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A FIGHT WITH THE CINCINNATI PATROL.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 16.—Late last night Privates John Murphy and Jerry Collins, of Company D, Ohio National guards, were doing patrol duty on Spring and Woodward streets. Having been insulted by some roughs they informed the police, who ordered the roughs to go on. A fight, in which the soldiers participated, ensued. Murphy fired at a rough, who was trying to wrest his gun from Collins. He missed his man but shot a boy, Joseph Otter, wounding him in the abdomen mortally. Murphy was arrested for manslaughter.

Young Otter died during the night. All accounts agree that the act of the soldier was justifiable. The police and soldiers were attacked by a well known gang of roughs. One of the soldiers had been knocked down. The roughs outnumbered the police and soldiers, and the firing of the gun was the last resort. It effectually dispersed the crowd. One of the roughs has been arrested.

THE WATER CONTINUES TO RECEDE

about 1½ inches an hour. At 9:30 a. m. it was 64 feet 4 inches. This is still an inch above the highest previous flood, that of 1832. The brisk wind rising this morning gives cause for serious alarm to the owners of barges of all descriptions. From the first they have said the heavy wind would wreck and sink every barge in the river, as owing to the extreme height and width of the river the facilities for securing flats by cables are greatly reduced. The sky was clear and bright early this morning, but clouds covered the sky soon after 10 o'clock, with wind from the southwest. The indications are favorable for rain, which is dreaded now as the pestilence. A repetition of the last two rains would bring despair. Nowhere does the falling of the water give greater joy than in Lawrenceburg, Ind. It is estimated that 200 houses have been overturned or washed away, and that 3,000 people were driven from their houses with nothing but the clothes they had on. The loss must reach $500,000. Generous relief has been sent to them from Indianapolis, Shelbyville, Cincinnati, and other places, which has been received with unbounded gratitude. No loss of life has yet been reported, but there have been many narrow escapes. A large furniture warehouse fell in, but the thirty or forty people in the upper stories escaped. Fears are entertained that the court house foundations may crumble. Four hundred people are sheltered in the building.

The river stood 64 feet 4½ inches from 10 o'clock until 11, but at 11:30 had gone down to 64 feet 2½ inches. A life-saving boat and crew of eight from Cleveland, under command of Capt. Godwood, arrived to-day and set to work distributing relief at Newport. The Odd Fellows organized to-day with the view of paying special attention to the wants of the members of the order, not only now but until the course of busines is re-established. The river is rising 1½ inch an hour at Wheeling and 3 inches at Marietta.

The health department is furnishing vegetables, &c., to the different supply depots from the market house on Sixth street.

At 1:30 o'clock to-day the river stood at 64 feet 2 inches.

Drexel, Morgan & Co. telegraphed from York a contribution of $5,000 this afternoon.

At 10 o'clock to-night the water had receded to 63 feet 5 inches, being a fall of 2 feet 11 inches from the highest stage.

The relief committee of the chamber of commerce announces that the necessities of the sufferers by the flood in Cincinnati have been and must be supplied by our own citizens. Contributions from outside cities will, in the future, as in the past, be applied to the relief of the suffering in other cities and adjacent territory.

Eleven hundred dollars was realized from the benefit at the Grand Opera house this afternoon by Mrs. Langtry and her company. Houck's Opera house will give the entire proceeds of a performance by the "Hearts of Oak" company. The canal boat Clipper arrived to-day from Hamilton with a load of provisions. Among the odd contributions are twenty-five barrels of biscuit from Philadelphia and four gross of stove polish from Chicago. Cash subscriptions to-day reached $12,000, and $50,000 of the city's subscription was paid over, making a total to date of $111,125. The immediate fear is of a water famine. The supply in the reservoir is sufficient for three or four days only. There is but one engine, the great Shields engine, available, and there was an uncertainty about its action. It has never been used much.

It was started this afternoon and worked admirably. It ought to pump 10,000,000 gallons per day. Fire engines are employed in forcing water into the mains through fifty five plugs. Since 7 o'clock to-night quite a heavy rain has been falling, causing some alarm, though it would require a long continuance to make a serious risk. But with the rise now coming from above, this rain will delay the relief so eagerly looked for.

Already the railroads are getting back to their former condition. The trains on the Pan Handle will return to their own tracks and depots to-morrow. Louisville and Nashville trains depart from the same depot and transfer over the water at Newport. The Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton also runs over its own road from its own depot and will receive freight. The Cincinnati, Washington and Baltimore, and the Cincinnati, Indianapolis, St. Louis and Chicago passenger trains leave from the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton depot. The Bee Line trains still start from the stock yards, and the Ohio and Mississippi must continue for a day or two to use a steamer between here and Aurora. The Cincinnati Southern is doing regular passenger and freight business. So far little damage is known to have been done to railroad tracks. The steamer Emma Graham arrived from Pittsburg to-day landing at the rolling mill, it not being possible for her to get under the Newport bridge. River traffic must await a decline of several feet more. The United States steamer Lilly was sent up the river to-day with provisions for the towns above here. Relief work is still the absorbing business.

THE GALT HOUSE FLOODED.

LOUISVILLE, KY., Feb. 16.—The backwater at Washington street had last night flooded the basement of the Galt house, and the rear rooms of the basement were submerged. The water was several feet deep in the new Short Line passenger depot. The situation was probably more dangerous last night than at any other time, the backwater coming through the sewer in many places. The river was rising one foot per hour. The clouds were gathering, and it was expected that there would be a rainfall before morning. The flood has stopped the machinery in the water works. In the pumping station, a mile above the cut-off, yesterday morning at 8 o'clock the water rose so high that the fires under the boilers were put out and the engines stopped. There is no danger of a water famine, as there is twenty days' supply in the Crescent hill reservoir. Fifteen houses on the point floated away and over the falls yesterday, and more will probably follow.

There is already much sickness among the sufferers. Health Officer Montgomery says it is nothing now compared to what it will be in a few days. A sanitary commission will be formed at once and medical stations fixed in various portions of the city, where medicine and attendance of physicians will be afforded free.

Contributions in aid of the sufferers from the floods here have reached up to date $20,000. Assistance is coming from outside places, but Louisville, while thankful, feels able to take care of her citizens. Jeffersonville and other smaller places need help. A fall in the river is expected to-day.

The river at 1 o'clock to-day reached the highest point—44 feet 5 inches—and it is expected to continue rising slowly until night, when it is hoped that its receding will begin. No casualties have been reported. Heavy contributions by the citizens continue, and there is no danger of any one suffering for food or clothing.

A CHURCH IN THE FLOOD.

The river is about stationary at 44 feet 6 inches at the head of the canal. It is raining hard, and the city is in darkness. It has been very windy all day, causing a number of houses in the flooded districts to break loose from their moorings and go over the falls, one being a colored Methodist church. All churches will take a collection for the benefit of the sufferers.

THE OUTLOOK AT ST. LOUIS.

A heavy rain has fallen most of the day, and there is a prospect that it will continue, the temperature being mild. The ice and snow are disappearing rapidly. The river has risen about ten feet since last evening, but came nearly to a stand at noon. The pack at Maple island still holds fast, and unless the upper Mississippi rises a good deal higher than it has so far it is likely to remain there for another week. No damage has been done here. A number of small rivers and creeks in this vicinity have overflowed their banks, and have done considerable damage to some of the railways, washing out the tracks at different points and carrying a few bridges away or making them unsafe for use. The St. Louis and Keokuk road lost a trestle at the crossing of Cuivre river, and the Vandalia road has also lost a bridge. The Wabash has been obliged to use the track of the Indianapolis and St. Louis line in consequence of the overflow of a small stream near Edwardsville, Ill., and nearly all the roads had their trains badly delayed. Should the present rain continue several hours longer all the small streams in this region will overflow their banks and there will be much damage to railway and farm property. The Mississippi river can stand a heavy rise yet before reaching the danger line, and serious trouble from that direction is not anticipated.

ONE HUNDRED HOUSES GONE DOWN.

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 16.—A special dispatch to the *News* from New Albany says the river is rising half an inch per hour, that it rose five and a half inches last night, and that more water is coming. One hundred houses have gone down. There are five thousand people homeless, 1,200 houses having been washed away. The loss is over $1,000,000. If the threatened wind and rain should come the damage will be greater. Congress, the legislature, and the people are appealed to for aid. The distress is very great, and cannot be overestimated, but there has been no loss of life. The water is now nearly three feet above the famous flood of 1832. Immediate relief is called for.

The house of representatives this afternoon passed an act appropriating $100,000 for the relief of the sufferers from the flood. It will undoubtedly pass the senate. This is in addition to $40,000 already appropriated. The board of trade relief committee are busy collecting funds and provisions. Additional carloads of provisions were sent to Lawrenceburg, Jeffersonville, and New Albany to-day. Reports from points on the Wabash show that the river is higher than ever known. At Lafayette this afternoon it was 2 feet higher than the flood two years ago, which was 1 foot higher than ever known, and still rising. About half a mile of the Louisville, New Albany and Chicago railway, near Lafayette, has been washed away. A committee of the legislature will go to Jeffersonville and New Albany to-night to investigate the extent of the damage.

The report from Hardentown says the river fell there fifteen inches last night, and is still falling slowly. The weather is very warm; mercury sixty degrees, with indications of rain.

RESCUING THE PEOPLE.

EVANSVILLE, IND., Feb. 16.—The river is stationary, 46 feet 9 inches. No damage has been sustained in the city. Great suffering is reported from the bayous above and below the city among farmers, who are mostly renters living in very insecure houses. Tugs, with barges, are constantly employed going to their relief, and bringing people and stock to the city. It is raining to-night very hard. A tug has just arrived from a bayou below the city bringing twenty-five men, women, and children taken from the second stories of barns and houses, in some instances relieving them from imminent danger.

THE MISSISSIPPI RISING.

MEMPHIS, TENN., Feb. 16.—The river at noon to-day marked within 2 feet 7 inches of the danger line and 4 feet 9 inches of the extreme point reached last spring. It is rising at the rate of 10 inches per day, and will surely go over the banks below here in many places where the levees broke last year and were not repaired. The planters are making preparations for the worst. So far there has been no interruption of railway travel on any lines leading out of the city.

RISING RAPIDLY.

CAIRO, ILL., Feb. 16.—The river measures 45 feet 6 inches and is rising. It lacks 6 feet 5 inches of being as high as last year. No serious damage is apprehended from the overflow unless a heavy rise comes from the Mississippi. The Wabash and St. Louis and the Narrow Gauge railways have suspended business on account of the tracks being overflowed.

THE DAMAGE SLIGHT IN PITTSBURG.

PITTSBURG, PA., Feb. 16.—The high water is again subsiding here, but is still rising slowly at the head waters. The weather is clear and pleasant and no more danger is apprehended. The damage by the flood has been very slight.

AT BRADFORD, PA.

BRADFORD, PA., Feb. 16.—Tuna creek rose suddenly to-day until this evening, when many houses in the lower part of the city were flooded and families were compelled to move out. The ice gorge below the city was destroyed to-day by the explosion of small charges of nitro-glycerine. The water is now falling, and the danger, it is thought, has passed.

AIDING THE SUFFERERS.

CHICAGO, Feb. 16.—Mayor Harrison, having received appeals for help from New Albany and Jeffersonville, and other cities on the Ohio river, issued an address inviting churches, business men, and others to subscribe liberally to meet the exigencies of the occasion.

NEW ALBANY, IND., Feb. 16.—A call has been issued to the charitable everywhere for the relief of the sufferers by the overflow, signed by B. C. Kent, mayor, and the officers of the relief committee.

SANDUSKY, OHIO, Feb. 16.—A citizens' meeting was held to-night to aid the sufferers by the floods at Cincinnati and other points along the river. Committees were appointed to canvas each ward for donations of money and nonperishable provisions. They will begin work immediately. The ladies of the city have already commenced collecting clothing. The Masonic bodies head the subscription. The Marblehead life saving crew of eight men, with their surf boat, came nine miles across the ice, shoving their boat all the way in the rain storm, arriving here at 9 o'clock.

STOCK AND WHEAT DESTROYED.

WABASH, IND., Feb. 16.—Much live stock and growing wheat have been destroyed by the floods in this section. The damage done in the past ten days will amount to $100,000.

THE ARKANSAS RIVER RISING.

LITTLE ROCK, Feb. 16.—The Arkansas river is still rising at all points above here. The rise this afternoon is 2 inches an hour. The White river at Devall's is rapidly rising, and 5 inches more is reported in the St. Francis river at Madison, on the Memphis railway. A steady but not hard rain has prevailed all day here. The steamer Roseville had her chimneys and pilot house knocked off this afternoon while trying to pass under the railway bridge.

THE WIRES DEMORALIZED.

CHICAGO, Feb. 16.—The Western Union officers here say that the demoralization of the wires is now complete, and extends from Buffalo to Omaha and from St. Paul to Cairo. The poles are washed away in some localities, and the prevalence of the fog causes such a rapid escape of electric fluid and such induction that where the wires are intact business can with difficulty be done. Speedy relief is expected, however. The atmospheric conditions are improving in the west and the temperature is lowering. The thermometer at Cheyenne is at zero, and it is only nine degrees above at Omaha. There has seldom been so long and continuous a prostration of the wires as during the past two or three weeks.

RUINED RAILWAYS.

Rain, thaws, snows, and floods are telling on the railways. To-night not a passenger train left for the west via St. Louis. Reports of unsafe bridges deter travelers and trains in all directions. There is no communication with Louisville. From all sections come reports of higher water, washouts, and damage to railway property. Many bridges have been washed away, especially in Illinois. In Joliet two have gone down. No freight trains are moving to-night. The annual report of the Chicago and Alton road for 1882 makes the most satisfactory showing ever made. The per cent. of earnings is the greatest ever reported.

A TERRIBLE SNOW BLIZZARD.

ST. PAUL, Feb. 16.—A blizzard now has possession of the state and the northwest. The thermometer has fallen 50° since morning. Snow and fierce winds prevail. All railways are delayed, and some entirely blockaded. The Manitoba line is blocked west of the Red river and the Sioux City branch. The Omaha line is entirely blocked. The Hastings and Dakota sends out no trains. The Northern Pacific is blocked west of Jamestown, Dak.

HIGHER THAN EVER.

ROCKFORD, IND., Feb. 16.—The river is higher than ever before. The bridges are all gone between here and adjacent towns. Grandview is all submerged. Troy, Tell City, and Cannelton are partly under water. At Pomeroy, Ohio, the river is rising slowly, and at Portsmouth it is falling slowly.

DANGER AT HARRISBURG.

HARRISBURG, PA., Feb. 16.—Rain has fallen here constantly for the past three days. Early this morning the Susquehanna was at low water mark, but since noon it has risen at the rate of 6 inches per hour and is now 6 feet and rising. There is danger of a flood in the lower section of the city from water backing into Paxton creek.

AT PORT DEPOSIT.

PORT DEPOSIT, MD., Feb. 16.—After last night's news from the head waters of the Susquehanna, to-night's dispatches are quite reassuring. A rise is reported of nine feet at Lock Haven, caused by the backwater from the gorge below. At Williamsport the rise is eight inches, and at Harrisburg four inches. The river is still rising slowly. The gorge reported above McCaull's ferry is much worn away, and a channel extends almost its entire length. At this point the gorged ice is rapidly disappearing, and to-night the head of the pack is at Bucks mills, at the extreme lower end of town. It is believed that the gorge here will be broken up by to-morrow night.

A FLOOD IN MONTREAL.

MONTREAL, Feb. 16.—A heavy flood is feared in the lower parts of the city if the present rapid thaw continues. Several streets are already covered with water.

WHAT THE SIGNAL OFFICE SAYS.

The chief signal officer of the army furnishes the special bulletin to the press:

Heavy rains are reported in the lower Ohio valley and in the southwest, and light rains continue in the northern states, except in the northwest, where light snow, followed by fair and much colder weather, is reported. A severe storm is central near Lake Huron, moving northeastward. A violent "norther" extends over the west gulf states, where the temperature has fallen about 40° during the past twenty-four hours. The temperature has fallen to zero at North Platte. It is below zero in Minnesota and from 1° to 10° above zero in Iowa and Missouri. Warm southerly winds continue on the Atlantic coast, and colder northerly to westerly winds have extended eastward as far as the upper lake region and lower Ohio valley. The Ohio river has risen at points below Cincinnati, owing to the recent heavy rains. It will probably rise at all points, but the flood has probably reached its maximum at all points above Louisville. The floods in the Mississippi between Vicksburg and Cairo will increase and prove very destructive.

The Late Richard Wagner.

VENICE, Feb. 16.—The body of the late Richard Wagner has been embalmed and placed in a coffin. A glass panel admits of a view of the face of the deceased. A cast of the features has been taken. The coffin will be conveyed to the railway depot to-day. No religious ceremony will be held here, the family having gratefully declined such service. The municipality have placed a splendid wreath on the coffin.

Wagner's widow cut off her long hair and placed some of it under the head of the deceased in the coffin. A great crowd of people in gondolas on the Grand canal witnessed the departure of the remains. They made way for the aquatic funeral procession to the railroad station, where the train, draped in black, which was to convey the body to Bayreuth stood ready to receive it. The scene was very impressive. Austria and Bavaria gave instructions to allow the train to pass their frontiers unsearched.

VENICE, Feb. 16.—This afternoon Wagner's remains were placed on board the train, and, accompanied by the family of the deceased, left here for Bayreuth. The mayor, the director of the Musical college, the members of the Artists' club, and other persons followed the remains to the railway station.

BERLIN, Feb. 16.—The funeral of Wagner will take place on Sunday next. Deputations from Vienna will attend.

Cattle in Michigan.

LANSING, Feb. 16.—The January official returns indicate that all kinds of cattle are in fine condition in the state. Most correspondents express the fear that wheat has been injured more or less by the freezing and thawing, or has been smothered by the late snow. Seven millions seven hundred and fifty-nine thousand bushels were marketed from August to January.

Stopping the Passion Play.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—Corporation Counsel Andrews, in an opinion rendered to Mayor Edson to-day, declared that a public rehearsal of the Passion play could not be allowed, as Mr. Morse had no license. In consequence the police were directed to prevent to-night's proposed rehearsal.

The Massachusetts Legislature.

BOSTON, Feb. 16.—In the legislature this afternoon the senate ordered to be engrossed a bill providing for biennial state elections, and biennial sessions of the legislature. The house rejected the bill to abolish the poll tax as a suffrage qualification.

Didn't Want Her Any More.

LONDON, Feb. 16.—Sir James MacNaughten has obtained a decree nisi against his wife, who eloped recently.

BRADLAUGH'S MOB.

The English Government Charged With Being Afraid of It.

A Lively Contest Expected in the House of Commons.

Condition of Affairs in France and in Distracted Ireland.

Latest News from China and Japan—Gortschakoff Dying.

ENGLAND.

IS THE GOVERNMENT AFRAID OF BRADLAUGH?

LONDON, Feb. 16.—Debate on the address in reply to the speech from the throne was resumed.

The amendment submitted yesterday by Sir Wilfred Lawson (radical), declaring that no sufficient reason had been shown for the employment of British troops for reconstructing Egypt, was rejected by the house.

Mr. Arthur Balfour (conservative) offered an amendment expressing regret that steps in regard to Egypt had not been taken earlier, which might possibly have secured objects important to England without a war. Mr. Balfour's amendment was rejected by a vote of 179 to 144.

The speaker, replying to Mr. Newdegate, said the resolution of last session against Mr. Bradlaugh was not valid this session.

The Marquis of Hartington said it was the business of the house and not of government to attend to Mr. Bradlaugh's voting.

The debate on the address was adjourned, and the house, by a vote of 160 to 70, agreed to go into committee to allow Sir Henry James, the attorney general, to introduce an affirmation bill.

Mr. Newdegate, conservative, opposed the introduction of such a bill. He charged that the government brought it forward in terror of Mr. Bradlaugh's mob.

Mr. Chapin, conservative, moved that the debate be postponed.

The motion was rejected by a vote of 156 to 69. Lord Henry Gordon-Lennox, liberal conservative, moved that the chairman leave the chair.

This motion was rejected also, the vote being 151 to 68.

Mr. Molloy, liberal, moved to report progress. Rejected—145 to 64.

The Marquis of Hartington consented to adjourn the debate until Monday. The tories and Parnellites will obstruct the passage of the bill, and it is expected that there will be a lively contest over it.

It is stated that Sir Stafford Northcote and other leading tories discountenance the obstructive tactics being resorted to.

FRANCE.

PARIS, Feb. 16.—In the senate to-day M. Deves, minister of justice, introduced the bill proposed by Senator Barbey rendering the princes liable to expulsion by the decree of the president of the republic. A motion for urgency was granted and the bill was at once referred to a committee.

After consideration the committee submitted their report, which was read by M. Allou, the reporter of the committee. The report stated that the concession offered by the chamber of deputies was more apparent than real. The committee objected that the new bill sanctioned arbitrary steps, and recommended its rejection. The debate was adjourned until to-morrow.

GORTSCHAKOFF DYING.

NICE, Feb. 16.—Prince Gortschakoff, ex-prime minister of Russia, is dying.

IRELAND.

DUBLIN, Feb. 16.—A diving bell and heavier dredgers than heretofore employed are to be used in the King's End basin in the search for the knives of the assassins now undergoing examination.

A man named Smith, an employe of the board of works, was arrested to-day in connection with the conspiracy to murder government officials.

Mr. Harrington, secretary of the organizing committee of the National league, who was convicted at Mullingar last month of the charge of using intimidating language in a speech at a public meeting, and sentenced to two months' imprisonment without hard labor, was arrested at the National league rooms to-day to undergo his sentence.

The arrest of Smith is regarded as important. It is stated that Smith, who worked in the cattle yard, kept the vigilance committee posted when they were hatching the plot to blow up a part of the castle with dynamite.

A riot occurred in Limerick to-day among the dock laborers, and several persons were injured. A number of the rioters have been arrested.

Under the regulations of Kilmainham jail Messrs. Davitt, Healy, and Quinn are subjected to solitary confinement for twenty-two hours daily, and are allowed two hours exercise together. Mr. Trevelyan, chief secretary for Ireland, on having these facts submitted to him in the house of commons to-day, merely said that they were allowed every accommodation that their health required.

CHINA AND JAPAN.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., Feb. 16.—The steamship City of Tokio, which arrived from Hong Kong and Yokohama yesterday, encountered heavy gales and rough seas. She brings the following dates:

HONG KONG, Jan. 17.—An armed force of several hundred men landed on Dec. 29 at Amoy from the German frigates, and seized from the Chinese authorities certain wares manufactured by a German firm in Amoy, and confiscated by the Chinese, who allege that manufactures are not permitted by the treaty. The Germans allege that the confiscation was illegal, and claim the full right to manufacture. This is the second recent occasion when German ships of war have taken peremptory action to redress grievances independent of diplomatic agencies, the other being during the first fortnight of December last. The island of Formosa continues to be shaken by earthquakes. There has been a great destruction of property, and many lives have been lost.

Reports from Pekin, promulgated as official, state that the French envoy and Li Hung Chang has agreed upon the terms for Tonquin, by which China continues to claim the territory as a tributary region, while France maintains a protectorate. Nevertheless, Chinese troops remain in great force at Tonquin, and public opinion regards the affair as still unsettled. The Yellow river burst its levees near the city of Wutung, flooding an area equal to 100 miles square.

FROM JAPAN.

YOKAHOMA, Jan. 26.—An eruption of the small mountain, Fritago, on the shore of lake Hakono, about fifty miles from Yokohoma, occurred on the night of Jan. 22. The villages in the vicinity were injured by fallen rocks and masses of lava. The extent of the damage is not yet reported.

This particular mountain has not hitherto been known as a volcano. The last previous eruption in the locality was that of the famous Fugi-Yama, 168 years ago.

An Alabama Tax Collector Robbed?

MONTGOMERY, ALA., Feb. 16.—A special to the *Advertiser* says: The tax collector of Lawrence county, Mr. S. D. Houston, left Courtland yesterday to go to Moulton, the county seat, with $4,300, which he was carrying to the county superintendent of education. About six miles from the town, in a lonely part of the road, a man roughly dressed, as Houston rode up, grasped his bridle rein, presented a revolver, and demanded his money. Houston, being unarmed, was made to alight, and the robber, whose face was concealed by a black mask, searched his pockets, the first thing found being a package of papers. He threw them down and again feeling in the pocket, drew out $3,300, mounted Houston's horse, and rode away with the booty. The $1,000 saved was in packages of $500 each which he had placed in his boot leg. The only words spoken were an appeal from Houston to the robber not to shoot, and the reply, "Old man, I don't want to hurt you, but I must have your money." Mr. Houston is a man over sixty years of age, much esteemed, and of unquestioned integrity. His horse was to-day found about two miles from the scene of the robbery, tied by the roadside. No idea is formed of who the robber is. Houston describes him as having dark, close cut hair, hard, rough hands, coarsely dressed, wearing a much worn rubber coat, short, stout built, and about 160 pounds weight.

AN ACTOR KILLED.

Other Persons Meet Death on a Railway Train—A Serious Accident.

CLEVELAND, Feb. 16.—The express train on the Cleveland and Columbus road which left here this morning was derailed at 11 o'clock one mile north of Galion. The locomotive remained on the track, but the baggage and the express cars, smoking car, two coaches, and a parlor car were ditched. The train was running eighteen miles per hour. No broken rail was found. The track, which was of new steel rails and straight, is supposed to have slipped in consequence of the late rains. Robert Cudell, draughtsman in the C. C. C. and I. roadmaster's office at Cleveland, Rev. D. I. Fonts, of Shelby, and another, unidentified, were killed. Conductor John Daykin was badly cut in the head and injured in the side. E. E. Poppleton, the attorney of the railway company, was injured about the head and arms, but not seriously. A news agent named Hammer had an arm broken.

The following is a complete list of the killed and injured; H. G. Guthrie, of the Madison Square Theater company, New York, instantly killed; D. I. Shelby, Ohio, severely injured, and died soon after being taken to Galion; R. Cudell, draughtsman in general roadmaster's office, Cleveland, injured, and died soon after reaching Galion. Injured—G. T. Stamm, of Milwaukee, slightly bruised on left shoulder; Mrs. G. T. Stamm, slight scalp wound, bruise on leg; Charles Diebolt, Canton, Ohio, bruised on chest; E. E. Popleton, of Cleveland, scalp wound; Mrs. Jane E. Hills, Shelby, Ohio, bruised on back and breast; J. Dakin, conductor, scalp wound; P. Hughes, brakeman, leg hurt; Baggage Master White, slightly injured.

A Rock Island dummy to-night backed into a freight train of the Eastern Illinois road, standing on the track at Stony Island, and a terrible wreck resulted. Several thousand dollars' worth of property was destroyed. All the passengers were well shaken up, and the fireman of the Rock Island train was fatally hurt, and died soon after.

PITTSBURG, PA., Feb. 16.—A wheel on the front car of the Foxburg express on the Pittsburg and Western railway broke at 5 o'clock this evening when the train was nearing Ætna station, causing the smoker and locomotive to jump the track, the latter turning over. The engineer, J. C. Cooper, and the fireman, Edward Brady, of this city, were buried under the debris, and before they could be extricated were so badly scalded by escaping steam that they will die. Passengers were considerable shaken up and bruised, but were not seriously hurt.

SIXTY-TWO MEN KILLED.

Terrible Disaster in a Coal Mine in Illinois—The Roof Caves in—The Wires Down and No Details to Be Had.

CHICAGO, Feb. 16.—A special to the *Daily News* from Joliet says a mine at Braidwood, a mining town twenty miles south of that point, caved in to-day and imprisoned seventy-five men. A subsequent dispatch to the same paper says forty-five of these miners are dead. The *Inter Ocean's* Joliet special says: The mine which caved in here was the Diamond mine, operated by a stock company. The floods and the recent thaw had loosened the earth around the mouth of the pit, and a land slide began about 3 o'clock this afternoon, which in a few minutes imprisoned some eighty miners. Reports from Braidwood are very indefinite, but place the loss of life at from thirty to fifty. Two thousand men are ready to work at rescuing, but only a few can get at the place at once. The cavein is nearly ninety feet square. Braidwood is one of the largest coal mining places in the state.

A brief interview just held with A. L. Sweet, president of the four mines comprising the Diamond Mine company, confirms the reports of the terrible disaster at Braidwood. Mr. Sweet's information is that 300 men were in the various shafts this afternoon, when the ground sagged in under the weight of water that had both saturated and loosened it. Sixty-two were in one shaft which caught the bulk of the falling debris, and which was instantly flooded. Every one of them was drowned or smothered inside of five minutes. Their bodies are now buried under many tons of earth. One hundred acres have been excavated, and the miners not in the one unfortunate shaft all escaped. Digging and pumping is going on vigorously, but it will be many hours before the first bodies can be reached. The mine was of the ordinary kind, supplied with regular shafts, and supposed to be well protected from accident. The wires to Joliet are in bad shape, and no full report is yet received.

A Murder Trial in Baltimore—Not Guilty.

BALTIMORE, MD., Feb. 16.—In the case of Edward H. Tompkins, charged with the murder of Martin Leschofsky, which has been on trial in the criminal court since Monday last, the jury this morning brought in a verdict, "not guilty." The shooting and killing occurred in a saloon in September last during a quarrel, when Tompkins was felled to the floor insensible by a blow from a billiard cue. Tompkins, after recovering, went a short distance to his home, got a pistol, and went to another saloon near by where the parties engaged in the quarrel had gone, and, entering the room, commenced firing on them. Leschofsky, a Pole, was killed, and another Pole, who struck Tompkins with the cue, was wounded. During the trial a number of medical experts testified, and gave the opinion that at the time of the shooting Tompkins was temporarily insensible and irrational from the effects of the blow from the billiard cue.

A Millionaire's Inhumanity.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—An action is now pending in the superior court, which has produced quite an excitement in upper circles. The suit is entitled, Helen E. Havemeyer against Thomas J. Havemeyer. The defendant is a son of Frederick C. Havemeyer, of Throgg's Neck, West Chester county, New York. It is for a limited divorce on the ground of abandonment, and cruel and inhuman treatment. She says she was married to the defendant on Sept. 26, 1875, and that she lived with him until Oct. 13, 1882, when he left her. She alleges that the defendant is worth about two millions of dollars, and owns a yacht and trotting horses. The defendant and his father in affidavits deny that he is worth that amount, and also that the defendant was married to plaintiff. The case came up in court to-day on side issues, and was adjourned until next week.

Destroyed by Fire.

LONDON, Feb. 16.—At a fire in the village of Radford, near Nottingham, five persons were burned to death.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 16.—The business portion of Knight's Landing, Yolo county, was burned this morning. The fire originated in a saloon. Mr. Dinwidat, sleeping in the building, was burned to death. The losses aggregate $50,000.

SCRUB RACE FOR SENATOR

Nearly Every Statesman in Michigan a Candidate.

Some of the Back Counties Yet to Hear From—Ferry's Promises.

Special Dispatch.

LANSING, MICH., Feb. 16.—Confusion worse confounded reigns here. Palmer and Stockbridge are here working booms vigorously. Palmer has a big lobby. Burrows is well represented. It is every man's race thus far. In the investigation to-day, Chairman Rice A. Beal, the head of the Ferry committee, admitted what the *Evening News* charges, that he (Ferry) had promised a territorial secretaryship to Representative French, because he loved him, and wanted him to vote for Ferry, and that Ferry had promised him the young man could have the office, but Ferry did not know it was for French. He only knew it was a friend of Beal's, whom Beal wanted to reward for past friendship. Beal also swore he had promised the Monroe postoffice to Representative Parker, and a twelve hundred dollar federal clerkship for Parker's son. Ed. P. Ferry and committeemen Burch and Watkins testified that they knew of no proffers of office or money.

By Associated Press.

NINETEEN CANDIDATES VOTED FOR.

DETROIT, Feb. 16.—The forces that have so long stood faithfully by Senator Ferry having formally dissolved, the first ballot to-day was in "go as you please" order. It stood, Ferry 13, Palmer 8, Lacey 6, Marble 2, Hannah 4, Willetts 10, Blair 1, Shepard 1, Burch 1, Bingham 1, Newton (dem.) 47, Cutcheon 4, Burrows 11, Hanchett 8, Withey 1, Rich 6, McMullin 2, Crosby 1, Judkins 1. Total, 128. Four members were absent. On the second ballot there was no material change.

THE INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE.

DETROIT, Feb. 16.—The legislative investigating committee this morning examined Marsden C. Burch, ex-United States district attorney for western Michigan, an active Ferry manager during the pending contest. He knew of no objectionable transaction on Ferry's side. He believed Ferry and his managers had conducted their campaign in a clean, unobjectionable manner. Neither he nor the rest of the committee knew anything about Bagley's doings. He did not believe Thompson's story of yesterday; knew of no offer of patronage or money. He thought the anti-Ferry canvass had been improper in many respects.

Rice A. Beal, chairman of Ferry's committee, admitted that Ferry had promised him he could rely on his (Ferry's) support in regard to any promises he should make. He has promised a young member of the legislature the secretaryship of one of the territories, and had offered another the Monroe postoffice and a $1,200 clerkship for his son. This he did because he loved his friends, and wanted to help them.

EX-GOV. E. D. MORGAN.

Impressive Funeral Rites—President Arthur and Other Distinguished Persons Present.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—The funeral rites over the remains of the late ex-Governor Morgan took place late this afternoon at the church Thirty-seventh street and Fifth avenue. The front pew was occupied by President Arthur, Gen. Grant, Hamilton Fish, and John Jacob Astor. The services opened with prayer by Rev. Dr. J. H. Vandyke, after which he attempted to speak. He was overcome with grief and could only murmer, "I cannot speak, but others more eloquent will talk to you of the dead." The Rev. Dr. Murray then read an address of eulogy on the departed governor, paying a high tribute to his Christian character. Dr. Hitchcock followed, saying that a triple life has gone from us, a merchant, a statesman, and a philanthropist. He paid a touching tribute to the widow and family, and concluded by saying the deceased might be styled the great war governor of the Empire state. Rev. John Hall then closed services with a short prayer. The body will remain in the church all night and in the morning be taken to Bridgeport for interment. Among those who attended the services were Wm. Dowd, Sydney Dillon, Russell Sage, ex-Senator Conkling, Jackson S. Schultz, Algernon S. Sullivan, Elliott F. Shepard, Samuel Sloan, Henry Bergh, ex-Mayor Wickham, Prof. Dwight, ex-Governor Carroll, Gen. Hancock, Rev. J. P. Newman, and Father Deshon.

Relief for the Floods in Germany.

BERLIN, Feb. 16.—The president of the reichstag gave an account of the fund for the relief of sufferers by the inundations in Germany, mentioning the amounts received from America and elsewhere. Herr Bernuth asked that the house express its thanks for these large donations amid loud applause, which the president said he regarded as an expression of the thanks of the house.

The sum received from the United States was 588,100 marks.

Vale's Wife Commits Suicide.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 16.—The *Post-Dispatch* has received information that Mrs. H. M. Vale, wife of one of the defendants in the star route trial, committed suicide at Independence, Mo.

KANSAS CITY, MO., Feb. 16.—Mrs. H. M. Vale, wife of one of the defendants on the star route case, died yesterday at Independence. It is stated that death resulted from an overdose of morphine taken the night before. A sealed letter was found in her bureau addressed to her husband, who will reach home from Washington to-morrow.

Stabbed to Death.

CHICAGO, Feb. 16.—During a row at a party in Furnessville, Porter county, Ind., in which a drunken guest, Martin Parker, was the chief actor, a young man named Lebke was stabbed by Parker in the head with a knife, making a frightful wound, the knife sticking in the head. Parker then stabbed his hostess, Mrs. Rodke, and was himself beaten by the company. Lebke died yesterday. Parker has fled. There is much excitement over the occurrence.

Prohibition in Iowa.

DES MOINES, IOWA, Feb. 16.—The attorney general has been consulting with the governor for a day or two past, and it is credibly reported that he will soon prepare a petition to the supreme court for rehearing the prohibition amendment validity case at Council Bluffs term on March 20. One or two lawyers have tried to file a motion for a rehearing, but the clerk refused to dock their motions under the rules of the court.

Washington and Western Railway.

RICHMOND, VA., Feb. 16.—A decree was entered in the circuit court of Richmond to-day for the resale of the Washington and Western railway, formerly called the Washington and Ohio railway. The road was first sold for $592,000, of which $50,000 was paid in cash, and bonds were given for the remainder. The purchasers failed in the first deferred payment, and now consents to a resale, which takes place in about forty days.

President Arthur.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—Contrary to expectation President Arthur did not leave this city to-night. He remained at Mr. C. P. Miller's residence, and received a few intimate friends. He will leave for Washington to-morrow evening.

Edwin Booth in Hamburg.

HAMBURG, Feb. 16.—Mr. Edwin Booth appeared here this evening as Hamlet. He was received with unbounded applause.