . . 31 40	
Philadelphia 35 32 Detroit . . . 29 40	

NEWS NUGGETS.

Maj. Gen. Lloyd Wheaton has been retired, having reached the age of 64 years.

Fred Ames, the indicted chief of the Minneapolis police, is reported to be on the way to Europe.

Between thirty-five and fifty miners were killed by explosion in Daily-West silver mine near Park City, Utah.

The President has issued a commission to Director Merriam under the new permanent census law as director of the census.

Anthony Vaughn, a wealthy citizen, was found dead at Lima, Ohio, with a bullet hole in the breast, and is supposed to have been murdered.

Captain Hobson, the Cuban war hero, rescued a drowning girl, who had jumped in the Mississippi river near East St. Louis to test his gallantry.

The elevator of the Henderson Grain Elevator Company, at Henderson, Ky., was destroyed by fire. The loss is \$100,000, covered by insurance.

Fire destroyed the four-story brick foundry building owned by Josiah Thompson & Co. in Philadelphia, Pa. Loss \$100,000, partly insured.

The President censured Gen. Jacob H. Smith and retired him from active list, approving finding of court-martial which investigated his "kill or burn" order.

In a rear-end collision at Kirkersville station, Ohio, on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, Engineer J. A. Little and brakeman Orrin Dittmer were killed.

Heart trouble caused the death of Mrs. Wellington Wells of Brookline, Mass., while she was bathing in Silver lake, Harrisville, N. H. She was 25 years of age.

John Willis Baer, secretary of the Christian Endeavor Society, has resigned that position to accept one as assistant secretary of the Presbyterian board of home missions.

Jury in the case of "Capt." Streeter and his allies, on trial for the murder of Watchman Kirk in Chicago, failed to agree except in the case of William Force, who turned State's evidence, and he was acquitted.

One man was killed and four others were seriously injured by a collision between a trolley car and a carriage in which the men were riding at Canarsie, L. I. The man who was killed was Neptune Skidmore of Brooklyn.

Five Italian counterfeiters, who were arrested in the eastern section of Baltimore, were found guilty by a jury in the federal court and sentenced by Judge Morris to terms in State prison varying from five to ten years apiece.

In Baltimore Congressman Frank C. Wachter was badly bitten in both hands while heroically endeavoring to defend his child, Hattie C. Wachter, from the attacks of a large St. Bernard dog. The daughter was also badly bitten.

Lena Rohmer, aged 22 years, of Greta, Neb., jumped in front of a Union Pacific train at the Union station at Denver, Colo., evidently with the intention of committing suicide. Both her legs were cut off and she will die.

The strike of the freight handlers has come to an end at Chicago. At a mass meeting the men voted to go back to the freight yards in a body, ask for reinstatement, and on receiving it, try to make such terms as they can with the officials.

Mattie Beale, the Wichita telephone girl, who drew the second prize in the Oklahoma land lottery last fall, was married the other night to Charles W. Payne, a Chicago grocery salesman. Her farm is adjoining Lawton, and is said to be worth \$50,000.

EASTERN.

John La Fleur was attacked by an ugly bull in a pen at his place near Malone, N. Y., and was gored to death.

Bishop Potter of New York and Mrs. Alfred Corning Clark, wealthy patroness of extensive charities, have been engaged to be married.

Dr. John H. Reineckel, a prominent physician of Lebanon, Pa., was killed and Dr. E. P. Marshall of Annapolis was seriously injured in a runaway accident near Annapolis.

Because of the loss of her pet pug dog, Mrs. Lizzie Hambright, 42 years of age, of Philadelphia, committed suicide. She said that she could not be happy without the pug, so she ended her life by asphyxiation.

The seven-masted schooner Thomas W. Lawson was successfully launched in Boston. She was christened by Miss Helen Watson, daughter of Thomas A. Watson, president of the Fore River Ship and Engine Company.

A \$3,000,000 box and lumber combine has been formed, with box shops and lumber yards scattered through the New England States. It is to be known as the Colonial Box and Lumber Company and will have its headquarters in New York.

The United States training ship Hartford reports that W. C. Forbes, an apprentice, aged 23 years, whose home is near Chicago, fell overboard when the Hartford was ten miles west of New London, Conn., in Long Island sound. He was drowned.

Miss Evelyn Oldring, daughter of one of the oldest and wealthiest families of Brooklyn, killed herself by inhaling illuminating gas. Miss Oldring had been ailing and a fear that insanity might claim her as a victim, as it had another member of the family, was an always present horror to her.

Col. Nathaniel McKay, aged 71 years, the millionaire contractor and hotel man of Washington, died suddenly of heart failure at a beach front hotel in Atlantic City, while on his honeymoon trip with his bride of two weeks, who was formerly Miss Mabel G. Geyer of Washington and who is less than 30 years old.

John Savach was killed instantly and Roger Harvey, Sr., was seriously and John Yelis slightly injured by an explosion of dynamite in No. 34 mine of the Berwind-White Coal Company at Winder, Pa. Savach was preparing a stick for use when it exploded, together with sixteen sticks which were lying near.

Unknown persons raided the home of William Hussman, a non-union man at Upper Lehigh, Pa., and after getting Hussman and wife out of bed attempted to burn the house. During the melee the stove was upset and all the furniture was destroyed. Neighbors extinguished the fire. Hussman was led away by the marauders.

New York society has heard that, after six years of widowhood, Mrs. Adolph Ladenburg, widow of the millionaire head of the Wall street firm of Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co., is again to wed. Her choice, so report says, is Jay Phipps, son of the partner of Andrew Carnegie. Mr. Phipps is only recently out of Harvard and is fifteen years Mrs. Ladenburg's junior.

Captain Edwin St. J. Greble, U. S. A., instructor in artillery tactics, and three cadets were injured in an accident during artillery drill at West Point, N. Y. Captain Greble, accompanied by six cadets, was taking a gun along a high embankment west of Highland Falls, when the horse Captain Greble was riding became unmanageable and leaped over the embankment, dragging the gun carriage with it. The caisson fell on Captain Greble, crushing both legs and injuring him internally. Three cadets, who were riding on the caisson, were also badly injured.

One of the biggest of the Union Railway Company's trolley cars in New York crowded to the running board with passengers, sped unchecked down the hill approaching West Farms square in Tremont avenue from the west, owing to a broken brake. As the runaway car struck the curve at the bottom of the hill it leaped from the tracks and hurled its load of passengers against three telegraph poles forming a triangle in the middle of the square. Men, woman and children were mingled in a struggling mass in the shattered woodwork and bent iron of the wrecked car. Not one of the seventy-five passengers escaped without some injury. Excitement ran so high following the accident that the police were unable to get the names of all.

WESTERN.

Richard Jones, a farmer near Belmont, Ark., was killed and two of his children fatally injured in a runaway.

Anson Crippen was killed by the explosion of the boiler of a thrashing machine near Mound Ridge, Kan.

B. F. Wofford, known as "the watermelon king," living at Rudel, Ark., was accidentally killed at Monnett, Mo.

Mayor Tom L. Johnson of Cleveland announces that he is a candidate for the Democratic nomination for President.

State Legislator Rhodes Clay was shot and killed by Attorney Clarence Barnes in a street duel at Mexico, Mo. The result of a bitter political enmity.

The police officials have ordered all fortune tellers and clairvoyants engaged in their business in Cleveland either to quit their calling or leave the city.

In a shooting affray at Fifth and Planders streets, Portland, Ore., one woman and two men were killed. A man named A. L. Bedding is under arrest for the crime.

Miss Jessie Morrison has arrived at the State penitentiary at Lansing, Kan., to begin her twenty-five years' sentence for the murder of Mrs. Olin Castle at Eldorado.

The family of Martin Kress, near Bellefontaine, Ohio, ate tainted Rochefort cheese, and as a result two children are dead and the parents are not expected to recover.

Archbishop Patrick A. Feehan of the diocese of Chicago, 73 years of age, died suddenly at the archiepiscopal residence. The death of the aged prelate was caused by apoplexy.

Harry E. Hayes of the banking and bond firm of W. J. Hayes & Son, Cleveland, New York, Chicago and other cities, narrowly escaped death in an automobile accident at Cleveland.

The fast newspaper mail train on the Pennsylvania Railroad decapitated John Kane, 11 years old, at Delphos, Ohio, and when it reached Lima the same train killed Andrew Stueber.

The steamer Portland, which had been

given up as lost, arrived at St. Michaels, according to a special dispatch. The vessel is in good condition, and the passengers and crew are well.

While watching an exciting baseball game, in which his only son was participating, Irving McGowan, a well-known St. Louis financier, died suddenly from an affliction of the heart.

It is announced that \$100,000 of the \$200,000 debt standing against the University of Denver had been subscribed by Denver men and that the remaining \$40,000 would be pledged by Sept. 1.

County Prosecutor Hoffheimer of Cincinnati has been notified by Consul Pearson at Genoa, Italy, that Clara Taylor, accused of kidnapping little Margaret Taylor, has been released unconditionally.

The yacht Arab Fourth was capsized far out in Lake Michigan by the sudden squall at Chicago, and two persons were drowned. Three others were rescued after a heart-breaking pull against wind and sea.

Two towns in North Dakota and one in Minnesota were reported wiped out by cyclone, with possible loss of scores of lives. Much valuable property is known to have been destroyed, country districts suffering severely.

Willis Bartlett, a well-to-do negro of Wichita, Kan., killed Luther Crosswaite, his brother-in-law, after having been attacked and wounded by the latter. Crosswaite's wife had left him and fled to Bartlett, her brother.

James Conover, aged 60, a wealthy farmer near Mason, Ohio, murdered his wife by pounding her head with a club. Conover was confined in an asylum for the insane for some time, but was released three months ago.

The real reason for James J. Corbett's refusal to go to San Francisco for the Fitzsimmons-Jeffries fight has just become known. He has had to undergo an operation for a cancerous growth on his tongue caused by excessive smoking.

The mining camp of Spotted Horse, Montana, was visited by a fire that practically wiped out the mining plant and other buildings. The fire is believed to have been of incendiary origin. There was no insurance. The plant will be rebuilt.

The strike of the conductors and motormen of the Cincinnati Traction Company did not materialize. Prompt action of the company in discharging twenty-five union men and securing others in their places had the desired effect and not a man quit work.

A passenger train collided with a freight on an open switch on the Northwestern Railroad at Ankeny, Iowa. The passenger express was running at high speed and both engines were wrecked. Fifteen passengers were injured, two seriously.

James P. Steckel, aged 71 years, dropped dead on the street at Atchison, Kan., from the rupture of an artery in the brain. A strange coincidence is that Steckel's wife dropped dead ten years ago almost at the same spot where her husband died.

C. E. Ward, aged 30 years, private secretary to the president of the Great Western Railroad at Chicago, committed suicide at the home of his parents in Canon City, Colo., by shooting himself in the head. He was suffering from nervous prostration.

Police Captain John Fitchette, known throughout the West as "Coffee John," was convicted at Minneapolis of trafficking in positions on the police force. The specific charge was one of accepting \$200 from John Long for procuring his appointment as a policeman.

The bodies of the four persons found murdered near Prudence, Okla., are believed to be those of A. C. Stone, his wife and two children of Baxter Springs, Kan. J. W. Stone, a brother of the dead man, who is in Joplin, expresses this opinion, after being in telephonic communication with the sheriff at Enid, Okla.

Mayor Hugo, the Republican candidate, remains the Mayor of Duluth. The Supreme Court has so decided. One vote counted for Truelson was thrown out, thus giving Hugo a majority of four. The court held that the neglect of the judges to place their initials on the ballots did not invalidate the votes of those voting them.

Four hundred boilermakers and helpers on the Great Northern Railway system, who went on strike in St. Paul for higher wages some six weeks ago, have returned to work. There were concessions on both sides. Under the new schedule the men will receive an advance of 25 cents per day over the scale in effect before the strike.

The section about Cody, Wyo., is aroused over the recent forest reserve extension. The extension takes in many townships which have been the winter ranges for thousands of sheep. A. A. Anderson, the New York artist, who has been appointed special superintendent of the Yellowstone and Teton reserve, has been threatened with assault.

Christopher Leonidas and his son, patent medicine men of Chicago, were shot and killed in a fight with the mate on a Mississippi river steamboat near Davenport, Iowa. Leonidas and his son were known as "the long-haired medicine men." They wore their hair long and plaited in the back, and were usually attired in buckskin clothing, with revolvers and knives in their belts.

Death by hanging for one and life imprisonment for the other is the punishment to which Frank Tanke and his wife respectively were sentenced at Henderson, Minn., for the murder of John Wellner, Mrs. Tanke's first husband, Dec. 31, 1898. At the time of the murder Tanke was the hired man, Mrs. Tanke pleaded guilty to murder in the first degree and made a desperate but futile effort to free her husband.

An organized gang of horse thieves is working in the western part of Wisconsin and eastern part of Minnesota. During the past few days as many as six stolen horses have been reported to the La Crosse authorities from various parts of that section of the country. One was stolen at West Salem and another at Melrose. The thieves usually take a buggy also. The sheriff's force has been unsuccessful in the search thus far.

Tourists from the East to the number of fifty or more were lined up in the canyon at the foot of Marshall Pass, Colo., by a gang of train robbers and relieved of all their valuables. A few minutes before this the highwaymen had stopped the west-bound passenger train on the Denver and Rio Grande, almost destroyed the express car with several charges of dynamite, blown open two safes and secured their contents. The plunder,

with which the bandits made their escape, nearly filled two gunny sacks, and its value is thought to have been large. The robbery was committed at 8:50 a. m., at a point known as Mill Switch, near Chester, on the western slope of Marshall Pass. The train is the most important that runs on the narrow-gauge line to Gunnison, Lake City, Ouray, Telluride and other mountain towns, and, as usual this time of year, was filled with pleasure seekers.

The jury in the trial of Frank Addy at Litchfield, Minn., rendered a verdict not guilty, after being out twenty-six hours. Addy was charged with the murder of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Gorton at Forest City on New Year's eve. The aged couple perished in a fire that destroyed their house, and Addy, their hired man, was arrested. Addy was immediately rearrested and will be tried on a separate indictment in connection with the death of Mrs. Gorton.

SOUTHERN.

Elder, Depster & Co., operating a line of steamers out of New Orleans and Galveston to foreign ports, will establish a line between Mobile and Liverpool on Sept. 1.

The great Auditorium building erected at Richmond, Va., in 1896 for the Confederate Veterans' reunion, with a seating capacity of 20,000, was destroyed by fire caused by lightning.

Sam Kay of Atlanta, Ga., dashed off the "loop the loop" at the Elks' midsummer carnival in Springfield, Ohio, and sustained injuries that may prove fatal. It was his first attempt.

During a thunder storm Thomas Roe, a watchman at the Savannah, Ga., steamship wharves, and Lizzie Williams, a small negro girl who had brought him his dinner, were instantly killed by lightning.

The German-American Oil Company of Texas had recorded against all of its property on Spindle Top, Corsicana, Sour Lake and elsewhere a deed of trust for \$800,000. Stock has declined, owing to inability to market its oil.

David Fuller, a farmer living near the city limits of Richmond, Va., lost all his hair in an electric storm. Mr. Fuller was struck by lightning. His head, which before the flash was thickly covered with hair, was cleanly shaven. He was otherwise uninjured.

Plans have been drawn and the capital provided for the erection in Louisville, Ky., of a million dollar packing plant, which will make a feature of dressing spring lambs for the Eastern market, but will also dress hogs and cattle. The plant will occupy three acres adjoining the central stock yards.

During a heavy electrical storm a bolt of lightning struck the storage tanks of the Jennings Oil Company at Jennings, La., destroying them and the derricks of the company. All workmen in the field immediately stopped operations, and set about throwing up levees to prevent streams of burning oil from reaching the town of Conlee.

FOREIGN.

The tribunal of commerce in Paris declared the "Caisse Generale des Familles" to be insolvent. The liabilities are said to be 40,000,000 francs.

Sir Lian Tung Tseng, secretary of the Chinese embassy to the coronation of King Edward, has been appointed Chinese minister to the United States.

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, chancellor of the exchequer, has resigned from British cabinet, and other changes are likely. Balfour has assumed office of premier.

King Victor Emmanuel of Italy was given royal welcome at St. Petersburg, being met at the station by the Czar, members of the imperial family and high officials.

Thirty persons were drowned by the sinking of a small passenger steamer on the Luge river, near Probova-Schenskaia, Russia. The disaster was caused by overcrowding.

Confirming the announcement already made, the Exchange Telegraph Company says that Sir Thomas Lipton announced at Southampton his determination to again compete for the America's cup.

According to a bulletin issued by the Russian ministry of agriculture, the condition of winter grains in European Russia was not great changed during the month. Generally speaking, good harvests are expected.

The Campanile (detached bell tower) of St. Mark's Church, Venice, Italy, ninety-eight meters high, collapsed and fell into the piazza with a great crash. It is now a heap of ruins. It is feared there was some loss of life.

While making its way through the narrow and tortuous harbor of Christiansa, Norway, the United States battleship Illinois, the flagship of Rear Admiral Arent S. Crowninshield, ran ashore on a rock bottom and several holes were punched in its bottom. Later the Illinois was released and made the rest of its way into the harbor.

The settlement of the annexed territories in South Africa is not being accomplished without considerable friction. This is especially noticeable in the bitter hatred and persecution on the part of the Boers who stayed in the field to the end of the war against the Boers who served as British scouts. It is said that some of these national scouts have been shot or beaten.

IN GENERAL.

Department orders have relieved Gen. Chaffee of command in the Philippines and assigned him to department of East. Gen. Davis succeeds him at Manila.

A cablegram has been received at the State Department from Minister Powell, dated Port au Prince, as follows: "All is now quiet at Port au Prince. A French naval vessel arrived there this morning. The new government in San Domingo has been recognized."

The National Educational Association has resolved to petition Congress to establish a Department of Education and make its head a cabinet officer; also urge the restoration of the Bible in the schools; grade teachers organized a national federation, with Miss Margaret A. Haley president.

Sixty years after his death Gen. William Clark of the famous Lewis and Clark expedition, which gave the United States all the Northwest territory by right of discovery, is to have a monument over his grave. The monument to be erected by Mrs. Mary Susan Glasgow Clark of New York, daughter-in-law of the explorer.

LEAVES A TRAIL OF BLOOD.

Escaped Convict in Washington Revives Frontier Days.

A realistic revival of the ways of the wild and woolly West in the picturesque days of frontier warfare and of the reign of the bandit and bad man has been given in the State of Washington by Harry Tracy, an escaped convict from Oregon, who has left behind him a trail of blood and terror. During his flight the desperado killed eight men and shot several others; and despite the hundreds of pursuers who have camped on his trail he for a month succeeded in eluding capture. No bad man of the frontier towns has ever developed greater pluck and endurance than this fleeing convict who terrorized and murdered as he went.

Tracy's career of crime began in 1897 in Colorado. He became involved in a robbery in that State and in attempting to evade arrest shot and killed Deputy Sheriff Valentine Hay.

He was arrested in Portland, Ore., in the same year for burglary. His capture was effected under sensational circumstances. Shortly after his arrest Tracy was sentenced to the Oregon penitentiary at Salem. Here he shot his jailer, using a weapon with which he had been



HARRY TRACY.

mysteriously supplied. Early in the morning of June 9 last he and David Merrill, another convict, escaped from the penitentiary after killing three guards and fatally wounding another convict, who died the next day. Posses were organized to pursue the escaped felons, but they got out of the city. The next morning, however, they returned to Salem and robbed J. W. Roberts and another man of clothing. Then they fled again. Their trail was marked by reports of stolen horses and farmers whom they held up.

The Governor of Oregon ordered out the militia and bands of deputy sheriffs and posses were sent out in all directions. Tracy and Merrill saw one of these bands, lay in ambush for the deputies, fired at them and escaped. Later they broke through a cordon of 250 militia, who had surrounded them in dense woods. They kept on stealing horses to ride, pressing forward until the beasts were worn out. Finally the fugitives reached the Columbia river. Over this they escaped by forcing G. Sutherland at the muzzle of their revolvers to ferry them across. They landed near Vancouver barracks.

On June 17 the men shot and wounded Deputy Sheriff Bert Brescher in a fight at Salmon creek, stole more horses and rode away. They robbed a house near Laeetner and another near Kelso, Wash.

July 1 Tracy was seen at Tennyson, thirty miles from Tacoma. He was then riding alone. The next day he arrived at South Bay and held up six men. Later he forced Capt. Clark and his crew of four men to convey him in a gasoline launch over Puget Sound to Meadow Point, north of Seattle. The captain says that Tracy had told him while on his boat that he had killed Merrill.

On July 3 a party of pursuing officers under the leadership of Deputy Sheriff Charles Raymond of Snohomish County, and Deputy Sheriff John Williams of King County, located the desperado at Bothell, twenty miles north of Seattle and on the line of the Northern Pacific Railroad. Tracy had taken a commanding position in a clump of firs and had probably seen the posse before he himself had been observed. There was no parleying on either side. The posse, strong in numbers and perhaps somewhat encouraged by a reward, aggregating \$5,000, for Tracy's capture, prepared to surround the outlaw's hiding place. Tracy, fighting for freedom and life, was determined not to be taken and with his trusty rifle opened fire on his pursuers. He fired five shots in all and these were sufficient to insure, for the time, his escape. At one of the discharges Raymond was shot and fell to the ground dead. Another bullet struck the rifle barrel of Williams, splintering it and burying itself in the deputy's chest. Williams fell to the ground badly wounded. Before the other members of the posse could recover their wits the outlaw escaped.

The evening of the same day saw Tracy at the home of a Mrs. Van Horn in Woodlawn Park, a suburb of Seattle. The outlaw's presence was secretly made known by Mrs. Van Horn to a young boy, who spread the alarm. To surround the house was a matter of only a brief time, and then the officers felt sure that their quarry could not escape them. Tracy opened fire on the officers, instantly killing Policeman E. E. Breeze and fatally wounding Neil Rawley, another of his would-be captors. He then coerced two men to act as shields and under their protection he made his way out of the range of fire and disappeared in the woods and the darkness.

The tragedies thoroughly aroused the authorities and Gov. McBride ordered out two troops of the State militia to co-operate with the civil power in running down the desperado. Scores of men were sworn in as deputies and a systematic search for Tracy began.

The Secretary of the Treasury has asked the Interior Department to transfer the jurisdiction of Sledge Island, an island near Nome, Alaska, from the Interior to the Treasury Department for use as a quarantine station for smallpox patients. There is already a surgeon and marine hospital station on the island and owing to the prevalence of smallpox in Alaska it is deemed desirable that a regular quarantine station be instituted upon the island.

The steamer Dolphin brought \$1,000,000 in gold from the Klondike.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

New York. "Good news predominates, although unfavorable weather proved a drawback at many points and new labor disputes arose. There is less than the customary midsummer idleness in manufacturing industries, despite the scarcity of fuel. Commodity prices are fully maintained. Railway earnings thus far available for June average 9.9 per cent larger than last year's and 20.6 per cent above those of 1900." The foregoing is from the weekly trade review of R. G. Dun & Co. It continues:

Statistics of pig iron production on July 1 are somewhat surprising. According to the Iron Age the weekly output was at a new high record of 352,590 tons, notwithstanding the shortage of fuel. In steel the situation is mixed, heavy lines falling further behind orders, while a number of rod, wire and nail mills in the Pittsburgh region have shut down for the usual vacation. Structural steel and railway supplies are urgently sought, so much more business being placed than activity is assured well into 1903.

Corn has again been the prominent feature of the markets for domestic staples. Speculators at the West secured control of the 6,000,000 bushels in the visible supply, and compelled the short interests to cover contracts at disastrously high prices. Farmers' reserves are evidently insignificant, for attractive prices do not bring out even a fair volume of receipts.

Chicago. An advance in the price of July corn to 90c last week put it to the highest figure since 1892. The high point was 13c above the close of the previous week, and 32c higher than the low point on the decline less than a month ago. It was a clear case of squeezing the shorts. The close was 86c. The trade paid little attention to the government report on corn, although it is very bearish. The condition of 87.5 is fairly low for July, but there is an unprecedented acreage, 95,000,000, which, figured by States based on government conditions, indicates a yield of 2,490,000,000 bushels, the largest on record. The surplus States have a prospect of 1,678,000,000 bushels, or double last year's. With old reserves light, and likely to be exhausted by the time the new crop begins to move, there is a feeling among traders that corn is not likely to average much below 50c.

Sentiment among wheat traders as to the future course of values is mixed. Some of the sharpest and best operators are friendly to the bull side. There are also a number of shrewd men who believe prices are high enough. The price last week was governed largely by the weather, and although averaging higher closed with a gain of only 3/4c on July and a loss of 1/4c to 3/4c on distant months. September, which was 3/4c under December a week ago, advanced to 1/4c premium, but closed 1/4c discount. The cash situation is regarded as strong. Heavy storms throughout the winter wheat country have delayed the movement and deteriorated the quality. There is prospect of a larger quantity of low grade wheat on the present crop than has been known for years. The world's stocks of wheat are the lowest on record with the exception of the Leiter year, 1897-98. The decrease last month, taking the Daily Trade Bulletin's estimate, was 27,346,000 bushels, and the world's supply, 105,827,000 bushels, while in the Leiter deal it was down to 103,000,000 bushels.

During the week top cattle sold at \$5.70, being 20c above the previous week and the highest July price on record. Hogs sold 22 1/2c higher than the previous week, the highest since March, 1893, and the highest July in twenty years. Three loads sold at \$8.25. Sheep and lambs sold poorly during the week. Cattle receipts were comparatively small, with hogs and sheep liberal compared with the previous week and a year ago. Receipts of sheep for the week were the largest since January.

THE MARKETS

Chicago—Cattle, common to prime, \$4.00 to \$