

# SHAKEN BY EARTHQUAKES IN CALIFORNIA AND DAKOTA.

### People Were Stricken With Terror and Ran From Their Homes—Much Property Destroyed—Two Distinct Shocks Were Felt—in an East and West Direction.

Lompoc, Cal., July 30.—Lompoc valley has experienced a severe earthquake shock. A violent shock was felt, which lasted fully 30 seconds, and was so severe that dishes, clocks, house plants, etc., were thrown from shelves, upsetting furniture and other articles. The people were stricken with terror and ran from their homes, some fearing to return, as other lighter shocks continued for several hours afterward. Another heavy shock was felt at 5 a. m. and one at 11 a. m. A large water tank was knocked over, the earth cracked at many different places and the Santa Ynez river bed slightly changed at places. The direct disturbances seemed to be of a local nature.

### Damage to Property.

Santa Barbara, Cal., July 30.—Meager advices received from Los Alamos, 45 miles north of this place, are that a severe shock of earthquake occurred about 11 o'clock at night, doing great damage to the property of the Western Union Oil company at the Carraega wells. The damage is variously estimated at from \$12,000 to \$15,000.

### Oil Tanks Destroyed.

San Luis Obispo, July 30.—Two distinct shocks were experienced in this place. The first and heaviest of the two occurred at 10:57 p. m. and had a duration of five seconds. The second occurred at 1:19 in the morning and lasted three seconds. The general direction of both disturbances were east and west. The Western Union Oil company's wells on the Carraega ranch two tanks containing 2800 barrels of oil were destroyed by the first disturbance.

### In South Dakota.

Yankton, S. D., July 30.—An earthquake shock occurred here at 12:45 in the afternoon lasting about 12 seconds. The shock was accompanied by the usual rumbling noises, and moved from northeast to southwest.

Yankton, S. D., reports a shock of 12 seconds duration; Santee agency, in northern Nebraska, reports the occurrence of a quake, and Battle Creek, Neb., was shaken for 20 seconds. The disturbance was more plainly felt at the latter place than at any other which has thus far been reported. In this city the shake was barely discernible and few people knew of such a thing until the weather bureau report tonight.

### Nebraska Was Shaken.

Omaha, Neb., July 30.—An earthquake, which was general over portions of Nebraska, western Iowa and South Dakota, occurred in the afternoon. The seismic disturbances were felt at a large number of towns in the three states named and lasted from 10 to 15 seconds. No damage has been reported thus far, although the shock was sufficient to rattle dishes and affect bell towers in some places.

### Late News Items.

The primary election of delegates to the First congressional district of New Jersey was held Monday in Camden, Gloucester and Salem counties, which comprise the district. The candidates for the nomination are Henry C. Loudenslager, the present congressman, and J. Alpheus Van Zant. The contest has been one of the most bitter ever held in southern New Jersey. The polls were open from 5 p. m. to 8 p. m., and the three hours were marked with serious fighting. One man was killed in this city and Joe Goddard, the well known heavyweight pugilist of Philadelphia, was probably fatally shot while electioneering in Pensacola township; another man was dangerously stabbed in this city, and a fourth man received stab wounds at "Dog Corner," near Merchantsville.

A. M. Rothschild, until two months ago the head of the State street department store of the firm of A. M. Rothschild & Co., at Chicago, committed suicide at his home, Thirty-seventh court and Michigan avenue, by shooting himself in the head, the wound causing almost instant death. Acute insomnia, which probably caused temporary insanity, is said to be responsible for the deed.

One million dollars in treasure was brought by the steamship Roanoke, which arrived in Seattle from Nome and St. Michael Monday morning. This is the largest shipment to come from the Nome district this season.

### One More Injunction.

Parkersburg, July 30.—Judge Jackson has issued another injunction of the same general character as those for whose violation "Mother" Jones and others were tried. It was issued upon the application of G. Clinton Gardner, receiver for the Flemington Coal company, and is directed against 30 strikers and organizers.

### Wheeler Goes to Paris.

New York, July 28.—General Wheeler starts today for Paris, but will return for the coronation, cables the London correspondent of the Tribune. He is taking a hearty interest in the organization of the Anglo-American club and is greatly impressed with Lord Roberts' enthusiasm about it.

### Dr. Stephen L. Baldwin Dead.

New York, July 29.—Rev. Dr. Stephen L. Baldwin, recording secretary of the M. S. society of the Methodist Episcopal church since 1880, died in Brooklyn of typhoid fever. He was 67 years of age.

## WASHINGTON ITEMS.

Johnson Bros. have sold their flour mill at Asotin to A. C. Barron for \$12,000.

Excavation work is in progress for the proposed \$50,000 school building at Dayton.

A team ran into a lumber wagon near Fort Casey, fatally injuring the driver, named Lynch.

The farms of Washington June 1, 1900, numbered 33,202, and were valued at \$115,609,710.

It is rumored that nothing will be done this fall in the question of changing Franklin's county seat.

The site of the new federal building is a matter receiving a good deal of attention and interest in Spokane.

The Spokane Amateur Athletic club is to put on a pretentious street fair and carnival August 4 to 14.

Miss Kate Hogan, better known in the theatrical world as Katharine Ridgway, has returned to Colfax for her vacation.

Walla Walla military band was awarded the contract to play at the coming fruit fair at Walla Walla this year for \$1,200.

John Garrison, a logger employed in the Haley camp near Tolt, on the Snoqualmie river, had his neck broken by a blow from a falling tree.

The wheat harvest has begun in the Horse Heaven country. About 20,000 acres of choice wheat will be cut and threshed this season.

Major John Millis submits the following for the Seattle, Wash., district: Tacoma harbor, \$100,000; New Whatcom harbor, \$55,000.

The chief of engineers has received reports from engineers in charge of river and harbor work improvements containing estimates for the fiscal year 1904.

A fatal runaway accident occurred at Coupeville, on Whidbey island, recently, in which Mrs. Browning of California had her neck broken in attempting to jump from a carriage.

The Masonic temple committee announces that the fair to be given under the auspices of the Spokane lodges will be held from September 17 to 30 inclusive.

Frank Wakefield, aged 16 years, was drowned in Lake Washington recently in consequence of losing his hold on a rope as he was trying to move from one float to another. The body was recovered.

With his head crushed like an egg shell by a falling tree top Andrew Yarkraugh, a veteran in Fletcher's sawmill camp, 16 miles southeast of Milton, died in the Walla Walla hospital recently.

Frank E. Morlan of Spokane, engineer for the Northern Pacific, mysteriously disappeared recently. As he had a large sum of money on him at the time, foul play is suspected. He leaves a wife and little baby.

Hiram Gragg of Garfield has a cow that is a record breaker as a profit producer. During the past three years this cow has raised six calves, having twins each year, and these six calves are now valued at \$200. Mr. Gragg estimates the value of the milk and butter produced by this cow during three years at \$216, making a total of \$416 the cow has produced in three years.

Dr. B. F. Warren, a retired physician, died recently at the age of 63 years at his residence near Deep Creek. He was born in Ellingham, N. H. His father was the seventh son of General James Warren, distinguished in the revolutionary war and that of 1812. His great-grandfather was Captain Joseph Warren of French and Indian war fame. His maternal ancestors were in the line of descent from the Duchesses of Marlborough.

### Scandinavians Are Coming.

Copenhagen, July 28.—The transport lines here are coping with the greatest rush of Scandinavian emigration to the United States since the '80s. Every outgoing vessel, Scandinavian or American, is crowded. The Oscar II of the Scandinavian-American line, is taking 1000 emigrants on each trip. Two sister ships will now be hurried toward completion in order to handle the traffic. The cause of this rush is the unprecedented hard times throughout Scandinavia, as well as the more stringent conscription laws in Sweden. The emigrants are mostly of an excellent class and are bound chiefly to the western states, where they will settle on agricultural lands. The total number of emigrants which left this port for the United States during the nine months ending with March, 1902, were: Denmark, 3382; Norway, 8049; Sweden, 15,601.

### Fought Horse Thieves.

Guthrie, O. T., July 28.—Another desperate battle was fought on Caddo county soil between Sheriff Jim Thompson and Deputy Sheriff Smith and a band of horse thieves under the leadership of Charles Johnson, an alleged Mexican outlaw, for whom a reward is offered. The officers reached the pasture where the horse thieves had rounded a bunch of stolen animals. Johnson and several of his men were wounded and captured. Their horses and guns were confiscated. The officers escaped unscathed. The fight occurred on the South Canadian river.

### Heavy Wind in London.

London, July 27.—A gale spread over London demolishing many trees in the parks and playing havoc with the remaining coronation decorations in various parts of the city. The coronation stands at Clements inn, Strand, were blown down, causing injuries to a number of pedestrians and damaging vehicles. The stand about Westminster abbey was dismantled.

### Killed by a Train.

Tacoma, July 28.—Maek Shely, a logger in Frame's camp near Orting, was struck by a freight train and killed. The back of his skull was crushed.

## WAS KILLED IN LE ROI MINE

### LOUIS A. DUNKLE CRUSHED.

### The Superintendent Was Caught in a Cave-in on 600-Foot Level—Two Timbermen Had Miraculous Escapes—Event Has Cast a Gloom Over Roseland—Rescue Rushed.

Roseland, B. C., July 28.—Louis A. Dunkle, superintendent of the Le Roi mine, was instantly killed by a cave-in on the 600-foot level of the mine. Two timbermen, William L. McDonald and Daniel Gunn, were buried in the same mass of rock, but were extricated alive and practically unhurt. Their escape was miraculous.

The incidents attending the fatality are of the most sensational nature, and the terrible event has caused a gloom throughout the city that is almost unprecedented. At the Le Roi a connection was being made between the 700 and the 600 foot levels, and men were removing the sill floor of the 700 level. The work had been under way for several days, but the results were unsatisfactory. The stopes on the 600 foot level were filled with thousands of tons of loose waste rock, left after the ore had been extracted, and this was bearing down upon the timbering of the floors beneath in an ominous manner, causing the timbers to slew and shift.

Instructions were issued to bulkhead at close intervals, but even this did not appear to have the desired effect. It was essential in order to save the ore yet unstopped on the 700 foot level, that the sill floor should be maintained intact, and Superintendent Dunkle had been underground for many hours personally looking after the placing in position of timbers. At an early hour this morning he was on the sill floor of the 700 foot level with three men, while a gang of 15 men were doing similar work on the twelfth floor, about 20 feet below. Despite the timbering, it became evident that the floor would not hold, and as a last resort an effort was made to blast an opening through the waste shoot into lower levels, thus relieving the weight above and strengthening the supports beneath. The shoot became choked, and a shot was placed to dislodge the boulders and timbers forming the obstruction. The shot failed to explode, and Mr. Dunkle went back with his two men to relight the fuse, stating that if it failed to relieve the situation he would abandon the effort to save the level.

While the trio were within the danger zone the floor gave way and a cataclysm of rock, timbers and debris poured in upon them with a roar and a crash that resounded through the miles of mine workings. The mass was not less than 160 feet long and contained thousands of tons of material, the aggregation of years of work in the upper levels.

The men were at the center of the slide, and Mr. Dunkle was caught in the avalanche and crushed to death. McDonald and Gunn escaped practically unhurt.

The men in the floors beneath heard the crash, and the inrush of air almost blew them out to the station. They immediately left the workings, fearing that the straining and cracking timbers above augured a further cave-in. When it was seen that the timbers would stand the weight, they returned and plans for a rescue were immediately formed. Manager MacKenzie was summoned, and Shift Bosses Joe Thorne and Fred Whitman headed the relief party. They set to work amidst the grinding mass, not knowing what instant another and even more disastrous avalanche would occur.

Manager MacKenzie discovered a small aperture near the footwall of the stope, and wormed his way in until he heard a shout from the center of the great mass. Stimulated by the knowledge that at least two of the men were alive, the rescuers labored like madmen, and the three and a half hours after the slide they took out McDonald and Gunn. The men were pinned down by great timbers, several 10-inch bolts requiring to be sawn through at the imminent risk of the rescuers' lives. Neither man was seriously injured.

Half an hour later Mr. Dunkle's body was discovered, but 12 hours elapsed before it could be reached and released. Death must have been instantaneous, from the nature of his wounds.

### Seattle Won the Cup.

Seattle, Wash., July 29.—At the National Guard encampment at Camp Wagoner the competitive drill for the silver cup offered for the best drilled company took place. Four companies entered the contest and the competition was keen and the enthusiasm of partisans ran very high. The companies entering were H of Spokane, B and D of Seattle and G of Vancouver. The contest was won by company D of Seattle. The judges were Captain Kinzie, Lieutenant Lawson and Dr. Gilchrist of the regular army. The companies were graded on a basis of 100 points, inspecting counting 30 and drill 70. The totals given the contestants were: Company D, 77.8; company H, 72; company B, 56, and company G, 61. The trophy was awarded the winning company by Colonel Lamping.

### Quarter of a Million Damage.

Hornellsville, N. Y., July 30.—Reports from the surrounding country show that the cloudburst of Saturday night affected nearly 80 square miles of territory. A broad estimate of the damage is \$250,000. The crop loss is enormous. Much stock has been drowned, and many buildings have been washed off their foundations. It will be some days before all the damages to railroads are repaired.

## Great Times at Spokane.

A big open air carnival and street fair under the auspices of the Spokane Amateur Athletic club will be given at Spokane August 4 to 14 inclusive. The enterprise will be something of a novelty in the way of amusements, and all the more welcome for this reason.

The club management has closed a contract with the Jabour Carnival Circus and Menagerie company to bring its aggregation of midway attractions direct from the Winnipeg Industrial Exposition. There are to be ten shows under tents, besides a number of sensational open air performances, with some two hundred performers and a menagerie of fifty animals.

In addition the club is arranging some attractions of local interest. There is to be a public marriage, a baby show, some athletic exhibitions by members of the club, several mardi gras nights with masquerades, etc.

Special rates have been offered on all the railroads for August 2, 4, 8, 9, 11 and 13.

### Potter Palmer's Estate.

Chicago, July 29.—Mrs. Bertha Honore Palmer and Adrian C. Honore, executors and trustees under the will of the late Potter Palmer, have filed a petition before Judge Cutting, asking for a partial distribution of the personal property of the estate from the executors to the trustees. The property in question includes personal property in and which are the Potter house valued at \$224,000. The petition was granted.

Preceding the filing of the petition the executors filed an inventory of all the personal and real property left by Mr. Palmer, which places the former at \$1,500,928, and the real estate at \$6,100,000. The personal property includes \$1,163,000 worth of stocks and bonds, the contents of the home on the Lake Shore drive valued at \$160,608, included in which are 129 paintings. The furnishings of the Palmer house are placed at \$49,354.

### Carnival and Street Fair.

Spokane is to have an elaborate street fair and carnival, during the ten days beginning August 4 and closing August 14, during which excursion rates are offered on all the railroads.

The fair is to be given under the auspices of the Spokane Amateur Athletic club for the benefit of its projected building.

In addition to an industrial street, filled with displays by merchants and other local features, there will be a midway furnished by the Jabour Oriental Carnival Circus and Menagerie company, the greatest aggregation of the kind ever organized for traveling in America. It has ten tented shows besides a half dozen open air performances and carries over two hundred people, and a menagerie of fifty wild animals.

### Fought to Death.

Portland, Ore., July 28.—Two young men, Frank Carlson and George Baldwin, each aged 19 years, quarreled over two girls to whom both were paying attention. Carlson challenged Baldwin to a fight. The fight took place with bare knuckles.

Both of the young men were searched for weapons before the beginning of the fight, their penknives, keys, etc., being taken from them. The fight was apparently of two rounds lasting altogether about 20 minutes. At the end of that time Carlson received a blow in the stomach, gasped and fell to the floor. When picked up he was dead.

Baldwin surrendered to the police and is in jail.

### Might Be Double Suicide.

Chicago, July 28.—A discovery which may throw some light upon the fate of Miss Florence Ely and her nephew, Frank Rogers, who disappeared mysteriously from the home of her parents in Evanston last year, has been made at Racine, Wis., says the Record-Herald. A piece of cardboard which was found near the river there bore the following words: "October 10, 1901.—Ma and Pa: Meet us in heaven. We are going to commit suicide. Miss Florence Ely and Frank Rogers."

Miss Ely and her nephew were traced to Racine, where they stopped at a hotel. They took a car north from there, and no further trace of them could be found.

### Children Were Strangled.

New York, July 28.—Richard Meade, a night watchman, on returning to his home in Brooklyn, found his two daughters, the elder 3 years of age, dead from strangulation caused by twine tightly tied around their throats. A third child, a mere baby, was unconscious on the floor, apparently suffering from alcoholism, combined with poison. The supposition is that the mother strangled the children while in a delirious condition. The youngest child was still alive and was removed to a hospital with the mother. The baby's injuries are probably fatal, as the cord had cut deep into its throat.

### Delegates to the Mining Congress.

Governor Henry McBride has appointed L. A. Woodward of Clarkson, John B. Slater of Colville, W. A. Gray of Winlock and L. K. Armstrong of Spokane as delegates to the international mining congress, to convene at Butte, Mont., September 1.

### Burglar Killed.

Butte, Mont., July 29.—A burglar, who refused to give his name and upon whom nothing was found whereby his identity could be established, was shot and mortally wounded as he attempted to make his escape from the rear of the residence of Samuel Treloar on West Granite street.

### Denver Man Killed.

Denver, Col., July 28.—Alderman Andrew E. Coley was killed and Supervisor Carl M. Lindquist seriously injured in a runaway accident near Lake Wellington, about 60 miles southwest of this city.

## MINES AND MINING NEWS

### OUTLOOK IN THE NORTHWEST.

### Items of Interest of a Miscellaneous Nature Gathered During the Past Week—New Districts Brought to the Front—Mining Accidents and Personals.

In a decision rendered the United States circuit court of appeals at San Francisco reversed the injunction order made by Judge Noyes of the district court of Alaska on August 12, 1901, which gave possession of a valuable placer mining claim to a set of men who claimed to own it, to the exclusion of a number of miners who were working it. The higher court holds that the action of Judge Noyes "was not only unauthorized by any statute, but was the exercise of a judicial power unknown to American jurisprudence." By the decision the appellants, W. J. Lane and Max Abrams, who were ousted by the injunction order of Judge Noyes, are restored to possession of the claim. Considerable valuable property is embraced in the suit.

### BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The work of completing the smelter at Marysville will be carried forward without delay.

Much activity is displayed among the free milling properties of the Rossland and Nelson districts.

Sidney Nerman has relinquished the bond on the Transfer group in Slocan after holding it for nine months.

It is reported that the Granite-Poor man mill at Nelson is to be started up again and that 20 stamps will be added.

There seems every probability that the adaptation of the oil process to the British Columbia ores will prove entirely successful.

The miners at Michel have returned to work and coal and coke are now being shipped in limited quantities from Morrissey and Michel.

The officers of the Granby company are planning to install two additional furnaces in the smelter at Grand Forks, bringing the capacity up to 2,100 tons per day.

William Potter, Jr., who has resigned as superintendent of the matte department of the Le Roi smelter, has removed from Northport to Spokane, where he will reside.

During last week the Granby smelter, operating only three furnaces, owing to the coke famine, treated 6,935 tons of ore. The grand total treated to date is 474,027 tons.

Many improvements are in progress on the Steward mine in the Roseland district. The number of stamps is being increased from 46 to 66, and more cyanide tanks is being provided.

Work will be resumed in a few days upon the cyanide mill at the Second Relief mine near Erie, owned by Finch & Campbell of Spokane, and a comparatively short time will be required to finish the plant.

There are many evidences at hand that the Ymir district is continuing to attract considerable attention from mining circles. During the present month negotiations have been opened for the transfer of several important properties, and it is probable that the deals will be consummated and work started within a few days.

Last week 211 tons of ore were shipped from three different properties in Slocan. The Enterprise sent 140 tons. Seventy-two tons of ore was sent out by the Arlington and 11 tons to Nelson by the Fourth of July, whose initial shipment it is for the year. To date shipments total 3,526 tons, or 1,000 tons better than in 1900.

### MISCELLANEOUS MINING NEWS.

The spring cleanup of gold in the Klondike is estimated at \$30,000,000.

Augustus Heinze has gone to Alaska to look at mines. He took E. L. Whitmore with him.

A cyaniding plant is to be installed on the Cracker Jack mine, in the Buffalo Hump country.

The Morning Glory mine in the Republic camp is another property that will start shipping immediately.

The Overlook Mining company of Boise, Idaho, has placed an order with the Allis-Chalmers company for a 65-ton Chilean mill.

A big mining deal was made last week by Spokane men for property in the Alamo district, Oregon. The property transferred is known as the Big Producer group, which consists of 11 claims situated in the Alamo district.

Eugene B. Braden, Northwestern representative of the American Smelting & Refining company, has been promoted to the management of the company's big smelter at East Helena, Mont., and will take charge on August 1.

The town of Nome of today is not the mining camp and mushroom city of a year ago. There are more vacant buildings than there were last year at this time, and a casual glance at the place might give the impression that the town has seen its best days and that it is already in decline.

Several of the big Republic mines are to start shipping much sooner than expected. Among the properties which will send ore to the Granby smelter this week are the Black Tail, San Pol, Lone Pine and Quill. On August 1 the Tom Thumb will also start shipping at the rate of 100 tons per day.

The Union Steel company, according to Superintendent Nevin McConnell, is building a steel plant that will be the United States Steel corporation's most formidable rival. The company will spend \$10,000,000 to complete the works.

The product of flint, or quartz, in Mineral Resources, 1901, now in press, United States geological survey, amounted to 34,420 short tons, valued at \$149,297, an increase of 1,925 short tons in quantity, and of \$62,945 in value over 1900.

Operations were started up again last week on the Hamilton group of claims in the Cable Cove district, near Baker City, Ore. Last year much development work was done in the way of driving a main tunnel and cross-cuts, and a fine body of ore was opened up.

The Hoosier Boy Gold Mining & Milling company, operating the famous Prairie Diggings mine, made another cleanup last week. The amount is not stated, but is supposed to reach \$50,000.

Charles Allison states that he Maxwell mine, located near the well known Baisley-Elkhorn property, in Eastern Oregon, has been sold to Pendleton, Minnesota, and the price paid for the mine was \$140,000.

Two nuggets, valued at \$40 each, were found in the diggings of French gulch, Beaverhead county, Montana, last week. The placer claim from which they were taken is owned by George and Anthony French of Dillon. Many smaller nuggets were also found. It is said that the gravel is yielding about \$50 per day.

The alleged "sooners" who have made mineral locations on the Spokane Indian reservation have turned the tables upon Indian Agent Anderson, who has been prosecuting them vigorously, and have secured an injunction from Judge Hanford of the federal court restraining Major Anderson from interfering with time. The temporary restraining order was issued at Seattle.

T. S. Muller writes from Buffalo Hump that on July 1 snow commenced falling in the vicinity of the Hump and continued for seven days, falling at the rate of one foot a day. Mr. Muller also says that some of the most important mines there are running day and night. R. H. Sherman has struck it rich on a claim he has been working near Elk creek, gold being found in large quantities. It is said to be equal to anything discovered in Cripple Creek.

### Yaquis on Warpath.

San Francisco, Cal., July 31.—A special from Tucson, Ariz., says: Driven to desperation by hunger and thirst, a band of about 30 Yaqui Indians, nearly half of them women, swooped down on the Carmen ranch, near Hermosillo, and a fierce, bloody fight followed. The women fought with the ferocity of wild animals, and when a patrol of Mexican troops galloped down to the rescue two of the women and five of the men lay dead.

The Yaquis were completely overwhelmed. They were weak from hunger, and when attacked by superior numbers they were compelled to surrender. Fifteen prisoners were marched to Hermosillo, where they will be sentenced by General Torres. There are two Yaqui chiefs among the captives.

These Indians are supposed to be the last remnant of those who took to the warpath some time ago.

### Injured During Parade.

Salt Lake Utah, July 28.—Three persons were seriously injured at Fort Douglas while the troops were being reviewed by General Funston of the department of Colorado.

One of the horses attached to a gun of the Twenty-second battery became entangled in its harness, frightening the others, and all six bolted at terrific speed across the parade grounds toward Company D of the Third infantry. When within a few feet of the company's lines Private Ridgeway Haynes, who was riding the leader, succeeded in turning the horses. The caisson turned over, badly injuring Haynes and Privates G. T. Burden and T. King. Haynes' head came into contact with the tongue of the caisson, his skull fractured and he received internal injuries. His recovery is doubtful.

### Americans Are Blamed.

London, July 29.—The latest of the numerous sins charged to Americans by Londoners is responsibility for the high prices of food. The increases in the cost of meats and other necessities of substance reached this week were never paralleled in London. The representatives of the meat packers at Chicago deny the abnormal prices of meats are chargeable to the American shippers. Both they and retailers are complaining that there is no money in the business. All concerned say they would be glad enough to suspend business until more normal conditions are restored.

### Chief of Staff to Miles.

Washington, July 28.—Lieutenant General Miles has selected Colonel John H. Babcock, senior colonel of the adjutant general's department, as his chief of staff to succeed General Thomas Ward, retired. Colonel Babcock has been detached from his present station as adjutant general of the department of California at San Francisco, and directed to report for duty at army headquarters in this city.

### Two Young Girls Drowned.

St. Paul, Minn., July 28.—Josephine Kastner, the 12 year old daughter of William Kastner, a stone mason, and Mary Siler, the 15 year old daughter of Joseph Siler, a saloonkeeper, have been drowned in Long lake, near here. Josephine Kastner died in an effort to save the life of her playmate.

### Eruptions in Costa Rica.

San Jose, Costa Rica, July 28.—Unusual activity has lately been shown by Costa Rican volcanoes.

### Paris, July 29.—Jean Georges Vibert, the painter and author, is dead. He was born in Paris in 1840.