

HARVEST TIME APPROACHING

When the Wealth of Golden Grain Will Be Garnered.

Many Rockers Are Now Working on the Various Creeks and Sluicing Will Soon Begin.

That there is a harvest time in all lands civilized and otherwise is a God-given decree, and upon the products to which every land and country is adopted depends the nature of and season in which the harvest is ripe.

In the vast wheat-growing countries of the United States and Canada the harvest time begins from the 1st to the 15th of July and continues for a month or six weeks. Further east and a little south the farmer who does not have his wheat all in "swock" by the 7th of July does not fully enjoy the celebration with which that day is accompanied in all regularly ordained county seat towns and to which nine-tenths of the farmers repair for that day.

All through these countries the expression is heard: "Over in Hoopole township a few are beginning to harvest their wheat, while here on Pumpkin ridge it won't be ripe for two weeks." "Down in Dixie land where 'cotton am king, sab,' the harvest time does not begin until the middle of September, nor close for eight or ten weeks later, there is invariably some one to begin in advance of his neighbors, and in the cotton country such harvest time expressions are heard as "cotton bowls has been a bustin down on Possum Trot fer nigh onto two weeks, while up to Carrot valley they are plum green yet."

Before the crop is one-fourth part harvested on Possum Trot, work has begun in Carrot valley and together, the work in both places goes merrily on.

The staple product of the Yukon is neither wheat nor cotton, but here there is a harvest time the same as if agriculture was the one pursuit of the country. This country is now on the threshold of her annual harvest time, and already expressions similar to those heard in the first days of the wheat and cotton garnering seasons are now being heard here such as "over on Eldorado 40 rockers are running," and "sluicing will be going on on hundreds of claims in less than two weeks," etc.

The harvest time of the Klondike has begun and will continue, as does the cotton harvest, from eight to ten weeks.

Here, instead of walking over his fields and plantation to estimate the season's yield, the owner walks around and over his dump. He knows to within a very few the exact number of buckets or the exact number of cubic yards in that dump, and he also knows what per cent came from the rich drift and how much came from the ones not so rich. With this information to base his valuations upon, he is able to compute to within a few hundreds of dollars the value of his output and how much of it will be profit when all expenses are deducted.

It is known to a certainty that this season's output will far exceed that of all previous years, the principal reason for the increase being the great number of modern appliances in the way of steam thawers that have been operated during the past fall and winter. Owing to the increase in the size of the dumps over those of previous years, the longer will be the time consumed in the necessary work of washing out, as the means for accomplishing the latter have not advanced in line with the matter of thawing the ground.

Within the coming two months the demand for labor on the creeks will be greater than at any time during the past year. Already has the exodus from the city to the creeks begun, there being several hundred fewer men seen on the streets now than ten days ago. The harvest time is here and with the usual increased demand for labor which, by the way, is to be had in abundance.

Accompanying the glad season is a general revival in all branches of trade and industry, and from now until the curtains of winter are once more pinned down by Boreas, Dawson and the Yukon will be a delight and a continuous arena of life, business and pleasure.

A Thrilling Adventure.

The report has been brought from Chilliwack of a unique and thrilling experience of one of the men employed at the Mount Baker mines, not very far from that town, and if the facts are as narrated, the man's escape from instant death would seem to be miraculous to all who are accustomed to see nothing but ruin in the track of the avalanche. It appears that the man, whose name

is Frank Healey, was on the snow roof, which protects the offices and other buildings of the mines, which about the precipice, from the snow-slides, and he was clearing away the snow which had accumulated to a considerable depth against the smoke stack. In doing this he started a snow slide which carried him off his feet, and this was the last his comrades saw of him. They considered it a foregone conclusion, that the man was a "goner" and one who carried the news to Chilliwack, said it would be useless to try and find the body for three months, when the snow should have melted. What must have been the surprise of the miners, therefore, when Healey walked into camp, a couple of days after. Though particulars of how he escaped injury or death have not yet been received, his experiences, when being borne at a terrific speed on the snow slide over rocks, trees, etc., would make interesting reading. As far as the matter has been explained, Healey, by being practically on the rear end of the slide, had his track pretty well cleared for him by the solid body of snow which supported him, and in this way he traveled fully 3000 feet. Mr. Carlisle, the manager of the mine, states that the course of the avalanche lay over at least one bluff where there is a drop of between 200 and 300 feet. Near the point where the slide ceased from sliding, and Healey came to a halt, is a shack which is used by the miners on their way up and down the trail to the mine, and which is distant about five miles from the mine by this route. In this shack were some stores, and when Healey came to himself he made for this shack, and soon made himself quite comfortable, and after a good night's rest returned to the mines by the trail.

The extraordinary tale is vouched for by several responsible parties, and it seems Healey has had a truly unique experience.—New Westminster Columbian.

Oriental Peace Reigns.

According to news from Japan by the steamer Idzumi Maru there is now a general disposition to regard the chances of trouble between Japan and Russia as having altogether disappeared for the present, says the Victoria Times. The rumors which were so frequent some time ago, have died away and to outward appearance at least the prospect is calm and smooth. Commenting on the fact that the Japanese government agreed to pass on certain guns to the British government that were being constructed for Japan, the vernacular papers say this seems to indicate that Japanese statesmen do not anticipate any early necessity for their use against possible enemies of their country. The Kobe Herald, however, thinks that notwithstanding this fact the trouble is by no means extinct. It says:

"From a general point of view, too, it would no doubt be correct to assume that there is at present no particular set of circumstances in existence which can give rise to trouble. But the situation, as a whole, remains the same. Some remarks from our Korean correspondent show that there is no real diminution in the probable causes of trouble there. And these causes have always been very apparent and have constantly grown. The juxtaposition of the two powers there and in China wants much rearrangement before the seeds of discord can be recognized as absolutely extinct. And such rearrangement is by the nature of things impossible.

"The Russians say that in five years they will make a large town and build up a trade in Masampo. So far the Russian steamers carry but little cargo. The Korean wants nothing which Russia can supply. All these are far better supplied from Europe and Japan. On the other hand Japan consumes just what Korea produces—rice, beans, peas, etc. Japan buys nearly all. Japan has her own merchants scattered all over the country buying up the grains. Japan has her own shipping companies. The merchant will take good care to send to Japan by Japanese steamers, and goods coming from Europe via Hong Kong and Shanghai may share a little with the Russian lines, but that will not make much difference, and certainly will not build up a Fusan or Chemulpo in Masampo in five or six years. Perhaps Russia schemes for a military port with hotels, cafes, drinking saloons, stores and all these other things which are met with in naval ports. However, all this has yet to be seen."

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PERRY MAKES GOOD TIME.

Reaches Skaguay on the Eleventh Day from Dawson.

Stopped Two Days at Whitehorse on Official Business—Probably Left for Below.

Major A. B. Perry, who, accompanied by his son, Kenneth, left here for the outside on April 5th, en route to Ottawa, in response to a telegram calling on him to report there at once, would arrive at Skaguay yesterday evening, having made the best time made on the route this year with a horse. A telegram was received from the major yesterday which was filed at Caribou at noon Sunday. As Caribou is but 28 miles from Bennett he would probably make the latter place Sunday night, in which event he would catch the train Monday morning and reach Skaguay at noon. The British steamer Cutch was in Skaguay harbor Sunday, and in case she made the usual stay it is possible that Major Perry and his son are now on the deep blue sea en route to Victoria.

As it was, they made Skaguay on the 11th day out from Dawson, notwithstanding the fact that a lay-over of two days was made at Whitehorse, where a regular post of the N.W. M. P. is being established, and where the major's official presence was necessary. From Dawson to Bennett—by horse and sled over the ice in a little more than eight days' actual travel is remarkably good time; and to Major Perry and son belongs the broom.

PERSONAL MENTION.

J. A. Steinback is visiting the city. Sid Perry is spending a few days in town.

J. A. Elwell is a guest at the Fairview.

G. Miller is enjoying a short vacation in the city.

F. N. Johnson is stopping at the Fairview.

C. S. Cameron is among the guests at the Fairview.

Alfred Robinson is making a brief visit to the city.

R. C. Rusk came to town from the creeks Sunday evening.

W. H. Welch, of No. 27 Eldorado, is in town on business.

Frank Phiscator and his wife arrived from the outside Sunday.

George H. Byrne is shaking hands with his Dawson acquaintances.

W. H. Rush is visiting friends in the city. He is registered at the Fairview.

S. E. Jackson arrived from the creeks Sunday. He will visit Dawson for several days.

John S. Doyle, well-known in the Klondike, returned Sunday from a trip to the outside.

R. J. Hitts left today for his claim on Last Chance creek, where he will remain till after the cleanup.

Miss M. McCormick, who has been visiting Miss Mayner on 18 below upper Dominion, for three past two weeks, returned to the city Friday.

Mr. Gil Edgar, of 18 below upper Dominion, was in town last week on a flying trip and returned Sunday morning to complete arrangements for the spring sluicing which will commence in about two weeks.

What They Want.

Notwithstanding the Associated Press reports Alaskans in Washington City to the contrary, Mount St. Elias is not the proper point at which to divide Alaska, nor do we want to be called Seward territory.

Alaska should be divided, it is true, and that at an early date, but all of the southern part, including the entire Sitka land district, should be included in one territory; while the Yukon country and Arctic slope, that country which is naturally tributary to the Yukon river, should be included in another territory. With that portion of the district bordering on the Gulf of Alaska, including the Alaskan peninsula, in one territory there can be no question to its right to retain the name of Alaska. Such is the name of its principal geographical features and such should be the name of the political division. The other territory, which will be to the north, should be given the name of its principal geographical feature, namely, Yukon.

In a very few years there should be at least two states where the district of Alaska now lies—the state of Alaska and the state of Yukon.—Alaskan.

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