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And Already there is a Visible Improvement in the Galveston Situation--Electric Lights and Street Cars, By Hard Work Both Systems are About Restored.

Galveston, Tex.—Every hour brings Galveston nearer to normal conditions, and the improvement of each day shows a decided gain over that of those preceding. It will be weeks and perhaps months before the city will be in good running shape, but matters are fast rounding into a condition, which compared to the existing chaos in the early part of the week, is comfort and happiness.

MONEY NEEDED.

The greatest immediate need of the city at present is money—not subscriptions but cold hard cash. It is needed in every direction and for a multitude of purposes. The most important of these is to pay the men who are cleaning up the streets. Adjt. Gen. Scurry said: I have not a dollar to pay the men who are working in the streets all day long. I am not able to say to a single one of these you shall be paid for your work. I have not the money to make good the promise. I hope and believe that the country will understand the situation. We must have this city cleaned up at any cost and with the greatest speed possible. If it is not done with all haste and at the same time, done well, there may be a pestilence, and if it once breaks out here, it will not be Galveston alone that will suffer. Such things spread and it is not only for the sake of this city but for others outside of this place that I urge that over all things we want money. The nation has been most kind in its responses to the appeal of Galveston but from what I hear, food and disinfectants sufficient for temporary purposes at least, are here or on the way. The country does not understand it cannot understand the awful destitution prevailing here. Of all the poor people here, not one has anything. The majority of the families here could not furnish a single room in which to commence housekeeping even though they had the money to rebuild the room. These people have absolutely nothing except what is given them by the relief committee.

BURNING BODIES.

The work of burning bodies is still going on, they being hurried to the fires as soon as possible after being taken from the water. For the past few days there have been numerous great fires along the shore, and in every one of these there were any where from three to twenty bodies. There is no longer the slightest attempt at identification. No effort is made to ascertain whether the body is that of a white or colored person. All of them have been so long in the water under a blazing sun that it would be exceedingly difficult to determine the identity of a body unless by the clothing, and in most cases the bodies are entirely destitute of garments. Pull them out of the water as soon as seen and throw them into the flames as soon as taken from the water is the order, and it is most effectually carried out. The residents of Galveston are of the opinion that there are more dead than the outsiders coming in are generally willing to admit. It is beyond all possibility that any actual count will ever be had, but the best evidence obtainable, and allowing for those bodies which have been cast up by the waters after being once thrown into the gulf and twice counted, and for the numbers that were carried out to sea and will never be heard of, a total list of the dead cannot be far from 8,000 and is under that figure rather than over it. The people of Galveston say that they know that it will amount to anywhere between 5,000 and 10,000, and the estimates are for the most part in the neighborhood of the larger figure.

EXTERMINATED THE DOGS.

Not many of the dogs of Galveston survived the storm, and of those which were left nearly all have been killed. For a few days after the storm people were for the most part busy with their own woes, and had but little time to give the lower animals.

Crushed Under Tons of Rock.

Birmingham, Ala.—Matthey, the fifteen-year-old son of Joseph McNeill, was killed in the coal mines at Blossburg. He was assisting his father in digging coal, when the roof of the entry commenced to crack. Both made for the exit, the elder escaping, but the boy was caught under several tons of rock, and was dead by the time his body was extricated.

The express downer and surperior of China are said to be in Mongolia,

mals. The result was that a number of dogs went mad, because of lack of food and water. They were shot at the first opportunity and now if any dog desires a speedy passport out of Galveston, it is only necessary for him to set up a howl. At about the second howl, a soldier is after him with a rifle. Several horses have been shot which had evidently become insane from the injuries received in the storm, or because of the lack of food. Two were killed while running up and down the streets at a terrific pace.

The waters of the gulf now cover about 5,800,000 square feet of ground that was formerly a part of Galveston. This loss has been suffered entirely on the south side of the city, where the finest residences were built, facing the gulf, and where land was held at a higher valuation than in any other part of the city, with the exception of the business district.

For three miles along the shore of the gulf this choice residence property extended and the shore line was so changed by the storm that at low tide the water is 350 feet higher along the entire three miles. In the eastern portion of the city there are places where 50 feet is less than the actual amount of ground taken from the city. It is a fair estimate, however, for the entire distance. The foundation piles of the Beach hotel, which burned two years ago, now stand in water. Before the storm there was a beach in front of the hotel site near it 400 feet wide. There is no possibility of any of this land being reclaimed.

THE LOOTING OF PEKING.

Almost Every House Has Been Robbed by Looters.

Peking.—Looting in Peking continues, both authorized and unauthorized. Few houses are guarded except those occupied by foreigners, the palaces and those in the sacred city. Almost every house is destitute of furniture. Gen. Chaffee says he could not have believed that any city would ever be given over so completely to looters, and he earnestly desires the co-operation of any nation to prevent this.

On the other hand, the missionaries complain because the sacred city has not been looted. They urge that the royal family and other highly placed Chinese personages who were behind all the trouble should be made to suffer more than those who blindly follow them.

FOUR MASS MEETINGS.

Republican Campaign Opens in Greater New York.

New York.—The republican campaign in Greater New York was opened Saturday night by four great mass meetings. At Camp McKinley, the headquarters of the republicans of the Thirty-first Assembly district, Cornelius N. Bliss, Postmaster General Smith and Congressman Payne spoke. The meeting at Cooper Union was the largest of the four.

Gen. Francis W. Green, President Schurzman, of Cornell, and ex-Gov. Wise, of Virginia, made addresses.

Senator Lodge was the principal speaker at the meeting at McDurand's Riding Academy. Above the Harlem river, at Zeltner's Hall, the chief speaker was Gen. Stewart L. Woodford, former minister to Spain.

DIED IN A WAREHOUSE.

It is Evident That the Man Committed Suicide.

Birmingham, Ala.—The dead body of Frank McGill of Brownwood, Tex., was found in a warehouse at Tuscaloosa. By it was a Smith & Wesson 38-calibre pistol. The man had evidently committed suicide. He recently came from Texas seeking work at Tuscaloosa. To a number of persons he stated that if he failed to get work he would kill himself. To others he stated that his daughter and three grandchildren had perished in the Galveston flood and that he did not care to live. On his person was a Masonic pin and a letter written to the Lord in the form of a prayer. A letter of similar character, dated on August 18th, 1897, was also found. He had evidently meditated suicide when it was first written. McGill came to Tuscaloosa from Jackson, Miss. He brought recommendations from the First National Bank at Brownwood.

Assaulted a Virginia School Teacher.

Richmond, Va.—Near Arrington, a negro originally assaulted Miss Eller Brosworth, a school teacher of that county and left her for dead, having choked her into insensibility. The negro was arrested and started for the county seat under guard, but was taken from the guards by a mob and hanged to the limb of a tree.

His thousand people are practically destitute in and near Alvin.

W. W. Mayhew, Merton, Wis., says

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On a Record Breaking Run.

New York, N. Y.—The greatest ocean race in maritime history began Tuesday, when the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse and the Deutschland, the swiftest merchantmen in the world, started out of the harbor for the English channel one hour and twelve minutes apart. The freight for each was yacked so as to trim the great racers for their best work.

H. Clark, Chauncey, Ga., says De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve cured him of piles that had afflicted him for twenty years. It is also a speedy cure for skin diseases. Beware of dangerous counterfeits. Kilbourne & Forrester.

Germany's schoolmasters are doing more than her soldiers to push her to the front among the nations. Technical schools put the empire at the front of commercial and industrial effort.

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