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DEATH ON THE RAIL.

A Baltimore and Ohio Passenger Train Jumps the Track.

THREE COACHES THROWN OVER AN EMBANKMENT.

Two Passengers Killed and Fifty Badly Injured—Eleven Men Receive Serious Injuries by the Explosion of a Locomotive Boiler—A Boston Journal Gives Credence to a Report That a Compromise Has Been Effected in the Searles Will Contest.

Special to the RECORD-UNION.

BALTIMORE (Md.), Oct. 14.—A train on the Baltimore and Ohio, which left Chicago to-day at 10:10 A. M., met with a serious accident at 2:31 P. M. at Hicksville, twenty miles from Garrett, Ind. The train consisted of an engine, tender, baggage car, smoker, ladies' coach, sleeper and the private car of Vice-President King. The whole train left the track, and the sleeper, ladies' coach and private car went over an embankment. The smoker and baggage car hung on to the engine, and were kept on the bed of the road. Two passengers were killed, five seriously and several slightly injured.

The killed are: Thomas Waterstone of Bridgewater, Ohio, and A. G. Mather of Boone, Iowa. Seriously injured: J. W. Gruback and wife of Mansfield, Ohio; Mrs. Sarah Snyder of Porter, Ohio; Mrs. Thomas Waterstone of Bridgewater, Ohio, and Miss Rhoda Woodall of Buffalo, N. Y. Vice-President King was shaken up, but otherwise was uninjured.

It was first reported that the private car of Emmons Blaine was attached to the train, and that he was a passenger therein, but the report was learned to be erroneous.

All trains are running to-night, the track having been cleared.

CAUSE OF THE WRECK.

CINCINNATI, Oct. 14.—A *Commercial Gazette* special from Fort Wayne, Ind., says: The cause of the Baltimore and Ohio wreck was the spreading of the rails while the train was passing through Hicksville at a high rate of speed. Besides the two killed, fifty other passengers were badly injured, of which ten may die. All public buildings have been turned into hospitals, and surgeons from Defiance and this place are attending to them.

WORSE THAN FIRST REPORTED.

FORT WAYNE (Ind.), Oct. 14.—Latest advices to-night from the scene of the Baltimore and Ohio wreck assert that many more passengers were injured than mentioned in the first report. The railroad officials, however, will not talk, and as they control all the telegraph wires in the vicinity, no information can be had to-night except through them.

ELEVEN MEN INJURED.

ST. PAUL, Oct. 14.—By the explosion of a locomotive boiler in the Kansas City railway shops, near this city, this afternoon, eleven men were injured, two probably fatally. The engine had just been taken from the repair shops, and a gang of machinists were getting it ready for use when the explosion occurred, throwing them in every direction. The injured are: John J. Clancy, John May, Martin McGraille, William Davidson, David Field, James Dickinson, James Slavin, Harry Garrickson and three others slightly injured.

NEW YORK DEMOCRATS.

Cleveland Speaks at the Opening Meeting in Kings County.

NEW YORK, Oct. 14.—The Democracy of Kings County turned out in force this evening to aid in firing a big Democratic gun in the present campaign in this county. When Grover Cleveland entered Clermont Rink, accompanied by Hon. W. H. Furey, the audience went wild. When it was reduced to order, Mr. Cleveland was introduced, and was greeted with "Three cheers for our next President."

Mr. Cleveland, after acknowledging the greetings, made a speech of some length, calling the attention of his hearers to the importance of the campaign, and generally scoring the Republican party. That party, he said, in its national methods and management is boldly seeks to thwart the intention of voters if they are Democratic, and to stifle the voice of the people if they speak in Democratic tones. He touched on the force bill, and asked if there is any Democrat so dull as to suppose that the Republican party in the State is not of the same disposition as the party in the nation. He charged the Republicans with unfairness and evasion of the requirements of the Constitution in regard to the enumeration and legislative apportionment of the State. He said that if the Republicans get control of the next arrangement of the congressional districts there is no likelihood of their dealing fairly by the Democracy of the State.

In conclusion, Mr. Cleveland said: "In your relation to the pending canvass, every Democrat who likes his country and his party must acknowledge the important services rendered by the representatives of King County, in aiding in the formulation of the declaration of financial principles in the platform which the Democracy presents to the voters of the State, which leaves no room to doubt our insistence upon sound and honest money for all the people."

At the conclusion of the ex-President's speech, an old, gray-haired man arose upon his seat and yelled out, "Mr. Cleveland, did you get my letter? What have you done toward preserving life and preventing death from collisions on the railroads? What have ——" The rest of the sentence was lost amid the hisses which greeted the old man, who was hustled unceremoniously out, protesting against them depriving him of the right of free speech.

THE NEWS DOUBTED.

It Is Not Believed That Negotiations Have Been Broken Off With China.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14.—A cablegram published this morning stated the London *Times* had received a dispatch from Shanghai which said that the foreign Ministers in China had broken off negotiations with that Government and have announced to China that now their own Governments must act. It is ascertained at the State Department that the report cannot be true so far as the representative of this Government is concerned, for the reason that no instructions of that character have been issued by the President, and the Acting Minister in China would hardly presume to take such an important step in the absence of positive instructions.

BROTHERHOOD OF TRAINMEN.

Several Important Changes Made in the Constitution.

GALESBURG (Ill.), Oct. 14.—The Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen to-day made some important changes in the constitution. One of these virtually deprives the Grand Master of the power to discharge Grand Lodge officers, and creates a board to serve as a judiciary in trials. Another reduces the number of Grand Trustees from five to three, and makes them merely an auditing board. The office of the editor of the *Trainmen's Journal* is abolished, the Grand Master to hereafter have supervision over the paper, its finances to be managed by the Grand Secretary and Treasurer. The rest of the day was spent in considering officers' reports.

PRISON CONGRESS.

Ex-President Hayes Chosen President for the Ensuing Year.

PITTSBURG, Oct. 14.—At the session of the Prison Congress this morning a resolution was adopted requesting the ministers of the United States and Canada to regularly observe the fourth Sunday in October as Prison Sunday, on which day a collection should be taken up for the furtherance of work of reformation. Chaplain Dates of Massachusetts read a lengthy paper on "The Chaplain."

Ex-President Hayes was chosen President for the ensuing year, and Rev. J. L. Milligan of Alleghany, Pennsylvania, Secretary.

At the evening session Frederick H. Wines of Springfield, Ill., delivered an address on "Crime in the Census of 1890." Wines said a comparison with the census of 1880 would show a great increase in crime. The increase in the number of prisoners was forty per cent., while the population increased twenty-five per cent. The greatest increase, however, was in jails, and in minor prisons.

After other papers were read, the congress adjourned to meet in Baltimore next year.

THE SEARLES ESTATE.

A Boston Journal Says a Compromise Has Been Effected.

BOSTON, Oct. 14.—The *Record* this afternoon says it is understood the Searles will contest is ended and that Timothy Hopkins will get between $8,000,000 and $10,000,000 of the late Mrs. Searles' property. This result, it is said, was reached at a meeting held in this city last night, at which counsel for both sides were present.

Solomon Lincoln, one of the attorneys in the Searles will case, said this afternoon that he knew of no compromise having been made.

War on Sunday Newspapers.

PITTSBURG (Pa.), Oct. 14.—The Sabbatharian Society has decided to inaugurate a war on Sunday newspapers. Captain Wishart, President of the Law and Order Society, will have charge of the movement, and on next Saturday night will arrest all editors, reporters, compositors and pressmen found working after midnight. If the papers are published on Sunday morning the carriers and newsboys will also be arrested. It is the intention also to arrest newspaper men if they begin work Sunday night before 12 o'clock.

American Flour in Demand.

CHICAGO, Oct. 14.—A local paper says advices from the other side of the Atlantic are almost uniformly bullish with regard to the future value of wheat. One feature which is not fully appreciated is the extraordinary demand from England, and even from France, for American flour. A French flour merchant, writing under date of October 1st, says American flour is preferred there by bakers, and can be laid down at such rates that it does not pay to import wheat for milling.

Two Brothers Killed.

MOUNT STERLING (Ky.), Oct. 14.—George Cupps last night shot and instantly killed George and James Howard, brothers, who lived in Bath County. The Howards were leaders of a gang of masked men who went to Cupps' house for the purpose of doing him bodily injury. Others of the party left the scene in a hurry after their leaders fell. A woman with whom Cupps was keeping company is said to be at the bottom of the trouble.

Refused Admission.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14.—In reply to an inquiry from Special Agent Mulkey at Tacoma, Wash., as to whether or not Chinese merchants who, ignorant of the law, had left this country and desired to return to the country without certificates, the Secretary of the Treasury telegraphed that, in view of the recent decision of the Supreme Court, the department could use no discretion but refuse the aforesaid merchant admission.

The Omaha Lynching.

OMAHA (Neb.), Oct. 14.—A warrant has been issued by the County Attorney for the arrest of E. F. Morearity, a member of the City Council, for murder, he having been an active leader in the Coe lynching. E. F. Farris, said to be one of the men who pulled the rope, was likewise arrested, as well as four others, making sixteen thus far arrested.

Adams Express Company.

NEW YORK, Oct. 14.—President Sanford, of the Adams Express Company, who was yesterday elected to succeed Hoey, took formal possession of the affairs of the company this morning. He is investigating the status of the business. No changes in the officers or agents are contemplated at present.

Received With Little Credence.

CHICAGO, Oct. 14.—The story told in Baltimore by the widow of Albert K. Ordway regarding Snell's murder received little credence here. Ordway's father says the statement has no weight with him, and Snell's son-in-law, Stone, says he places no reliance in it.

The Victory of General St. Clair.

TOLEDO, Oct. 14.—Immense crowds of people are at the Centennial celebration to-day of the defeat of the Indians at Fort Recovery by General St. Clair. This afternoon Governor Campbell delivered the opening address, which was responded to by General Finley.

An Assassination.

GAINESVILLE (Tex.), Oct. 14.—Word has just been received here from Wynnewood, Idaho, that Monday night a farmer named Smith was called to his door by two strangers, who shot and killed him. The murderers are still at large.

General Lee Critically Ill.

ALEXANDRIA (Va.), Oct. 14.—The condition of General W. H. F. Lee to-day took an unfavorable change, and he is now considered critically ill.

COAST RACING.

Large Attendance at the Stanislaus County Fair.

MODESTO, Oct. 14.—The Stanislaus County Fair opened to-day. The attendance at the race track was very large. The first race, five-eighths of a mile dash, running, Starlight won easy in 1:07.

Second race, one and one-quarter mile dash, was won by Captain Al in 2:12¼.

Third race, trotting, best three in five, Melrose won in three straight heats. Best time, 2:29¼.

OAKLAND RACES.

OAKLAND, Oct. 14.—The Jockey Club fall meeting continued to-day.

First race, eleven-sixteenths of a mile, Applause won, Sir Walter second. Time, 1:08¼.

Second race, nine-sixteenths of a mile, Wild Rose won, Night Time second. Time, 0:57½.

Third race, five-eighths of a mile, two-year-olds, Romaire won, Kyrene second, Edith third. Time, 1:02½.

Fourth race, one mile, all ages, Initiation won, Fanny F. second, Wild Oats third. Time, 1:43¼.

TRAGEDY AT MERCED.

A Quarrel Between Workmen Ends in a Homicide.

JAMES SHELLY SHOT AND KILLED BY JAMES SULLIVAN.

Napa and Sonoma Valleys Again Visited by Heavy Earthquake Shocks—An Investigation of the Charges That Money Was Used to Secure the Appointment of Dr. Gardner as Resident Physician at the Napa Insane Asylum Results in the Exoneration of those Accused.

Special to the RECORD-UNION.

MERCED, Oct. 14.—This morning James Sullivan shot and instantly killed James Shelly. The slayer used a forty-four caliber Smith & Wesson revolver and fired five shots. The fatal one entered just above Shelly's heart.

Shelly was foreman over a gang of graders working on the Crocker-Huffman works, and last night he, with Sullivan and others, came to town and drank quite freely. On their way to camp Shelly and Sullivan quarreled, but did not come to blows. This morning the quarrel was renewed, and Shelly gave Sullivan a severe beating. Sullivan immediately came to town and procured a revolver, and returned to camp, where the shooting took place.

Soon after his return the shooter gave himself up to an officer and was brought to town and placed in jail. He is well-known here, having been a laborer since 1872 and has never been known as quarrelsome, but, on the other hand, has been considered quiet and orderly.

BANKERS' CONVENTION.

The State Association Convened at San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 14.—The first convention of the State Bankers' Association began this afternoon in the Chamber of Commerce. A hundred or more delegates from various parts of the State were in attendance when the meeting was called to order, and more came in later.

Secretary George H. Stewart of Los Angeles opened a register, and requested as many as possible to put down their names and city addresses for mutual convenience.

Thomas Brown of the Bank of California, and President of the association, called the convention to order and introduced John McKee, President of the San Francisco Clearing House, who welcomed the delegates.

The Secretary's report showed 151 members of the association, and the fact that 95 banks in the State are not yet on the membership list.

Among the bankers in attendance are Wm. F. Bosbyshell, E. W. Jones, E. F. Spence, John W. C. Marble, P. M. Green, Los Angeles; J. W. Calkins, Santa Barbara; James Patterson, Jr., Perris; Chas. Cadwalader, Red Bluff; J. R. Ryland, Los Gatos; C. C. Bush, Redding; A. B. Jackson, Salinas; C. C. Whittlesey, National City; John T. Porter, Watsonville; C. W. Bush, A. L. Porter, Woodland; Al. Gerberding, Bank Commissioner; Colonel W. H. Chamberlain, National Bank Examiner; A. Childress, Los Angeles; William Beckman, Sacramento; Major George H. Bonebrake, Los Angeles; Geo. S. Edwards, Santa Barbara; C. E. Palmer, Oakland; A. Bernheim, Louis Einstin, Fresno; T. P. Lukens, Pasadena.

Sessions will be held to-morrow and Friday at 10 A. M. and 2 P. M.

THE CHARGES FALSE.

Result of the Napa Insane Asylum Scandal Investigation.

NAPA, Oct. 14.—The Board of Trustees of the Napa State Asylum have investigated the statement made by D. L. Hass that he had paid Trustee J. F. Lamdin $300 to assist in securing the election of Dr. A. M. Gardner to the position of Resident Physician of the asylum, which he now holds, and that he (Hass) had further promised to pay Trustee George M. Francis for the same purpose. The statements of Dr. Gardner, Hon. Dennis Spencer, Directors Lamdin and Francis, and of Dr. Hatch, Medical Director of the State Insane Asylum at Agnews, were taken, and the board reports, as a result of the investigation, that they find Hass did approach Gardner and demand repayment of money which he claimed to have expended in securing Gardner's election, Hass stating at the time that positions of this kind were always secured for money consideration, and that the late Dr. Wilkins of Napa and Dr. Hatch of Agnews had so obtained their positions.

The board announced that they had been furnished with a written statement made by Hass, in which he acknowledged the falsity of his representations to Gardner, and they find from further evidence that such representations were made for the purpose of obtaining money from Gardner under false pretenses.

The board commends Dr. Gardner and Trustees Lamdin and Francis for their course in demanding the investigation, and declares its full confidence in their integrity.

MORE THAN BARGAINED FOR.

Two Sailors Have a Hard Tussle With a Bear.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 14.—The steamer Alki, which has been acting as a tender to Government vessels in the Behring Sea, returned here to-day after four months' absence. Among those whom she brought down from Alaska were United States Judge Tarpley of Ounalaska, and Thomas Boswell and Henry Sheffner, of the crew of the schooner Marguerite, Captain Poole, which left Seattle May 16th.

The schooner was under charter to a mining company to survey certain portions of the Alaskan coast. When the vessel anchored at Molar Bay, 200 miles northwest of Sitka, Boswell and Sheffner went ashore. They came upon bear tracks and followed them, with the result that they had a close fight with a bear, who succeeded in knocking Boswell down and breaking the bones of the latter's left leg with his jaw.

Sheffner shot and killed the bear and then bore his companion to the coast, a distance of about eighteen miles. From the schooner they were transferred to the Alki.

STILL SHAKING.

Napa Terrorized Over a Second Visitation of Earthquakes.

NAPA, Oct. 14.—The earth continues to tremble. Four shocks have been felt here this morning. At 4:30 A. M. the people were startled with quite a heavy shock, and several lighter ones have followed. The damage done by Sunday night's shock is much more than was at first supposed, and will amount to several thousand dollars. Many of the people here are so terrorized that they have hardly slept since Sunday evening, and the slightest shock now starts many into the streets.

PETALUMA, Oct. 14.—Another lively earthquake shock passed through Petaluma this morning, about 4:30 o'clock, and a much lighter one about 7 o'clock. The vibrations were north to south.

SAN RAFAEL, Oct. 14.—Quite a severe earthquake shock was felt here this morning at 4:25 o'clock. The shock lasted about ten seconds. The vibrations were west to east.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 14.—A light earthquake shock was felt in this city and surrounding towns at about 4:40 o'clock this morning. No damage is reported.

Murderous Land Jumpers.

CHEHALIS (Wash.), Oct. 14.—Warrants were sworn out to-day charging Powell Haines, H. O. Daihl and two others with an attempt to kill John Jandos, who had a claim on Nesqually, over in the eastern part of the county. Jandos says the men attempted to drive him off his claim, which has mineral deposits on it. They attacked his cabin, firing forty shots. Jandos was wounded, and it is said another man, whose name is not known, was killed. It is feared there will be more trouble.

A Nevada Senator Found Dead.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 14.—Senator Robert Briggs of White Pine, Nev., was found dead to-night in his room at a hotel here. Death is supposed to have resulted from heart disease.

Accidentally Killed.

DUTCH FLAT, Oct. 14.—Eddie Shaden, a fifteen-year-old boy of Gold Run, was killed this afternoon by the accidental discharge of a gun which he was taking into a wagon.

SEA DISASTERS.

THE CATTLE STEAMER CITY OF ROME WRECKED.

All of Her Crew Save One, Including Forty-Three Men, Reported to Have Been Lost.

Special to the RECORD-UNION.

ST. JOHNS (N. F.), Oct. 14.—A dispatch was received here shortly after noon today in which it was stated that the Anchor Line steamer City of Rome, of which Captain Young had command and which sailed on October 10th from New York for Liverpool, had been lost off St. Shotts, a hamlet in the district of Placentia and St. Marys, N. F., four miles from Cape Pine.

The news caused intense excitement and great uneasiness, as it was known there were a large number of passengers on board the City of Rome bound for Europe.

St. Shotts is more particularly noted as the scene of many disastrous wrecks than for anything else, and the vessels that have had the misfortune to founder there have generally been total losses.

The dangerous hamlet is eighty miles in a direct line southwest of St. Johns, and the nearest point of importance to the place is Trepassy, which is located at Head Bay, running in between Capes Race and Pine, and about twenty miles from where the City of Rome is said to have been lost.

NEW YORK, Oct. 14.—When the dispatches received from St. Johns gave the meager statement that the City of Rome had foundered, it was immediately believed that the ocean racer, which left here Saturday last, had been caught in an unusually strong hurricane and either run ashore on had gone down with her passengers and crew. The excitement was intense throughout this city and Brooklyn. Those who entertained fears as to her safety were greatly relieved later when a dispatch from St. Johns stated definitely that it was not the well-known City of Rome, but a tramp steamer of the same name.

At the office of Henderson Brothers, agents for the Anchor Line steamships, nothing definite could be obtained for some time. It was at first given out that the vessel ashore was the Citta di Roma. This steamer sailed on the 23d from New Orleans for Bordeaux. On the 30th of September she left Norfolk, Va. Finally Mr. Connelly, of Henderson Brothers, stated that he had received a private cablegram from St. Johns which put the matter at rest, as far as the Anchor Line was concerned. The cable stated that the vessel ashore was the cattle steamer from Montreal. This is a tramp steamship, having no register at Lloyds, but was named the City of Rome. It had 750 cattle on board. The captain of the vessel was named Nelly, and it is reported that he was drowned, with the first officer.

In answer to an inquiry, Henderson Bros., agents of the Anchor Line, received the following:

"CAPE RACE (N. F.), Oct. 14.—Your City of Rome passed east Tuesday afternoon, all well."

STORY OF A SURVIVOR.

ST. JOHNS (N. F.), Oct. 14.—A man by the name of John Brennan, belonging to Sligo, Ireland, arrived at Trepassy this morning from Peters River. He says that he was the only survivor of a crew of forty-three men on the steamer City of Rome, which became a total wreck on Monday night at Marine cove in St. Mary's Bay.

He says that the captain and crew and officers were all drunk and unable to save themselves. He was thrown upon a cliff and rescued by a man on Tuesday morning.

He also stated that the City of Rome had on board 575 head of cattle, a quantity of flour in sacks and Indian corn.

The man tells a most pitiful tale about the struggle the crew had among the bullocks trying to save themselves.

The survivor said in conclusion that the steamer was commanded by Captain Nelly and was bound from Montreal for Dundee.

There is considerable excitement here over the story of the man Brennan, who claims to be the only survivor of the cattle-ship City of Rome. There are numerous persons here who refuse to believe his story.

PROBABLY THE CITTA DI ROMA.

NEW YORK, Oct. 14.—Dispatches from St. Johns and Halifax say that the reported lost of a cattle-ship named City of Rome off St. Shotts is not believed there. If there has been any such wreck, it would have been reported from St. Marys, which is nearer than Terpassy to St. Shotts. Cable messages from both St. Pierre and St. Johns report a cattle-steamer ashore at St. Shotts, and it is possible that the wrecked ship is the Italian tramp steamer, Citta di Roma, which left Norfolk September 30th with a cargo of cattle.

ACCIDENT ON THE ATLANTA.

DELAWARE BREAKWATER (Del.), Oct. 14.—The United States steamship Atlanta, which left New York on Sunday to go to the assistance of the Despatch, arrived here this evening short of coal. The Atlanta had fifty hours of heavy gale, during which the hawse pipe split. A violent explosion of gas occurred, by which six men were injured. Two of them are in a critical condition. The Atlanta is now repairing her engines.

THE BOSTONIAN ASHORE.

HULL (Mass.), Oct. 14.—The steamer Bostonian of the Leylan line, which sailed from Boston for Liverpool this morning, is ashore on George's Island shoal.

Two young American bicyclists have wheeled it up Mount Ararat.

BLOWING A HURRICANE.

Furious Gales Raging Throughout Great Britain.

THE MOST VIOLENT STORM EVER EXPERIENCED.

Immense Waves Flood the Streets of Seaside Towns and Cause Great Distress in Shipping Circles—A Theater Laid in Ruins Just After a Large Audience Had Vacated It—The Long Island and New Jersey Coast Also Experiencing Heavy Weather.

Special to the RECORD-UNION.

LONDON, Oct. 14.—The furious gales which have been raging all over England, Ireland and South Scotland for over twenty-four hours continue to-day.

The channel passenger boats, which usually venture out in the most severe weather, were unable to cross last night.

From all sections come reports of damage done and lives endangered. It is impossible yet to give an approximate idea of the damage done on land and sea or the lives lost.

At Helensburg, a watering place on the Firth of Clyde, the streets are flooded and people driven from their homes. Two passenger trains running between Glasgow and Helensburg were brought to a standstill by waves, which threatened to wash away the tracks.

The fires were put out and the engines unable to move. Escape from the cars was impossible, and all attempts to reach the travelers failed.

Dispatches from Dover, Kent, says the hurricane was worse than the blizzard of March last. The Ostend boat was unable to approach the shelter of the pier of Dover, and was driven out to sea again, since which time she has not been heard of, but it is thought she reached some place of shelter elsewhere along the coast, and the telegraph wires being down, she has been unable to make her whereabouts known.

Of recent years, by the expenditure of immense sums of money, Dover has been made a "harbor of refuge," long, powerfully built jetties having been thrown out seaward and a huge granite pier, called the Admiralty Pier, one-third of a mile long, having been built. At the commencement of the storm the pier and jetties were continually washed by the waves, and the pounding the pier has received has been so severe that a great amount of damage has been done it, huge granite blocks of several tons' weight being washed out of place in spite of the ironwork and cement which held them, and little more than the bare foundations remain.

The oldest veteran seamen admit that they do not remember having seen worse weather and heavier seas off the English coast.

Great danger is experienced by pedestrains on the streets of Dover, owing to falling tiles, slates and bricks from chimnies, which have been toppled over by the howling wind. A number of more or less serious accidents have been reported. In one street it has been reported by the police that a stack of brick chimneys was hurled down with such force as to smash in the roof upon which it fell, and buried in ruins the inmates of the house. A number of women and children were badly injured by crashing rafters and tiles.

At Sunderland the hurricane unroofed a factory, the tall chimney of which fell upon a house and seriously injured four persons. This afternoon the gale in the channel is increasing, and all steamers are forced to make some harbor.

Additional reports from Glasgow say the storm is undoubtedly the most severe since the terrible Taybridge disaster. The ship Urania broke from her moorings and crashed into the Italian barkentine Girolmina. The latter's foremast snapped and the vessel was completely dismasted. Both vessels then drifted down the stream, the crews being utterly powerless to control them. Finally, the Urania crashed into the sheds of the Anchor Line Steamship Company, and this enabled her to be captured and made fast.

Two coasting vessels have foundered in Loch Long, a branch of the Firth of Clyde, and six of their crews have been drowned. The ship Helen Brewer capsized at Glasgow, and over a dozen yachts, a number of coasting vessels and many lighters are ashore in the Clyde. Four of the stranded lighters have already sunk, and several others are almost certain to become total wrecks. The steamship Anchoria of the Anchor Line grounded at Greenock, owing to the force of the hurricane. All incoming steamers report having encountered fearful weather.

Telegrams from Wellingborough, on the Northwestern Railroad, state that a theater has been blown down. The large audience had barely left the building when a powerful blast swept down and reduced it to a shapeless pile of lumber and bricks. Had the building fallen a moment sooner a number of people would have been buried in the ruins.

LATER—The gale has subsided. Owing to the damaged condition of telegraph lines it is impossible to obtain full details of the storm's ravages. It is thought that the losses of life and property are comparatively small, when the vast extent of the storm is considered. Reports continue to be received of floods in the valleys of Trent, Wye and Avon. Many farms in Monmouthshire have been devastated, and the loss of crops and cattle is considerable.

At Cardiff the great breakwater was partly destroyed, and, in addition to those reported, many coasters have gone ashore. The Ostend steamer, which usually makes a trip to Dover in three or four hours, was out eleven hours, under full steam. She was then compelled to put back without making the trip.

All communication with the continent has been retarded to an extent never before equaled. A coal-laden steamer grounded off Hollywood, where, beyond the reach of aid, the cargo took fire, burning the vessel to the water's edge.

The gale also traversed France, but in a much milder form. Trees and chimneys were more or less damaged in Paris, and the Rhine and other rivers, particularly in Southern France, overflowed their banks, doing considerable damage to crops and houses, chiefly in the neighborhood of Lyons.

A telegram from Folkestone says a steamer was sighted off that port in distress, but the local life-boat crew was unable to reach her, owing to the heavy sea, and it is feared that the steamer will become a total wreck.

The *St. James Gazette* this afternoon says: "Not within recent memory has such a terrific storm raged in England, and a terrible catalogue of disasters at sea is to be expected. Great damage has been done in many parts of the country."

ALONG THE ATLANTIC COAST.

NEW YORK, Oct. 14.—Dispatches from points along Long Island and the New Jersey coast report a heavy gale and extraordinary high tides. The sea has made inroads in the bluff at Long Branch and cut away some of the beach at Ashbury Park. At Seabright the grounds of private residences are considerably damaged. The waves were nearly thirty feet high at Rockaway Beach, washing dwellings and boats to sea, and probably twenty lives were lost by the storm. Among the victims were George White, Alfred Kane, Mark Thursby and Adam Little of New York, who started out Sunday afternoon in two boats to fish for shark. The storm came up shortly after they started and their crafts were capsized and all on board lost.

The crew of three men of a two-masted coal schooner were also lost in North Channel. James Moore managed to cling to the wreckage of the schooner until rescued by the life-saving crew. An oysterman named Julius Oway, who was assisting the life-saving men in rescuing Moore, was knocked overboard by a falling mast and drowned.

Sunday afternoon Charles P. Frey let out a catboat and six small boats at Holland's Station, up the beach. The catboat carried a fishing party of five men and the small boats eleven men. They went up the bay toward the inlet. Nothing has been seen of them since. It is thought the storm carried them out to sea, as they were too far down to be washed up on the meadow lands.

FLOODS IN NICARAGUA.

PANAMA, Oct. 14.—Advices have been received from Costa Rica of late dates. The Blue Fields *Messenger*, Mosquito Territory, Nicaragua, gives details of the recent inundations at Prinvapolka. It began at 2 o'clock in the morning, and all the inhabitants had to leave their houses and take refuge in the woods, in order to save their lives. The houses were swept away by the current. The inundation lasted two days, and during that time the inhabitants in the woods had neither matches to light a fire nor a blanket with which to cover themselves. When the river had gone down to its natural level they came out of the woods to find themselves homeless, and the flourishing town of Quiocuina had disappeared.

RUSSIAN FAMINE.

Conspirators Take Advantage of the Situation to Incite a Revolt.

LONDON, Oct. 14.—A dispatch to the *Daily Telegraph* from St. Petersburg says a revolutionary society at Kieff has been endeavoring to take advantage of the prevailing famine to excite revolt, and that exiles from Switzerland and France have guided the movement. Numerous arrests of real and suspected members have been effected, among whom were several students of the University of Kieff. These circumstances determined the authorities to make domiciliary visits to the lodgings of certain young men whose political leanings seemed doubtful, and these visits led to the discovery of secret literary clubs, the members of which read privately the writings of Count Tolstoi and of Saltikeff, which are prohibited by the Russian Government, but are published in Geneva. The students, whose objects are not political, have all been arrested and are being treated exactly in the same way as real conspirators.

The students of the university, indignant at this injustice, called a meeting to petition the minister for the release of members of the literary clubs, but the rector dissolved the gathering in spite of the protest of all present, and the Governor-General threatened to surround the university with Cossacks.

Medical councils have been summoned in the distressed provinces of the Empire. Scurvy and typhus are raging in the wake of famine.

Novosti says that famine prevails in thirteen different Governments of the country and 14,000,000 persons are in urgent need of succor.

The Government is purchasing corn for the use of the famished peasants in the stricken districts during the winter months. The Government is also negotiating for the purchase of large quantities of breadstuffs in the United States.

Canadian Cabinet.

TORONTO, Oct. 14.—It is stated on good authority that the Minister of Railways and Canals has been selected, and that J. J. A. Chapleau gets the vacant position, and that J. A. Quimet, late Speaker of the House of Commons, succeeds him as Secretary of State. Lieutenant-Governor Angers of Quebec, it is further stated, will enter the Cabinet at the close of his term in October, and Sir Adolph Caron will succeed him as Lieutenant-Governor.

The Same Privileges Demanded.

LONDON, Oct. 14.—Salisbury, in behalf of England, has informed the Porte that if vessels of the Russian volunteer fleet are allowed to pass the Dardanelles, Great Britain claims the same right for her "volunteer" vessels.

Correcting a Rumor.

BERLIN, Oct. 14.—The *North German Gazette* denies that an understanding has been arrived at between Germany and the United States, by which American cereals are to be admitted to Germany free of duty.

Chinese Head Tax.

OTTAWA, Oct. 14.—The revenue at the port of Vancouver, B. C., from Chinese immigration last month was $7,426. In the corresponding period last year the revenue was $4,448.

To Quell a Noisy Crowd.

QUEBEC, Oct. 14.—No attempt was made, as reported, on Premier Mercier's life. He sent for officers to prevent the charivaring of an old widow, who had just rewedded.

The Russian Loan.

LONDON, Oct. 14.—The *Chronicle* has a dispatch from Paris saying the Hebrew bankers there are combining to render nugatory all efforts to float the Russian loan.

The Czarewitz Stakes.

LONDON, Oct. 14.—The Czarewitz stakes race at Newmarket to-day was won by Ragimund, Penelope second, Lily of Lumly third.

Ants and Their Uses.

During twelve months spent in the Australian Colonies in the years 1870-71, I had more opportunities than were pleasant of studying the habits of ants. These insects, as is well known, are not only a nuisance, but an absolute pest in hot countries. They march in myriads and destroy everything in their road. I have heard it seriously stated that they consume everything except boiled beer—and that even this is safe only when the bottles are fitted with glass screw-stoppers! Cork, it seems, is not excluded from the formic bill of fare, and no doubt be more succulent and appetizing when soused in Bass or Allsopp.

In justice to the ants, I am bound, however, to admit that I have found them useful in more ways than one. For instance, I bought an opossum skin rug from a native. I soon became painfully aware that it literally swarmed with fleas and other vermin. In vain did I exhaust my stock of pepper. Even turpentine seemed to have no effect beyond increasing the reckless activity of these irritating settlers. At last in despair I threw my rug down on an ant hill. In less than half an hour every flea and objectionable parasite was eaten, but the rug was full of ants. I therefore hung it on a mimosa bush, and as soon as the ants found they were suspended they hastened to leave the rug, and descended by the bush as best they could.

Again, I had killed a snake in Tasmania, and wished to clean and bleach the skeleton, which I intended to have mounted as a necklace. I left the body near an ants' nest. In a few hours there was not a vestige of flesh on the bones. The sun soon did the rest.—The Gentleman's Magazine.

A strawberry bed in Lansing, Mich., is leafing for the third time this season.

COLUMBIAN EXPOSITION.

Conflict Between the Board of Control and Local Directory.

THE PRESS DEPARTMENT THE BONE OF CONTENTION.

Fiendish Work of a Hardened Scoundrel in Lexington County, South Carolina—He Escapes From the Penitentiary, Hunts the Victim For an Assault on Whom He Had Been Sent to Prison, and Deliberately Cuts Off Both of Her Ears.

Special to the RECORD-UNION.

CHICAGO, Oct. 14.—The Congressional loan of $5,000,000 to the World's Fair, Major Handy and his Department of Publicity and Promotion and Director-General Davis' report were considered by the Board of Control of the National Commission to-day, while the Executive Committee of the Chicago Directors were struggling with the same subject. Both meetings were lively, and another conflict between the commission and directory appears to be on.

The directors sent a request to the Board of Control for a special joint conference on Friday. This, it is said, is called to consider the advisability of abolishing the entire department of which Major Handy is chief.

The significance of this move is explained on the basis that Handy draws $7,500 a year from the directory, and has a large number of assistants. President Baker and other directors seemingly have an idea that the World's Fair does not need a press department any longer, and that the different sheets can attend to that work.

The Board of Control decided to-day that their Committee on Legislation had exclusive jurisdiction in the loan matter. The draft of the loan bill to be presented to Congress, however, will probably originate in the local directory.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14.—Secretary Noble has designated Edward M. Dawson, Chief Clerk of the Interior Department, to represent the Secretary's office in matters arising there in connection with the World's Columbian Exposition.

A HARDENED SCOUNDREL.

Deliberately Cuts the Ears Off a Defenseless Woman.

COLUMBIA (S. C.), Oct. 14.—Fred Kempson, a convict sent up recently for eighteen months from Lexington County for assault and battery with intent to kill, made his escape from the State Penitentiary about a week ago and went back to Lexington County, met his former victim and offered her the choice of either having her throat cut or her ears cut off. She not being able to help herself chose the latter, whereupon the hardened scoundrel dexterously severed both ears. He also cut a section of her clothing, wrapped the dissected members in it and left her, after making bloodthirsty threats against persons who had been instrumental in effecting his arrest and conviction.

Big Offer to Corbett and Mitchell.

NEW YORK, Oct. 14.—The Olympic Athletic Club of New Orleans offers $15,000 for a fight to a finish between Corbett and Mitchell, and Corbett will bet $10,000 on the outside. If the offer is not accepted by Mitchell it will be open to Slavin.

THE LIBRARIANS.

They Accept an Invitation to Visit Palo Alto.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 14.—At this morning's session of the American Librarian Convention, President Green stated that the members would leave here Saturday morning for a visit to Santa Cruz and Monterey.

Ex-State Librarian Wallis read a report on "State Libraries," suggesting a number of needed reforms.

A paper on "Library Architecture" was read by Charles Soule of Brookline, Mass., and Dr. Poole of Chicago criticised some features of the Boston Public Library and the Congressional Library at Washington.

After the convention adjourned the members took a special train for Palo Alto, where they will be entertained by Senator Stanford.

MONTEREY CRIMINALS.

Three Juries in Charge of the Sheriff at One Time.

SALINAS, Oct. 14.—The jury in the Brooks trial was discharged this evening, not being able to agree, after being out twenty-four hours.

The trial of R. Hinkle, for grand larceny committed last July, went to the jury this afternoon, and there is little prospect of them agreeing.

Eduardo Romero was also arraigned to-day for an attempt to murder Ambrosio Torris. Hinkle was called to give evidence in this case and refused to testify, and was committed to the County Jail for six months. The case then went to the jury, which made three sets of jurymen in charge of Sheriff Horton at one time, something which has never before happened in the history of Monterey County.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC SYSTEM.

Officials Looking Over the Ground in Southern California.

SANTA BARBARA, Oct. 14.—Colonel C. F. Crocker, A. N. Towne, Chief Engineer Hood and others of the Southern Pacific Company, arrived here this evening from their trip of inspection of the railroad gap between Elwood and Los Olivos. Colonel Crocker expressed himself as being much pleased with the growth of the country since his last visit. While he would not say that this visit indicated that work on the gap would be commenced at once, it did mean that the company was seriously contemplating doing so soon.

Raisin Shipments.

FRESNO, Oct. 14.—A special train of twenty-six cars, all loaded with raisins, left this evening for New York via New Orleans. This makes 250 carloads of raisins that have been shipped East so far this season,