

FIRECRACKERS ENCOURAGE RUFFIANISM. HOODLUMS THROW THEM INTO AUTOMOBILES, INTO HOUSES AND AT HORSES.

Thanks to the general laxity of the city authorities, New-York is, as usual, undergoing its customary month of suffering, beside which the frequent bombardments of Port Arthur pale into insignificance. Anticipating by nearly a month the celebration of the Fourth of July, the necessary permission to sell fireworks...

unusual to observe a boy who can light a firecracker and so time its explosion and direct his aim that it will land on a little girl across the street. Naturally, a good many children get burned; there is an endless amount of noise, which makes day hideous and night horrible...

But in this city all this has passed. The Fourth of July begins, not on July 3 or even July 1, but promptly upon the stroke of midnight on June 30...

member of the staff of one of these hospitals, who views the situation from an entirely scientific point of view: "It promises to be an interesting celebration."

ONE THOUSAND DEAD. This Happens About Every Eleven Minutes by the Clock.

In a city where, suddenly, blots out nearly a thousand lives the civilized world finds cause for horror and sympathy alike. On the community in which such a disaster occurs its first effect is dazzling, and it is not strange that following the destruction of the General Slocum expressions of doubt as to the wisdom of God and his direction of human affairs should be heard alike from the irreligious and the unthinking...

Usually pronounced is the disapproval expressed by Professor James H. Hamilton, headmaster of the University Settlement, in Eldridge-st. In discussing the matter, he said: "I have been watching the thing develop over here; it steadily gets worse. Recently we have seen the children taking refuge on the roof and shooting their crackers promiscuously down on the passers in the street, burning their clothes and putting them in danger. The practice has developed of firing crackers at horses standing in the street, injuring the beasts and causing no little danger of runaways in our narrow, congested streets."

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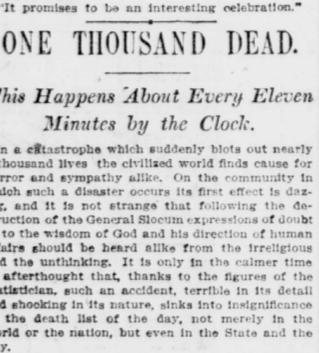
THE SLOCUM "STORY." How the News of a Great Disaster Is Gathered and Arranged.

Probably only a small proportion of the readers of The Tribune, when they opened their papers on the day after the Slocum disaster and saw well-nigh six pages of accurate, graphic story—pictures and text—had any idea how that splendid result was attained. It was a result of which any newspaper could be proud and on which The Tribune has received many congratulations. Few newspaper readers have any conception of the work, the real hard labor, the care, the vigilance, the watchfulness, the resource, the minute planning, that were called into play to "cover" a "story" of the magnitude of the East River horror of June 15.

Several reporters were kept in the office on reserve to look up points which might develop as the details of the disaster came to light. For instance, the story of a survivor might reflect seriously on the conduct of another person in a different part of the city, or might disclose an important source of information which would have to be explored on the instant.

A TENTED CITY BY THE SEA. F. C. CHAFFEE'S SEASHORE CAMP AT SEASIDE STATION, ROCKAWAY BEACH.

Here is an opportunity for the New-Yorker to enjoy with his family on moderate terms all the delights of camping out, with the inconveniences minimized. The camp, which has enjoyed a high reputation since its start in 1900, faces directly on the ocean, is on high ground, with a clear white sand soil; no marshy surroundings. It is laid out in streets, kept clean by camp employes and guarded night and day by watchmen.



F. C. Chaffee, proprietor.

His allowance of food while doing this work is three pounds a day of rice, oatmeal and bacon, carried on the sled for the purpose, and just what his master eats, though both of them have more than once, through the vicissitudes of fortune, been compelled to travel far on much less food.

REVOLT IN FINLAND. Phases of Russian Oppression Which Have Led to It.

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was detailed to the task of watching the condition of the injured passengers in the hospital, and getting from such as were able to talk accounts of their escapes from death and their observations of the accident. Experiences of survivors as they related to the general facts of the disaster were to be part of the main story also.

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Is the increasing number of rich men's sons becoming a menace to the tone and atmosphere of American colleges, more especially of Harvard College, and if so, what is the remedy? seem to be questions that are at present agitating at least a certain proportion of Harvard alumni and professors. The cry for a more democratic spirit and mode of life in the academic or college department of Harvard University has long been heard in the land, and various remedies for existing conditions have been offered and some of them tried.

Men come to college from very different surroundings and in very different circumstances. Some, who are poor, look upon the college chiefly as a step toward a future livelihood. This is especially true of those who listen to the teachers. Such men work hard, and in fact they often cannot remain unless they win scholarships. But they are not without their own aims and ambitions. They have no very serious intentions of any kind. Their life is, in the main, harmless, but somewhat frivolous and indolent and wholly aimless.

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