

SWEPT AWAY BY A FLOOD OF WATER.

Lake City, Modoc County, a Scene of Devastation, Ruin and Disaster.

What Was Last Week a Lively Town Now Almost a Total Wreck.

The Water Came in the Shape of a Huge Sprout, and Was a Veritable Cyclone—The Town Struck With Tremendous Force, and Nearly Every House Laid in Ruins—The Inhabitants Forced to Flee for Their Lives, Without Saving Any of Their Effects.

REDDING, June 8.—The beautiful little town of Lake City, in the foothills at the head of Surprise Valley, in Modoc County, is a scene of devastation, ruin and disaster. What was once a brisk and lively town of 300 inhabitants, with neat dwellings and substantial business houses, is now almost a total wreck.

Last Friday the inhabitants of Lake City were aroused from their early morning slumbers by the roar and rush of angry waters, and before many of them had time to look after their own safety, let alone attempting to save any of their effects from their residences or business places, a flood of water came pouring down upon them, carrying destruction in its path.

The water came in the shape of a huge spout, and was a veritable water cyclone. It struck the town with tremendous force right in its center, and nearly every house is a wreck. The frightened people hurried to and fro in frantic efforts to save themselves from what seemed inevitable death.

Trees and small buildings were swept down the streets with terrific force, and the most substantial structures were weakened and wrenched by the waters. Dry's flouring mill was completely ruined, the damage being estimated at \$6,000. W. T. Cressler's storehouse and residence were swept away, and his family barely escaped with their lives.

Mrs. Hamlin, a widow living opposite Dry's mill, was swept from her feet and carried down street for several hundred yards, sustaining serious injuries. She was finally rescued just as she was about to be carried down the main stream to almost certain death.

The whole town was undermined, and the damage is estimated at over \$30,000, which is great, considering the size of the place. At Alturas, the county seat of Modoc County, about twenty miles from Lake City, the spout struck Friday, later in the day. In a few moments all the streets were converted into small canals, and the people were driven to the upper stories and roofs of their houses for safety.

Boats were brought into use, and the only travel for hours was by means of small craft. The roads between Alturas and Cedarville were all washed out, and travel is almost entirely suspended. Out of four substantial bridges across Thom's Creek, only one remains. The others were washed away. Across Cedar Creek two bridges were carried away.

Never before in the history of Modoc County has such a storm been experienced, and it is a miracle that no lives have been lost. The waterpout started near the north fork of Pitt River, and traveled in a northeasterly direction for about thirty miles before it spent its force. Everything in its path was ruined. From down the mountain side huge trees, bowlders and rocks were carried to the roads below, which are now impassable.

Meager reports from other villages in the vicinity are at hand, and they indicate that great damage has been wrought in the path of the spout.

Added to the calamity of the storm, an epidemic of typhoid pneumonia is spreading in the valley, and many lives have already been lost of account of the scourge.

Pitt River, as far down as Fall City.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report

Royal Baking Powder ABSOLUTELY PURE

in Shasta County, is higher than ever known before. People have been compelled to provide temporary lodgings, and tents have been brought into use to accommodate those who have been rendered homeless by the damage of the flood.

NATIVE DAUGHTERS.

Warmly Welcomed by the People at Napa City.

NAPA, June 8.—The people of Napa have completed the pleasant task of decorating the streets and buildings in honor of the Native Daughters, and are ready to entertain their guests. Two carloads of delegates arrived this evening, and a large number of citizens with a brass band met them at the depot. As the train arrived all the factory whistles were blown, bells were rung and flags were thrown to the breeze from the public buildings.

Nearly every man, woman and child in town wears the Grand Parlor colors in some form or other. Red and yellow badges, neckties, hatbands, sashes and bouquets are seen on every hand. Bicycles adorned with the colors of the setting sun are much in evidence, and even the dogs are pressed into service by the enthusiastic natives, and many a canine wears a harness more or less elaborate of red and yellow bunting.

The wind, which had tempered the heat of the day, played havoc with some of the decorations, but the damage has all been repaired. After they arrived the visitors were serenaded at their hotels by the band, and later in the evening a concert was given on the Courthouse square.

The Grand Parlor will meet and organize to-morrow morning. The day will be largely taken up with the preliminary business. The sessions will be held in Odd Fellow's Hall.

In the evening a reception will be given in the Opera-house. Mayor J. A. Fuller will present to Grand President Marino Berto the key of the city. Hon. Frank L. Coombs, ex-Minister to Japan, will deliver the address of welcome. An excellent musical and literary programme, in which Miss Laura Faugh, Mrs. E. W. Churchill, Miss Gertrude Lamdin, Mrs. Richard Wylie, Miss Hattie Trowbridge, Miss F. W. Applegate and Dr. W. H. Evans will participate, has been arranged.

HIS MIND UNBALANCED.

A Missing Ex-City Official Found in a Demented Condition.

STOCKTON, June 8.—C. A. Campbell, formerly City Clerk of Stockton, who has been missing from his home since last Thursday, was found in a demented condition this morning in a box-car of the Valley Railroad, in the western part of the city.

On Thursday morning Campbell went as usual to his office, and was there up to noon. Then he left to go home to luncheon, but was not seen after that time by his family until discovered today in the box-car. His absence was reported to the police, but no mention of it was made to the public.

Since Campbell was defeated for office last year he has been acting as accountant for several concerns, and conducting his collection bureau. The latter business was not remunerative, and it is believed that his ill luck so preyed upon his mind that he became demented. Up to the present he has not recognized any of his family and nothing can be learned of his wanderings since Thursday noon.

Campbell was elected City Clerk in 1886, and held the office continuously until last year, when he was defeated by M. McCall, the Democratic candidate.

AN OUTLAW HANGED.

Bill Gay Executed on the Gallows at Helena, Montana.

BUTTE (Mont.), June 8.—Bill Gay, a noted outlaw, was hanged at Helena at 11 o'clock this morning for the murder of James Mack, a Deputy Sheriff in May, 1885, while being trailed by the Sheriff's posse. Deputy Sheriff Rader was killed at the same time by Gay's brother-in-law, a man named Goss, who escaped. Gay was captured about a year ago in Southern California.

Never in the history of Montana have more efforts been made to save a criminal's neck than in this case. When the Supreme Court refused to grant him a new trial the case was taken to the United States Supreme Court, and the Justices were appealed to one at a time. When hope was abandoned in that direction attention was turned to Governor Richards, and he was flooded with petitions and affidavits for a commutation of sentence, but he refused to interfere, and Gay was hanged. He broke down at the last moment, and had to be carried to the scaffold. He had professed religion and protested his innocence.

HAS FOUND HER CHILD.

Claim That It Was Stolen While the Mother Was Sick in Sacramento.

SEATTLE (Wash.), June 8.—The recovery of her child, a ten-year-old girl, whom she claims was stolen from her nine years ago while she lay sick on a bed in a Sacramento hospital, is the mission of Mrs. Ella de Mooy of San Francisco, who arrived in Seattle today. The girl, who was supposed to have been the lawful daughter of James W. Smith, a well-known sporting man, who recently died in this city, appears in reality to have been adopted by Mrs. Smith. The child is known as Isabella Smith, and since the separation of Smith and his wife about three years ago, it has been an inmate of the Sisters' Academy.

Mrs. de Mooy is invoking the aid of the law, and declares she will never return to California without her child. She says she was robbed of the little one through the connivance of a brother-in-law residing at Fresno, her former home. During these many years she claims to have been in ignorance of the child's whereabouts.

Arizona Democrats.

PHOENIX (Ariz.), June 8.—The Democratic Territorial Convention to-day elected six delegates to the National Convention, passed resolutions denouncing President Cleveland's financial policy, and declared for the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1, without regard to the action of any other nation. The delegates elected were: W. H. Burbage, W. H. Barnes, J. F. Wilson, J. L. B. Alexander, Wiley E. Jones and Hugh Campbell. Mark A. Smith was elected National Committeeman. The proceedings were exceptionally harmonious.

ATROCITIES OF SPANISH TROOPS IN CUBA.

The Work of Extermination of Non-Combatants Still Continues.

Shocking Stories Told of Brutal Assassinations.

Defenseless People Who Had Taken No Part in the Revolution, and Whose Only Crime is Being Witnesses of the War Raging All Over the Island, Dragged From Their Homes and Put to Death.

HAVANA, June 6 (via Tampa (Fla.), June 8).—That the work of extermination of non-combatants continues to a greater or less extent is evinced by the reports which are received from the country. Not a day passes without some shocking story being told of brutal assassinations committed by the troops on defenseless people, whose sole crime is being witnesses to the war raging all over the island, without taking any part in it. Here are a few facts selected from the many that are told:

On the 2d inst. a column of Spanish troops, commanded by Colonel Ochoa, operating around Jaruco, Havana Province, captured a poor, miserable boy of 15 years named Juan Rodriguez, suffering from nervous prostration, and so weak that he could hardly move without assistance. This unhappy creature was dragged from his home, and, without any compassion for his pitiable state, he was butchered on the road-way to Tapaste for the crime of being a cousin of the leader of a band named Victor Simon.

On June 1st Simon y Ruri, member of one of the best families of Jaruco, was arrested on suspicion of being a rebel sympathizer, by orders of General Melguizo. He was too well known to be taken out of the town and shot in the fields, as this would create a scandal, so they made a semblance of a court-martial, and with all the apparent formalities of the law he was publicly shot in the square of the town. The deed created general indignation when it was known that Melguizo had ordered the execution on his own authority, without consulting the Captain-General, who is the only one empowered to order such proceedings.

On June 4th Lorenzo Medina, a native of the Canary Islands, 49 years of age, married, with a family, and John Toledo, a Cuban, 30 years of age, both well known and esteemed in the town of Jaruco, were arrested on no known charges. They were locked in the civil guards barracks, and the next morning they were taken out of the town on the promise of prompt release and treacherously shot behind the slaughter-house.

It is known that Valencia had a fight with Colonel Dondevilla of Campo (Florida) fame, in which the "brave" was completely routed, losing thirty-two dead left on the field. This has never been reported officially. The Bayamo guerrillas of about 100 men, commanded by Abiga Guerra, have joined the rebels, and seduced thereto by Calixto Garcia when he passed near that place last week.

In Sancti Spiritus a band of musicians of the local volunteers, headed by its bandmaster, Justo Alvarez, with all the instruments of the band association, went over to the woods to entertain the time of the revolutionists.

HAVANA, June 8.—Official reports received to-day give details of many skirmishes that have taken place, none of which, however, were of much importance, according to the reports. The rebel losses in these skirmishes amounted to sixteen killed, seven wounded and nine prisoners, while the troops lost only twelve wounded.

CAPTAIN JOHN G. BOURKE.

Death Announced of a Well-Known Indian Fighter.

PHILADELPHIA, June 8.—Captain John G. Bourke, Third Cavalry, U. S. A., died here this morning. Captain Bourke was stationed at Fort Ethan Allen, Vermont. His wife was with him when he died, but the daughters were at their home in Burlington, Vt. The remains will be interred in the National Cemetery at Arlington. Captain Bourke was as well known for his writing as his fighting of Indians, his talent being in the direction of their anthropology and folk lore. He was a staunch friend of the red men of America in their peaceful days, a member of scientific societies in France, England and the United States. One of his most valuable works on the "medicine-men" of the Apaches was published by the Smithsonian Institution.

His most popular books are: "The Snake Dance of the Moquis," which he was the first white man to describe in book form, being an eye-witness; "An Apache Campaign," "On the Border with Cook," all of which have had English editions. At the last meeting of the American Folk Lore Society, Captain Bourke was elected President. He enlisted as a private in the Fifteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry, and fought in the Army of the Cumberland. He was awarded a medal of honor for gallantry at Stone River, and when the war closed the President appointed him a cadet-at-large to West Point.

THE NEBRASKA STORM.

That Which Visited Long Valley the Worst Ever Experienced There.

OMAHA, June 8.—The storm which visited the Loup Valley Saturday was the worst that has ever visited that section. The railroads have suffered the most, and traffic will not be resumed for several days, owing to the washing away of bridges and culverts. Much of the country is inundated. Officials of the Union Pacific say it will be impossible to move trains before Friday. The greatest damage done to the Bur-

THE NONPAREIL.



BLACK DRESS GOODS, 50c a Yard.

Fad or fashion, the fact remains that Black Goods never were in such demand as now. Five styles are shown now which we formerly showed one. This lot is not only attractive in price, but the patterns are entirely new. Fifteen pieces of Black Figured Soles; good weight, all-wool and mohair. Full 38 inches wide, English make. 50c yard.

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Union Linen Suitings.....12 1/2c yard
Linen Duck Suitings.....10c and 12 1/2c yard
Crash Suitings, 27 inches wide.....25c yard
Linen Etamine.....35c and 50c yard
Linen Color Lawn with white figures.....25c yard

DRESS CHALLIES

That are Half Wool. 10c a Yard.

When you consider that these are less than half the price that they were sold for at the beginning of the season, they should be snapped up quickly. About thirty pieces in all, in light and dark grounds. For wrappers and house gowns there is nothing that you can buy at the price that will give as much wear.

RIBBONS.

Lively Ribbon selling these last few days. More lots have been placed on the counters. To-day all the Pure Silk Kind in Pleated, Dresden Effects and Ombre Printed Warp Ribbons. At prices that will soon make a complete clearance.

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IMPORTANT DECISION

Relating to the Mortgaging of Community Property.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 8.—A decision of interest to every woman in California was rendered by the Court of Appeals to-day. The opinion was read by Judge Ross, Associate Judges Hawley and Gilbert concurring.

The case in question was one of long standing, David Hearfield against Fred W. Bridges et al, to quiet the title to certain land in the city and county of San Francisco. Both parties claimed the property in question under a title from John H. Daley, to whom a quit-claim deed was executed by the city and county of San Francisco March 5, 1890. It appears that Daley, long since dead, mortgaged during his lifetime the land now in litigation to David Hearfield. Mrs. Daley, on the death of her husband, laid claim to the estate, on the ground that it was community property, and that consequently her husband had no right to mortgage it without her consent.

The lower court, however, entertained a contrary opinion, and now the Court of Appeals sustains that position. It will be seen, therefore, that the husband has a right to mortgage any property standing in his name, regardless of the fact that his wife might be equally interested in the same.

BLOODY FIGHT.

One in Which a Knife Was Flung in Evidence.

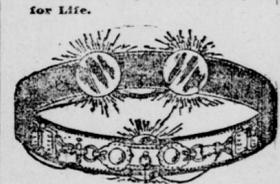
There was a bloody fight yesterday at the old William Tell House, when the proprietor, S. Bauman, mixed things with an itinerant tinsmith. From inside the hotel the men fought to the gutter in the street, and both were covered with blood when hostilities ceased. The tinsmith, whose name is not known, used a blunt knife on Bauman with some effect, gnawing him around the eyes several times. The man had disappeared when the police arrived.

Costly Fire at Toronto.

TORONTO (Ont.), June 8.—McKendry & Co.'s big department store on Yonge street, and the stores of Eaton & Co. and Guinane Brothers, were damaged \$275,000 by fire to-night; fully insured.

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ROBBERY OF A STREET CAR.

A Suburban Hold-Up Shortly Before Midnight.

Conductor Wadley Hands His Night's Receipts to a Masked Robber.

Shortly before midnight last night car No. 111 on the P-street line was robbed at Twenty-eighth street by a masked man, who got only \$6 60 for his trouble.

J. Wadley is the conductor of the car, and Thomas Mahan the motorman. The car had completed its last run and was standing on the switch preparatory to going to the barn. The conductor sat down inside the car to count up his fares, and the motorman sat in the seat opposite to him.

While thus engaged a man whose face was obscured by a white mask—supposed to be handkerchief—and clad in a long drab-colored duster that covered him nearly down to his heels, entered the car and covered the men with a pistol, at the same time ordering them to throw up their hands.

The carmen promptly complied with the "request," and Wadley was made to hand over his money.

As soon as this was done the robber stepped off the car and disappeared in the darkness in a southerly direction. He was a stout-built man, about 5 feet 6 inches in height.

A half-hour or so before the robbery a horse and buggy were stolen from Fifth and K streets, and the owner is of the opinion that the person who got away with the outfit is the one who robbed the car.

This is not likely, however, as the car robber was doubtless lying in wait near Twenty-eighth and P streets at that time for a car without passengers to come along.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Fred A. Ochsner departed last night for New York City.

Dr. M. B. Gill of Dunsmuir Siskiyou County, is in the city.

David Keith of Park City, Utah, is registered at the Golden Eagle.

Mrs. J. S. Wilson has returned after a pleasant sojourn in San Francisco.

Assemblyman E. S. Tomlin of Siskiyou County has been on a visit to the Capital City.

Dr. Metcalf has gone to Santa Cruz to attend for the annual session of the State Dental Association.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hale and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Terry have returned from a visit to Yosemite.

W. E. Gerber has returned from his mountain ranch in Tehama County, where his family are spending the summer.

District Attorney Ryan will on Thursday night join the Republican State delegation to the St. Louis National Convention.

D. B. Lacey of Washington left yesterday for the mountains of Colusa County, where his family have been for the past two weeks.

William Mahl, Controller of the Southern Pacific Company, passed through the city yesterday with his family, en route to Auburn for a short vacation.

Edgar M. Sheehan and bride returned last evening from their wedding trip to the southern part of the State, and now occupy their handsome new home on Sutter Terrace.

Mrs. Abbie Gerrish-Genung left for San Francisco yesterday for the purpose of bringing her daughter Margie home for her school vacation. The latter is attending school at Berkeley.

Watch and clock-making is encouraged by 3,640 patents.

ington was between Greeley Center and Purwell, and between Farwell and Loup City. General Superintendent Elwell, Chief Engineer Weeks and Superintendent Oden are now on the ground with a large force of men and pile drivers, and are rushing the work of repairs through as rapidly as possible. The entire line will be in working order by Thursday night.

A brief telegram received by General Manager Holdredge says that Wotbach was completely inundated, the water standing to a depth of ten feet over the entire town. The depot was also completely destroyed, and six box cars standing on the side track were washed several miles away.

It is learned that twenty-two bridges on the Elkhorn road, between Chadron and Deadwood, were washed away. SCORES OF FARMS FLOODED. ST. PAUL, June 8.—The full extent of the damage done by Friday night's storm is just beginning to be realized. Every bridge on the North Loup, from Scotia to Fullerton, with the single exception of the B. and M. Railroad bridge, is out. Scores of low-lying farms are flooded, thousands of dollars' worth of livestock, farming implements, etc., have been swept away, and one of the prettiest and richest valleys in Nebraska is now a scene of destruction and desolation. Several irrigation plants which were put in last year and the year before were completely wiped out. The course of the river is changed in several places, and much good land was carried away by the terrible volume of water.

Very little grain except that in the actual path of the flood was damaged.

STRIKE AT ST. PAUL.

Linotype Operators, Compositors and Proof-Readers Walk Out.

ST. PAUL (Minn.), June 8.—At 8 o'clock to-night every linotype operator of the "Globe," "Pioneer Press," "Dispatch," "Tribune," "Journal" and "Times" went on strike. With them went the advertising compositors, the proof-readers and their helpers, 140 men in all. The newspapers have named their type-setting machines with typewriters, stenographers and reporters, and have arranged a temporary exchange of news. The proprietors ask that the piece scale of 12 1/2 cents for nonpareil and 14 cents for minion be abolished, and that operators work for \$23 per week of fifty hours. The printers ask for \$24 and a week of forty-eight hours.

Three Battleships Provided For.

WASHINGTON, June 8.—The naval conferees agreed finally this afternoon on the battleships in the naval appropriation bill, as was indicated in the United Press dispatches of Saturday night. Three ships are provided for, with a stipulation that contracts for armor plate are not to be made at any price until Congress shall have further acted upon the subject.

Final Account Filed.

Wilfred A. Rogers, by her attorneys, Holl & Dunn, has filed her final account as executor of the will of Arvilla Currier, deceased, with a petition that the estate be turned over to Ralph G. Currier, son of the deceased. The estate is valued at \$1,990.

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