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GREAT FIRE RAGING.

Luke Fiedler Colliery, at Shamokin, Pa., Ablaze as the Result of Negligence.

ONE DEAD, FOUR ENTOMBED.

Fifty-five Other Employes Have a Thrilling Escape From an Awful Death.

SHAMOKIN, Pa., Oct. 10.—One workman dead and four others enclosed in the mine with all avenues of escape cut off, and the most disastrous mine fire ever known in the Western anthracite coal fields, now raging at the Luke Fiedler colliery, is the result, in brief, of a carpenter's negligence. Fifty-five other workmen who were employed in the mine at the time of the accident, had thrilling escapes, as they were compelled to grope their way through smoke and noxious gases in order to reach the fresh air and safety. The four men who are still missing have been smothered before this, as all parts of the big mine are certainly filled with Smoke and Deadly Afterdamp.

The fire started in the airway of No. 1 shaft and Irving Buffington, whom the colliery people hold responsible for the disaster, is dead. His body was not burned, as death was due to suffocation. George Brown, a miner, and his Polish helper, Anthony Bobertick; Robert, a driver boy from Luke Fiedler, and another Polish laborer whose name is not known by the mine officials, are in the mine and no hope is entertained of recovering them. The mine is now a mass of flames and cannot be approached from any direction. It is feared that the inside workings will have to be flooded, which means many months of idleness to the 900 employes.

Caused by Negligence.

Superintendent Morris Williams of the Mineral Railway and Mining company, informed an Associated Press representative that while Irving Buffington, John Anderson, Jr., and others were engaged in retimbering No. 1 shaft, the former disobeyed orders by lighting his naked lamp in the air course for the purpose of testing the air. A spark set fire to the timber, that was dry as powder, and the current carried the flames up and down the shaft like lightning. Buffington was advised by his fellow workmen to make good his escape, but he neglected the warning and returned to the bottom of the shaft in order to exchange his gum boots for his shoes. This delay cost him his life. Superintendent Williams, Mine Inspector Brennan, Inside Foreman Heher and Arthur Kennedy and all of the underbosses at the Fiedler and Cameron mines

Formed Three Relief Parties

and entered the mine to rescue the 60 imprisoned workmen by way of the coal run workings through No. 3 airway. The latter opening proved a godsend to the men, as it is this channel that most of them owe their escape. The smoke spread through the inside workings with great rapidity and alarmed the men and boys doing night duty in the mine. While the imprisoned men were rushing through the inside workings in search of an airshaft for an outlet, hundreds of their friends gathered about the mouth of the shaft and as the fanhouse was destroyed by the flames, the cries and moans of the mothers, wives sisters, and children of the imprisoned employes sent chills through the hearts of many hardy miners, who were waiting for an opportunity to assist their doomed comrades. This mine connects with the Hickory Swamp colliery of the Union Coal company, and it if it has to be drowned out, it will compel both mines to shut down for year or more.

Patrol Vessels Return.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 10.—The United States steamer Mohican and the revenue cutter Corwin have arrived here from Behring sea. The Mohican, having lost two blades of her propeller, came down slowly under sail and steam. Both vessels experienced heavy gales off the Northern California coast, during which the Corwin's starboard davits were carried away and two of her boats smashed. The revenue cutter Bear is still in the North and will not arrive here until December.

The Tropical Storm.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 10.—The tropical storm has moved from the Western Florida coast northeastward to Southern Georgia, and is central near Savannah, attended by severe southeast gales on the South Carolina coast. The storm will probably continue its northeastward course, causing dangerous gales on the Middle Atlantic and Southern New England coast Wednesday.

Property Loss \$100,000.

BRISTOL, Tenn., Oct. 10.—The wreck of the Washington and Chattanooga limited Sunday last, has proven more fatal than was anticipated. Engineer Sam Smith has since died, while Mail Agent Tucker cannot live through the day. Three others thought to be only slightly injured, are now in a critical condition. The property loss will exceed \$100,000.

CAPTURED BY JAPS.

The Mikado's Troops in Control of Foo Choo, a Leading Treaty Port of China.

WATERWAYS BLOCKADED.

Japanese Also Strengthening Their Defenses in Korea Against Natives.

HONG KONG, Oct. 10.—A dispatch from Foo Choo says that the river has been closed for shipping. Foo Choo, one of the treaty ports of China, and capital of the province of Fo Kien, is situated about 25 miles from the mouth of the Min river. Foo Choo has a naval arsenal, ship yards and a school of navigation. Near it are extensive lead mines, and the black tea district is within 70 miles of that place. Consequently Foo Choo carries on a large trade with the maritime provinces of China, both by land and water, as well as with the Loo Choo islands and Japan. Its population is estimated at 500,000.

A dispatch from Chemulpo dated Oct. 3, says that there are 14 Japanese transports in the harbor at that time, and that since Sept. 27, the Japanese have landed 7,800 troops and 756 coolies.

Defenses Strengthened.

The dispatch adds that the defenses of Seoul are being strengthened, and that the garrison has been reinforced by 4,000 Japanese troops in anticipation of a hostile demonstration by the Korean insurgents.

Referring to the conduct of the Japanese troops in Korea, the Chemulpo dispatch says that while on the march even the private soldiers pay the Koreans for everything obtained from them. The daily expense of the operations of the Japanese army is said to be 800,000 yen.

The advices from Chemulpo say that the Chinese recently crucified two Japanese prisoners who fell into their hands, and they are also said to have beheaded two wounded Japanese soldiers who were found in an out-patient hospital which had been hurriedly abandoned.

ITALIAN INTERVENTION.

An Endeavor to Bring About an End of the War.

PARIS, Oct. 10.—A dispatch from Rome says that the Italian minister at Peking has addressed a note to China, at the request of his government, inviting pour parles with Japan, in an endeavor to bring about an end of the war, and offering his own offices in order to bring about such an arrangement. It is stated that the general of the Jesuits has sent a memorial to the pope asking the latter to use his influence with the European powers in order to terminate the war between China and Japan.

Lodged a Strong Protest.

COPENHAGEN, Oct. 10.—A dispatch from St. Petersburg says that the Russian government has lodged a strong protest against the recent violation of the Russian frontier by a body of armed Chinese, who killed two men who were working on a railroad and who pillaged the houses of the Russian settlers. Russia is said to have declared that this breach of international law demands the payment of a substantial indemnity.

To Check Chinese Depredations.

BERLIN, Oct. 10.—The Cologne Gazette's correspondent at St. Petersburg telegraphs that for the purpose of checking the depredations of the Chinese marauders the Russian government has decided to promptly send to the frontier five battalions of Siberian troops, two zotnias of Cossacks and three batteries of artillery. This force will be under the command of General Meschenko.

Advancing Upon Monkden.

LONDON, Oct. 10.—A dispatch received here from Shanghai says that a second Japanese army is reported to have crossed the Yalu river, and to be advancing upon Monkden, which it is believed will soon fall, as the Chinese are reported to be in a condition of demoralization.

Japs Dividing the Booty.

LONDON, Oct. 10.—A dispatch to The Standard from Berlin says that the Reichsanzeiger states that Japan decried the creation of naval prize courts on Sept. 20, and that one of these courts has actually been sitting since Sept. 21. The supreme court sits at Tokio.

French Warships For China.

PARIS, Oct. 10.—It is semi-officially stated that the despatch of French warships to China is by virtue of an international agreement, to which Great Britain, Russia, Germany and France have already adhered.

To Act For the Czar.

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 10.—It is understood here that if the czar decides, as it is fully expected that he will, upon a form of regency during his absence from Russia, the czar's wife will not be appointed regent, but he will be entrusted, by a special declaration of the czar, with the direction of state affairs. The title of regent will be carefully avoided in this appointment.

CLOAKMAKERS QUIT.

A General Strike Inaugurated in New York City and Ten Thousand Quit Work.

MANY OTHERS AFFECTED.

Seven Thousand Finishers and Operators Idle as a Result of the Walkout.

NEW YORK, Oct. 10.—A general strike of the cloakmakers of this city, numbering 10,000 men and women was inaugurated during the day. About 7,000 finishers and operatives will be forced out of work within a day or two by the strike. They will only work long enough to finish up work the cloakmakers have left in the shop. The strike committee has agreed that no settlement shall be made with the manufacturers until the latter have signed bonds, giving real estate security for their good faith. It was further agreed that no union man shall commence work until all of the manufacturers had come to terms. There was considerable opposition to this movement, its principal antagonist being Joseph Baroness, who holds that under this rule, one obstinate manufacturer can keep 10,000 men out of work forever.

INTO THE GORGE.

A Freight on the Rock Island Jumps the Track at Sleepy Hollow, Ia.

SEYMOUR, Ia., Oct. 10.—A westbound fast freight on the Rock Island jumped the track at Sleepy Hollow, a small station near here, at 6 p. m. Twenty freight cars followed the engine into the gorge and Engineer Geraldine Nolan, Fireman Marshall Lower and Head Brakeman Charles E. Demsey, all of Trenton, Mo., were instantly killed. Conductor Sam Vainhook was injured.

Freight Train Ditched.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., Oct. 10.—The southbound freight on the Asheville and Spartanburg railroad ran away down a heavy grade on Saluda mountain, at 5 a. m. The crew remained on the flying train, which ran to the bottom of the grade, four miles, and then left the track, the engine and 16 cars piling up in a deep cut. Latest reports say Engineer Bern and a colored train hand have not been found. Fireman York was seen buried under the wreckage and it is believed he is dead.

Thawed Giant Powder.

IRONWOOD, Mich., Oct. 10.—John Ravell, a farmer near this city, together with his family of five, were blown up by an explosion of giant powder. Ravell and a 5-year-old son were killed, the bodies being mangled in a frightful manner. Mrs. Ravell and a 6-year-old daughter will undoubtedly die. The others were not dangerously hurt. Ravell was thawing out giant powder in the oven of a stove, preparing it for blasting stumps.

Stubble Fires Do Damage.

IOWA FALLS, Ia., Oct. 10.—A fire set to burn a stubble field just south of Goldfield got beyond control and proved to be a serious matter. Over 200 tons of hay in the stack were consumed, and a number of farmhouses and other buildings were only saved by hard work of the neighborhood. The fire broke out the second day and was only subdued by a shower that prevented further danger.

Manitoba Grain Shipment.

DULUTH, Oct. 10.—A very large business has sprung up here in the direct export to Europe of Manitoba grain. Receipts from Winnipeg for three weeks in September were 400,000 bushels. It is expected that 4,000,000 bushels will be exported from Manitoba via Duluth this fall. Part goes via Montreal and part on direct bills of lading from here via New York to Liverpool.

Railroad Track Washed Away.

OCEAN SPRINGS, Miss., Oct. 10.—News has been received here that about 1,000 feet of the Louisville and Nashville track was washed out between West Pasagonla and Scranton. A force of laborers and bridge hands have gone to the break and hope to have it repaired so that trains can pass without delay. The storm continues unabated.

Bloody Riot Feared.

ATLANTA, Ga., Oct. 10.—James Chambers, a white Democrat, shot and killed William Weaver, a white Populist in Early county, in a quarrel over the election results. Both are prominent farmers. Excitement is at a fever heat, and a bloody riot is feared, as both political parties in the county have made it a political fight.

Retified the Nominations.

NEW YORK, Oct. 10.—The Democrats of this city during the evening, under the auspices of the Democratic club, ratified the nominations of David B. Hill for governor, Daniel B. Lockwood for lieutenant governor, and Judge Charles F. Brown for judge of the court of appeals.

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