THE STATE TAKES CHARGE.

NEW ORDER OF THINGS IN THE CONEMAUGH VALLEY.

THIRTY-EIGHT BODIES FOUND YESTERDAY—PROGRESS IN CLEARING AWAY THE HUGE DRIFT—MISS CHRISTMAN'S BODY FOUND.

Johnstown, Penn., June 11.—This was the last day for clearing away the effects of the flood by the civil authorities. To-morrow the State takes hold of the stupendous work of restoring the valley to its condition before the flood, and all work done after to-day will be under the supervision of Adjutant-General Hastings.

The weary and dreary succession of rainy days since the flood continued, and to-day broke amidst a drizzling rain. With but a single exception every day here since the deluge has opened with rain, but while the rain has made the work more disagreeable, it has had some good results. But for the almost continuous rains, the river at this point would have become too low and shallow to float away the drift that has been loosened and thrown into the river. Again, the rain has served to cool the air and temper the hot rays of a June sun. Even as it is, the fumes arising from the decomposing bodies of persons and animals are almost overpowering. So noticeable has this become that each gang of men, searching for the dead, carries quantities of disinfectants, and when a body is located the vicinity is thoroughly saturated with disinfectant.

The search for the dead continues, and in all sections and directions they are being found. Numbers of bodies are now coming to the surface of the waters, and those whose work has made them competent judges say as many more bodies as have been found are lying somewhere. Thirty-eight were found to-day.

This afternoon the body of Miss C. A. Christman, the foreign missionary, from New-Orleans, who was on the fated day express when the flood swept it from the track, was found. On her was found a draft for $275, a valuable gold watch and a small amount of money. Her body was embalmed to await the disposition of friends.

An exodus set in here to-day, which, before the day closed, reduced the number of men here by many hundreds. The willing and hard-working volunteer laborers began to leave here early this morning, and the train leaving here at 8 a. m. took over 400 away. This is merely the beginning of the great outpouring that will set in to-morrow. Among those who left this morning were 150 laborers from the Hartman Steel Company, Beaver Falls. They said they would not work for $1 50 for General Hastings or anybody else. One of the first things to be done by General Hastings will be to discharge the 800 policemen now doing duty here. It has been decided they should not be paid out of the relief fund, but that the county, whose sheriff deputized them, should pay for their services. At least $100,000 will be paid out to workmen to-morrow morning, and the majority of it will leave the town with the men who earned it. Good progress was made in cleaning out the channel of the Conemaugh above the bridge to-day, a number of stationary engines and long cables being used to pull out the heavy timbers. The morgues are about to be abandoned, on account of the bad condition of bodies being recovered. Identification is almost impossible, unless by personal effects found upon the bodies. The State Board of Health still issues encouraging bulletins, although isolated cases of pneumonia, diphtheria and measles are reported, generally from the suburbs.

The spirit of recovery took a firm hold on Johnstown's citizens to-day. Everywhere owners of property seemed to have regained their senses after this terrible disaster, and were hard at work cleaning out their cellars, drying carpets and bedding, and beginning a general renovation. The women labored bravely, and with water and brush soon began to see their floors for the first time in twelve days. The mud is caked all over the walls and furniture, and most of the carpet is utterly useless, but it will have to be used till something better can be secured.

General Hastings, in an interview this afternoon, said: "The work of cleaning up the city will be done by contract, and negotiations will be opened at once with leading contractors. Several may be employed, but I cannot say who will get the work at this time. Booth & Flynn, of Pittsburg, are large contractors, and will likely get some of the work. There is also a large contractor at Altoona who will likely get some of the work. I do not remember his name. This matter has not been definitely decided upon and will not be until the Governor appoints the commission. I have recommended to him the appointment of ex-Governor Robert E. Pattison, James B. Scott, of Pittsburg; Colonel Jennings, of Harrisburg, and Thomas Cochrane, of Philadelphia. Until the commission is appointed Mr. Scott has volunteered his services and will render me all the assistance in his power."

There is a hungering for orphans here that cannot be satisfied. The city was thoroughly canvassed to-day, but with little success. A number of letters containing considerable money to defray expenses of the children cannot be satisfactorily answered, as the orphans are not to be found.

T. J. Oliver, of Philadelphia, represents the Pennsylvania Grocers' Association, and is in charge of the storehouse established in the German Catholic Church. Twenty carloads of provisions and clothing were unloaded there to-day. "There can be no further scarcity of supplies," said Mr. Oliver, "enough clothing is arriving in Johnstown to supply the city for twenty years."

Notwithstanding this is the twelfth day since the flood, most of the newspaper correspondents are still without sleeping accommodations of any kind, and as on the first day are sleeping in barns, brick kilns and other places without cots or blankets. Cots have been sent them, they are told, but as they are too busy to watch the incoming trains some one else gets them.

After to-day all the commissary departments will be in charge of Colonel J. L. Spangler, Assistant Quartermaster-General, with three assistants, Lieutenant Beam, U. S. A., and Quartermasters Brown and Albree, N. G. P. Colonel Spangler to-day said: "I have figured on feeding the sufferers in this section. Five days' rations for 20,000 people, the number we will have to take care of, will cost $18,625, or about $3,500 per day. That is, it would cost that much had we to pay for the provisions. In about fifteen days, when the Cambria Iron Works get started, we will be relieved of about one-third this number. This does not include laborers."

General Wylie said: "If the weather is good it will take sixty days and two thousand men to get order out of this chaos, and if the weather is bad it will take ninety days at least."

Yesterday the Rev. Dr. David Beale and nine others identified, as they supposed, the body of young Mr. Austin, a prominent business man. They had just nailed up the box containing the body, and were starting it to the cemetery when they were confronted by Mr. Austin, who had been carried away down the river. This only serves to show how difficult identification has become.

NOT TO BE AN ORPHAN ASYLUM.

NO DISPOSITION YET MADE OF THE PROPERTY OF THE SOUTH FORK FISHING CLUB.

Pittsburg, June 11 (Special).—James H. Reed, attorney for the club of wealthy Pittsburgers who owned South Fork Lake, said to-day:

"Nothing has been said which might be construed as meaning that the company would hold a meeting and give the property to the State, for an orphan asylum. We won't hold a meeting for some time at least, because there is no call for it. Affairs have about collapsed, and we have nothing left but a lot of houses upon a sand-bank, of little value to us or any other person.

"We don't feel called upon to hold a meeting because the accident took place, as we consider that the calamity happened through no negligence on our part, and we are certain that the facts will carry out our statement. The buildings up there, with the exception of a club-house, belong to private individuals and they will be disposed of just as these individuals separately see fit to dispose of them. As a summer resort, the bottom has been knocked out of South Fork, and the buildings are therefore next to valueless. A meeting will, of course, have to be held but when is a question which no one at present can say."

A NEW-YORKER LOST IN THE FLOOD.

Pittsburg, June 11 (Special).—Walter B. Wheeler, the business manager of the Art-Trades Publishing and Printing Company of New-York, passed through the city to-day on his way from Johnstown where he had been looking for the body of his brother-in-law, W. P. Dow, a travelling salesman for Ladd & Coffin, of New-York, who was probably lost. Dow had been in Johnstown on the day of the flood, and nothing has been heard of him since. However, his route-book was found and on the register of the Hulbert House was his name.

HARMLESS EVEN IF IT BROKE.

Saratoga, N. Y., June 11.—Longberry Lake, which supplies Saratoga with drinking water, is not in a dangerous condition. The dam is twenty-five feet wide at the top, and there is no truth in the report that there is danger of its breaking. Even if it were to break it could not hurt anybody or anything.

STILL AIDING JOHNSTOWN.

MONEY AND SUPPLIES FLOWING IN.

MAYOR GRANT'S RELIEF FUND NOW NEARLY $450,000—INDIVIDUAL AND ORGANIZED EFFORTS ELSEWHERE—A THIEF'S MEAN ACT.

In the absence of General Sherman, who is attending the annual exercises at the West Point Military Academy, Charles S. Smith presided yesterday at the meeting of the Relief Committee at the Governor's Room in the City Hall. Treasurer J. Edward Simmons made his daily report, showing that the amount in bank to the credit of the fund was $288,712 14. Andrew S. Hamersley, jr., stated that the day's receipts in the Mayor's office had been $11,391 52, which sum was then on its way to the bank. Added to the amount named in the treasurer's report, this would make $300,103 66. Chairman Smith announced that of the money collected by the Chamber of Commerce, the sum of $53,000 had been ordered to be turned over to the Mayor. The additional sum of $15,000 from the Produce Exchange was also ready to be paid in. A number of contributions from various moneyed institutions and corporations, which had been subscribed but not yet officially ordered paid by their boards of direction, Mr. Simmons estimated at $30,000. These, with the draft for $50,000 sent to Governor Beaver, will bring the Mayor's fund up to about $450,000.

Chairman Stanton, from the Transportation Committee, reported the continued receipt of clothing and useful articles for shipment at Miner's Theatre, No. 201 Bowery. Much unnecessary inquiry would be avoided if people would bear in mind that articles intended for Johnstown and the flooded districts should be sent to the address named.

A. R. Whitney stated that William F. Hall, of Canal-st., had given a carload of cots, mattresses and bedding for shipment. Sweet, Orr & Co. had sent on 100 suits of clothes, the Norfolk Street First Hungarian Congregation, five cases of clothing, and the Smith & Stevens Manufacturing Company 5,000 wooden plates. Among the sums received at the Mayor's office yesterday were the following:

Through The Tribune	$429 94
Madison Avenue Baptist Church	188 08
P. & F. Uhlmann	200 00
Employes "Century" Co.	150 00
Worthen & Aldrich	100 00
John H. Earl	100 00
Employes American District Telegraph Co.	162 20
Whiting Mfg. Co.	100 00
Employes Register's Office	1,100 00
Alden Sampson & Sons	100 00
Through the "Staats Zeitung"	394 74
Through "The Evening Post"	151 00
Employes Trunk Line Association	145 25
Employes Caxton Book Bindery	126 50
Albert Fink	100 00
Through "The Press"	212 65
A few liquor dealers of Twenty-second Ward	200 00

TO SET UP PUBLIC CONTRIBUTION BOXES.

The Board of Aldermen yesterday passed resolutions submitted by Mr. Flynn, authorizing the placing of ballot-boxes at the elevated railway stations, ferry-houses, churches, theatres and other public places, for the reception of contributions for the Conemaugh sufferers, the boxes to be in the custody of the Police Commissioners, and the sums deposited therein to be turned over to the Mayor's Relief Fund.

A little girl named Mamie Bain sent the Mayor a letter yesterday, saying that she was working at a salary of $3 a week, and inclosing $2 for the flood sufferers.

The American Society of Civil Engineers, having appointed M. J. Becker, William E. Worthen, James B. Francis and Chief Engineer A. Fteley, of the new Aqueduct, a committee to go to Johnstown to examine the South Forks Fishing Dam and its surroundings, Mayor Grant telegraphed to Governor Beaver: "These men are of high standing in the profession, and you may rely on their integrity and ability. They will no doubt be able to render any service which you may require in the line of their profession."

Brisk's Express, No. 30 Cortlandt-st., offers to deliver packages for the flood sufferers free of charge at the shipping-point, No. 201 Bowery.

Additional subscriptions amounting to $1,045 were reported at the Stock Exchange yesterday. The sum of the gifts by members of the Exchange is now $32,556 50.

The Maritime Exchange relief fund was increased by $123 25 yesterday, making the total $13,258 25.

Among the subscriptions to the relief fund received through Frederic R. Coudert from lawyers, to date, are the following: George Kipp, $250; Wilson M. Powell, $100; Sullivan & Cromwell, $100; Parrish & Pendleton, $100; Frederick H. Betts, $100, and Arnoux, Ritch & Woodford, $100.

The members of the Police Department have contributed $5,825 for the sufferers at Johnstown.

The employes of the Dock Board sent $350 to the Mayor's office, which had been raised for the sufferers by the flood.

Sixty-two employes of the Union Ferry Company's repair-shops have contributed $55 75 to the fund.

The New-York Hebrew Relief Fund Association has collected over $300. The association is planning a meeting for a theatrical performance in aid of the fund.

The American Baptist Home Mission Society voted on Monday to appropriate $500 to aid in repairing the damage done to Baptist churches in Johnstown.

OTHER PLACES DOING THEIR FULL SHARE.

The receipts at the Mayor's office in Brooklyn amount to $43,982 72.

A public meeting was held in the Town Hall, Flatbush, on Monday evening and about $1,000 was collected.

A sacred concert in aid of the Johnstown sufferers will be given at the Prospect Park Lake on Sunday afternoon by F. N. Innes.

The relief fund in Jersey City was increased yesterday to $11,252 10.

The fund started by the Mayor of Newark last week in aid of the Johnstown sufferers has reached $24,232 69.

The employes of the Singer Company, of Elizabeth, have increased their contributions to the relief fund to $663 75. The local contributions from Elizabeth are now nearly $5,000.

The Hoboken Common Council recently appropriated $1,000 for the Johnstown sufferers, and forwarded it. Ex-Mayor Timken declares that the appropriation was illegal, and threatens that if the Councilmen do not out of their own pockets restore the amount to the city treasury he and several other citizens will proceed against them.

Some thieves early yesterday morning broke open the box placed by the United Lodges of the A. O. U. W., of Staten Island, in the station at Tottenville, for the reception of contributions for the sufferers by the floods, and stole the contents.

The entertainment given at the Methodist Episcopal Church, Mount Vernon, on Monday evening, for the benefit of the flood sufferers, added nearly $600 to the funds raised in the village for the same object, making a total of about $2,000.

The contributions yesterday at Portchester for the relief of the Johnstown sufferers amounted to $350.

The citizens of Sing Sing contributed $1,500 for the relief of the flood sufferers.

Treasurer Hincks, of the Bridgeport Relief Committee, reports $176 10 received yesterday for the Johnstown victims, making a total of $7,121 75 in one week. Several churches are yet to be heard from.

ACTORS TO SWELL THE FLOOD FUND.

PROGRAMME FOR THE CASINO BENEFIT TO-DAY—OTHER BENEFITS ARRANGED.

The auction sale of boxes and seats for the performance at the Metropolitan Opera House to-morrow afternoon, advertised to be held yesterday at the Madison Square Theatre, did not take place. There was an extremely small attendance, and Auctioneer J. H. Draper said that in consequence of the non-arrival of the large diagram it would be impossible to hold the sale, but that the Managers' Committee would receive orders for boxes and seats. Boxes were taken by J. K. Emmet, Samuel French, of London; T. Henry French and Daniel Frohman, at $100 each; by Mayor Grant and W. H. Matthews, at $50; and by John R. Waters and J. H. Rice, at $25. Tyson bought two seats at $10 and two at $5 each. Mrs. Henry Draper secured the whole of Row C, thirty seats, at the regular price, $2; and Mr. Houseman took twelve more. The sale will be opened at the box-office of the Metropolitan Opera House at 10 o'clock to-day. The scale of prices will be found in the advertisement.

The programme for the benefit at the Casino this afternoon is: First act of "The Brigands," with Lillian Russell, Fanny Rice, Edwin Stevens, Fred Solomon and full Casino company. The operetta, "The Ring and the Keeper," interpreted by Miss Minnie Palmer and R. A. Roberts. One act of "Erminie," with several of original company in the cast. Also, Miss Emily Rigl, "Aunt Louisa" Eldridge, W. T. Carleton, Louis Harrison and Henry Walton. Music by Hungarian band and Casino orchestra. Mrs. Eldridge and several well-known actresses will have charge of the flower-booth.

At Proctor's Twenty-third Street Theatre Nell Burgess will play "The County Fair" this afternoon.

In the evening there will be a performance at the Harlem Theatre Comique.

On Thursday afternoon Francis Wilson and company will present "The Oolah" at the Broadway.

On Thursday evening the great athletic benefit will take place. Professor Donovan, who has relieved the managers of much work, has secured a remarkable list of volunteers, which includes John L. Sullivan, Jake Kilrain, Charles Mitchell, William Muldoon, Jack McAuliffe, Billy Madden, Jack Dempsey, Johnny Reagan, Billy Myers, Johnny Murphy, Billy Edwards, Cal. McCarthy, Professor Austin, Professor McClellan, Professor Laughlin, Professor Mike Donovan and Pat Sheedy, master of ceremonies. The "wind-up" will be between Mitchell and Kilrain.

There will also be a benefit on Thursday evening at the People's Theatre, when A. M. Palmer's company will appear in "Jim the Penman."

On Friday evening Mr. Jefferson will play "Rip Van Winkle" at Daly's.

A performance will be given at the Windsor Theatre on Friday evening, in the direction of which Manager Murtha will have the assistance of the officers of the 17th and VIIIth Tammany Assembly Districts.

Gustav Amberg has cabled to his business manager, Mr. Schoenberg, to give a performance at Terrace Garden. Next Monday evening has been chosen, and Coroner Ferdinand Levy, Carl Schultze and William Steinway will work to secure a large audience.

The Managers' Committee were alarmed yesterday at receiving a notice from the secretary of the new company which has bought the Madison Square Garden, to the effect that the directors would not allow any sparring. It seems that they were afraid that the crowd might do some damage to the building. Their objections were overcome when A. M. Palmer became personally responsible for any damage that may be done.

At the various benefits, the Opera Glass Supply Company, which has the opera-glass boxes attached to the backs of chairs in several theatres, has announced that the entire proceeds from the hire of these glasses will be devoted to the general fund.

THE MONEY WAS MEANT FOR SUFFERERS.

THE CHICAGO BOARD OF TRADE DOESN'T WANT ITS RELIEF FUNDS DIVERTED TO STATE USES.

Chicago, June 11.—Funds for the relief of the Johnstown sufferers were raised in this city by two committees, one representing the city and the other the Board of Trade. City Controller Onahan is at the head of the former and Charles L. Raymond at the head of the latter. Both went to Pittsburg to take action in regard to the disposition of the funds by the Pennsylvania committees.

When it became known this morning that the Board of Trade relief committee sent to Johnstown had returned and had brought all the funds raised for the sufferers back with them it gave rise to considerable conjecture as to their reasons for retaining the money. In an interview with Charles L. Raymond, he said:

We retained the fund because the money was raised to relieve distress and for that purpose only, and if it had been turned over on our arrival there, part, if not all, of it would have gone to pay for clearing away the rubbish at Johnstown. That work properly falls to the State authorities and we told the Pittsburg committee that so soon as the State authorities assume all the expense of the clearing up and our money can go directly to the sufferers, for whom it is intended, we will forward it to them. The relief committee at Pittsburg is composed of men who are entirely above reproach and our action is in no sense a reflection on them. We expect to hear to-day or to-morrow that the Governor of Pennsylvania has assumed charge of the expense of clearing the wreckage up and will then send our money on.

City Controller Onahan and the other members of the city committee sent to Johnstown to see to the distribution of Chicago's contribution for the surviving sufferers by the flood returned this morning. Mr. Onahan denied the truth of the report telegraphed from Pittsburg that he was dissatisfied with the management of the funds, and that he had withdrawn $27,000 given over to the Pittsburg committee because the money was being diverted from the purpose for which it was intended and used to pay for the clearing up of the debris of the valley, a manifest duty of the State. "Now that is all wrong," said Mr. Onahan. "I did not withdraw one cent, and we are satisfied that the money will be used to the best advantage by the General Relief Committee. All money now sent to Pittsburg will be used to assist actual sufferers; no money will be spent in doing the work of the State."

MONEY CONTRIBUTED FROM VARIOUS CITIES.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., June 11 (Special).—Poughkeepsie has already contributed $4,231 in money to Johnstown sufferers. John G. Borden, of Borden's condensed milk factory at Walkill, has sent a carload of condensed milk to Johnstown sufferers, valued at $2,300.

Scranton, Penn., June 11.—The amount of money subscribed by the citizens of Scranton is $15,000, while provisions and clothing amounting to $6,000 have been sent.

Columbia, S. C., June 11.—The Mayor of Columbia to-day sent a sympathetic note to William R. Thompson, of Pittsburg, treasurer of the Finance Committee of the Conemaugh Valley sufferers, announcing that Charleston had subscribed $1,210 for the flood sufferers, and stores of various kinds amounting in value to about $500.

LIST OF CONTRIBUTIONS.

Amounts contributed through The Tribune for Johnstown Relief Fund, June 11:

Reformed Church and Sabbath-school, the Rev. W. D. Buckelew, Palisades, N. J.	$25 00
Congregational Church, North Stonington, Conn., per William B. Carr	55 75
M. L. S.	10 00
Great Neck, N. Y.	2 00
Mrs. A. G. K. (for Lock Haven, Penn.)	5 00
From children and employes Five Points House of Industry, per William F. Barnard	47 00
Shop hands in William Scheer's employ, per J. R. Keim	30 00
Baccalaureate Service, Claverack, N. Y.	55 00
A. A. B.	5 00
Reformed (D.) Church, Stuyvesant, N. Y.	64 15
S. G. N.	5 00
L. R.	1 00
L. S.	5 00
L. P. S., Orange, N. J.	100 00
L. C. M.	5 00
William V.	1 00
Pompton Reformed Church, $40; Sunday-school Pompton Reformed Church, $10; King's Daughters, Pompton, N. J., $25	75 00
Miss Ethel Kissam	10 00
King's Daughters of Bennington, Vt., per Mrs. Ed. R. Scott	16 25
S. D. R., Northport	10 00
J.	50
The Misses Mere, Richmond, Staten Island, N. Y.	13 00
Henry T. Thomas, H. F. Clark, A. C. Rowe, and others	85 00
Presbyterian Church of Smithtown, L. I.	27 00
"A Daily Reader," Great Neck, L. I.	5 00
Total	$657 65
Previously acknowledged	9,073 43
Grand total	$9,731 08

AQUEDUCT LABORERS LOOKING FOR WAGES.

The 500 men employed on section No. 8 of the new aqueduct are getting impatient because they have not been paid for the last two months. O'Brien & Clark, the original contractors, let the work to Brechaud, Pennell & Co. When work was stopped, about two weeks ago, the men applied for their wages to Brechaud, Pennell & Co., by whom they were referred to O'Brien & Clark, at No. 40 Wall-st. The men say that they called at the latter office, where the bookkeeper promised them that if they would call a day or so later they would be paid, but that when they called afterward as directed, they were told that they must look for their money to the men who employed them. There is about $9,000 due the men. The difficulty seems to be the result of a difference of opinion between O'Brien & Clark and the sub-contractors. Meanwhile the Aqueduct Commissioners have given O'Brien & Clark notice to show cause why section No. 8 should not be taken out of their hands, on account of the shutting down of the work before the contract was completed. It is expected that they will give their answer to the Commissioners to-day.

WARRING COUNTY DEMOCRATS.

The County Committee of the New-York County Democracy met at the Cooper Union last evening. Police Commissioner John R. Voorhis presiding. Senator Michael C. Murphy, chairman of the committee for obtaining funds for the relief of the Conemaugh Valley flood sufferers, reported that $2,423 had been raised. Ex-County Clerk Patrick Keenan submitted a resolution, which was adopted, expressing the sympathy of the organization with the unfortunate people of the stricken districts, complimenting the committee for its prompt and successful action and directing that the funds be turned over to the Mayor's Relief Committee. The district committees were requested to continue measures for the increase of the contribution.

Colonel Murphy, as chairman of the Executive Committee, which had been investigating the alleged irregularities in the primaries of the XIXth Assembly District, reported that in some of the election districts the elections had not been conducted in accordance with the rules, and that persons had been returned as elected who were not lawfully chosen. The committee recommended that the credentials be returned to the district committee with the instruction to review the proceedings and fill the vacancies in election districts where the delegates had been improperly chosen. Patrick Mulligan, of the XVth District, moved to amend by ordering a new election. He denounced the XIXth's County Democracy organization as a paper one only. "When you were in power," he said, "paper organizations did very well. Now you are out of power they won't do." In seventeen election districts no primaries whatever had been held. Denis A. Spellissy is the County Democracy leader there. He is backed by "Boss" Power, and although Mr. Mulligan's speech was warmly applauded by a good-sized contingent, his amendment was defeated; Justice Power's man was indorsed. W. P. Duffy heads the opposition in the XIXth.

A CANAL BANK IN HOLYOKE GIVES WAY.

Holyoke, Mass., June 11.—One of the canal banks gave way to-night, undermining the foundations of the Cabot Mills, which collapsed, causing a loss of $100,000.

Shrewsbury Tomatoketchup can't be imitated in quality. That peculiar, exquisite flavor of the Shrewsbury is matchless. Other manufacturers cannot approach it except in color. Insist upon getting the Shrewsbury.

Platt's Chlorides
THE HOUSEHOLD DISINFECTANT
An odorless liquid. Powerful, cheap. Destroys Disease germs, prevents sickness. A necessity in every home. Invaluable in the sick room.

YACHTS IN CALM AND STORM.

A DISAPPOINTING RACE, WITH INTERESTING INCIDENTS.

SPRING REGATTA OF THE ATLANTIC CLUB—A FINE LIST OF ENTRIES—REMARKABLE PHENOMENA IN THE SKY AND ON THE SEA.

The sultry atmosphere which marked the opening of yesterday introduced a series of meteorological phenomena combining to make the Atlantic Yacht Club's spring regatta a dismal failure. This was the more deplorable, because the list of entries for the races included a formidable list of the best yachts in Atlantic waters. The club had chartered the iron steamboat Sirius and the tugboat Dalzell to follow the racing craft over the course, and about 500 persons on the former, and a score of judges, amateur photographers and reporters on the latter, were doomed to disappointment. About 10 o'clock the two steamboats anchored off the yacht-club basin at Bay Ridge, and the waters in the neighborhood were then crowded with pleasure craft, both sail and steam. There was a dead calm at the time, which left the waters in a state of glassy smoothness, and the judges on the Dalzell decided to whistle for wind. Instead, they got three or four heavy showers of rain, liberally interspersed with torrid sunshine. In consequence, the noon hour passed by without much chance for a race, and finally, when the preparatory signal was fired from the bluff, a number of the yachts had to be towed over the starting line, so as to get on the right side of the beginning.

At 12:41:58 the gun starting all the schooner-classes, and Classes 1, 2 and 3, sloops, was fired, and more guns at five-minute intervals boomed over the bay to start the other classes. Each set of yachts had five minutes to cross the line. The following were the starters, in this order:

Schooners, Class 1. Grayling, Sea Fox.
Schooners, Class 2. Cavalier.
Schooners, Class 3. Fearless, Azalia. Azalia handicapped.
Sloops, Class 2. Titania, Gracie, Shamrock, Katrina, Fanny.
Sloops, Class 4. Anaconda, Clara, Roamer.
Sloops, Classes 5 and 6. Banshee, Stella.
Sloops, Class 7. Daisy, Hypatia, Nomad, Ilderan, Mistral. Nomad, Ilderan and Mistral handicapped.
Sloops, Class 8. Ma Belle, Arab, Kathleen.
Sloops, Class 9. Mouette, Wona, Frolic.
Sloops, Class 11. Bijou, Marjorie, Tarpon.

The list promised a number of fine contests, especially in the seventy-footer class. The wind at the start was southwest and light, and the yachts went out against a flood tide. They were all on the starboard tack crossing, but had hardly got out of the bunch of yachts at anchor when the wind shifted to southeast and caused them all to go on the port tack. The Anaconda hugged the Bay Ridge shore too closely, went aground, and had to be hauled off by a tug. The Katrina and Sea Fox, with a number of smaller craft, got under lee of the Staten Island shore, lost the little ground they had, and eventually had to put back. In the meantime the Shamrock had gained the lead by flukes, and led the Titania by half a mile. In the drift, the schooner Fearless and the sloop Kathleen collided on account of a question of right of way. The sloop had her bowsprit torn out by the roots, and had to put back, while the schooner picked up two of the Kathleen's men and took them out to sea.

The leading yachts were working for spar-buoy No. 10, their first turn, in a drift. They made the buoy in the following order: Shamrock, 4:28:30; Titania, 4:43:25; Grayling, 5:12:30; Fearless, 5:07:30; Fanny, 5:12:00. Then came the Banshee. Even while the yachts were hovering about the buoy the western sky assumed the color of inky blackness, and a heavy squall threatened to annihilate the fleet. Headsails and topsails disappeared right and left, and double reefs were taken in the mainsails of the yachts in sight. Then, as the darkness grew more startling, the canvas was all furled in, with the exception of a jib or two, and when the fury of the storm broke loose everybody was prepared. Though the threatening aspect of the sky warranted the expectation of a hurricane, there was none, and the yachts only got a thorough drenching, besides a rough shaking up. When, at 6:15, the rain ceased and the storm was over, the situation was disheartening. The schooners and the several classes of sloops still in the fizzle picked up and tried to make for Sandy Hook and Scotland Lightship. Before they got there, however, the rain stopped, and the fleet, Shamrock and Titania, were becalmed in a fog-bank, a quarter of a mile beyond Scotland Light. The people on the Dalzell therefore decided to have the time taken by the "foreclock system" and sailed for home, leaving a man on the stakeboat at Buoy 15, Lower Bay, to watch for the finish.

On the run home of the judges' boat some remarkable meteorological phenomena were noticed. On the port bow was a glorious sunset; above a threatening storm-cloud; on the port side aft the moon was shining brightly, and some wonderful cloud effects astern were broken by the fragments of a double rainbow. On all sides an opaque mist lay on the waters.

Under the rules of the club, if one yacht finishes in ten hours, there is a race for all classes. The yachts left in the fog were the Shamrock and Titania, outward bound, becalmed just beyond Scotland Light; the Anaconda, Clara, Grayling, Fearless, Fanny and Banshee, stuck in the mist between Buoy 10 and Scotland Lightship, and the catboat Bijou, hovering about its stakeboat near Buoy 8. At 9 o'clock the ebb tide was running against the yachts, and there was no prospect of a breeze.

TO BE SAILED ON THE HUDSON RIVER.

PLANS FOR THE ANNUAL REGATTA OF THE COLUMBIA YACHT CLUB NEXT TUESDAY.

The twenty-second annual regatta of the Columbia Yacht Club will be held on June 18, over the club's course from the club house to Yonkers and return. The iron steamboat Cygnus has been chartered to accompany the yachts over the course. Bernstein's orchestra will furnish the music for dancing on board. The race will be started at 10:30, sharp. A prize will be awarded in each class on time allowance, and a special prize, presented by Commodore Wills, will be awarded to the yacht making the fastest actual time over the course. Yachts will be sailed by members only, and the race must be made in seven hours or less. The entries have been made as follows:

Class A, cabin sloops over 30 feet.—White Wing, Hazel, Agnes S., Mergus, Emma and Alice, Falka, Gracie T.

Class B, cabin sloops over 26 feet.—Lex, Venture, Julian, Marguerite, Vixen.

Class C, cabin sloops under 26 feet.—Mab, Helen, Flirt, Helen, Arab, Solo, Weary Wish.

Class D, cabin cat boats.—Burnhilde, Henry Gray, Brunt.

Class E, open yachts over 22 feet.—Martha Munn, Thorn, Columbia, ———.

Class F, open yachts over 18 feet.—Mystic, Gertrude Miriam, Annie, Henry Fisher.

Class G, open yachts under 18 feet.—Carrie E, Little Dean, Helen, Viola, Kid.

THE BERKIMER POSTMASTER DISAPPEARS.

Utica, N. Y., June 11.—Postoffice Inspector Hatch, of Albany, went to Herkimer on Saturday to look over the accounts of the postoffice. He found a shortage in the cash, and the postmaster, F. A. Gray, said he would have the cash account all right Monday morning. Monday Gray had disappeared, and no trace of him can be found. It is feared that he has committed suicide. The amount of the shortage is $2,500, and will be made good by his bondsmen.

OVER A THOUSAND INDIANS HAVE SIGNED.

Rosebud, Dak., June 11, via Valentine, Neb.—At 4 p. m. to-day 1,028 Indians had signed. Intelligence from other agencies indicates that success here probably insures favorable results at all the others. There seems to be a general impression that practically the only opposition will be made at Standing Rock.

ARRESTED FOR ABDUCTING A GIRL.

Flora Roberts, of No. 33 Rivington-st., was arrested last evening by Roundsman Saul, on the complaint of Agent Becker, of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, who charges her with keeping a disorderly house and abducting Rosa Frank, whose home is at No. 37 Cannon-st. Miss Frank is under fifteen years of age, and it is alleged that she was brought to No. 33 Rivington-st. by two young men on May 20, and has been held there virtually a prisoner since by Mrs. Roberts. Mrs. Roberts was locked up at Police Headquarters, and the young girl was taken in charge by the society. Miss Frank's father is a telegraph operator in the Western Union building.

RAILROAD INTERESTS.

A TROUBLED RELIEF ASSOCIATION.

LITIGATION GROWING OUT OF AN UNPOPULAR PART OF THE B. AND O. SYSTEM.

Baltimore, June 11 (Special).—The troubles between the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company and its employes, growing out of the Relief Association, have culminated in Isaac Conley, a former employe, filing a bill in the courts, charging misappropriation of the funds of the Relief Association and asking for the appointment of a receiver. The Baltimore and Ohio Relief Association was organized in 1880. The institution was never popular with the employes and its compulsory features brought the company into court several times on suits of employes. Conley in his complaint says that he became a member of the association when it was first organized, in 1880, and submitted to a deduction of $3 a month from his wages from the date of his membership. In 1888 the Legislature repealed the charter of the association, which went into effect last April. On March 31 Henry A. Bateman, acting secretary of the association, made a deed of trust of all its property to the Real Estate and Improvement Company, a company incorporated in 1888 by John K. Cowen and E. J. D. Cross, both counsellors of the Baltimore and Ohio, and Hugh L. Bond, jr., George W. Hallenbeck and Edward J. Skillman. The company was organized to deal in real estate etc. It is claimed that the Relief Association, which was a beneficial organization, has assets exceeding $500,000. A new relief department has been organized by the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, and the plaintiff claims that he was discharged from the employ of the company because he would not become a member. It is understood that Conley's case is a test one, and that he is backed by several labor organizations.

TO INSPECT THE ST. LOUIS AND ARKANSAS.

The committee of the first mortgage bondholders of the St. Louis, Arkansas and Texas Railroad was completed yesterday and met for the first time at the offices of the Central Trust Company. The men appointed were F. P. Olcott, chairman; Henry Budge, J. Kennedy Tod, James Speyer and Edmund Smith. George S. Ellis, of the Central Trust Company, was appointed secretary of the committee. A gentleman interested in the reorganization of the company said yesterday that the committee resolved to send railroad experts over the company's lines to look into the condition of its property and report on its present condition and the requirements necessary to place it on a paying basis.

Referring to the alleged dissatisfaction among the American bondholders owing to the fact that they were not represented on the committee, he said that as soon as a survey of the property had been made there would be every facility to receive deposits of securities, and a plan for the reorganization of the company would be published without delay.

Messrs. Hallgarten & Co., who are represented on the committee, represent $7,000,000 of the total issue of $12,000,000 of the first mortgage bonds, and it was stated by a member of the committee that the reorganization scheme would be so drafted as to be equitable and satisfactory alike to the holders of the junior securities and of the stock.

ST. PAUL ABIDES BY THE ARBITRATION.

Chicago, June 11 (Special).—The St. Paul road has already made an official announcement that it will conform to the ruling of the Executive Board of the Interstate Commerce Railway Association, and turn over to its competitors all its live stock traffic from Missouri River points except two train-loads a week. In the announcement it says:

The St. Paul road considers that the main stay of the presidents' agreement is the provision for giving some business to weaker lines, which cannot obtain it against stronger ones on maintained rates, and it certainly will not discourage this first attempt in that direction by failure to co-operate.

This reference to the Alton will hardly have a tendency to heal the rapidly widening breach between some of the lines in the Association.

RATES TO BE ADJUSTED.

Chicago, June 11 (Special).—The Western Freight Association met to-day but postponed consideration of the reduction of local rates between Chicago and St. Paul until to-morrow morning. The reduction proposed by the Burlington and Northern to a 45-cent basis will probably be adopted.

Chairman Midgley and General Freight Agents Morton, of the Burlington, and Johnston, of the Rock Island, will be in New-York Tuesday next at a session of the National Uniform Classification Committee. The committee has received a hint from the Interstate Commerce Commission that if it does not accomplish something Congress will take hold of the matter.

NORTHWESTERN IRON COMPANIES.

Duluth, June 11.—The annual meetings of the Duluth and Iron Range Railway and Minnesota Iron companies were held here yesterday. In the railroad company the only changes were the election of M. J. Carpenter as vice-president and director in place of R. H. Lee, and D. H. Bacon director in place of Samuel P. Ely. In the iron company the only change was the election of R. H. Lee as director and member of the executive committee in place of C. Tower, jr. The surplus for the year, $1,200,000, was voted to be used at the discretion of the Executive Committee for the improvement of the property. It is learned, though not officially, that this means no less than the building by the company of a line of vessels to carry its ore to the Eastern markets.

TEXAS RAILWAY LANDS FORFEITED.

Chicago, June 11.—A dispatch from Austin, Texas, says: "Several months ago Attorney-General Hogg began suit in the court against the Southern Pacific Railway and other lines for the return to the State of 15,000,000 acres of land which had been given to the railways on certain conditions. These conditions the State showed were violated and the forfeiture of the lands was demanded. Judge Key decided in favor of the State yesterday. A great portion of the lands have passed into other hands, having been sold by the railroads, and under the decision the supposed owners have no titles."

AUSTIN CORBIN INSPECTING A WESTERN ROAD.

Indianapolis, June 11 (Special).—Austin Corbin is here inspecting the lines of the Indiana, Bloomington and Western Railway, in which he holds a controlling interest. He says he has sunk half a million dollars in the property, and that even now it is hardly earning the interest on its indebtedness. He hopes by sc