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By Telegraph to the NEWS.

DAMAGE BY STORM.

Grain and Corn Destroyed. Trees Uprooted, Sheds Torn Down.

ST. CLOUD, MINN., August 15.—The storm proves to have been more serious than at first supposed. All corn and standing grain in its path is utterly ruined. The immense hail stones crushed them to the ground, and the grain is thicker also suffered severely.

The men in the fields were badly bruised and cut about the head by the hail. In some places the hail was fifteen to twenty inches deep on the level. All windows exposed on the house were smashed. No conservative estimate can be made of the damage accomplished, but it must be heavy.

A FURIOUS STORM.

WILLMAR, MINN., August 15.—The hail storm passed over the eastern portion of this county cut down the standing grain. The storm was furious. It rooted up trees and broke down sheds. The hail broke a number of windows.

Plenty of Rain in India.

LONDON, August 15.—Indian cables state that a good general rain has fallen in India.

England's Trade Declining.

LONDON, August 15.—The *Pall Mall Gazette* in an article on the British trade gives as further evidence of the declining trade of the country the great decrease in the freight traffic in Scotland.

Hungary and the Fair.

BUDA PESTH, August 15.—Chicago Fair commissioners have been assured by the minister of commerce of his hearty interest in the exhibition. He will appoint a Fair commission and will send a special representative to Chicago.

Agreed to Compromise.

ATLANTA, Ga., August 15.—Stephen A. Ryan's creditors have agreed to compromise with him.

Death of a Clergyman.

TROY, N. Y., August 15.—Rev. Dr. Hopkins, one of the most distinguished clergymen of the protestant Episcopal church, is dead, aged 71.

The Berlin Grain Market.

BERLIN, August 15.—The grain market here is very excited. Rye for August delivery, which closed yesterday at 149 marks advanced at 150 marks; September and October delivery advanced from 252 marks, the closing price yesterday, and is now quoted at 254 marks, 50 pfennigs. August wheat has advanced 14 marks, 50 pfennigs from yesterday's closing, the price now being 241 marks; September and October has advanced and is now quoted at 237 marks, 50 pfennigs, a rise of 12 marks from yesterday's closing.

NO REDUCTION IN DUTY.

The *North German Gazette*, official organ of the government, today says, the government will resolutely adhere to its decision to make no reduction in the duties levied upon grain imported into Germany. The government is now held responsible for the advanced prices in the grain market, the allegation being that a ruthless speculation for the rise could not have proceeded in such absolute security, had it not been for the chancellor's positive statement to the Diet that there was no reason to fear that the export of rye from Russia would fail.

After many fluctuations, the market closed strong with August rye at 250 marks and September and October at 248 marks 50 pfennigs. August wheat closed at 242 marks and September and October at 235 marks.

The Geographical Congress Closed.

BERNE, August 15.—The International Geographical Congress is closed. London was decided upon as the place for holding the next meeting.

The Wheat Circular.

ST. PAUL, August 14.—George Mueller, who issued the Alliance wheat circular, says: We have received replies from the secretaries of the Alliance in Southern Minnesota, South Dakota, Wisconsin and Kansas. All tell us that the Alliance voted favorably for the suggestion. Not one unfavorable answer was received.

Morpurgo's Affairs to be Investigated

VIENNA, August 15.—Morpurgo & Co., of Trieste, who failed a few days ago, now the Rothschilds $875,000. The latter sent Herr Hahn to inquire into the position of the firm's affairs and have declined any further loans unless the firm's business is liquidated and Hahn appointed liquidator.

A Gloomy Outlook.

LONDON, August 15.—Owing to the depression in the iron trade the operations in many principal iron works in the Cumberland district are suspended for some time past, and hundreds of the workmen to procure employment is causing a most acute distress. Six thousand are thrown out of employment by the stoppage of the works and a large number have earned no pay for a year. The outlook for the coming winter is gloomy. Hundreds of families of iron workers are on the verge of starvation. The serious has the situation become that the authorities have decided to start public works to give employment to the many idle men in the district, and thus avert the famine threatened.

A Mission Which is a Failure.

LONDON, August 15.—Bjrnowsky, the explorer, has telegraphed from the Bramwelle, West Africa, that the failure of Crampel's mission is certain. Crampel is in command of the expedition sent out by the French government to Lake Tschad. June last, a report was received that Crampel and the members of his expedition were killed, roasted and eaten by the natives of Matonga. This report, however, was subsequently denied by Dellessavillie.

Railway Subsidies.

VICTORIA, B. C., August 15.—The city council has decided to submit to the people by-laws appropriating nearly three million dollars for railway subsidies and one million to the Victoria, A North American railway, which is said to be a part of the Northern Pacific Company. Another proposition is to connect with the Canadian Pacific at New Westminster and with the American road at Blaine. The latter is from Victoria, Nanaimo and New Westminster, and asks for a loan of half a million dollars for twenty-five years, and a subsidy of twenty thousand dollars annually for the same time.

Turkey Does not Recognize Ferdinand.

LONDON, August 15.—A correspondent of the *Times* at Constantinople says: The Porte requests me to declare that the Bulgaria telegram published in the *Times* of August 7th, reporting the signature of the protocol recognizing Prince Ferdinand, is utterly without foundation.

The Land Purchase Law in Operation.

LONDON, August 15.—The first large estate in Ireland to come under the purchase clauses of the Irish land purchase act is that of Lord Langan, situated in the county of Armagh and county of Down. An agreement has been entered into between his lordship and the tenants living upon his estate by which the latter agree to purchase the property under the provisions of the land purchase bills. The price agreed upon is $250,000.

Race Postponed.

HAVANA, August 15.—On account of the rain the races announced for today have been postponed till Monday. The entries stand.

The Chicago Wheat Market.

CHICAGO, August 15.—December wheat opened with a continuation of yesterday's wild scene. Strong cables continued to affect the market. Times who sold wheat around the top yesterday, thinking the culmination was reached, rushed to the pit to cover, at any terms, the loss. Orders from New York and St. Louis, shorts, came pouring in and altogether there was a wild scene and all sorts of prices were bid and accepted in different parts of the pit at the same time. Within two minutes after the bell tapped, all the way between 101½ and 102½, with some trades possibly at 103, was paid. A flood of country selling orders caused a break to 101. Then was a rally to 102, another break to 101½ and an advance to 102½. About 10:15 another bull wave swept over the wheat pit, and some moderate excess of excitement the price put up by halves and quarters to 103½ within three minutes. This judge, it is understood, was the result of paying in for the account of shorts, who failed to respond to the margin calls. When those wants were satisfied, there was a quick reaction to 102½, and at 10:30 the price was 104½. After 10:30 the futures subsided somewhat, at least for a time, and the fluctuations were narrow. This another advance set in and the price rose to 103 about 11 o'clock. Ten minutes later it dropped to 100. Other markets were lower than at the earliest sale in wheat, though there was some business in corn which advanced to 49½ for September, at eleven o'clock. September rye was 103.

ITS LABORS ENDED.

The Railroad Companies vs. The County Board of Equalization.

The labors of the county Board of Equalization were practically ended last night, a few cases only being held under advisement until Tuesday next, when they will also be disposed of.

The railroad representatives were present at yesterday's session and entered a vigorous protest against raising the taxes of their respective lines, as some members of the board were in favor of doing.

Mr. Lynch, the assessor, had listed the main lines of the standard gauge roads at $9,250 per mile, the Utah Nevada, the Utah Central, the Rapid Transit and the Salt Lake City street railroads at $5,000 per mile.

Like the railway companies, Assessor Lynch thought to raise their taxes would be unjust if not illegal. That gentleman contended that the roads could be rebuilt for $10,000 per mile, and that 85 per cent. of their total assessment was a high appraisement.

A motion was made to increase the valuation of the main lines to $9,500 per mile and the Utah & Nevada to $4,000 per mile. A long discussion followed and the motion failed to carry.

Another motion was made to allow the valuation to remain as fixed by Assessor Lynch, except the Bingham branch, which was reduced to $5,000 per mile.

The following cases were disposed of as indicated.

Thomas E. Taylor, collector	$ 10 11
Andrew Brown, school trustee	500 00
Jesse Lawrence Manufacturing Co., sec	40 00
Jesse F. Merrill, widow	15 00
Elizabeth Allen, widow	12 00
Hannah Ann Allen, widow	12 00
Hiram M. Hardy, collector	10 00
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H. H. Rolfe, clerk for Sec. 47	47 00
William Mitchell, collector	10 00
C. C. Whitmore, widow	10 00
Mary E. Cannon, widow of Sec.	5 00
Hannah Ann Davis, widow	5 00
Mary Ann Anderson, widow	5 00
Mary E. Cannon, widow of Sec.	5 00
Sarah Ann Bailey, widow	5 00
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