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HOPS.

The Hop Regions of Wisconsin—Hop Pickers and Who They Are.

A correspondent of the Chicago *Republican*, writing from Baraboo, Wisconsin describes the great hop growing region of Sauk county. We make a few extracts:

For many years the only hop-yard in thi county was one of three or four acres, in the Village of Lyons. In 1861-62 the people hereabouts began to awaken to a knowledge of the enormous profits to be derived from that branch of agriculture, and, with a rapidity almost beyond comprehension, the farms and gardens of a hundred townships have, since that time, been converted into hop yards.

In Sauk, Juneau, and Columbia counties, the number of acres to be harvested this season exceeds that of any previous year by more than one hundred per cent.

"All the world and his wife"—aye, and his wife's "relations," and his children, and grand children, too, are hop pickers here. It is a matter of economy, of absolute necessity. A competent nurse, employed at from $2 to $3 per diem, will take charge of a half dozen babies-in-arms, and save a corresponding number of hands to to the hop growers. That the crop be promptly gathered concerns not merely the producer and the dealer, but every citizen to an equal extent. The gold of the banker; the goods and exchange of the merchant; the lands and homestead of the speculator; the pauper's crust, and the poor laborer's daily bread, hang on the vine-circled poles; and all these are equally periled by delay.

Yet not alone is it this necessity which attracts the women so universally to the hop yards. A very large share of these go for the wages. A considerable number are enticed by the certainty of enjoying a season of roistering fun, with plenty of company. But, to complete the list, the wives and daughters of the wealthy go hop picking, as they allege, solely for "the benefit of their health." The expression has become a current joke among the pickers generally. With a praiseworthy spirit of martyrdom do these liopeful seekers for health pursue their object. Cold, foggy mornings, and dismal rainy days, damp not their courage, nor shake their resolution. Toothache, neuralgia, rheumatism cast not a shadow o'er their confidence. Nothing short of a sudden reduction of the wages paid, strange as it may appear, can effect that object.

Yet all the resident pickers, old and young, form but an insignificant fraction of the force required to gather the harvest. The entire population of this county town, numbering some three or four thousand, are employed within a radius of one and a half or two miles from their homes. Several hundred are engaged in the limits of the town itself.

Last year, as was estimated from the most reliable sources, 40,000 people—the greater number women—came into Sauk county alone, during the hop picking season. At this time, the present season being nearly twice as large as the last, it is generally conceded that there can be but few less than 75,000 strangers in this one county, and from 140,000 to 150,000 in all the hop region.

The vast army of harvesters come together from every point, near or remote in the State, and from hundreds of places in Northern Illinois. A very large majority of those who come only from adjacent counties, within a range of, say, fifty miles in either direction, have been engaged by contract, by some of the most extensive growers, since mid-summer, or earlier, and many since the picking of last year. There were agents who made a point to travel through remote counties, east and south, and secure hands in this way, but they soon found that the advantage of this course promised to be mainly found on the side of the pickers, in view of a decline in wages at harvest time, and they accordingly closed the contract business. Thirty cents per box was at that time offered, then forty cents, and many thousands would have been secured at that price, but that they indignantly refused these terms, expecting fifty or sixty cents, and willing to work for no less than the former at any time. Those who were foolish enough to engage for less, have disregarded their contracts since, and get full pay. The hop-growers are completely at their mercy.

Fully one-half of the harvest is ripened and ready for the box at one and the same time. It must be gathered as promptly as the greatest number of hands who can work in the yard and be accommodated in the house can do the work. Delay is perilous; lice, rust and mildew may begin their ravages at any moment and destroy thousands of capital, while hundreds only can be secured.

The Singular Phenomenon of the Eruption.

During the whole of July Mount Vesuvius has been in a state of greater or less eruption, and has exhibited a most magnificent spectacle. For four months within a few days, it has been continuously pouring forth lava in spite of the predictians of the learned that the end was drawing near; so that our professors are under the necessity of distinguishing three phases of the eruption—the first extending from the night of the 12th or 13th of November to the 15th of January; the second from the 15th of January to the 11th of February, during which interval it exhibited great varieties with less activity; the third from the 11th of February to the present time, a period of diminution according to Palmiera, though appearances and daily reports are such as to refute the hypothesis. About the beginning of this latter period little lava flowed, and the impression was that the eruption was about over; but on the 12th greater activity, which continued to the 15th of February, was observed; the detonations were loud, generally in the morning and evening; some stones were thrown out, and then comparative silence ensued. During these two or three days several shocks of earthquake were registered, and the apparatus of variation was disturbed. A few sublimates were collected on the summit, but not sufficient to mark the end of the eruption. On the 17th yet greater activity was perceptible, and its periodicity was confirmed; twice a day Vesuvius put forth all its energies, interesting equally the scientific and the curious. The guides of Vesuvius who reside in Resina say that in their town great shocks were felt, sufficient to make their doors and windows tremble. Columns of stones, they add, were shot into the air at the height of three hundred metres, something little short of nine hundred feet. The lava, too progressed considerably, forming at the foot of the cone five different streams, which poured over like cascades. On the 18th the great cone began again to roar with considerable violence, and two shocks of earthquake were felt distinctly in Resina, the very summit of the cone fell in, forming by the obstruction of the material three creaters, which threw out large quantities of stone, and offered, as it were a magnificent display of fire-works. The entire cone trembled, too, as if shaken by an earthquake, for four or five seconds, while later in the day the lava forced an opening in the direction of the Piano delle Ginistere, and flowed onward in a stream of full ten metres in width. From this time to the end of the month the mountain has continued to thunder, and to throw out masses of red-hot lava, which, dividing into many streams, presents at a great distance a spectacle of great beauty. Frequent, though slight, shocks have been felt at Resina, and, indeed, other places in the immediate neighborhood, but they create no alarm, as the people are so accustomed to their return. On the night, however, of the 27th, there was one unusually strong. It seems now to be confirmed that the volcano acts under lunar influence. In truth, the perlods of its greatest eruption get every day about half an hour later, coinciding with the evolutions of the planet. I have only to note the nature of the materials which have been thrown out during the third phase. The ashes and sublimates have been in small quantities, which, according to Palmiera's own assertion on several occasions, indicate that the eruption is not near its termination. The sublimates which have appeared, however, on the smoke holes, have been chloride of copper and lead, while the absence of chloride of iron has been noted as remarkable, although on the top of the cone it has been united with "oligisto" iron. The concourse of visitors is greater than ever.

Soldiers' Pay and Bounty.

As an evidence of the immense disbursements of the Government during the past fiscal year, occasioned by the war, and partially accounting for the increase in the public debt, as per last statement, a few figures have been obtained from the records of the Treasury Department. It is ascertained that the pay and bounty division of the Second Auditor's office, during the past fiscal year, adjudicated 102,000 claims of deceased and discharged soldiers, involving an amount of $19,500,000. The number of claims of the same class rejected—during the same time was 41,000, making a total of 293,000 claims disposed of, carrying money ranging in sums from $25 to $500 into 162,000 families—mostly the poor. More than 500,000 letters were written, in addition to the numerous printed circulars and blanks mailed from the office. No frauds were committed, and the mistakes will not amount to one-tenth of one per cent. of the amount collected. Of the 900,000 claims filed in the Department since the war began, 80,000 remain yet to be disposed of. These are mostly complicated cases, difficult of settlement, and many of which have been suspended for additional evidence. On the 1st of September there were twenty-six thousand additional bounty claims on file.

An attempt was recently made at Chalons to poison Marshal Bazaine and a number of other prominent French Generals. An investigation led to such startling results that the whole force hitherto employed at the staff kitchen was replaced by other men, and several of the military cooks are still in custody. Bazaine is extremely unpopular among his brother officers. When blunt old general Husson recently entered the staff-tent where Marshal Bazaine and half a dozen Generals were assembled, the veteran exclaimed, "How do you, Generals?" shook hands with all the Generals, and took no notice of Bazaine. The soldiers now shout, whenever Bazaine makes his appearance, "How do you, Generals?"

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