EVENTS IN THE WEST.

A Record of Occurrences in Neighboring States and Territories.

MURDERED ON LAKE ATLIN, ALASKA.

Great Wheeling Record Broken—Fastest Strings Down Gold—Citrus Season Remarkable—Railroad for China.

The Intermountain fair opened at Boise, Ida., today with a large attendance.

Huntley and Clarke's big stable near Trenton, Mont., was completely destroyed by fire Saturday morning. Nineteen horses were cremated, and the loss is estimated at $6,000, with no insurance.

The steamer Centennial, which three months ago was condemned as a transport to carry troops to Manila, but was retained on reports that she was unfit for the service, has been offered for sale for a salvage of $10,000. The vessel has undergone a complete overhauling and now has a first-class rating.

A report from Victoria, B. C., of the murder of Alphonse LeClair by Xavier Lazare near Lake Tenkin, Dally, was received of a party of Montreal Canadians from Quebec. The murdered escaped but was overtaken after a chase of two weeks and killed, which made by the other members of the party.

It was reported at Seattle, Wash., this morning for the first time that a French Canadian had murdered a companion at Lake Atlin and that the murderer had been tried and hanged. The report cannot be confirmed. The latest arrivals from the north, who arrived there Sunday night on the Dolphin, had heard nothing of it.

George Potter of the Olympic club Wheelmen, San Francisco, added to other notable records by his success in reducing the coast wheeling records for one-third, one-half and two-thirds of a mile. He failed to lower the five mile record of 14:17½ held by Tom A. Cleveland. He made the one-third of a mile in 22 4-5 seconds; one-half, 32 1-5 seconds; two-thirds, 1:12 1-5, and the five miles in 16:22 4-5.

The steamer Portland, Discovery arrived at Seattle at midnight Sunday from Alaska, with 180 passengers and about $500,000 in gold dust. The treasure was owned by a few men. A. Holowitz is credited with $15,000, George McCord, $10,000; Dan McDonald, a brother of Alex McDonald, the mining king, is said to have brought out $10,000.

There are now over 200 patients in the Providence Relief hospital, on the Dawson side, all of whom are reported as doing well. Months these there are 150 men on Dawson, twenty-five in the government home and six in private residences, bringing the sick list above 200. Frank Henry Sheffield, the young K. Fifty-first Iowa, died late Saturday night of cerebro-spinal meningitis.

The latest advices from Japan bring the report of Guy Theodore, U. S. Pharmacist, chaplain of the U. S. S. Baltimore, at Nagasaki, Japan, that Ensign Pond, who committed suicide while in a state of mental depression consequent upon his failing health, he passed overboard from the Zealandia and was drowned before any assistance could be rendered him. His effects were recovered and will be brought to this country for interment on the next steamer.

The relatives of Armand Lesh, who died on Friday last at the Great Northern lodging house, San Francisco, are satisfied that his death was produced by natural causes and have dropped an investigation. He was a well-to-do merchant of Houston, Texas, but recently any money was found in his possession, and it is supposed that he may have been drugged and robbed. The physicians gave congestion of the lungs and brain as the cause of death.

Adjutant General Byers of Iowa, now at San Francisco, has expressed himself as being greatly pleased with what he has seen so far of the military management at Camp Merriam, especially such of it as pertained to the Iowa regiment. He has devoted some time to a study of the Iowa hospital at Camp hospital. A personal interest touches him there, for his son-in-law, Henry Barrett, of the Fifty-first, is recovering from a serious illness. Twenty-one deaths have occurred in the regiment since its arrival there.

A. W. Bash, general agent of the American-Chinese Development company, sails on October 15th with W. Bartley Parsons, chief engineer of the company, for China, to start work on the greatest railroads to be built in China. The company headed by ex-Senator Calvin S. Brice has obtained a concession to build a railroad from Hankow to Canton and the sea opposite Hong Kong, traversing one of the richest districts of the empire. The company is capitalized at $40,000,000. It will obtain most of its material on the Pacific coast.

A special to the Denver News from Colorado Springs says: Great masses of smoke have hung over the mountains south of Pike's peak, and there have been heavy rains in the south frequently. It is reported that immense forest fires are raging on the south side of the Pikes peak, between their camp in Cripple Creek. It is believed that the heat from these fires caused the heavy winds here during Saturday's blizzard, which formed such a strong force against the efforts of those who were fighting the flames.

These and rains have checked the progress of the forest fires on the main range in Colorado and it is now thought that further destruction of timber is prevented. At least enough go to the thousand towns is over. The temperature has fallen perceptibly and the Signals from Denver meanwhile bound indicate a similar forecast change. At present nothing like a severe blizzard is anticipated, but no guarantee can be given, and it will be days before an accurate statement of the losses by the fires that have been raging for a week or more can be made.

The Reno, Nev., Gazette says that Fred Gould, the surveyor, has just completed surveys for the location of an immense paper manufactory on the Truckee river, twenty miles above Reno. It is expected that by then, some and 2,000 horse-power can be developed. The enterprise, which will be of great importance and value to the part of the country, is backed by Mr. Rosenberg of New York, president of the extensive paper mills at Oregon City, a stockholder of the firm of A. Finkelscher & Co., extensive paper box manufacturers on Market street, San Francisco, and others. The capital stock will be about $200,000.

About 4 o'clock Sunday morning the Honcong-Myrtle stage was robbed about one mile east of the latter place by one man with a revolver. The driver, named Barker, was ordered to halt, and after obeying, was ordered to throw down the mail bag. Barker threw the way back to the robber, who immediately told him it was the registered bag he wanted. After getting the registered pouch, the highwayman told him to drive on. There is no special registered letters in the sack, containing between $500 and $1,000. Sheriff Hogg was notified and was soon upon the ground, but at last accounts had discovered no clue.

The citrus fruit season, which has just closed, has been remarkable in many respects. Not only has the output been the greatest in the history of members, California, but the fruit has been after a series of frosts which were supposed to have ripped out at least a third of the crop. It is estimated that the shipment exceeding 1,000,000 boxes or six more than the crop produced at the maximum of her output, when out about one-third of the entire orange belt of what was in California. The shipments exceeding a value on board the cars in California of $1,000,000, with freight averaging $1,500,000, indicating that 40 per cent of the product is paid out by growers for freight, and leaves the industry valued to the extent of about $1,500,000.

The steamer Phoenix has arrived at Vancouver, B. C., bringing with her a million in dust and with news that a million more was on the wheel when the Phoenix left. There will be less gold than usual from Dawson, the Columbia, which will bring down a large part of the output of the other gold mines of the gold to the Pioneer on it. W. Ross, general manager of the Yukon Gold Mining company, has 400 nuggets for exhibition purposes; J. B. Gilchrist of Portland, $60,000 dust; W. Gilchrist of Portland, $60,000 dust; Edward Lemon, Illinois to date, $40,000 dust; Mr. Ross, $40,000 dust; J. Sinclair of Vancouver, $25,000 dust, and there was some $10,000 divided among a number of men. Mr. Tenant, agent of the French government, having gone over the ground, will report favorably upon the action of his government in has sent transportation companies regarding the carriage of 1,000 Frenchmen to the Klondike. Chief Commercial Manager Rosser, of the Yukon Steamship company states that in Juneau and Skagway there are 1,000 Frenchmen who are going to Dawson bringing several millions in wealth.

LITERARY NOTES.

Demorest's Family Magazine for October with an interesting paper on Ceylon, by Frances Wister Hewitt. Other interesting articles are Prince Otto von Bismarck; The Navy Department; Sunset Land; The Little Rangers; The Road to success in Literature. In the portrait gallery a number of distinguished personages are presented to the readers. The number is replete with interesting and instructive reading matter. Address Demorest Publishing Company, 15 Fifth Avenue, New York.

Gunton's Institute Bulletin contains a complete report of Prof. Gunton's lecture on Need of Political Education. The topic is one of exceptional interest at the present time. The Gunton Institute, Union Square, New York.

The October number of the Cosmopolitan has the following list of contents: The Transmissionist Exposition, Orrin Dunlap; Great Principles of Organization—III. The Chicago Packing Industry, Theodore Dreiser; Glimpses Behind Prison Walls, by Mrs. Cliendinst, Harold Frederic; Judith Dainty, illustrated by Frank O'Neill, Harriet Prescott Spofford; The Lake Dwellers, Rossiter Lowman; Autobiography of Napoleon Bonaparte—V. The Free Lecture System, illustrated, R. T. Wilson; Pictures of the Author of the American Flag; A Lost Eden (poem), illustrated by Fanny Y. Cory, Louise Chandler Moulton; The Crown-Guards, illustrated by Peter Newell, Frank R. Stockton; The Story of a Witch and Some Bewitched, illustrated by Ida Waugh, O'Neill Latham; The New American Aristocracy, Harry Thurston Peck; Ancient Venice, Martin Mauro; In the World of Art and Letters.—Cosmopolitan Magazine, Irvington, New York.

The Black Cat for October comes out with a price of Mills Meredith. The other stories are Jim Crow—Detective, by Stanley Edwards Johnson; Jessie's Hero, By W. A. Fraser; Long Brown of Esmeralda, by Arthur Morrow, and The Passing of Cesare, by Rose Pilkin.—The Shortpiece Publishing Company, 144 High Str., Boston, Mass.

The complete novel in the October issue of Lippincott's is Confession of an Alle-de-Camp, by Captain F. A. Mitchell.

Other stories are Tod's Triumph and Pretty Polly Pemberton; Tod's Triumph is very closely reared and interesting; that "the more northerns is extended the more gold there is of sort," and the war, shall possibly necessary for the defense of commerce lands (after to protect the Monroe Doctrine.

Lawrence Irwell writes of Dudgeons of War, Lizzie M. Hadley of Adventures of Abbie and Mabel and George J. Varney of Military Balloons.

A Family Nursery, peacefully received by Adeline Knapp, is that of certain Cantilena, graybacks, Dr. Charles C.

About discourses with his usual orthodoxy and point, in Lecture of Desolation. Obstructive Claims are described vigorously and with humor by Helen C. Candee, who knew the territory in early days, and gives instances of the value of "footing" and the importance of jackies thereof.

Miss H. Allen Harassers-Gray Eyes in Tales, such as Sally, some of the Bronzes by whom they belong.

The poetry of this number is by Carolyn Wilder Wells, Charles Hanson Towne and Clinton Scollard.

The Metropolitan Magazine for October is at hand. It has a number of fine paper illustrations and an interesting art of railroads and Natural River in the World, Theodore Dreiser; The New York Central Lines, H. H. Boyesen; New York's Enterprised Public Parks, H. H. Boyesen; The Mississippi River and its Tributaries, Hamlin Garland; Fishing at Sandy Hook, J. J. Boyle; Thomas Brassey; Rock Allen Henry, Jr.; Sunset Land, The Pacific Coast, Frank Lewis Jarchard; Orrin Mason, A. L. Sessions; The Month of Tuesday, Lillian Bell; Sunset Land, The Pacific Coast, Frank Lewis Jarchard; A Child Beauty, Alice L. Warner; A Freak of Memory, Grace Allen; Hunting Bears, Jim Jim Bear; Jim Jim Bear; Jim Jim Bear;