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SUICIDE WAS WORTH A MILLION

Edward Steinhauser, Young Pittsburger, Goes to Cheap Hotel to End His Life—Mourned Dead Brother

Pittsburg, Oct. 31.—Edward Steinhauser, a member of an old family and worth more than a million dollars, killed himself in the American House, a cheap hotel, where he was unknown.

It was believed at first that he had been plunging on the wrong side of the market, and had also been grieving over the death of a younger brother. He left a letter addressed to a friend, but this gave no satisfactory explanation of his motive. A secret and more serious motive was hinted at by the police.

Steinhauser, who was thirty-eight years old and popular, registered at the American House as "W. Lawrence," and requested a large, airy, clean room. When he got to it he ordered stationery, then a few minutes later the sound of a shot and a falling body called attendants to the apartment and they found him dead, with a hole through his head and a revolver in his hand. On the dresser was this letter, addressed to W. S. Wilson, an old friend and neighbor:

"Dear Billy—Break the news to the dear ones at home. Tillie and mamma are at Annie's for supper, but grandma is at home. I cannot help this. Forgive me, dear friends, I cannot rest until I am with George."

"Don't phone about this. You might startle them. And, Will, have my body fixed up right before it is taken home. Let them remember me as I was. Goodbye old pal, good-bye."

"Annie," proved to be a married sister of the suicide. She, her sister, Tillie, and the mother were prostrated at the news. "George" was a younger brother, who died some years ago under very sad circumstances.

His father was a wealthy brewer and owned much valuable suburban real estate. He died several years ago, leaving more than \$1,000,000 to his son, Edward Steinhauser, who was unmarried.

Steinhauser was heavily interested in a steamship line in Nicaragua, and spent much of the last two years in that country. He had been making preparations for his return there. Mrs. Steinhauser, his mother, was in Pittsburg during part of the day, and the son first made certain that she had returned to her daughter's on the North Side before he went to the hotel.

SUBSTITUTE FOR COTTON IS TRIED

High Price of Staple Leads Germans to Experiment with Kapok—Are Successful

Berlin, Nov. 1.—Owing to the high price of cotton, the German textile experts have been turning their attention to other fibres that might be used as a substitute for it. Recently a spinning company at Chamnitz has succeeded in spinning the fibre contained in the seeds of the Kapok, or silk cotton tree of the tropics. In its natural state, this fibre cannot be spun owing to its extreme brittleness, but Professor Goldberg, of Chamnitz, has discovered a method of treating to make it spinable, and the yarn is described as having a soft silky feeling.

The fibre has hitherto been used as a padding material for furniture and in making pillows and similar articles and it has answered this purpose so well that the cultivation of Kapok has already been introduced into the German colonies of New Guinea and East Africa. The fibre has the advantage of being considerably cheaper than cotton, but no information is at hand showing the wearing qualities of fabrics made from Kapok yarn.

RUSSIAN PLAN TO ADVERTISE PRODUCTS

Steamer to be Sent to a Number of Ports in Near East

Berlin, Nov. 1.—The floating Russian expedition leaving Odessa in the latter part of November to advertise Russian productions in the ports of the Near East, will be one of the best steamers in the Russian Steamship & Trading Co., the Emperor Nikolai III. The novelty of the plan and the principle idea of it have caused most of the other firms trading in the Near East to apply for a share so that the shares are fewer than the applicants.

The ship will visit among other places Varna, Constantinople, Smyrna, Port Said, Alexandria, Tripolis, Beyrut, Mersina, Alexandria, Pireus and Saloniki.

FIVE BATTLESHIPS TO BE SOLD FOR THE JUNK HEAP

Washington, Nov. 1.—Iron and steel manufacturers have received requests to submit offers on one of the most notable piles of scrap iron ever put up for sale, nearly one half of the Ottoman navy, as it appeared on paper. On Nov. 11 bids will be received by the Porte for the sale of five battleships. Their construction made Turkey the third naval power in the world, their destruction at a time when that country ranks near the bottom of the list of naval powers, is a step by the

MRS. WRIGHT PRESIDENT AGAIN, NOT SURE SHE WILL ACCEPT OFFICE

Majority Only Four Over Mrs. Asa Gordon in Dominion W. C. T. U. Election Today—Would Like Larger—Union in States Asks Action Against Border Houses

The meetings of the Dominion W. C. T. U. Convention were continued in Centenary Church school room this morning. The session was long and interesting and it was almost 1 o'clock before adjournment was made. Many reports were read at this morning's session, and the election of a president for the next term took place. Mrs. S. R. Wright, of Toronto, receiving the position with a slight majority over Mrs. Asa Gordon, of Ottawa.

The customary prayer service led by Mrs. Gordon, was held in the parlors before the convention opened in the Sunday school.

The convention was called to order by the president at 9:45, and opened with the responsive singing of the hymn, "My Faith Looks Up to Thee," led by Mrs. Asa Gordon, who also acted as accompanist.

An expression of pleasure was given by the members present at the attendance of Mrs. S. G. E. McKee, who, through a slight accident, was confined to her hotel for a few days.

A resolution was adopted that a telegram expressing sympathy be sent to a former Dominion president, Mrs. Foster of Knowlton, Quebec, and a telegram of greeting to the honorary president, Mrs. Annie O. Rutherford, of Toronto.

A telegram was received from the National Union in the United States, urging the Dominion convention to endeavor as much as possible to stamp out the evils accruing on the border from the situation of certain houses of notoriety along the boundary line. These houses were regular saloons, and were so constructed that one (Continued on page 3, second column)

DR. JOHNSON ACCEPTS M.P.A.A.A. PRESIDENCY

Meeting of Executive Called For Nov. 10—St. John Committee

H. D. Johnson, M. D., of Charlottetown, has accepted the office of president of the M. P. A. A. A. L. B. McMillan, of Charlottetown, is secretary. A. W. Covey, of St. John, is junior vice-president, and will act with two other gentlemen as a St. John committee for the association.

The bulletin with the official announcement of the new president and secretary has been issued. Mr. Lithgow has received letters from the new officials asking him to call a meeting of the executive committee at Halifax for the formal taking over of the book, and suggesting that in the meantime he act as president. Mr. Lithgow has called a meeting of the executive for Nov. 10, the day following the indoor championships. In the meantime applications for sanctions can be made to him or to Charlottetown.

JUSTICE MOODY GOES TO HOSPITAL

Boston, Mass., Nov. 1.—Associate Justice William H. Moody of the United States supreme court, was taken from his home in Brookline to the Corey Hill Hospital in Haverhill in an automobile yesterday to undergo special treatment under the eye of experts for rheumatism.



Justice Moody was accompanied by a nurse and made the trip "in comparative safety," according to a statement issued by the physicians.

DOMINION COTTON MILLS TO RUN ON SHORT TIME

Montreal, Nov. 1.—(Special)—As a result of the high price of cotton, the Dominion Textile Company has decided to run on short time. The cut in hours will be from twenty to twenty-five per cent. This company has mills here, at Margot and at Montmorency. Seven thousand employees are affected altogether.

It was stated by an official of the Cornwall & York Cotton mills in answer to an inquiry, that the local mills have been running on full time and would continue to do so as far as they know now. The Dominion Textile Co., have mills in Halifax, Moncton and Windsor, but the Cornwall & York mills are not connected with the concern in any way.

THE COUNTRY MARKET

New York, Nov. 1.—Cotton futures opened steady, November offered 14.60, December, 14.85, January, 14.75, March, 14.82, May, 14.88, June, 14.80, July, 14.83, August, 14.89, September, 14.40.

ne regime to regain the empire's lost prestige. New ships will take the place of the discarded ones.

Sir Richard Gamble of the British navy, with a number of subordinate English officers, is now engaged in reorganizing the Turkish navy. They have decreed that the policy of pretense must end, and at the time the names of the five vessels are struck from the list of battleships as ineffective they would be sold to the highest bidder as junk. The dealers throughout the world have been invited to bid.

EACH PARTY DECLARES ITS MEN WILL WIN

The Day Before the New York Election—Tammany Funds Distributed

New York, Nov. 1.—New York's mayoralty campaign this year will be carried right up to election eve, and tonight speeches in various parts of the city will be made. William R. Hearst, the leader of the civic alliance, closed his campaign last night in a great meeting at Madison Square Garden.

This is distribution day at Tammany Hall. The leaders of the Tammany districts received their final instructions from Leader Murphy. The leaders were given funds for electioneering purposes, and all were told to use every effort to bring out the full democratic vote. Mr. Murphy said today that Judge Gaylor would be elected without any doubt. "I must decline to make public any figures which I have received from the various districts," he said. "It would appear that Mr. Hearst will run second in the race, and Mr. Barnard third."

Herbert Parsons, who has charge of the Republican campaign, asserted that Barnard will be elected by about 70,000 votes over Gaylor, and by 120,000 over Hearst. He predicted an overwhelming plurality for the rest of the Republican fusion ticket. The Hearst forces declare that the Gaylor campaign has completely collapsed and that Mr. Hearst will be elected by a tremendous vote.

ANOTHER VICTIM OF FOOTBALL

Rov Spybuck, Indian Player, Dies of Injuries Received Saturday

Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 1.—Rov Spybuck, 19 years old, an Indian football player, of the second team of the Haskell Indian Institute Lawrence, Kas., died last night of his injuries suffered in a game at Buckner (Mo.), Saturday.

Spybuck played right tackle, and as he dived for the ball, he slipped and struck his head. Henry Spybuck, the young man's father, is a full blood Wyandotte Indian.

CANADIAN FOOTBALL RESULTS SATURDAY

Toronto, Ont., Nov. 1.—(Special)—The Ottawa Rough Riders scored fourteen to three against the Montreal Alouettes in the provincial football game here on Saturday.

In an Ontario Rugby football game, seniors, the Toronto Athletic Club beat Parkdale ten to six.

Kingston, Ont., Nov. 1.—(Special)—In a brisk game of Rugby on Saturday afternoon the Queen's defeated McGill in the senior intercollegiate game by 19 to 12. The half time score was 6 to 0 in Queens favor.

Montreal, Nov. 1.—Montreal's Rugby team succumbed to the time-worn veterans from Hamilton in an interprovincial game here on Saturday, 24 to 1. The half time score was 16 to 0. The locals were simply overwhelmed, and although they played a steady game, the match was an entirely one-sided one.

JAP COMMISSIONERS IN WASHINGTON NOW

Washington, Nov. 1.—Forty-six of the leading bankers, manufacturers and the leading business men of Japan, members of the commercial commission touring the country, arrived here this morning and are on a three days' inspection of the national capital.

Officials of the state department and the Japanese embassy took the distinguished party in hand and will continue with it until the banquet Wednesday evening that will complete the visitors' sojourn here.

TO RESTORE CHAPEL OF THE ROSARY

Venice, Nov. 1.—It has been decided to begin the reconstruction of the famous Chapel of the Rosary, which was erected to commemorate the battle of Lepanto, a naval victory won in 1571 by the Italian and Spanish fleets over the Turks. The chapel was badly damaged by fire in 1867.

GOLD WAS CHEAPER

London, Nov. 1.—The Bank of England secured the \$2,500,000 gold available in the market today at 76, 74, a decline of a farthing.

MORE RURAL POPULATION IS NEEDED

Rev. James Crisp Discusses New Brunswick Before Evangelical Alliance—No Preacher Yet For Campaign

The members of the Evangelical Alliance this morning listened to a very interesting and comprehensive paper dealing with the physical, agricultural, commercial and religious conditions in New Brunswick. The paper was prepared by Rev. Dr. James Crisp and he was warmly commended for his work. Several members spoke in support of the suggestion made by Mr. Crisp that the alliance should interest itself in the problem of immigration in this province.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Rev. James Crisp, Rev. J. C. B. Appel read a portion of scripture and Archdeacon Raymond led in prayer.

The Evangelistic Campaign

Rev. G. A. Ross reported for the committee on evangelism. He said he had received a reply from Rev. Dr. Conrad, of Boston, regretting that he was unable to come here to address the people as requested. He suggested Rev. Dr. H. E. Manchester, of East Boston, Dr. Manchester had written, however, that he would be unable to come here in November, but he might come in December. He suggested Dr. McPhee, secretary of the Evangelical Alliance of Boston.

The committee, said Rev. Mr. Ross, would arrange for some suitable speaker to come and take charge of the campaign. Rev. David Hutchinson said he thought the members of the alliance knew enough about the matter before their congregations in prayer meetings and at other services.

Rev. T. Hunter Boyd, of Waycote, made a brief address expressing his interest in the alliance work.

Rev. S. W. Anthony reported for the committee on the week of prayer that they recommended services in the south and in January. St. Gregory Methodist church and in Stone church or some other Anglican church, and that local speakers be utilized. Rev. J. J. McCaskill said that the north end churches would all hold services.

On motion of Rev. H. Raymond the report of the committee was received and the committee instructed to continue their plans for a programme.

Services in Boys' Home

The chairman said that Mr. McDonald, superintendent of the Boy's Industrial Home had asked him if service could be held on Sunday afternoons.

Rev. Mr. Appel said that he was arranging to conduct services there on Sunday afternoons during November. He thought much good work could be done and suggested that the boys might be brought in to service in the churches.

Rev. Mr. McCaskill suggested that as the morning services on Sunday did not commence until 11 o'clock the clergymen of the city might hold services there at 9 o'clock Sunday mornings. There was a willingness to take a month of such services.

The services in the churches, however, were not enough. Rev. Mr. Heaney, Rev. Mr. Camp, Rev. Mr. Bishop, Rev. Mr. Graham and others discussed the matter.

It was stated that there were twenty-five to thirty boys in the institution half of whom were Protestants.

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GEBHARDT SUSPECTED IN OLD CASE

Ontario Murder Story of Four Years Ago Revived By New York Arrest—Lash For Crimes Against Women

Hamilton, Ont., Nov. 1.—(Special)—The story of the Barton township murder of 1905 has been revived by the confession of Fred Gebhardt, alias Otto Mueller, to the New York police, that he had committed several murders.

Gebhardt's victims have been women, and the circumstances are similar to those which surround the killing of and unfortunate woman in Barton township four years ago. In the description of the man is said to tally in some respects with that of a man seen with the murdered woman.

Toronto, Nov. 1.—(Special)—More than thirty persons, convicted in criminal sessions of various crimes, were sentenced on Saturday by Judge Winchester. The longest sentence imposed was on Dr. Stephen B. Pollard, found guilty of illegal operation, was given five years in Kingston penitentiary. John Boucek, Frederick Ward and Robert McArthur, convicted of crimes against women, were sentenced each to two years in the penitentiary, with thirty lashes.

"Mickey" Lons, the lacrosse player, who assaulted George Kalls in a game here, was sentenced to ten days in jail.

Toronto, Nov. 1.—(Special)—Letters of administration have been applied for by Judge Morison in connection with the disposition of the estate left by Harry Wyatt of Wyatt & Company, brokers, who failed recently, as Wyatt left no will. The estate totals \$13,600, and is all personality, and does not include all insurance, most of which will be paid to the widow direct.

Besides his widow, the next in line to share is a five year old son, Dicky Wyatt. The liabilities of the estate aggregate more than \$110,000.

MR. McBRIDE'S RAILWAY SCHEME ATTEMPT TO HOODWINK PUBLIC

British Columbia Premier Gets Hot Shot From Government Organ in Victoria—Practical Railway Man Throws Another Bombshell Into Conservative Camp

Toronto, Ont., Nov. 1.—(Special)—A Globe special from Victoria, (B. C.) says: "The government organ this morning published what Premier McBride states to be the contract with the Canadian Northern. It turns out not to be the contract at all, but a preliminary agreement. It does not meet public expectation in the matter at all, and the opinion of all classes is that it is an attempt to hoodwink the public."

"The terms are guarantee of bonds for \$30,000 a mile and exemption from taxation for ten years. Liberal criticism in the province has expressed itself by submitting to the legislature before dissolution was asked for, in the same manner as followed by the federal government in the matter of construction of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway."

"T. W. Paterson, a practical railway builder of long experience, who sat in the legislature for one term, threw a bombshell into the McBride camp this morning by exposing the true insincerity of the Canadian Northern contract. He declares the government got absolutely no security, and under the proposed agreement MacKenzie & Mann can go to the money market and raise all the money they want for which the province would have to guarantee."

"He says the clause providing that the line in British Columbia should be of the same standard as in the prairie sections is faulty inasmuch as in some sections of the prairie the grades are excessive."

"Mr. Paterson denounced the whole contract or agreement as a bold attempt to sell the province into the clutches of the Canadian Northern."

G. P. R. WILL NOT ACCEPT TERMS OF HARBOR TRANSFER

Matter to Come Before Aldermen Today—Durant Likely to Get Site—The Berths

A meeting of the harbor board is being held this afternoon to allot the berths for the steamship lines for the coming winter. The Allans have applied for No. 1, but the general opinion seems to be that the allotment will be the same as last year, namely—Nos. 1, 2 and 3, G. P. R. No. 4, Donaldson, No. 5, Allans, with No. 6 as spare berth.

The sugar refinery proposition of E. C. Durant will again be taken up for consideration and some arrangement will probably be made for granting a site where the I. C. P. R. tracks now run from the Ballast wharf to Reed's Point. It is stated that the Strait Shore site would not be acceptable to Mr. Durant, even if it could be secured.

The agreement regarding the transfer of the west side harbor lots to the government for the use of the G. P. R. will also probably come up for discussion.

The G. P. R. have declined to agree to the provisions of the agreement drawn up by the recorder and it will probably be decided whether a delegation should be sent to Montreal on the G. P. R. asked to submit a counter proposition.

ITO'S BODY BROUGHT TO HIS HOMETOWN

Tokio, Nov. 1.—The warship Iwate with the body of Prince Ito on board arrived at Yokosuka, a little before ten o'clock this morning.

The warship went to Count Inouye, who was Prince Ito's closest friend, Marquis Katsura, the premier, Vice-Admiral Baron Minoru Saito and Baron Simpei Gotto, minister of communications.

Tokio, Nov. 1.—The body of Prince Ito was received in this city this afternoon with honors consistent with the distinguished career of the Japanese statesman. From Yokosuka a special train brought the body to Tokyo. The scene at the railroad station here was remarkable. The platform was filled with the most distinguished representatives of public and private life, among those thus paying honor to the slain prince, including five princes, ministers and members of the cabinet.

At Yokosuka the privilege of guarding the casket had been relinquished by the navy and assumed by the army, and here it was placed in a carriage and drawn by troops to the Ito home. The route was lined with hundreds of thousands of mourners and from every house was displayed flags and crepe, the latter being of bright colors, as is the custom in Japan. The body will lie in state at the late residence of the prince until the funeral on Thursday.

ENGLISHMEN EATEN BY CANNIBAL TRIBE

Manila, Nov. 1.—Rear-Admiral Schree reports that when the United States Pacific fleet touched at Admiralty Islands it was learned that recently cannibals captured a boat containing three Englishmen and three Chinese. One of the Englishmen who escaped through the connivance of a friendly islander, said that his companions had been killed and eaten.

There have been repeated reports of attacks by savages upon shipwrecked sailors in Polynesia during the past few weeks, and it is possible that the story told by the fleet is another version of the massacre at New Britain in September. In that instance, Capt. Conroy and his crew of ten of the Ketch Rabaul, and his crew on a trading expedition, were said to have been killed, and their bodies burned with their boats.

MR. CAHAN DEFENDS THE CEMENT MERGER

Montreal, Que., Nov. 1.—(Special)—A reply was made to the charges by the Canadian Union of Municipalities today by C. H. Cahan, president of the Canada Cement Merger. He says that the merger has not yet taken over the factories of component companies and has not yet organized its selling department. Therefore, he claims that, though some companies may have raised prices, the charge is entirely absurd as regards the merger.

One of the oldest telegraph operators in the province is dead—Alex. McNaughton, who has been in the service of the G. N. W. for more than fifty-five years.

WALL STREET TODAY

New York, Nov. 1.—Holidays in foreign markets subtracted something from the usual opening business here. Buying orders were in the ascendant and prices advanced. Union Pacific and American Car rose 1/2, Erie and Pressed Steel Car large fractions. Vulcan Detinning Ltd sold at an advance of 2. International Pump declined 3/4.

CHOLERA AND BUBONIC

Amoy, China, Nov. 1.—It is officially reported that there were fifty-two deaths from cholera and seventy-eight deaths from the bubonic plague in this city during the fortnight ending Saturday last.

LOSE NO WORK WHILE FIGHT GOES ALONG

Important Move Against White Plague—Victims in Early Stages Cared For After Working Hours

New York, Nov. 1.—In order that men in the first stage of tuberculosis may be enabled to continue their work, and contribute to the support of their families while undergoing treatment, a "Night Tuberculosis Camp" will be inaugurated tomorrow at the New York Throat, Nose and Lung Hospital, East Fifty-seventh street.

The institution was first to establish a special clinic for tuberculosis, supplying food as well as medical care. This was in 1894. Now the officials of the hospital believe they are taking an even more effective way of fighting the scourge.

Some time ago the building next door to the hospital—a Jewish synagogue—was vacated and secured for a nominal sum. The problem of securing funds for equipment was solved when Mmme. Calve and several other eminent artists offered their services for a benefit concert, which took place last March.

The Plan

The functions of the night camp, as described by Dr. Edward J. Berningham, surgeon-in-chief of the medical staff, as follows:—

"Our night camp idea is the most practical and humane step which has yet been taken in the war on tuberculosis," said Dr. Berningham. "In incipient or moderately advanced stages of the disease, men who are still able to attend to business, but who under another treatment would be forced to stop work, can now support their families and go to work regularly. This will sometimes even preserve many homes that would otherwise be broken up."

"In our night camp we shall take absolute charge of our patients during all the hours except those when they are actually at business. The men will sleep here and will take two, and, wherever possible, three meals a day. We aim to cure by sanitary diet as well as by sanitary housing."

"The camp feature consists of sleeping practically in the open air. The dormitory is a large hall, 20 by 50 feet, 20 feet in height, open on three sides, and with two large ventilators occupying about one-half of the roof. There are shower baths, toilets, steam-heated dressing rooms, lavatories, recreation rooms, and a large, well-ventilated dining room.

"The camp is also equipped with pneumatic cabinets, apparatus and appliances for the treatment of throat and nose affections of the tuberculous. The electro-therapeutic department is the best in the city, and is supplied with two large static machines, two large coil machines, two vibratory machines and an X-ray bureau.

"This camp, which is in the nature of an experiment, is for men only—men who are still able to help others and help themselves, and who will probably be restored to health by proper treatment in three to six months. Every detail of the men's lives is to be directed and supervised by us."

"The 'Emma Calve' ward, where the men will sleep, is a marvel of the builder's art. The windows are on pivots, and in this way three sides of the dormitory be thrown open. Wires connect with the static machines in the next room which will be used to carry ozone into the air.

Each bed will be provided with three big army blankets. The patients will be required to keep their faces exposed. There is room for two score men, who, if they are able, will be required to pay \$1 a day for food and treatment. Well-known specialists, under the direction of Dr. H. Holbrook Curtis, will render their services.

ABRUZZI MAY YET WED MISS ELKINS

Paris, Nov. 1.—The Petit Parisien's Milan correspondent learns from a member of the court well acquainted with the Duke of the Abruzzi that the duke is in constant correspondence with Miss Katherine Elkins and will soon be promoted to rear admiral, soon after which his marriage with Miss Elkins will be celebrated. It is said Miss Elkins will become a Catholic.

BIG INCREASE IN CUSTOMS REVENUE

The following is a comparative statement of customs revenue collected at the port of St. John during the months of October 1908-1909.

	1908	1909
Customs	\$87,148.24	\$101,927.44
Sick Mariner's fund	149.08	198.32
Total	\$87,297.32	\$102,125.96
Increase for October, 1909,		\$14,827.74

BUSINESS IN STATES SHOWS MUCH IMPROVEMENT

Washington, Nov. 1.—Prosperity has arrived, according to a statement issued today by the Bureau of statistics of the United States Department of Commerce and Labor. During September, the business of the country and the movement of railway freight cars reached proportions which exceeded those of the same month last year. In fact, the bulletin declares, while the number of idle cars at the end of last month had not altogether disappeared, there were indications that a car shortage would quickly develop.

The improved conditions are most pronounced in the coal and iron trades. The movement of lumber also was somewhat heavier. From Virginia and the Carolinas the shipment of lumber increased 26 per cent over September of last year, but there was a sharp falling off in the quantity of yellow pine received in New York from that section in August, although reports were nearly double from those a year ago.

There was a considerable slump in the receipts of grain and flour in the four leading seaports, and the receipts of grain in the interior likewise were below the aggregate for September, 1908.

The report shows that the September total of cars handled was 2,993,003, or almost ten per cent, in excess of the corresponding month of last year.