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FIERCE STORMS AT SEA

Great Damage Reported Along the Atlantic Coast.

Fears for the Safety of Incoming Vessels—Sailors Say It Is the Greatest Storm in Twenty-five Years.

NEW YORK, Sept.—10.—Incoming vessels are anxiously awaited for news of the great storm at sea which has been raging during the past few days. That it had been the worst of recent years is made evident by the high tides and the storm which has done such great damage along the coast. In this city cellars and first floors of buildings along the water front are all flooded, and this morning boats are having difficulty in getting into the slips. Reports of the great damage done by the storm at high tide last night all along the coast having come in, and as the tide this morning is higher than last night, it is evident that an enormous amount of property has been destroyed. Along the New Jersey coast low beaches are submerged, and railroad tracks injured. Thousands of spectators watched the surf which was the wildest and highest known in years. Atlantic City is completely cut off from the main land. Many floating houses were ground up into kindling wood. Several pavilions were lifted bodily from their pilings and destroyed.

Reports from Coney Island show this storm to be the worst ever known there. All night long the waves dashed over the breakwater at Manhattan and Brighton Beach with a tremendous roar. The marine railway between the two places is entirely swept away. This morning not a vestige is left of the esplanade in front of the Manhattan hotel and the tide flows in and out of the basement of the building. The concourse is swept away and communication between the east and west ends is rendered impossible.

In this city some piers are entirely covered by the tide. Some, usually 12 feet above high water, have their decks licked by the angry waves. The bay and rivers are exceedingly turbulent owing to the high winds. The sailors say it is the greatest flood in 25 years.

Reports from up the Hudson show that the tide to-day was the highest for many years. At Poughkeepsie the water covered the docks for nearly one hundred feet from the usual water's edge. A severe storm is raging on the river to-night. A strong northeasterly gale and high tides that have been prevailing for the past two days have caused great damage along the coast of Long Island. At Rockaway Beach the tide reached an unparalleled height to-day. The bathing houses were washed away and the water broke in on the verandas of the hotels. The short stretch of railroad running between Rockaway was submerged and a portion of it was undermined and trains had to be discontinued. The bridge between Arverno and Rockaway was carried away. Scarcely anything could be seen of Hog Island to-day at high tide. All the buildings on the island have been washed away. Fire Island and Oak Island were cut off from all communication with the mainland by boat or telegraph. From the Babylon shore great waves could be seen breaking over both islands. During the afternoon it was rumored that four cottages on Oak Island, occupied by families from Babylon, had been carried away. An effort was made to send a boat from Babylon to the assistance of the occupants of the cottages, but the boat was beaten back by the wind and tide. At a late hour no definite news had been received concerning their fate. Sag Harbor was flooded. Water covered Long Island railroad tracks and yard. All towns along the shore report more or less damage. Small craft anchored in the harbors and bays were driven ashore and in some instances completely destroyed. Telegraph and telephone wires are down all over the island.

It is believed the gale was right in the track of ocean steamers, and it is feared some of them, including the City of New York and the Teutonic, have suffered. Telegraphic communication to Sandy Hook is cut off. Outside the harbor the weather is rough and so thick that boats dare not venture out. Word comes from Coney Island that the tide was higher this morning than last night. Manhattan Beach and Oriental hotel are flooded to the doors, and occupants are unable to leave. The West End hotel is entirely submerged, and the water is flowing over to Sheepshead Bay. The beach at Manhattan has been entirely washed away. Persons still there are badly frightened. A Coney Island special says the mammoth bathing pavilion belonging to Manhattan Beach was beaten down by the thundering waves. The old Marine railway was carried away early to-day and taken with an awful crash over the new Marine railway fully 300 feet inland, carrying the latter away and badly overturning and smashing the cars like kindling-wood. The old Brighton Beach bathing pavilion followed with a deafening crash, and drifted with herculean force against the new bath house, tearing part of that away. The Brighton Beach hotel is surrounded by over two feet of water. One hundred feet of the lawn in front of the hotel has been eaten away since last night, and all will be gone before morning. The Brighton Beach railway is submerged and no trains are running.

The storm which has been raging all day, continued during the night. Waves at the Battery swept over the sea wall into the street. Never in the memory of the oldest inhabitants had the tide ran so high. I crept to-night up to the level of the street. The East and North rivers are almost deserted, and none of the smaller crafts seemed inclined to venture out. The high tide created sad havoc in cellars along both river fronts, as much as nine feet of water being reported in some of them before the tide felt.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept.10.—A severe wind storm accompanied by rain prevailed in this city and vicinity all day. Fire alarm, police telegraph and telephone wires are prostrated all over the city and telegraph lines throughout the state are reported in bad shape. The damaging storm which has prevailed along the Atlantic coast since Sunday still continues and reports received here indicate the damage to railroad lines entering Atlanta City, Cape May, Ocean City and other coast routes very great. Only a few early trains succeeded in getting through. The meadows near Atlantic are covered with water and the tracks washed away in many places. The latest reports were that the heavy northeast wind was growing heavier and there was no sign of cessation. Ocean City is almost entirely under water and the beach road which is floated in every high tide is believed to be an entire wreck. Grave fears are entertained for property at Atlantic City as well as the lives of residents, for there would be no way of escape should the condition become more threatening.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 10.—The hydrographic office has prepared the following statement of the effect upon tidal marks along the coast of New Jersey and Long Island for the past few days, caused by hurricanes coming upon the coast from the West Indies. Disasters at sea are feared. The necessity for telegraphic communication with Bermuda and Nassau, that warning to shipping may be given, is pointed out. This is the hurricane season and grave fears of disaster to shipping are entertained.

MANY INVENTORS DUPED.

Three Bogus Patent Brokers Arrested in San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 10.—One of the boldest swindling schemes ever known in this city has been unearthed by the arrest of Clarence Sanborn, Samuel Sanborn and Edward L. Aiken by the United States marshal. The men are charged by the United States postoffice authorities with using the United States mails for fraudulent purposes, for swindling, and for obtaining money under false pretenses.

Complaints have been made to the chief of police and the postoffice authorities during the past year, alleging frauds and deception on the part of the Pioneer Patent Agency, the Globe Patent Agency and the Occidental Patent Agency in this city. Hundreds of mechanics, workingmen and inventors throughout the United States and Canada claim to have been swindled out of various sums, ranging from $20 to $100, by these firms.

After a long and careful investigation, the secret agents of the postoffice department have succeeded in securing evidence against the parties involved. These three so-called agencies were all operated by the same men, and their workings date back as far as 1885.

Each week the firm received a copy of the *Patent Office Gazette*, published in Washington. This periodical gives a detailed record of every new patent and invention, with the name and address of the inventor. The Pioneer agency then proceeded to send out enticing circulars, proposing to sell patent rights on the Pacific coast at enormous figures. To each of the prospective clients the agency sent a statement, claiming that a cash advance of $50 would be required to properly advertise the invention. The inventors being anxious to dispose of their patents would readily send the cash advance.

When the victims became uneasy, letters like the following were sent them: "We have not been able to effect a sale of your patent on account of a patent of the same kind issued in 1872." To another impatient victim a letter like the following was sent:

"*Dear Sir*—We have been pushing the sale of your patent to the limit of our ability. Although we have had several inquiries recently, we have not been able to consummate a trade."

Recently the gang became more bold and practiced the following method of duping unwary inventors. The agency would write to an inventor as follows: "We have found a purchaser for your invention. He has agreed to give you $3,000 for the Pacific slope, and has deposited $100 to bind the bargain." They would then request the inventor to forward $25 or $30 to pay the cost of making a search of the records at Washington and comparing the invention with others of its class. If the victim sent the money, he would sometime afterward be notified that the purchaser had backed out, or that the invention was just like some other.

In this way hundreds of inventors were worked, not only by one of the agencies, but in some instances by all three of them.

Within the last year Chief of Police Crowley has received numerous letters from all parts of the United States asking for information regarding the various patent agencies. The chief of police sent the letters to the postoffice inspectors in this city. A searching investigation was instituted, and the address of those who had sent registered letters to the agencies were looked up, and as a result, evidence has been obtained showing that a great many individuals have suffered by Sanborn and his gang. All of the men were released on depositing $3,000 bail each.

The registry lists close Saturday night.

Boulanger Worries Them.

LONDON, Sept. 10.—The French ministry, as the election approaches, are more than ever determined to show no quarter to Boulanger and his partisans. Yesterday in Paris alone, the police arrested 23 men who were posting Boulangist placards, and in the provinces the police are equally watchful lest the recent manifesto of the London exile should see the light of day. The men arrested in Paris are mostly professional bill posters, with no special predilection for either Boulanger or his cause, and stand as ready to post placards for Monsignor Tirard on the walls of Paris, as for the brave general yesterday. This fact, however, does not save them from the summary vengeance of a frightened government, and they were sentenced to ten days' imprisonment each for violating the recent decree of Monsignor Constans, minister of the interior, prohibiting the hawking or placarding of any documents emanating from General Boulanger, Count Dillon or M. Rochefort.

Don't neglect to register.

Trans-Missouri Passenger Association.

DENVER, Col., Sept. 10.—The regular monthly meeting of the Trans-Missouri Passenger association was called to order here to-day by Chairman Finley. The following were present: D. B. Cadwell of the Missouri Pacific, J. E. Lockwood of the Kansas City, Fort Scott & Memphis, S. T. Boyd of the Rock Island, T. W. Lee of the Union Pacific, G. T. Nicholson of the Atchison, Topeka & Sante Fe, S. K. Hooper of the Denver & Rio Grande, George Ady of the Denver, Texas & Ft. Worth and M. Francer of the Burlington & Missouri. Matters relative to the publication of a rate sheet was the subject under discussion during the greater part of the day. She association will be in session the remainder of the week.

The Sons of Veterans.

PATTERSON, N. J., Sept. 10.—The eighth annual encampment of the Sons of Veterans was formally opened to-day by Commander-in-Chief Abbott. His recommendation that Lincoln's birthday, February 12, be made the occasion of a special celebration and called Sons of Veterans' day, caused the assemblage to break out into hearty applause. About 1,000 took part in the uniformed parades this afternoon.

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UNCLE SAM'S BIG DEBT

Secretary Windom's Explanation of the Late Monthly Statement.

This Administration Has Paid Higher Prices for Bonds Than Heretofore—Why the Debt Shows an Increase.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 10.—Referring to certain newspaper statements that during the months of July and August this year the public debt increased over $7,000,000, while during the same months in 1888 the debt decreased over $11,000,000, Secretary Windom says: These statements convey an entirely erroneous impression. The fact is shown by the books of the treasury that on the 30th of June, 1889, the total amount of the public debt, including bonds of all kinds was $890,388,587 and on the 31st day of October it was $875,478,897, showing a reduction of $20,910,180. During these two months of last year the reduction was only about one-third of that amount, viz.: $7,051,270. The reduction of all interest during the same months this year has been $875,685, being more than three times as great a reduction as that of last year. In fact the reduction of the annual interest of the public debt during the last two months has been equalled by only a few periods in the country's history. The erroneous conclusion above referred to arose doubtless from the peculiar form of the monthly statement of the public debt issued by this department in which the amount of the debt is given "less cash in treasury." By this form any increase of cash in the treasury shows an apparent decrease of the debt, and disbursements for any purpose other than purchase of bonds at par value show an apparent increase of the public debt equal to the amount of such disbursements. During the last two months, though the actual reduction of debt was $20,910,180, the debt statement showed an apparent increase of $7,084,003. The increase of disbursements for July and August this year over July and August last year, is accounted for by the fact that most of the appropriation bills were not passed in 1888 until September and October and the money was not available except to such limited amounts as were permitted by continuance resolutions of Congress, while in 1889 the appropriation for the entire year was available on July 1. The largely increased purchases of bonds for the sinking fund during the last two months over corresponding months of last year show an increase in premiums paid of $257,592,643. All these things figure in the last detailed statement as an increase in public debt, while in reality they have nothing to do with it.

Unless you register you cannot vote.

SUNSET COX DEAD.

Another of the Nation's Famous Men Joins the Silent Majority.

NEW YORK, Sept. 10.—Congressman "Sunset" Cox died at 8:33 o'clock this evening. The end was quiet and the dying man breathed his last as peacefully as if falling into a light sleep. Mrs. Cox, who has been scarcely away from the bedside for the past two days, held his left hand, while his old friend Douglas Taylor held the other. He had been conscious all day until a quarter of an hour before the end. Mr. Cox's last conversation was about the four territories whose statehood he hoped to father. He mentioned New Mexico and Arizona and said something about making a great effort in their behalf at the coming session. In the afternoon while Dr. Lockwood was talking to him, Cox made some witty remark which completely upset the doctor's dignity. Late in the afternoon telegrams were sent to Cox's three sisters, two of whom live in Zanesville, O., and the other in St. Louis. Cox's nephew, who is superintendent of the Smithsonian institute, was also telegraphed for. Dr. Lockwood said the immediate cause of death was heart failure and cause peritonitis. Telegrams were sent to the sergeant-at-arms of the house of representatives and to Speaker Carlisle.

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Anxious To Shuffle Off.

SARATOGA, Sept. 4.—Jim Stearnes of Hadley, in this county, has for many years lived a lonely and eccentric life. He is now making arrangements for his death and burial. Some years ago he made the coffin in which he desires to be buried, and which he has kept in the house as a convenient article in which to keep his clothing. He recently bought a piece of ground in which he has dug his own grave. On the first of September he commenced to fast with the avowed determination to end his life in that way, declaring that he does not regard death by voluntary starvation as suicide.

Stearnes is of quite a religous turn of mind, and has made arrangements to have all his property invested in testiments for distribution among the poor. He is cheerful, but firm in his determination to go without food, asserting that, as he had nothing to do with his coming into the world, he means to go out of it at such time and in such manner as he may choose to adopt.

The Grand Circuit Races.

ALBANY, Sept. 10.—The attendance at the Grand Park races to-day was large. The event of the day was the hotel and handicap steeplechase. In this race the famous horse Bourke Cochran fell at the water jump, breaking both forelegs below the knee, and had to be shot, thus ending the career of what was once the best steeplechaser in the country.

Class 2:10, purse $700—Lady Bullion won, Sonnantes second, Killarney third, Newton B. fourth. Best time, 2:21½.

Class 2:33, purse $1,000—Major Ulrich first, Albert second, Adele Maloney third. Best time, 2:20.

Hotel handicap steeplechase, about two miles—Killarney won, Voltigeur second, Mentimore third.

Murdered by Regulators.

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 10.—The *Picayune's* Lafayette, La., special says: A brutal murder was committed a few miles from this place, on the Abbeyville road, last night. Near the roadside stood a small cabin and in this lay the mutilated bodies of Rosemond Cormier and his daughter, Rosalie, aged 15. They had been murdered by a band of regulators who, about two months ago, whipped Cormier and ordered him to leave. His failure to do so resulted in the death of himself and daughter last night.

MRS. POTTER'S PLANS.

Why She Has Decided to Abandon Her Season in America.

NEW YORK, Sept. 10.—According to a group of three or four men who are concerned in the tour of Mrs. Potter and Kyrle Bellew, there is a very curious story underlying her sudden determination to give up her season in America. Two of the men in question have returned from Europe, and they are thoroughly in touch with the conditions of affairs between Mrs. Potter and Bellew.

The facts in brief seem to be that Bellew has gained an ascendency over Mrs. Potter, which is a decided novelty in her life. Heretofore she has been notable as a woman who, under no circumstances, allowed herself to be thwarted in anything that her wish had been centered upon. During her first season her managers had an infinite amount of trouble in holding her down to ordinary business methods, but after the first few months of her traveling tour with Mr. Bellew it became evident that his ascendency over her was complete.

It was no secret among those acquainted with her that the scoring he received from the daily press, and especially after his revelations about Mrs. Carter and other women he had mixed up with, at least rather frightened him. He was disposed just before he went abroad to bid good-by to America for good, and the ambition to make a success in London itself has grown constantly.

He has apparently converted Mrs. Potter to his way of thinking, for the private telegram received here to-day makes it reasonably certain that both Bellew and Mrs. Potter will appear in London in November.

Mrs. Potter's engagement is a certainty, and Bellew's contingent; but there is no doubt that the long-haired leading man has succeeded in bewitching Mrs. Potter with the belief that it is to her interest to play in London instead of America.

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A MISER'S HOARD.

Packages, Bundles and Cans of Money Amongst the Rafters in His Garret.

NEW CASTLE, Ind., Sept. 10.—A remarkable discovery of accumulated wealth by a miserly old farmer was made near this city to-day. William Cosard, an eccentric character, living a few miles south of New Castle, who was known to possess considerable wealth, has been in poor health and failing mind for some time. Recently an effort was made to settle up his estate and it was thought that the old gentleman had considerable money secreted about his premises. To-day an attorney from this city went with some of the heirs to Mr. Cosard's home, and insisted on his giving up all his possessions that it might be safely deposited. He finally admitted having some money hidden away in the house. He brought out a bundle containing $2,000, but being satisfied that there was more he was prevailed upon to produce the rest. After much insistance he produced from various places in the old farm house an amount of wealth that amazed those present. From the garret, and stowed away under the rafters next the roof were produced packages and bundles of bills. From beneath the floor were brought forth boxes and tin cans filled with gold and silver coins until the place resembled some rude but well-stocked banking establishment.

The money was brought to this city and deposited in the First National bank, and, when counted, amounted to $26,000. Many of the bills and coins bear date and issue that are not commonly in use to-day, showing that the accumulation has been going on for years.

Now is the time to register.

Another Race War.

SAVANNAH, Ga., Sept. 10.—At Stockton yesterday a white man stabbed a negro. This enraged the negroes of the place, who swarmed around a store in which the white man took refuge, demanding his surrender, and threatening to raid and burn the store if their demand was not complied with. The whites of Stockton telegraphed to Valdosta for reinforcements, and twenty-five white men armed left Stockton by train. The Valdosta guards wired Gov. Gordon asking to be ordered out, but have received no reply. No additional particulars are obtainable.

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Arrested in New York.

NEW YORK, Sept. 10.—Henry Wilhelm Gustav Nugge, chief clerk of the government pawn shop in Hamburg, has been arrested by United States officers on a charge of stealing 25,000 marks by means of fraudulent bank accounts. Nugge left Hamburg in March, 1887, and the loss of money was not discovered until a year later. He was held for examination.

Both Took Poison.

DENTON, Tex., Sept. 10.—Last night R. H. Hannah and wife Bettie took poison with suicidal intent. This morning the man died, but the woman appears to be recovering, though it required every doctor in the city to resuscitate her. Hannah was recently indicted for incest with a niece who had been living with the family.

Failed to Identify Them.

CHICAGO, Sept. 10.—Officer Isaac Robinson, of Lakeview precinct, who told the story yesterday about the Carlson cottage, was to-day taken to the county jail, where he viewed the Cronin suspects now under arrest. He failed to identify any of them as the men he arrested on the night of May 7.

Died at Coney Island.

NEW YORK, Sept. 10.—James M. McInerry, supreme trustee of the Catholic Knights of America, and chief clerk of the United States Engineers' department, died suddenly last night at Coney Island.

Still No Jurymen.

CHICAGO, Sept. 10.—At 3:45 o'clock this afternoon the special venire in the Cronin case being exhausted, court adjourned until to-morrow morning. No jurymen had been secured.

Death of a Noted Evangelist.

CHICAGO, Sept. 10.—Tony Delight, the well-known Y. M. C. A. evangelist, formerly a prominent gambler, died to-night of heart trouble.

Two Children Burned to Death.

DODGE CENTER, Minn., Sept. 10.—Henry Church Ward's barn burned this morning. Two of his children perished in the flames.

JACK THE RIPPER AGAIN

Another Horrible Murder in the Whitechapel District, London.

His Latest Crime the Most Terrible of the Series—As Usual the Police Officials Are Completely in the Dark.

LONDON, Sept. 10.—At 5:30 this morning the police found the body of a fallen woman lying at the corner of the railway arch on Cable street, Whitechapel. Examination of the remains showed the head and arms had been cut off and carried away, the stomach ripped open and the intestines were lying on the ground. A cordon of police instantly surrounded the spot, but no arrests have been made up to 8 a. m. Policemen pass the spot every fifteen minutes. Those on duty last night say they saw nothing suspicious. Physicians who examined the body state in their opinion the murder and mutilation occupied nearly an hour. It is surmised the murderer carried off the head and arms in a bag. The murder is the worst of the whole series of Whitechapel murders.

The way in which the limbs were severed from the body shows the murderer possessed some surgical skill. The woman was about 30 years old. Her clothing was shabby and she was evidently a spirit drinker. The remains have not been identified. The most intense excitement prevails in Whitechapel. Crowds surround the mortuary in which the body lies.

Later details show there is no blood on the ground where the body was found nor on the body. From this it is evident the murder was committed in some other place, and the body subsequently deposited under the railway arches. The trunk was nude. A torn, bloody chemise was found near. The body and arms are intact, but the legs are missing. It is believed the woman has been dead two days.

Unless you register you cannot vote.

New Jersey Democrats.

TRENTON, N. J., Sept. 10.—The democratic state convention to nominate a candidate for governor was called to order by Chairman McDermott shortly after noon to-day. Frederick Marsh, temporary chairman, in a speech endorsed the tariff policy of Cleveland; at the mention of whose name there was loud cheering, but when the speaker referred to Governor Hill, the cheers were even louder. Leon Abbott was renominated for governor by acclamation.

The platform reaffirms the doctrines adopted in the national democratic platform at St. Louis. It calls attention to the fact that at the late presidential election a large plurality of voters of the United States declared by their ballots their confidence in the national democratic administration and their desire for its continuance, and says: "The success of the national republican ticket was brought about by the corrupt use of money and this shame has been made more glaring by the official honors conferred upon contributors to the corruption funds." It declared against trusts.

Now is the time to register.

The Dressed Beef Investigation.

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 10.—The senatorial investigation committee resumed its session to-day. S. B. Armour, head of the Armour Packing Company of this city, took the stand. He had no agreement with the railroads by which he got lower rates on shipments than any other firm. The witness said he was not a member of any combination whose purpose was to control either the prices of cattle or dressed meat. The territory was not divided up between the packers. All packers sold in all markets and competition was so brisk, in fact, that even he and his brother often cut each other in business. Senator Vest asked if he had knowledge of any combination in Chicago. Armour refused to answer. He said he had no connection with Armour, of Chicago, anyhow.

Mr. Armour knew of no agreement between the railroads and the big packers. He was sure the rates to all the packers and shippers were practically on the same basis. Before the close of his testimony he reverted once more to the question of competition between packers, saying it was so brisk there was little profit in the dressed meat business.

Explaining an Indian Scare.

GLENWOOD SPRINGS, Col., Sept. 10.—Lieutenant Samuel A. Smake, stationed at Fort Logan, arrived at Glenwood Springs last night from a trip to Routt county to investigate the recent Indian scare. He reports but few Indians to be found, and these in small parties. They claimed to be after stray horses, but it is pretty certain they were a hunting party. The petition recently sent in by the residents of Routt county was more against the issuing of permits by the Indian agent allowing the Utes to leave their reservation. The reports of armed parties was caused by frontiersmen fooling a party of tenderfeet who were going up country hunting.

Roadmasters at Denver.

DENVER, Col, Sept. 10.—The seventh annual convention of roadmasters of America opened in the Chamber of Commerce this morning with about one hundred delegates present, representing nearly every railroad company in the union. After the convention was called to order, Major Londoner welcomed the delegates in a short address, and President Craig replied on behalf of the association. The day was occupied in disposing of routine business.

The Georgia Duelists.

ATLANTA, Ga., Sept. 10.—Mr. Patterson, the duelist, is here. A bill was introduced in the legislature yesterday making it a felony to carry on any correspondence looking to a duel, with a penalty from one to five years' imprisonment. The correspondence between Huff and Patterson has been published, and everybody predicts trouble when they meet.

Three Boys Drowned.

MODESTO, Cal., Sept. 10—Christopher, Ollie and George, three sons of C. C. Baker, aged respectively 13, 11 and 9 years, were drowned in the Tualomne river. Ollie slipped into the deep water while bathing and the other boys endeavored to rescue him with fatal results.