

Condensed News of the Week

Postmaster General Payne died at the Arlington hotel in Washington on October 4, of heart trouble.

An Associated Press dispatch, under date of Berlin, Oct. 3, says: "Emperor William, in fixing the course of study for Princes August William, Oscar and Joachim, has prescribed a course of lectures on commercial subjects and industrial problems and technical questions in the railway business, embracing railway problems and progress in the United States. Further lectures will be given to elucidate the relations of great international, financial and commercial houses."

An Associated Press dispatch, under date of Washington, Oct. 7, says: "The monthly report of the chief of the bureau of statistics of the department of agriculture will show the average condition of cotton on September 24 to have been 75.8, as compared with 84.1 last month, 65.1 on September 25, 1903, 58.3 on September 29, 1902, and a ten year average of 56.8."

An Associated Press dispatch, under date of Keene, N. H., Oct. 3, says: "Mrs. Denman Thompson, wife of the actor and author of the Old Homestead, died at her home in West Swansey today."

An Associated Press dispatch, under date of St. Petersburg, Oct. 3, says: "Ambassador McCormick has been granted leave of absence to go to the United States on urgent private business. He leaves here Thursday and will stop in Berlin to consult the Japanese minister there regarding the repatriation of the Japanese refugees. Mr. McCormick will sail from Cherbourg on the Hamburg-American line steamer Deutschland October 14 and probably will be away from his post for six weeks."

An Associated Press dispatch, under date of Peoria, Ill., Oct. 3, says: "It has been discovered that Bartonville, where the asylum for incurably insane is located, is the only incorporated town in the United States that does not have to levy municipal tax. The population of the town is 300 and it collects \$4,000 annually in saloon licenses."

An Associated Press dispatch, under date of St. Petersburg, Oct. 3, says: "Lieutenant General Kleighs, governor general of Kleih, has been granted leave of absence and there is strong reason to believe that this is preliminary to his supercession, as he belongs distinctly to the von Plehve regime. He formerly was prefect of police of St. Petersburg."

An Associated Press dispatch, under date of Mexico City, Oct. 4, says: "Popocatepetl, the volcano with immense sulphur deposits, was transferred to New York parties today. An American company with a capital of \$5,000,000 will operate the deposit. The company will construct a cog railway from the village of Amca Meca at the base of the mountain to the summit."

The final session of the executive council of the American federation of labor was held at Washington and the council adjourned to meet on the train which will carry them to the general convention at San Francisco about November 1.

The meteorological board of the weather bureau of the United States is in session at Chicago. The main object is to plan a revision of the meteorological charts, forms and records to be used by all weather stations throughout the United States.

Reports from Che. Foo say that meat there has reached the price of \$1.20 per pound, while eggs are sold for 20 cents each.

An Associated Press dispatch, under date of Hanover, Pa., Oct. 4, says: "Mrs. Annie Hall Grenewald, the only woman forecaster employed by the United States government, is dead at her home near here, aged 57 years. She was regarded by the farmers of York county as an authority. Mrs. Grenewald was president of the National Science club of Washington and editor of a science journal."

An Associated Press dispatch, under date of Salt Lake City, Oct. 3, says: "The St. George (Utah) Advocate, a church paper, prints a sermon delivered by President Joseph F. Smith of the

Mormon church at the conference of the St. George stake of the church, in which he counseled the people of the church against selling lands to Gentiles or aiding them in any way.

An Associated Press dispatch, under date of Worcester, Mass., Oct. 5, says: "The will of the late Senator George F. Hoar was filed today. It makes no public bequests, dividing his property between his son and daughter, Rockwood Hoar and Miss Mary Hoar, and giving his Asnebumskic estate in Paxon to his granddaughter. The will is dated January 8, 1904."

Reports from Washington say that the United States now has twenty-six wireless telegraph stations along its coast line, including the Isthmus of Panama. Preparations for the equipment of these stations are now being made by Admiral Manney, chief of the bureau of equipment of the naval department.

Miss Helen Miller Gould, who is interested in the Young Men's Christian association work along the Gould lines in the southwest, accompanied by international secretaries, C. J. Hicks and W. E. Lougee, and their wives, has started on a tour of inspection in the west and southwest. They will travel in her private car and visit as many towns as possible.

President Roosevelt has formally designated First Assistant Postmaster General Robert J. Wynnee as acting postmaster general. It is understood, however, that George B. Cortelyou, now chairman of the republican national committee will be appointed postmaster general.

The name of William H. Moody has been prominently mentioned as the successor of the late Senator Hoar. While Governor Bates says that he has not made up his mind in the matter, it is generally believed that Mr. Moody will be his choice.

Lightning struck the 30,000-barrel tank of the National Refining company at Finlay, Ohio, causing a loss of about \$200,000. When the tank exploded thousands of barrels of the oil spread over the surrounding territory, and for a while it looked as if the whole city was doomed.

Frederick Bartholdi, the French sculptor who designed the statue of Liberty, which was presented to the United States by the French government, and which stands at the entrance to New York harbor, is dead at Paris. The government has ordered that the flags on the statue of Liberty and the buildings on Bedloe's islands be half-masted out of respect for him.

An Associated Press dispatch, under date of Vienna, Oct. 5, says: "A dispatch from Fleume reports a great increase in the number of emigrants going to America by the Cunard line. There are now 3,000 awaiting passage. The authorities are unable to find accommodations for them and the minister of the interior has been requested to allow them to sleep in empty railway cars."

It is said that forty or fifty thousand cotton workers in the kingdom of Great Britain are on the verge of starvation. This condition of affairs is due to the depression in the cotton industries.

An Associated Press dispatch, under date of Washington, Oct. 5, says: "United States Treasurer Roberts has received advices of the probable arrival at San Francisco within the next few of \$2,500,000 in Australian gold sovereigns and \$858,000 in Japanese yen from Yokohama and has granted authority for the deposit of this foreign gold in San Francisco for telegraphic currency credit in New York. There is nothing unusual in the deposit of foreign gold at San Francisco, but at this season of the year the large share of the imports have usually come from the European money centers direct to New York."

An Associated Press dispatch, under date of Peoria, Ill., Oct. 5, says: "The trial of the suit to break the will of the late Washington Corrington, who left his entire estate as a trust fund to found a university in this city when it should have reached a million dollars, has commenced in the circuit court. The heirs were cut off with out a dollar. Among the witnesses called to testify as to Corrington's condition of mind was Prof. Albion W. Small of the university of Chicago. The estate consists chiefly of lands in the

vicinity of Peoria. Dr. Harper of the university of Chicago testified that he thought Corrington sane."

An Associated Press dispatch dated London, Oct. 5, says: "The Greek steamer Kelmentink, bound from the Black sea, for Antwerp, foundered recently twenty-three miles northwest of Ushant. Seventeen members of the crew, including the captain and other officers, were drowned. Eight survivors landed at Leixoes, Portugal."

Carrie Nation was sentenced to six months in jail at Wichita, Kan., for destroying property while raiding a saloon. Two women who were with her were also arrested and fined. They will appeal.

An Associated Press dispatch, under date of Boston, Mass., Oct. 7, says: "In a brief after-dinner speech delivered before the international peace congress tonight Booker T. Washington arraigned the Belgian government for the alleged outrages in the Congo Free State, declared that he had evidence of abuse and cruelty and said that a state of affairs existed that was a blot on modern civilization."

Mount Pelee, the volcano on the island of Martinique which caused the death of 40,000 people two years ago, is again in eruption. Dense clouds of black smoke and stones are emitted from the mountain.

An Associated Press dispatch, under date of St. Paul, Minn., Oct. 7, says: "The annual report of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway shows a surplus of \$3,299,919 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1904, an increase over the preceding year of \$432,336. The gross earnings amounted to \$48,330,334, and the operating expenses \$50,275,857, making the income from operations \$18,054,377, added to which is the income from other sources \$316,431, making the total income of \$18,370,908."

An Associated Press dispatch, under date of Rome, Oct. 7, says: "The war office has recalled under arms the reserves of 1903, except the cavalry and artillery. This action places about 50,000 more troops at the disposal of the governor."

Three persons lost their lives in an automobile accident in New York on October 7. The automobile went at full speed over an embankment, landing on a railway track twenty-five feet below. Just as the auto struck the track a train approached, smashed it to pieces and, besides killing three of the occupants, severely injured six others.

An Associated Press dispatch, under date of Paris, Oct. 6, says: "Acting on instructions from Washington Ambassador Porter today sent Madame Bartholdi a letter expressing the sympathy of the American people with her in the loss of her husband and appreciation of Bartholdi's sentiments toward the United States."

During a heavy fog Wednesday night the steamer Roscowitz struck a reef on Harble Down island, near Vancouver. Four passengers were drowned. The crew and 185 passengers were saved.

An Associated Press dispatch, under date of New Haven, Conn., Oct. 7, says: "In commenting on the decrease in the number of freshmen this year, the Yale News today says the rigidity in the examinations in ancient and modern languages and bad business conditions in the west, were two potent causes. The net decrease in entrances is thirty-nine in the university."

The conference arranged by local business men, between the secretaries of five labor unions, representing the 26,000 striking textile workers, at Fall River, Mass., and a committee from the cotton mills manufacturers, who signed the wage reduction, was held and came to naught. Neither party would concede a single point.

Nothing of consequence has happened during the past week in the far east. The Japanese are pressing the Koreans into service by force and it is said that the Korean people are now favorable to the Russians. The British steamer Sisham has been seized by the Japanese. The steamer carried a cargo of flour and cattle intended for Port Arthur. The Russians are preparing to send the Baltic fleet to the scene of battle in a few days.