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ZURICH, October 6.-The international balloon race for the Gordon Bennett cup has been won by Edgar W. Mix. the American aeronaut, of Columbus, O., who will take the cup back to the United States.

Mix landed north of Warsaw, in Prussign Poland, at 3 o'clock Tuesday morning. He has won with plenty of time to spare from Alfred Le Blanc, one of the French pilots, his companion in the St Louis race of 1907, who came down at Kubin, Hungary, Monday afternoon.
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"I had bad weather Sunday night. It was cloudy and rain fell, and I used half my ballast before morning. The weather was so thick that it was impossible to locate my position, except for one hour south of Prague, and a star observation I took at latitude 51:45:1 and longitude 19:0:38."

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It is evident from Mix's message that, in spite of the discouragement of drifting onward without knowing his location, the American aeronaut husbanded his ballast and kept his balloon affeat until the last ounce of sand was gone. He made his journey through fog and blinding rainstorms, which compelled all the other pilots to descend.

After crossing the Swiss and the Austrian Alps, Captain Messner, one of the Swiss pilots, reported that his clothes were covered with loe to a thickness of half an inch. Messner reached an altitude of 18,000 feet.

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them against annoyance. The American embassy at St. Peters-

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dicament, and asked to take the matter up at once with the Russian authorities. The distance from Zurich to the point where Mix landed has been given as 1,100 to 1,500 kilometers (683 to 931 miles). Mix was Confident. An exact classification of the performances of the contestants will be impossible until their log books arrive, but Mix JAMES is an easy winner. Alfred Le Blanc, representing France, and Captain Massner representing Switzerland, each of whom made slightly over eight hundred kilo-meters (about 496 miles), are both named for second place, but this probably will

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