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UNDER TOWNS OF ROCK.

Spokane Falls Workmen Buried Beneath the Debris of a Premise Blast.

Eighteen Mangled and Mutilated Bodies Recovered—Others Literally Blown to Atoms.

Both Engineers and Firemen and One Tramp Killed by Collision in a B. & O. Tunnel.

Spokane Falls, Wash., Sept. 9.—At 6:30 o'clock in the evening a premature blast in the Northern Pacific yard killed a large number of men, just how many is not yet known. At 11 p. m. the men engaged in the task of taking out the mangled victims were forced to desist, because among the rocks which were being cleared away were five other blasts that might explode in the task of removing the mass of debris that buried the victims. Up to that hour eighteen bodies had been taken out. Of these the following have been identified: Henry Jacobini Veyeller, Henry Appel, Charles Veyeller, Andrew Praelmelo, F. A. Malm, Joseph Bay, John Joseph Cartmoss, James McPherson, Roy Pinckney, B. Vitter, J. Talbo, Henry Jacobini, Henry Appel, A. V. Warren, Isaac Johnson, Dan McArthur, Homer Olson and one other. The fatality was terrible. The men were given no chance for life. It was either instant death or slight injury. There were about 200 pounds of giant powder in the blast. The accident was caused by some one's carelessness. The man in charge of the blast and three assistants were blown to atoms. It is the custom to prepare blasts and charge them, and at the hours of 12 noon and 6 o'clock, after the men have left work and gone to places of safety, to shoot them. This case, however, it seems that one blast had been prepared and the foreman, C. McPherson, was preparing a second. The men had all finished their work and were resting.

Building on Their Coats.

and picking up their lunch pails ready to go to their homes after their day's work, when they met a horrible and unexpected death. Either the rock was too hot from the drills or else tamping exploded the second blast, and that exploded the first. A man who was tamping paid the penalty with his life. Not anticipating the activity about thirty men were under the cliff when the blast exploded. A great mass of rock and earth raised in the air and pitched over into the cut, burying the men beneath its awful weight. None of them had a chance to run, but a few escaped in a miraculous manner. Over 100 men were at work in the adjoining cuts, and at once were on the scene of the terrible accident, and began with pick and shovel to hunt for the buried bodies. From all over the huge mass of rock groans and shrieks issued, and the air was filled with horrible noises and the

Appeals of Wounded and Dying.

It is estimated that 2,500 cubic feet of rock and earth were hurled upon the unfortunate men directly beneath in the cut. The explosion was a terrific one, it being estimated that 150 pounds of dynamite were in each of the two blasts discharged. Although a large force worked Sunday until all the rock dislodged was removed, no more bodies were found.

COLLIDED IN A TUNNEL.

Both Engineers and Firemen and One Tramp Killed on the B. & O.

WHEELING, W. Va., Sept. 9.—A terrible freight wreck occurred at Board Tree tunnel, on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad early in the morning. Two fast freights collided at the entrance to the tunnel, and both engines and ten cars were wrecked and burned up. It is known that Engineer Charles Lickberry and Conductor Kelly, together with both firemen, whose names are not known, were killed. The body of an unknown man has also been found in the wreck. Several other firemen received serious, but not fatal injuries.

CLAIM NO ONE WAS KILLED.

BALTIMORE, Md., Sept. 9.—The official report of the collision on the Baltimore and Ohio road, near Wheeling, received by the officials of that road in this city state that no one was killed. The injured are: Engineer Kelly, right leg broken and burned about the face; Engineer Charles Lickberry, slightly injured by jumping; fireman Lee, badly scalded about the face and body, and brakeman Lander, seriously injured.

WRECKED BY A GREEN SWITCHMAN.

TROY, N. Y., Sept. 9.—At 7:35 a. m. a green switchman, who took the place of a striker at the State street crossing in this city threw a switch before the rear truck of an Albany local had passed. The end of the car was carried over against a locomotive standing on the other track, and was partially turned over against the stone wall at the North end of the Congress street tunnel. The last car was completely wrecked and the next one ahead badly damaged. One passenger, E. J. Bliss, of Boston, was cut on the head and face by broken glass, and his elbow and hand smashed.

PASSENGER TRAINS COLLIDED.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Sept. 9.—A collision between passenger trains 19 and 20 occurred near Lockport, at 4:10 a. m., on the Central railroad, in which Baggageman Fiddler, of New York, was killed, and Engineer Bradley and Fireman Houston, both of Syracuse, were badly hurt, Bradley's leg being broken. No passengers were hurt. The cause is attributed to a semaphore light going out.

NO LIVING THING LEFT.

Reports of a Destructive Cyclone in Ross and Jackson Counties, W. Va. PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Sept. 9.—A report of a terrible cyclone has reached here from Ross and Jackson counties, the storm passed through Leroy and Meadowville in Jackson county, going in a northeasterly direction. It struck the earth near the farm of W. H. Davis, near Leroy, and swept everything in its path. Hay stacks, fences, crops and timber were flattened out or destroyed. A number of people were picked up and carried several hundred yards and crushed to death. On the Adams place barn, cattle, hay and outbuildings were crushed and carried away. As George Boggs's farm, sheep barn and a large flock of sheep were carried away.

Not a Living Thing Was Left in the path of the storm. From the Boggs place the cyclone dipped again and carried away the dwellings of Farmer Keback, not leaving a stick of timber. There were nine people in the house, Keback, his wife, two children and five others, all of whom were terribly injured, four reported fatally. The cyclone and cloud burst was the most destructive and fatal that has struck this section for many years.

LABORERS LOSE LIFE.

Five Killed and Many Wounded in a Colorado Accident.

DENVER, Colo., Sept. 9.—Section No. 2 of a double-header freight train ran into section No. 1 near the village of Florence. The last car on the first section was filled with laborers, and all of them were more or less injured, five being killed outright. It seems that the engine of the first section had "slowed up" from some cause, and the second section, coming around a curve, crashed into the first at full speed.

DEAD FROM GRIEF.

FLINT, Mich., Sept. 9.—Sumner Howard, one of the best known politicians in Michigan, died Sunday from grief at the loss of his only child, Mrs. May Howard Root. Mr. Howard was 59 years of age.

A BEAR END COLLISION.

LEXINGTON, Mo., Sept. 9.—There was a terrible accident on the Missouri Pacific railroad at this place in a deep cut between the depot and Myric. An engine was backing up a coach and caboose to the depot, with the caboose in front. Another engine running at a high rate of speed toward Myric dashed into the caboose, demolishing it. William Wheeler, a brakeman, was badly injured and his wife killed. Mrs. Wheeler, seriously injured. None of the trainmen were injured, they having jumped before the collision occurred.

BUILDINGS BADLY WRECKED.

FAXTON, Ill., Sept. 9.—A heavy wind storm accompanied by rain occurred here Sunday afternoon. Chimneys were blown down, houses moved from their foundations and buildings badly wrecked. The principal damage was done to the Congregational church, the steeple of which was blown off and driven into the roof, the point almost touching the floor.

SAYS THE DAVIS WILL BE FORGOTTEN.

HELENA, Mont., Sept. 9.—Henry A. Root of New York, who represents himself and other Eastern heirs of the late Andrew J. Davis, has been in Montana several days examining the will filed by John A. Davis, making Davis heir to his dead brother's millions. D. W. Carvalho, the New York expert in handwriting, after a thorough examination, pronounced the signature to the will a forgery and the document itself spurious. This conclusion of the expert will cause still more litigation.

FILED A BIG MORTGAGE.

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 9.—A mortgage on the lines of the Great Northern railway has been filed in the county auditor's office here. The mortgage is made to the Central Trust company under date of July 1. The amount of the mortgage is \$30,000,000. The purpose of the loan is stated to be for the Pacific extension of the Great Northern from Assinaboite to Puget sound. The extension, it is said, will cost \$25,000,000.

AN IOWA DEFENDER PARDONED.

ELMORA, Iowa, Sept. 9.—Philo J. Cowan, the ex-treasurer of Hardin county, who was a defaulter to the amount of \$30,000, has just been pardoned and released from the penitentiary by Governor Boies. During his trial Boies was one of Cowan's counsel. He would have had two more years to serve, having already served four.

TEXAS FEVER IN IOWA.

WATERLOO, Iowa, Sept. 9.—Texas fever has broken out among the cattle near Elberon, Tama county. One farmer has lost thirty-three head in the past week and the disease is spreading. It was introduced by a cow which was brought from Texas while it was suffering from the disease.

THE GREAT FALLS AND CANADA.

GREAT FALLS, Mont., Sept. 9.—The Great Falls and Canada railway is expected to be finished to the international boundary line in a few days, where a new town has been established, and where the customs officers will be located. The new line will develop large coal fields as fine as any in the West.

THE RICH DISTILLERY BURNED.

UNIONTOWN, Ky., Sept. 9.—The Rich distillery at this place, recently purchased by the Mutual Distilling company of Philadelphia, was burned Sunday morning. The bonded warehouse, containing 10,000 barrels of whisky, and the granary, containing a quantity of wheat and corn, were saved. The total loss is \$200,000.

THE MAINE ELECTIONS.

A Light Vote Polled—Much Scratching Done—Republicans Reported to Be Ahead.

Speaker Reed Expresses Himself Confident of Victory by a Big Majority.

Special Election to Be Held Nov. 4 in Arkansas to Choose a Successor to Breckinridge.

PORTLAND, Me., Sept. 9.—Speaker Reed says that he will carry this district by 1,000. He is kept constantly informed of the work and indications at the polls.

There is every indication that Speaker Reed will have a larger plurality in Portland than two years ago. The entire Republican ticket will have at least 900 plurality.

THE VOTE WAS LIGHT.

AUGUSTA, Me., Sept. 9.—The election in this city and adjoining towns went off with a remarkable quietude. The weather was beautiful. Little or no active work was done by either party, and the vote in this city was very light, not over 1,600. Congressman Milliken's name was scratched considerably on account of the small forgery letter. A letter from Mr. Milliken's physician states that he has been confined to his house several days with acute rheumatism. Secretary Blaine was unable to come to Augusta, as was his intention, being kept at Bar Harbor by an important engagement. Chairman Manley effected a pair for him.

MUCH SCRATCHING DONE.

LEWISTON, Me., Sept. 9.—Election passed off quietly here. There was a good deal of scratching done, and a smaller vote than usual was polled. The vote is very evenly divided. At Auburn a good vote was polled, the Republicans leading well.

REPUBLICAN TICKET AHEAD.

PORTLAND, Me., Sept. 9.—At noon the Republican ticket was ahead in six wards out of seven in this city, with the indication that it will have about 1,000 majority. Reed will have fully that, and perhaps more in Portland.

CLOSEST FOR YEARS.

BIDDEFORD, Me., Sept. 9.—The contest here is the closest for years. The Republicans claim a slight lead in the city, their ticket being ahead in four wards, but the result is close. The Republicans predict a plurality for Reed in his district larger than two years ago.

SACO POLLED A VERY LIGHT VOTE.

SACO has polled a very light vote but the Republicans have a good lead there. The voting at Bath was slight. The latest obtained returns for governor give Burleigh 418, Thompson 295.

GRACELY IN DOUBT IN BANGOR.

BANGOR, Me., Sept. 9.—The lightest vote for years was polled here, and there was great scratching of tickets. Men who have been in politics for years say they have never known anything like the manner in which tickets were cut. The result in the city is greatly in doubt and Republicans are not claiming the city by over 200 at the outside. Extreme quiet characterized the election proceedings.

KENTUCKY'S CONSTITUTION.

Convention Assembled at Frankfort to Eliminate Obnoxious Slavery Sections. FRANKFORT, Ky., Sept. 9.—A convention to revise and amend the constitution of Kentucky convened in this city Monday. It is composed of 100 delegates, and embraces the most distinguished men in the state, among them being the present governor, an ex-governor, an ex-chief justice and several distinguished judges and jurists. The convention is the result of repeated attempts on the part of the people to take from the constitution several obnoxious features placed there by the pro-slavery convention of 1850, and to make it conform to modern ideas. The convention assembled at noon in the hall of the house of representatives and proceeded at once to organize. A score of delegates are candidates for the distinguished honor of being made president of the convention, but the one most frequently spoken of is that connection is ex-Governor Proctor Knott.

A SUCCESSOR TO BRECKINRIDGE.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Sept. 9.—Governor Eagle will issue a proclamation calling a special election in the Second Arkansas congressional district to fill the vacancy caused by the ousting of Maj. C. R. Breckinridge by the Republican majority in the house. The date of the special election will be Nov. 4, the time fixed for the regular election in all the congressional districts.

SONS OF THE GOLDEN WEST.

California Celebrating Their Fortieth Statehood Anniversary at San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 9.—The celebration of the fortieth anniversary of the admission of California to statehood is in progress, under the auspices of the Sons of the Golden West, an order composed of native born Californians, assisted by the California pioneers and other organizations. The city is profusely decorated with flags, banners and paintings illustrating scenes and incidents in the early history of the state. Next to thousands of American flags the most conspicuous is the old "Bear flag of California."

the insignia of the Native Sons, are also visible. The decorations are not confined to the city, but extend to the shipping. The celebration of admission day proper will not take place until Tuesday, Sept. 9, but the holiday season was formally opened Saturday night with a torchlight procession, an open air concert and display of fireworks, which attracted 100,000 people. The illuminations along the line of march were very brilliant and great enthusiasm prevailed. The principal event will be the parade Tuesday morning, comprising the Native Sons, pioneers, military, industrial unions and civil organizations. The celebration will continue several days.

A TARIFF ON SUGAR.

Senate Finance Committee's Amendment Placing a Tax on the Better Quality Sugar.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9.—The senate met at 10 a. m., and after agreeing to the conference report on the river and harbor bill without discussion and without a yeas and nays vote, resumed consideration of the tariff bill, the debate on the bill and amendments to be limited to thirty minutes for any one senator on any one subject. A number of changes or amendments in the bill reported from the finance committee were made, among them the following: Making the duty on phosphorus 30 per cent ad valorem instead of 10 cents per pound; making the paragraph relating to shingle 20 cents per 1,000, all others 30 cents per 1,000.

Mr. Plumb then offered his amendment of which he had given notice, placing a tax of \$1.25 per gallon on distilled spirits, and spoke in support of it. The amendment was rejected—yeas 17, nays 39.

A TAX ON ALL SUGARS.

above No. 13 Dutch standard, was agreed to—yeas 39, nays 12. The committee amendment making the duty on sugar above No. 16 Dutch standard 6-10 of a cent a pound, instead of 4-10 as in the house bill, was agreed to—yeas 28, nays 35.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE'S AMENDMENT.

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A Milwaukee Laborer Fires Five Shots at His Wife and Mother-in-Law. MILWAUKEE, Sept. 9.—Ed Rensinger, a laborer, went to the house of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Kamers, and requested his wife, who deserted him several weeks ago, alleging cruelty, to come back and live with him. Mrs. Rensinger refused, whereupon he drew a revolver and fired three times at her and twice at his mother-in-law. Mrs. Rensinger received two bullets in the head and one in the arm, her mother receiving two in the head. The two women were taken to the Passavant hospital. Both will probably recover. Rensinger was captured at Brookfield, a small station fifteen miles west. He charges his wife with infidelity.

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BOYS BLOWN TO ATOMS

The Father in Jail Suspected of the Murder of His Two Sons for Their Money.

Several Strikers Arrested at Albany on a Charge of Having Caused the Recent Central Wreck.

A Northern Pacific Employee Scalped by Drunken Indians—A Desperate Husband's Work.

SILVER CITY, N. M., Sept. 9.—Two boys were blown to atoms at Hinos Altos Saturday night under very suspicious circumstances. They were the sons of John A. Murray. Murray and his wife parted several years ago. The eldest boy was crippled by the cars at Deming six years ago, recovering damages from the railway company. The money received from the railway company was held in trust for the crippled boy. Sunday word was received that the oldest and youngest of the boys had been blown up in a room adjoining that in which the father and older brother slept. Murray has been arrested on suspicion of having killed his children that he might get possession of the trust fund.

STRIKERS IN LIMBO.

Four of the Knights at Albany Arrested on a Charge of Train Wrecking.

ALBANY, N. Y., Sept. 9.—John J. Reed, a brakeman residing at East Albany, was arrested Sunday at Hudson, charged with wrecking the train near Castleton Thursday night. It is said that he has confessed his crime and given the names of four companions, all of whom, it is said, are strikers. The greatest excitement prevails and the strikers themselves make threats against Reed.

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NEWS BRIEVITIES.

In the Northwest.

William Werupowsky, a totem was killed Saturday at Yachukin, by being crushed under an overturned load of brick.

The store building and contents belonging to Mrs. Erick Peterson in Stockholm, Wis., were totally destroyed by fire, the cause being unknown. Loss \$6,000; insurance, \$5,000.

The Mitchell Daily Republican, of Mitchell, S. D., which was sold last May to J. A. Wardsell, has passed back into the hands of its former proprietor, Wheelock & Dean.

The erection of the Clinton and Illinois wagon bridge was formally commenced Monday when Mayor T. M. Goble, with appropriate ceremonies, drove the first pile.

It is now safe to say that nine-tenths of the corn in the locality of Mason City, Iowa, is out of all danger from frost. The ears are hard and well filled, and the yield will be much better than expected, nearly a full crop.

The St. Peter Tribune Saturday changed hands, B. F. Lange having sold his interest to J. A. Loehl. Mr. Loehl has been connected with the paper for a number of years past, and is a practical newspaper man of fifteen year's experience.

Wisconsin Central surveyors have completed a survey for the branch to tap the new iron range known as the "Mesabian," 100,000 acres in extent. The track will be laid early next spring, when several good mines will be added to the shipping list.

The commissioner of Indian affairs has sent a special agent of the department to the Rosebud agency to investigate the affairs at the agency. The special matter to be looked up is the discrepancy between the number of Indians given by the agent's census and the number for which rations have been drawn.

It is stated that the railroads are now handling the bulk of the ore shipped by lower lake points about as fast as it is received, and that the trouble experienced for lack of stockroom is about over. The roads are rushing an immense amount of coal forward at present, and this brings an abundance of cars to the lake port which are available for return loads of ore.

In General.

At Belton, Tex., the flouring mills of B. D. Lee & Co. burned. Loss \$60,000. Partially insured.

At Chicago, Miss Nellie McMahon, 26 years old, committed suicide by jumping in the lake, because her mother scolded her for being late to her school in returning home one night last week.

Emperor Franz Josef has contributed nearly \$10,000 for the benefit of the sufferers by the recent floods. It is claimed that the appropriations made for the purpose of providing for protection against floods has been inadequate and the higgledy policy of the Austrian finance minister is severely censured.

The barge W. E. Tremble, in tow of the steamer W. L. Wessmore, in the rapid approach Fort Geneva, on the Clear river, was wrecked in the first of water. The Tremble was split up and went to the bottom in two minutes. All the crew escaped except a young man named William Melow, who was drowned.

Disagreeing as to Crops.

TORONTO, Ont., Sept. 9.—Concerning corn the monthly crop report of Secretary Mohler makes a very discouraging showing. It says: "Of the area planted to corn last spring our best estimate reported 95.4 per cent. with harvest, and the average yield per acre was 31.2 bushels. According to our estimate the corn product of Kansas this year will be about 50,000,000 less than one-fourth of last year's crop. What is reported as yielding better than was expected and the quality as excellent."

Shortage of Crops in Ireland.

LONDON, Sept. 9.—Official returns show that 5,000,000 acres of land in Ireland have been cultivated in 1890; a decrease from 1889 of 150,000 acres. Every crop shows a decreased yield, the greatest fall-off being in flax and potatoes.

LATEST MARKET REPORTS.

St. Paul Union Stock Yards.

Hogs—Light, \$3.70; 2 1/2, mixed, \$3.70; 3 1/2, heavy, \$3.70; 4 1/2, \$3.70.

Cattle—Good to choice fat native steers.

\$3.00; good to choice fat cow, \$2.90; common cow, \$1.00; 2 1/2, \$1.00; 3 1/2, \$1.00; 4 1/2, \$1.00; calves, \$3.00; 2 1/2, \$1.75; 3 1/2, \$1.75; 4 1/2, \$1.75; 5 1/2, \$1.75; range cows, \$2.00; 2 1/2, \$1.75.

Sheep—Good to choice native natives.

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Chicago Live Stock.

Cattle—Native, \$3.00; 2 1/2, \$3.00; 3 1/2, \$3.00; 4 1/2, \$3.00; 5 1/2, \$3.00.

Minnesota Grain.

Wheat—No. 1 hard, September, 55c; on track, \$1.00; No. 1 northern, September, 55c; October, 55c; December, 55c; on track, \$1.00; No. 3 northern, September, 55c.

Chicago Grain.

No. 2 Wheat—September, 55c; December, 55c; May, 55c.

Duluth Grain.

Wheat—Cash No. 1 hard, \$1.00; September, \$1.00; Cash No. 1 northern, \$1.00.

St. Paul Produce.