

DASHED TO DEATH.

An Awful Disaster on the Reading Road.

A Lightning Express Train's Frightful Leap.

Down a Steep Embankment Into the Schuylkill River.

Trainmen and Passengers Crushed and Drowned—Fully Half a Hundred Victims.

Associated Press Dispatches.

READING, Pa., Sept. 19.—One of the worst wrecks ever known in this section occurred tonight on the Reading railroad, seventeen miles from here. Near Shoemaker'sville there is a curve where the railroad is about eighteen or twenty feet higher than the Schuylkill river. Here shortly before 6 o'clock a freight train ran into a coal train, throwing several cars onto the opposite track. Before the track hands had time to warn any approaching train of danger, the Pottsville express, carrying about one hundred and fifty passengers, came around the curve at the rate of forty miles an hour and ran into the wrecked coal cars. The engine went down the embankment, followed by the entire train with its human freight.

A Scene of Horror. The scene was one of great horror. The cries of the imprisoned passengers were heartrending. Some of the passengers managed to crawl out of their prison and arouse the neighborhood. Word was telegraphed to this city and surgeons and a force of 300 workmen were taken to the spot. The work was slow and the dying were taken out with great difficulty. Up to 1 o'clock tonight six dead and thirty wounded had been taken out. Of the latter some were brought to this city and others taken to the miners' hospital at Ashland.

The Dead and Injured.

The dead taken out so far are: Wm. D. Shomo, Reading; John White, engineer, Pottsville; James Tomplin, fireman, Pottsville; Harry Logan, conductor, Pottsville; David Augustadt, Mahoney City; E. W. Logan, baggage-master, Shenandoah. Injured—Harrison Riland, Philadelphia; Joseph Southwood, Centralia; James E. Merkel, Bethlehem; John Thornton, Leesport; Joseph Noll, Shenandoah; Frank B. Hohl, manager of Frank Mayo's dramatic company; John Carroll, St. Clair; Joseph Asfield, Mahoney City; Wm. Glassmeyer, Port Clinton; Thomas Cooney, Philadelphia; Robert Collins, Pottstown; Samuel Shellenberger, Hamburg; B. W. Githler, Girardville; John Cooklick, Mount Carmel; W. W. Johnston, Shenandoah; George Sanders, Reading; Benjamin Egan, Shenandoah; James Bernhart, Shenandoah; John Hess, Mahoney City; David G. Young, Mahoney City; Lyman Dick, Hamburg; Dr. B. F. Salade, New Ringold; Jacob Ulmer, Pottsville; Samuel Coomb, Mahoney City; William Simmers, Ashland.

At the Bottom of the River. The wrecked train is still lying at the bottom of the river. The exact number on the passenger is not known, and a reporter, who is still on the ground, telephones that he believes that there are still twenty-five or more bodies underneath the wreck, or who were carried away by the current.

Later, 11:30 p. m.—The Associated Press agent has just had direct communication with the representative at the wreck, who says conservative estimates place the number of killed at forty to fifty. It is almost impossible to estimate the exact number of the full horror of the situation will not be known until a later hour. At 11 o'clock Mail Agent Greenwald's body was taken out, followed by the horribly mangled bodies of two Mahoney City firemen on their way home from Chester.

Thirteen Bodies Recovered.

At midnight thirteen bodies have been recovered. The names of those known have already been given. Five bodies are exposed to view in the wreck, pinned under the timbers.

A Passenger's Story. One of the passengers who escaped with slight injuries, said to the Associated Press reporter at midnight: "When the crash came, I was hurled from my seat. One end of the car splashed into the river and was thrown against the side of the car with a force that partially stunned me. I quickly recovered myself and managed to climb upon the seats on that side of the car which lay against the embankment. I was a prisoner in the car and while I was nursing my sprained ankle and a wrist out of joint, I realized I was in a scene of veritable horror. Around and about me were human beings struggling in the water, screaming with fright, and some almost dragged me back into the water again. A few saved themselves as I did, and the remainder struggled in the water and then quietly sank out of sight."

Additional Victims.

Professor Mitchell, of Lehigh University, at Bethlehem, is among the injured at Reading hospital. Lawrence Barnes, of Philadelphia, had his arm dislocated. The body of John L. Miller, of Cresona, was taken out at midnight. At three o'clock this morning 300 men are still at work, but making slow progress. Fifteen bodies were taken out. None of the bodies have been taken from the scene of the disaster. John McDonough and William Johnson, of Shenandoah, and John Strauss, of Schuylkill Haven, are among the latest injured reported. It is believed that there are still twenty or more bodies beneath the wreck. Nothing definite can be known until the wreck has been raised, which will probably be tomorrow.

No more names can be secured; the telephone office has been closed; that was the only means of getting news all of the night. The only reporter to get to the scene was one of the Eagle men, and he telephoned down nearly all that was secured, to the Reading papers.

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A DISASTER IN MEXICO.

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CITY OF MEXICO, Sept. 19.—A terrible accident happened to-day on the Mexican railroad near Rinconada. Two passenger trains collided. Ten persons were killed and several others injured.

COAST COMMERCE.

The Pacific Board Holds Another Interesting Session.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 19.—At a meeting of the Pacific Coast Board of Commerce, today, a number of committee reports were read and discussed. The committee on coast defenses reported in favor of an amendment to the interstate commerce act so as to allow a through rate from all points in Asia, Africa and the islands of the Pacific to points on this continent or across it to points in Europe, via American steamship or railway lines; also that a member of the interstate commission should be appointed from this coast.

The committee on world's fair urges every commercial and mercantile organization on the coast to do its best to make California's exhibit a grand success, as a notice to the overcrowded populations of the east, that upon this coast is the only unoccupied area left open to the homeseeker, where conditions of soil and climate assure independence as the result of honest industry.

Resolutions favoring the passage of the Torrey bankrupt bill were adopted, and a lengthy letter from Senator Stewart on irrigation was read.

A FRENCH CONQUEST.

The Society Islands Subdued by a Large Naval Force.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 19.—The Barkentine Tropic Bird arrived from Papeete, Tahiti, today with news that French forces have subdued the natives of the Society islands, and established a protectorate over them. The war ships Dubourdier, Champlain, Vire and a gunboat are at Papeete, with a combined naval and land force of 3000 men. The French subdued the natives with very little fighting. At the island of Raiatea, however, serious trouble occurred. The natives hauled down the French flag, and the marines fired upon them. Upwards of 100 natives were killed and a number of marines injured. The natives were finally beaten off and the island was occupied by the French.

STRIKERS IN THE SOUP.

All the Union Carpenters at Spokane Falls Out of Work.

SPOKANE FALLS, Sept. 19.—A general strike of all the union carpenters in the city was inaugurated today, in the hope of forcing the public to exert pressure against the boycotted mill company, to induce it to yield to the demand of the employees. Altogether, 650 union men have gone out, including 200 at work on the exposition building. The work on that structure, however, goes forward, a larger force being on the building than before the strike. Surrounding towns and cities are offering to send in non-union carpenters. The strikers are willing to arbitrate, but the general public is of the opinion that there is nothing to arbitrate.

Afraid of Highbinders.

PITTSBURG, Sept. 19.—Ye Lang, a Christianized Chinaman, today caused the arrest of Charles King, a Chinaman, keeper of a gambling shop. Ye Lang had found in a highbinder paper, printed in San Francisco, a reward offered by Charles King, of \$500 to any man bringing him Ye Lang's head. Ye Lang had been making a determined effort to break up King's gambling house, and this is supposed to be the animus of the offer. The hearing comes off tomorrow. Ye Lang fears that he is doomed, as the highbinders all over will be after him.

Ezeta Will Be Recognized.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—Referring to a special dispatch from San Salvador, saying that Minister Mizner had been instructed by the state department to recognize Ezeta's election to the presidency, Acting Secretary of State Wharton said, this evening, no such instructions had been given, but undoubtedly soon would be. The state department has received from Mizner a full report of the Barrundia incident, but is not yet prepared to make it public.

Consul New Comes Home.

NEW YORK, Sept. 19.—John C. New, the American consul-general to London, arrived in New York this morning. He said he came over to look after private affairs. English merchants are greatly interested, he said, in the McKinley bill. Mr. New is sanguine that after the law is in force a month, British business men will be satisfied with its working. He also expressed the belief that England would before long increase the tariff on many of her dutiable articles.

Mormon Dignitaries Arrested.

BOISE CITY, Idaho, Sept. 19.—President Rich and Bishop Donaldson, Mormon dignitaries, were arrested yesterday by United States Marshal Wilson, on the same charge of conspiracy as Bishop Budge. It is understood that warrants are out for many others. Great excitement prevails in Mormondom.

Australian Labor Troubles.

SYDNEY, N. S. W., Sept. 19.—Two thousand special constables have been enrolled. The labor conference has decided to call out the shearers and curriers next Wednesday.

Vice Director-General.

CHICAGO, Sept. 19.—The World's fair committee tonight selected Commissioner McKenzie, of Kentucky, vice-chairman. This virtually makes him vice-director-general, or assistant to that officer.

Bakersfield's Big Hotel.

BAKERSFIELD, Cal., Sept. 19.—The Southern hotel, just completed at a cost of \$120,000, was leased today to John C. Morrison. It will open October 15th.

FOUNDERED AT SEA.

A Turkish Man-of-War Goes Under.

Five Hundred Lives Lost by the Disaster.

Osman Pasha and Ali Pasha Among the Victims.

The Ludicrous Voyage of the Ertogroul Most Disastrously Ended—Old World Echoes.

Associated Press Dispatches.

LONDON, Sept. 19.—Advices from Hiogo state that the Turkish man-of-war Ertogroul foundered at sea, and five hundred of her crew were drowned.

The Ertogroul was a wooden frigate, of 2334 tons, and mounted forty-one guns of small calibre. She was built in 1863. Osman Pasha and Ali Pasha, envoys of the sultan to the emperor of Japan, are among the drowned.

Osman Pasha, whose victory over the Russians at Plevna gave him high rank as a fighting general, had been on an official visit to Japan, having been entrusted with a special mission from the sultan to the Mikado.

The progress of the vessel since she left Constantinople for the last, many months ago, has been most ludicrous. Leaving Turkey short of money, it was understood that supplies were to be sent her to the ports at which she was to coal, with the result that she had her sojourn in those countries was indefinitely prolonged, as the officers at home were unable to keep their promises. In this way she lost some of her crew, and her officers were many times on the verge of rebellion, induced by starvation; while the governors of the cities visited, refused to remit harbor dues and grant other privileges of right due her as a Turkish man-of-war, on the grounds that she was not sailing in that character. There was not powder enough on board to enable her crew to fire the regulation salutes. After many adventures, only worthy an opera bouffe variety, the Ertogroul finally arrived in Japanese waters and was on her return voyage when the disaster occurred.

Rioting in Lisbon.

LISBON, Sept. 19.—Wednesday night a mob attacked eight policemen in the streets. A conflict arose in which stones and revolvers were used. Forty-two rioters were arrested. Later the riot became general, and the municipal guard was called out. The mob then took refuge in the Cafe Maitinho, in the Plaza Dom Pedro, where the customers consisted of journalists, deputies and merchants. The soldiers fired into the building, wounding several occupants.

No Slavery Proclamations.

BERLIN, Sept. 19.—Schmidt telegraphs officially from Zanzibar that neither at Darassalaam nor at Bagamoyo has any proclamation with reference to slave trading been issued; that no licenses have been granted dealers; that no action against freed slaves ever occurred on the coast, and that the statement that Zanzibar dealers have gone to the coast to engage in the slave trade, are unfounded.

More Irish Arrests.

DUBLIN, Sept. 19.—John Cullinane and Michael Dalton, members of the National league, have been arrested. T. D. Sullivan will probably make a tour of America. Warrants were issued against Dillon and O'Brien, but only summons against the others. Dillon dwells upon this as proving that the intention was to frustrate the American tour.

Berlin Tragedies.

BERLIN, Sept. 19.—Count Scheinitz, who was ruined by gambling, has committed suicide. A fire broke out last night in a house in Friedaich-strasse, occupied by the wealthy merchant, Friebs and family. His two daughters, a governess and maid were burned to death.

German Invasion Resisted.

LONDON, Sept. 19.—Advices from Accra state that Crippie chiefs have deputed the governor of the Gold Coast to protest against the transfer of the country to Germany. Crippies at Vosee resisted and defeated a German force, wounding several of them.

Mining Reforms Demanded.

BERLIN, Sept. 19.—The miners' congress in Halle decided to present petitions to the Bundesrath, Reichstag, Diets and various ministries, asking that mining laws be passed to effect various reforms in hours, wages, sanitary conditions, etc.

Army Maneuvers.

ROHNSTOCK, Sept. 19.—The army maneuvers were concluded today. Emperor William led the final attack. Emperor Francis Joseph was with the army of defense, which was successful.

A Birth in a Coffin.

VIENNA, Sept. 19.—The body of a woman was exhumed at zgedin today for an autopsy. It was found that the dead woman had been buried alive and given birth to a child in the coffin.

France and the Triple Alliance.

PARIS, Sept. 19.—Lapaix says Emperors William and Francis Joseph held a long debate on the admission of France into the alliance with Germany, Austria and Italy.

A Japanese Steamer Lost.

LONDON, Sept. 19.—Advices from Heogo state that the mail steamer Musashi Maru was lost off Cochi, and all her crew, with the exception of one Japanese, drowned.

Cholera at Massowah.

SUAKIN, Sept. 19.—Cholera has broken out among the Italian forces at Massowah. Osman Digma has arrived at Hadoub and threatens to attack Suakin.

A New Portuguese Cabinet.

LISBON, Sept. 19.—Sehor Ferrar has been entrusted with the formation of a cabinet.

ON THE TURF.

Belle Hamlin and Justina Trot a Mile in 2:15 1-3.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 19.—The double team trotting record, for a mile, of 2:15 3/4, made by Maxey Cobb and Neta Medium in 1884, was beaten today. The team was Hamlin's Belle Hamlin and Justina. They were driven by Hamlin himself and made the mile in 2:15 1/2, on the second trial. The performance equals that of Maud S. and Aldine at New York in 1888. The record made today is disputed by a number of turfmen, who claim that the time was 2:16 1/4. The official time by quarters was: 3/4, 1:08 1/2, 1:42, 2:15 1/2.

The 2:33 class, \$1000—Scramble won, Ella E. second, Cyclone jr., third; others ruled out. Best time 2:25 1/4. The 2:20 class, \$1000—Globe won, Maggie B. second, The Seer third, Pilot Boy fourth; best time 2:19 1/4. The 2:29 class, \$1000—Soudan won, Dandy second, Maggie T. third, Tom Murray fourth; best time 2:21 1/4. Match race, \$200 a side—Maggie R. won from Saladin; best time 2:28 1/4. The 2:18 class, \$1000—Mocking Bird won, Mambino Maid second, J. B. Richardson third, Storie fourth; best time 2:18 1/4.

Cleveland Circuit Races.

CLEVELAND, Sept. 19.—Four-year-old stake, \$3,440—Navidad won, Corraloid second, Twist third, Belle Wilson fourth; best time 2:23. Class 2:36 trotting, \$800—Alfred S. won, Susie S. second, Mary Marshall third, Dick Smith fourth; best time 2:17 1/4.

Team race, \$500—Pickpatria and Wonder won, Kooke and Five Point second, Rush Miller and Tom Bowman third; best time 2:28 1/4. Three-year old stake, \$3,540 unfinished—Ponce de Leon took first and second heats and McGregor Wilkes took third; best time 2:25 1/4.

Running at Gravesend.

GRAVESEND, Sept. 19.—Three-fourths mile—Maxim won, Syracuse second, Lady Jane colt third; time 1:16. Mile and sixteenth—Eon won, Senora second; Strideaway, third; time, 1:50. Mile and sixteenth—Diablo won, Sluggard second, Now or Never third; time, 1:50.

Five and a half furlongs—Forum won, Void second, Yosemite third; time 1:09 1/4. Three-fourths mile—Tipstaff won, Lady Reel second, Buster third; time 1:15 1/4. Five-eighths mile—Houston won, Lady Colt second, Jersey Pat third; time, 1:02 1/4.

At Churchill Downs.

LOUISVILLE, Sept. 19.—Mile—Verge d'Or won, Laura Davidson second, Eli third; time, 1:45. Mile and fifty yards—Pick Up won, Rogers second, Heyday third; time, 1:49 1/4.

Mile and fourth—Meekie H won, Nina Archer second, Grayson third; time, 2:14. Mile and sixteenth—Ed Hopper won, W. G. Morris second, Eugenia third; time, 1:50 1/4.

Five-eighths mile—Bob L won, The Turk second, Elkins third; time 1:03 1/4. Five-eighths mile—Ben Payne won, Joe Woolman second, Tom Jones third; time 1:04 1/4. Half mile—Lady Agnes won, Little Midget second, Lott third; time 50 1/4.

Half mile—Douglas won, Eli Kindig second, Oriental third; time 51. Sacramento Races. SACRAMENTO, Sept. 19.—Conrad won the first race, Lodovic second, Merce third; time 1:43 1/4.

Take Note won the President stake, 1 1/2 miles; Mohawk second, Sacramento third; time 2:41 1/4. Marigold won the Rico stake, one mile; Daisy D. second, Jackson third; time 1:42 1/4. Nabeau won the Larue stake, 1 1/2 miles; Lurline second, Picnic third; time 2:37 1/4.

Last race, one and one-sixteenth miles, selling—Won by Fanny F.; Kildare second, Al Farata third; time 1:50 1/4.

ON THE DIAMOND.

An Interesting Game Between Sacramento and Stockton.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Sept. 19.—Sacramento defeated Stockton this afternoon in a well-played game of ball, by a score of 5 to 3. Both clubs were even until the seventh inning, when the Senators forged ahead and maintained the lead to the end.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 19.—The careless playing of the Oakland materially assisted the San Francisco in winning the game today, by a score of 9 to 4.

League. CHICAGO, Sept. 19.—The coming champions could not hit the ball a little bit today, but made errors enough to lose the game. Weather cold. Score—Chicago 10; Brooklyn 5.

PITTSBURG, Sept. 19.—The game this afternoon between Pittsburg and New York was called at the end of the ninth inning on account of darkness, the contest being a tie, the score standing 7 to 7. Attendance 100.

CINCINNATI, Sept. 19.—The few hits made by the Cincinnati leaguers in today's game were put in at the right time and enabled them to defeat the Phillies. Duryea was very effective against the visitors. Attendance, 1200. Score—Cincinnati, 5; Philadelphia, 4.

Brotherhood Games. CHICAGO, Sept. 19.—What appeared to be almost a certain victory for Chicago was suddenly changed to defeat in the sixth inning when Boston scored five runs. Gumbert was ineffective and Daley replaced him, proving an enigma to Comiskey's men. Score—Chicago, 6; Boston, 7.

BUFFALO, Sept. 19.—The Bisons returned today and surprised the natives by winning a five-inning game, the play being suspended on account of rain at the end of that inning. Cunningham was very effective and only two hits were made off him. Score—Buffalo, 5; Philadelphia, 0.

PITTSBURG, Sept. 19.—The home team only got two hits off Oday this afternoon and were easily defeated. Attendance, 1500. Score—New York, 3; Pittsburg, 0.

American Association.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 19.—St. Louis, 8; Rochester, 7. COLUMBUS, Sept. 19.—Columbus, 9; Baltimore, 4. LOUISVILLE, Sept. 19.—Louisville, 9; Athletics, 4.

Postponements.

CLEVELAND, Sept. 19.—League and Brotherhood games postponed today on account of rain. PHOENIX, Sept. 19.—Syracuse game postponed; rain.

DECLARED A DRAW.

The La Blanche-Burke Fight at Seattle.

The Marine Weltered His Opponent Hard.

But the Police Interfered at the End of Nine Rounds.

A Sacramento Gambler Becomes Tired of Living—Other Pacific Coast News.

Associated Press Dispatches.

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 19.—About one thousand people witnessed a ten-round contest between George LaBlanche, the Marine, and Jack Burke, of Seattle, tonight. Rounds one, two and three were tame, LaBlanche doing the rushing and Burke keeping away. In the fourth round, the Marine rushed Burke savagely and forced the fighting. The Marine landed a terrific right-hander on Burke's face, sending him to grass. In the sixth round the Marine got in twice on Burke's wind, and received light blows in the face in return. In the seventh and eighth rounds Burke kept away from the Marine, who followed him around the ring. Near the close of the eighth the Marine got in body blows with his right, and then followed some heavy hitting with honors even. In the ninth round the Marine rushed Burke from the start, hitting him terrific blows in the face, right and left, sending him at last through the ropes with a right-hander. Burke came up to the scratch groggy, and was knocked down again in the same manner. He came up with his right eye closed. As the round ended here, the fight was stopped by Chief of Police Monroe, and was declared a draw.

Pugilists' Cases. SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 19.—In the matter of the pugilists arrested at the California Athletic club September 12, Judge Joachimsen today ordered Rochette and Huntington to be held for trial in the superior court, with bonds fixed at \$500. The cases of Jack Delaney, Mike McCarthy, Wallace Jamison and James Mackey, the seconds, were continued for two weeks.

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A Horse Thief Sentenced. NAPA, Cal., Sept. 19.—This morning in the superior court, Thomas Collins was sentenced to ten years in San Quentin. Collins is the man who stole a team at Red Bluff last July and shot Deputy Sheriff Howard, who arrested who arrested him at St. Helena.

Chinese Kidnappers. MONTEREY, Cal., Sept. 19.—This morning two Chinese highbinders kidnaped a 12-year-old Chinese girl from Chinatown. Officers overtook the kidnapers near Rajiro, and recovered the girl. The highbinders were held for trial in \$5,000 bonds.

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