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THE WORLD AT LARGE.

Summary of the Daily News.

WASHINGTON NOTES.

A CABLEGRAM has been received at the Argentine legation in Washington stating that a treaty has been signed by the Governments of Bolivia and the Argentine Republic, by which the differences between the two countries in regard to the boundary line between them had been satisfactorily adjusted. Several times during the past few years war was imminent between these two South American republics over the boundary line dispute.

AMONG the early callers on the President on the 28th were Senators Plumb and Manderson and Congressmen Kinsey, of Missouri, and Anderson, of Kansas. Later the President gave a special reception to the members of the Swedenborgian conference.

A SECRET meeting of about eighty representative Republicans from all sections of Virginia who are opposed to General Mahone controlling the Federal patronage of the State was held at the Ebbitt House, Washington, the other night, and discussed at length the situation.

SECRETARY TRACY has received a cablegram from Admiral Kimberly dated May 27 stating that the natives of Samoa were disbanding and that peace is now assured.

ADJUTANT-GENERAL DRUM having reached the age of sixty-four years has been formally retired from active service in the army. General Kelton, who has been Assistant Adjutant-General, will act as Adjutant-General until an appointment is made to fill the office.

SECRETARIES WINDOM and Noble both left Washington on the 29th—the former for New York and the latter for Philadelphia.

JOHN B. COTTON, of Lewiston, Me., appointed Assistant Attorney-General, will have charge of all Government business before the Court of Claims.

THE President has appointed Orlow W. Chapman, of Binghampton, N. Y., Solicitor-General.

REPORTS to the General Land-office show twenty-six town sites entered in Oklahoma.

THE widow of General Sheridan, who has been ill in Washington recently, is reported better.

SECRETARY WINDOM has affirmed the decision of the Collector of Customs at New York, assessing duty at the rate of 35c per pound and 35 per cent. ad valorem on recent importations of so-called worsted coatings, suitings, etc., used in the manufacture of men's and boys' clothing.

ADMIRAL GERHARDT, who has returned to Washington from Hayti, reports to the Navy Department that he does not think there is any truth in the rumor of a treaty between France and Legitime, though he thinks it probable that Legitime's representative in Paris has proposed such a treaty.

THE President's granddaughter, Mary Lodge McKee, was christened recently at the White House by her grandfather, Rev. Dr. Scott, in the presence of the family and members of the Cabinet.

A COMMISSION has been appointed by Postmaster-General Wanamaker to investigate the condition and needs of the New York City post-office.

THE EAST.

THE new Rhode Island Legislature convened on the 28th.

BY a collision between freight trains near Hull, Conn., the other morning two men were killed and two badly injured and both engines and several cars were destroyed. Disobedience of orders was the cause.

THE creditors of C. L. and L. T. Frye, shoe manufacturers of Boston, have refused to accept sixty-five cents on the dollar, and propose to wind up the affairs of the firm.

EX-PRESIDENT CLEVELAND was the guest and made a notable speech on the prospects of the Democracy at the banquet of the Young Men's Democratic Club at the Fifth Avenue Hotel on the night of the 27th.

KILLING frosts are reported in several counties in Central New York. The damage was especially great in the vineyards and truck farms.

EX-UNITED STATES SENATOR E. H. ROLLINS, of New Hampshire, has had another paralytic stroke and is very low.

SAMUEL JOHNSON, who murdered John Sharpless, of Delaware County, Pa., and was to be hanged, has had his sentence commuted to imprisonment for life.

THE coroner's jury at New York investigating the cause of the death of Irving Bishop rendered a verdict that Bishop died while in a state of coma, and that Drs. Irwin, Ferguson and Hunce acted in good faith in the performance of an autopsy.

REV. MR. HOOPER, of the Reformed Church of America, was deposed recently in New York for lying and contumacy. Extenuating circumstances were not admitted.

PULLMAN has entered new suits against the Wagner Company on the vestibule patents.

REV. WILLIAM L. GAGE, who was said to reside at Hartford, Conn., jumped from a fourth story window of the Orthopedic Hospital at Philadelphia the other morning and died a few hours later from his injuries. He came to the hospital for treatment for insomnia.

THE WEST.

BY a small cyclone near Quincy, Ill., the other day several houses and barns were unroofed and almost every monument in the cemetery was demolished. No lives were lost.

A SINGLE tax party has been formed in South Dakota to urge the incorporation of single tax principles in the coming State Constitution.

ALL the ore handlers at Marquette, Mich., have struck for higher wages. Trouble was anticipated.

DISPATCHES from all parts of California regarding the crop prospects show that grain, fruit and grape will be the best known in years.

PETER R. MCLEOD, dealer in engineers' and machinists' supplies, Chicago, has made an assignment with $60,000 liabilities.

BOTH houses of the Illinois Legislature have passed a law making it criminal to sell, lend or give away disreputable sensational papers and books.

JOHN GRASS, of Standing Rock, the leading chief of the Sioux Nation, and White Swan, principal chief at Cheyenne, were in Pierre the other day. They conversed freely about the Sioux bill, saying that it would be ratified. Only one objection was raised, because the bill did not give the Nation the south bank of the Cheyenne river, but the Indians will sign, as the bill provides for the payment of cash and they want money more than land.

THE Illinois House has passed the Senate bill to restrict the circulation of certain "flash" papers. It makes it unlawful to sell, lend or give away, or otherwise distribute to any minor any book, magazine, pamphlet or newspaper devoted to the publication of, or principally made up of, criminal news, police reports or accounts of criminal deeds or pictures and stories of deeds of bloodshed, lust or crime.

THE Ashtystone pipe and steel works near Cincinnati have been destroyed by fire. Loss $75,000.

Two Canadian blood Indians concerned in a recent raid into Montana, where they murdered two Gros Ventre Indians, have been arrested in Manitoba and will be sent to Montana for trial.

JOHN EARL, a heavy grain buyer of Schoolcraft, Mich., has failed for about $75,000. His assets are small. Bad speculation was the cause.

BUFFINGTON'S wheel works near Burlington, Iowa, were destroyed by fire. Loss, $80,000.

E. W. VOIGH'S big brewery in Detroit, Mich., has been sold to an English syndicate for $1,000,000, of which $500,000 is in cash.

THE most disastrous frost of the season visited Southwestern Michigan the other night, doing immense damage to early vegetables and small fruits and even corn and wheat.

NATHAN CORWITH, one of the most widely known citizens of Chicago, died recently. Mr. Corwith had at one time accumulated about $1,500,000 and retired from business. Last July his son, Gurdon Corwith, a metal broker of New York, persuaded his father to embark his means in an effort to corner the lead market, but the attempt failed and Mr. Corwith lost every dollar of his fortune.

THE Southern Inter-State Railway Association completed its work at St. Louis on the 30th and adjourned. The Western classification sheet will hereafter govern the Southern Association.

MRS. MOLLIE CORWIN, of Shelbyville, Ind., was recently granted a divorce from her seventh husband.

THE racehorse Saratoga and its jockey, Enoch Turner, were both killed by an accident at the West Side park, Chicago, recently.

DR. H. L. MOODY, said to be one of the shrewdest forgers in the country, was arrested in Chicago recently after a chase all over the United States, lasting over a year.

CHIEF JUSTICE and Mrs. Fuller returned to Chicago on the 30th for the first time since their departure to Washington.

AN organized band of masked men from Marinette, Wis., have raided a notorious pinery dive at Peshtigo, wounded the watchmen, drove out the inmates at the muzzles of guns and burned the premises to the ground.

ROSENHAIM & Co., wholesale druggists of Cincinnati, have disappeared. They had been buying on credit and selling for cash for less than cost.

SETTLERS near Norden, Keya Paha County, Neb., were arriving at that town recently for protection on account of a great Indian scare. The scare was due probably to a false report from the Pine Ridge agency of an Indian outbreak there.

A TELEGRAM from Mount Auburn, Iowa, gives brief particulars of a Whitecap outrage near there in which a number of persons were fatally injured. The victim was a farmer and his barn was turned down. Being driven out by the flames he defended himself with a pitchfork, wounding several Whitecaps.

MCGARIGLE, the hoodler, recently returned to Chicago and gave himself up, when he was fined $1,000 and costs.

A FIERCE gale raged in the lakes on the night of the 30th the wind reaching a velocity of forty miles an hour at Chicago, forty-two at Milwaukee and thirty-eight at Green Bay. Much damage was done to shipping, but no lives were lost.

THE Chicago Board of Trade shut off quotations to 500 regular correspondents on the 1st.

AMONG a number of threatening letters found in Dr. Cronin's effects was one signed "The Committee of Seven of the U. B."

KATE KANE, the Chicago lady attorney, distinguished herself the other day by thrashing a newspaper reporter. She was in Justice Wallace's court room and noticed two reporters conversing. She imagined she heard one of them, Frank Allen, make an insulting remark about her. Firmly grasping her umbrella she vigorously belabored him with it.

THERE were eight inches of snow on the ground in North Dakota on the morning of May 31.

THE six-year-old son of Thomas Hughes, of Altoona, Iowa, tied a cow rope about his body the other day and started to head the cow to water. The cow became frightened and the boy was dragged to death.

THE SOUTH.

ELEVEN business houses in Dublin, Ga., were destroyed by fire the other day, causing $40,000 loss.

THE carpenters of Little Rock, Ark., have struck for nine hours' work at the old wages. All the planing and lumber mills are closed.

GOVERNOR EAGLE has appointed T. E. Haskins, of Forest City, sheriff of St. Francis County, Ark., until an election can be held. This, it is believed, will end all trouble in that county.

THOMAS MCGETCHEN, who skipped from Baltimore with $80,000 of the funds of the Baltimore Unlimited Oil Company, has been caught at Tavares, Fla.

THE jury to try T. B. McDow for the murder of Editor Dawson, of Charleston, S. C., has been drawn. Friends of the murdered man say the jury box has been tampered with owing to the great proportion of colored men in the panel.

AN unknown tramp, who was stealing a ride on an eastbound freight train of the Memphis & Charleston railroad the other night, was set upon and beaten by two negro brakemen and shot by the conductor, Ed Ham. The dead body was then thrown on the track near Iuka, Miss., and not discovered until it had been run over by the eastbound passenger train.

FIRE in Alexandria, Va., recently destroyed the tannery of C. C. Smoot & Sons, the largest in the South.

THE drought in Louisiana and Mississippi has been broken by good rains.

A CYCLONE from the west struck Danville, Va., on the 30th and demolished a six-story building. Robert Britt, James Young, G. J. Jones, Bud Hooper and D. W. Biler were buried in the ruins and were subsequently taken out dead. Harry Oak was rescued alive, but died in a few moments. Six others were fatally injured.

A TORNADO gathered on the mountain side near Hagerstown, Md., on the 29th and destroyed several cottages and swept up the valley of the Potomac, carrying away a number of houses, barns and churches. Ten persons were reported killed.

A CYCLONE swept through a portion of the valley at Martinsburg, W. Va., on the 30th. At Falling Waters the barn of John W. Criswell was blown down. The killed were: J. E. Powell, a pumpmaker, and J. Vogle.

ROBERT FARRIS was killed and three other men seriously injured by the explosion of a planing mill boiler in Craighead County, Ark., the other day.

THE Pecos (Tex.) and Seven rivers United States' mail hack was robbed by two masked men recently. How much money was obtained or who the robbers were was not known.

DR. P. S. MOORE, who was Surgeon-General of the Confederate States, died suddenly in Richmond, Va., recently.

GENERAL.

CHAIRMAN WALKER, of the Inter-State Railway Association, has decided that one railroad can not give free transportation of household goods to the employe of another road when two States are included within the entire trip.

IT is reported in London that the people of the island of Crete have declared in favor of annexation to Greece.

PRESIDENT DIAZ on the 27th officially received Minister Ryan. There was a large concourse and the usual speeches. General Bragg, the retiring Minister, left the same night.

THE late Count Tolstoi's proposed reforms have been finally elaborated and will be laid before the court of the empire with a view to their promulgation. The scheme will be tried in six of the Russian provinces.

ADVICES state that a great conflagration has occurred at Padhajace, Galicia, and that 600 houses have been destroyed together with a church and synagogue. Many lives were reported to have been lost while battling with the flames.

MINISTER ROBERT T. LINCOLN and wife were received by the Prince and Princess of Wales at the Marlborough House, London, on the 27th.

THE discovery of plots against the life of the Czar are of almost daily occurrence. The Russian police have discovered numerous societies with ramifications all over the continent whose sole purpose seems to be the murder of the Russian Emperor.

THE seditious priests of Guanajuato, Mexico, will be expelled and not shot, as reported.

THE Canadian Government does not anticipate trouble with the United States over the jurisdiction of Alaska waters.

CARDINAL GIBBONS has expressed himself as decidedly opposed to prohibition but in favor of high license.

A REPORT that the assembly of Crete had voted in favor of the annexation of the island of Greece is officially denied.

THE report that the British fleet has been ordered to the Behring sea was a canard.

THE Belgian Chamber of Representatives has voted confidence—78 to 32—in favor of the ministry.

IT was recently rumored that the Mexican Congress, in secret session, was discussing the question of ceding Lower California to the United States. It was believed, however, that the rumor was merely a stratagem of the Conservatives.

MANY lives were lost and an enormous amount of property destroyed by a terrific hurricane, which prevailed for four days on the Australian coast.

TEN thousand people have been rendered homeless by a terrible conflagation at Yokato, Japan.

THE London Jockey Club has warned Lord James Douglass off the Newmarket course for defaulting in bets.

A BANQUET in honor of Mr. Ryan, the United States Minister, was given in the City of Mexico on the 30th. Minister Ryan responded to the toast, "The President of the United States." His speech was vigorously applauded.

THE action of the Chicago, Burlington & Northern in reducing freight rates to the basis of 39 cents a hundred pounds from Chicago to St. Paul on traffic originating east of Chicago will be met by all the other St. Paul lines except the Rock Island.

IN the British House of Commons Sir James Ferguson, Parliamentary Secretary to the Home Office, denied the reports from Victoria, British Columbia, that three men-of-war in the Pacific had been ordered to proceed to the Behring sea to protect British sealing vessels from interference by American men-of-war.

DECORATION day was duly observed on the 30th. The occasion was seized upon by politicians, somewhat more than usual, to elaborate their principles. The principal features were visits to Grant's tomb at New York and the Sheridan monument at Washington. In the South, Confederate and Federal graves were decorated alike. President Harrison attended the parade at New York.

ONE hundred arrests have been made at Belgrade in connection with the recent riot.

PRINCE ALOIS SCHWARZENBURG and a Lieutenant of hussars fought a duel near Vienna recently. The former was mortally wounded.

A HEAVY storm of rain and hail visited Huajutla, Mexico, on the 30th. The town was inundated and almost entirely destroyed. Many lives were lost. The destruction of cattle and other property was immense.

VIZITELLI, the well known bookseller of London, has been sentenced to three months' imprisonment for publishing Zola's novels.

SEVERE storms have caused great damage in France and China. Many lives have been lost.

LORD SALISBURY, replying to a deputation in favor of a bi-metallic standard of currency, said he did not think a parliamentary decree would settle the question but the opinion of the people, founded on business interests, must decide it. He hoped that the coming congress at Paris would be really an international one. The final decision would depend on how far the nations would co-operate.

THE manager and assistant of the Ballymena estates (Ireland) were assassinated recently in the public road. Ballymena is twenty miles north of Belfast in a strongly Protestant community.

A MESSAGE has been received in London from General Hippolyte, the insurgent leader in Hayti, saying that he has defeated President Legitime, captured Port au Prince and proclaimed himself Provisional President.

THERE was a cave-in at the Beverly Hill mines, at Hanley, England, recently, entombing 100 miners.

THE Rock Island has given notice that it would meet the rates of the Chicago, Burlington & Northern between Chicago and St. Paul.

THE LATEST.

THE State Board of Railroad Assessors of Tennessee met on the 1st and organized by the election of Reese K. Henderson, of Murfreesboro, as president and W. V. Williams, of Milan, as secretary.

CARTER B. HARRISON, of Murfreesboro, a brother of President Harrison, who was recently appointed United States Marshal for the Middle District of Tennessee, on the 1st took the oath of office. Mr. Harrison's bond for $20,000 was signed by eight Democrats and one Republican.

COMMISSIONER HORD, of the Tennessee State Bureau of Agriculture, in his May crop report states that cotton, especially in the Western division, is in bad condition.

MRS. CATHARINE SCHMIDT, of Wichita, Kas., was, on the 1st, found guilty of selling three glasses of beer, and was sentenced to three months in the county jail and fined $300. This is the first instance in the State where a woman has been sent to jail for violating the prohibition law.

THE Hon. E. Barksdale, candidate for Governor of Mississippi, has withdrawn.

SNOW fell to the depth of six inches at Benton Harbor, Mich., on the 31st.

WHILE Ephriam Kassner was returning to his home near Corydon, Ind., on the 30th, lightning struck his wagon in which were seated five persons besides himself, instantly killing his wife and so shocking a lady named Cline that she has become insane.

HOLLY SPRINGS, MISS., is now a dry town. The last regular saloon, also a wholesale liquor house, closed on the night of the 31st at 12 o'clock.

THERE was quite a heavy frost at Columbus, Miss., on the 31st, though not enough to do any serious damage. This is the latest that frost has ever been known there. The thermometer went down to 33 degrees.

MR. THOMAS PACE, the proprietor of a large sawmill near Newbern, Tenn., was struck in the face on the 30th by a piece of timber that caught in the saw and severely and probably fatally injured.

THERE was a great storm in the section surrounding Harrisonburg, Va., on the 31st. The wind blew a perfect hurricane. Wheat was blown down, trees uprooted, houses unroofed and fences laid low. The damage is great.

AT New Orleans on the 31st Judges Pardee and Billings, of the United States Circuit Court, decided the drainage warrant case, involving $1,200,000, in favor of the city.

DISPATCHES from Oklahoma report the finding of rich iron mines a short distance from Guthrie. The ore is said to be very fine, and probably contains 65 per cent. of iron.

SIMPLY APPALLING.

Deluge in the Conemaugh an Kiskiminetas Valleys in Pennsylvania.

Towns Swept Away and the People Hurried to Death on the Breast of the Dreadful Rush of Waters.

A Tale of Death and Destruction that Makes One Stand Aghast in Contemplating Its Fearful Magnitude.

Johnstown, Pa., Washed Away by a Flood.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., June 1.—A Greensburg (Pa.) special to the Times says: The banks of the Conemaugh river are overflowed for miles, and the whole country is deluged with water. The Pennsylvania railroad all along the river from Johnstown to New Florence is washed away, and travel is entirely suspended. At Sang Hollow, the operator in one of the railroad towers counted eighty-seven dead bodies floating down the river on the driftwood. The river rose so rapidly that all the operators in the towers between Sang Hollow and New Florence had to flee for their lives. The bridges at New Florence, on the Pennsylvania railroad, and Coketown, on the West Pennsylvania, were carried away. Houses, furniture, etc., are being carried down the river. The latest report is that Johnstown is entirely submerged, and the roofs of but two houses are visible, while it is still raining and the river rising at a very rapid rate. The cause of the flood is attributed to the bursting of a water-spout and the breaking of the South Fork reservoir which covers an area of one square mile and has had twenty feet of water in it.

The latest news is that Johnstown is now gone.

Destruction and Loss of Life Along the Kiskiminetas.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., June 1.—Reports from along the Kiskiminetas river, into which the Conemaugh empties, are most distressing. The river near Saltsburg is filled with wreckage, and a number of persons were noticed clinging to such timbers as would bear their weight.

At Blairsville men are stationed on the bridges and banks in the hope of rescuing some of those who are being carried down the stream. The volume of water is unprecedented. The iron bridge connecting Blairsville with Blairsville Intersection has been carried away, and with it a train of heavily-loaded cars standing upon the bridge to hold it in place. This was the largest and strongest bridge on the West Pennsylvania road. It is thought that all of the West Pennsylvania railroad bridges will share a similar fate.

All of the towns in the Kiskiminetas valley are expected to be submerged. Among them are Livermore, Saltsburg, Apollo, Leechburg and Avenmore, having populations of from eight to ten thousand each. The inhabitants along the river have been warned, but are almost panic-stricken at the idea of their great loss of property, which is inevitable.

Later reports from Coketown are to the effect that the entire town is submerged, and a number of lives have been lost at that place.

Fifteen Hundred Lives Lost in the Valleys of the Conemaugh.

BOLIVAR, Pa., June 1.—The water is higher here than was ever known, and two-story houses, barns, stables, whole forests of trees, out-houses, smoke-houses, railroad bridges, county bridges, rafts, inverted skiffs and driftwood by the score, from all of which imploring hands were held out to those on the banks, willing, but impotent to help, have floated down the swollen torrent of the Conemaugh. Information received is meager, but for the most part accurate.

At Lockport, two miles east, more than twenty people have been taken from the flood. The first great rush of water reached here at seven o'clock last evening. This came from the bursted dam above Johnstown. It came like a frenzied whirlpool, and before the people could realize it they were in its grasp. Fortunately, the people living on the low-lying ground escaped. At half-past seven o'clock a great pile of driftwood was swept along, and from it shriek upon shriek for "help, help for God's sake," came. The horrified spectators on the shore saw three women, to one of whom were clinging two children, neither of whom was apparently more than an infant. The rapidity of the current and the position of the raft on the stream, together with the lack of facilities for rescuing, precluded the possibility of even thinking of the matter, and the raft passed out of sight, the screams of the women and children bleading in their pleadings for aid long after the raft was around the bend.

The stream then became thickly strewn with men, women and children, clinging to all sorts of temporary means of salvation, and two men and a woman clung madly to the tops of huge trees, the men emulating the females in their shrieks for help that it was not possible to give.

Just at dark a lad was noticed clinging to a log. James Curry secured a long line and ran to the river bank. The noose of the lasso fell over the boy's neck and shoulders, and a moment later the drenced, poverty-stricken little fellow was hauled to the bank. He was soon restored, and stated that his name was Edward Harsten, thirteen years of age. He had lived with his father and grandfather and mother in Cambria City, a part of Johnstown. At four o'clock their home had been caught in the volume of water let loose by the bursting of the dam. They had all climbed upon a mass of driftwood, and were carried along. Their raft went to pieces against a bridge pier, and he had not seen his relatives since, but thought they were downed.

A man rescued in the river here who was swept away from Johnstown says positively that no less than fifteen hundred lives are probably lost in the valley of the Conemaugh. This point is twenty miles below Johnstown, and the work of rescuing men, women and children sweeping down the river has been steadily forwarded all night.

Mr. Rhoades, agent at Blairsville Intersection, saw a woman floating by on the roof of a house. With arms outstretched, she called in the most piteous tones to save her. "Oh, my God!' she cried, 'save, save, save me:' I caught the name of Lucy above the roar of the flood. Just ahead of the house we could plainly see a cradle floating with a babe in it. The child seemed to be sleeping, but more than likely was dead."

A little after two o'clock an engineer of the Pennsylvania railroad saw three men drown at the railroad bridge in Johnstown. At that time the water was fully fifty feet deep.

Graphic Story of the Disaster.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., June 1.—S. J. Herron, solicitor for the Times, left Johnstown at two o'clock yesterday afternoon and has just arrived in this city. Mr. Herron tells a graphic story of the disaster that fell on the mountain city. All of Thursday afternoon and night rain poured down in a deluge. The little mountain streams swelled into torrents, pouring their waters into the Conemaugh river, that passes directly through the center of the city. Soon the banks of the river overflowed, and the streets through the city began to disappear beneath the rapidly-increasing current. Houses and bridges from above the city were swept away by the flood, and added largely to the damage further down. The water rose so rapidly that many people could not escape from their homes, and ran to the upper stories, from which they were rescued by men riding horses and mules. The scenes of rescue were most thrilling. Joseph Ross, a teamster, had in charge a pair of mules. He mounted one of them to aid some people. The mule fell into an excavation carrying Ross with it and he was drowned.

When I left it looked as if one thousand people were homeless. They were gathered on the mountain sides looking sadly at their homes buried in the water. The Cambria Iron-works were flooded, throwing two thousand men out of employment, besides entailing a vast amount of damage to the mill. The sweeping away of four or five large bridges added greatly to the horror of the scene. Twelve carloads of iron were run out onto the Cambria bridge in an attempt to save that structure. The waters gathered strength, and swept bridges, cars and iron away as if they were straws. But one bridge remains, and it is badly damaged. Lumber was swept down with the flood in vast quantities. It is estimated that one million or more feet passed through the town yesterday morning. The railroad depots were thronged with victims of the flood, who were rescued in skiffs. Piano boxes and rafts were used for this purpose. All the trains on the Pennsylvania and Baltimore & Ohio railroads are discontinued, the tracks being submerged for miles.

At two o'clock the water was still rising, and the people were panic-stricken. There is no doubt but that the loss of life will be heavy. Three citizens of Pittsburgh are known to have been drowned. They occupied a house just below the dam, a short distance above Johnstown. They were Thomas Fallon, James Tight and a telegraph operator, name unknown.

Terrible Losses.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., June 1.—W. N. Hayes, supervisor of the station of the Pennsylvania railroad covered by the flood, telegraphed at ten o'clock last night to Superintendent Pitcairn as follows: "The destruction is terrible. The dump at Johnstown is gone between the bridge and tower. West of Johnstown at some points the tracks are entirely carried away, and road-bed gone. The river for three-quarters of a mile above the bridge is filled with buildings and driftwood, forty feet high, and is on fire burning furiously, and is entirely beyond control. I can not estimate the amount of damage. I walked over last night from Johnstown to Sang Hollow (four miles). Johnstown is literally wiped out.

Superintendent Pitcairn, who is at New Florence, sixty-five miles east of Pittsburgh, telegraphs that over one hundred men, women and children passed Sang Hollow clinging to debris. Seven were rescued at Sang Hollow, two at Conemaugh Furnace and two at New Florence. Only forty-seven of the one hundred and over passed New Florence. The loss of life and property will be terrible.

Like a Tidal Wave.

BRADDOCK, Pa., June 1.—Telegraph wires are down or unworkable twelve miles from Johnstown. News received here by the Pennsylvania railroad officials corroborates the statements that Johnstown is nearly wiped out. The signal tower people at Sand Pillow state that up to eight o'clock they had counted 119 persons floating past on wreckage, some alive and some dead. They rescued a boy, name unknown, who said he and his father, mother, brother and two sisters were swept away with their house. He was washed off from the building, but the others were in it when it was carried over the new stone railroad bridge at Johnstown. The house went to pieces then, and he thinks all were drowned.

The alarm of danger seems to have reached Johnstown about 1 p. m. The railroad officials at once began carrying people out of town, some on regular trains, others on hastily-improvised trains. Superintendent Pitcairn happened to be in the vicinity and took charge of the work. The water finally came down like a tidal wave, sweeping everything before it.

On the West Branch of the Susquehanna.

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa., May 31.—The biggest flood since the memorable one of 1865 is now in progress on the west branch of the Susquehanna river. Much damage is reported from points north of here, but communication of all kinds is interfered with. Land-slides are reported all along the Pennsylvania road north of here.

At Clearfield the water is rising at the rate of one and a half feet per hour. A half-dozen bridges have been swept away and the streets of the town are overflowed. The people are going about in boats. The booms at Caledonia and Curwensville have broken, and it is feared that the Lock Haven boom will break before morning and that the Williamsport boom can not stand the strain if this occurs.

Logs valued $5,000,000 depend on the Williamsport boom holding. The river will be twenty feet above low-water mark before morning. The rain is falling in torrents.

Driven to the Upper Stories.

BRADFORD, Pa., May 31.—The heavy rains of last night and this morning have swollen Lima creek (east and west branches), into rivers. Several streets are under water. People living on Hilton street were compeled to move their effects to the upper stories. The tracks of the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh railway are flooded with a foot and a half of water, and all trains south have been abandoned. No train on the Western New York & Pennsylvania road have arrived or left this afternoon. This evening the water was falling slightly, but the rain continues and may cause further floods.

Two Hundred Dead Bodies Counted.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., June 1.—Pennsylvania railroad officials in Pittsburgh state that they have advices that over two hundred dead bodies have been counted floating down stream at Johnstown alone, while all along the line many additional lives have been lost. Johnstown is described as wholly submerged, only two houses being entirely above the water line.

A special train has left Pittsburgh with Pennsylvania railroad officials, newspaper men and telegraph operators on board. A telegraph office will be opened at the nearest available point to Johnstown.

Along the Juniata.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., June 1.—A special from Tyrone, Pa., says the Juniata has overflowed its banks at this place and flooded the southern portion of the city, causing great damage. People had to be removed from their homes in wagons. All of the railroads centering at Tyrone are greatly damaged. One man is reported drowned. A dispatch from Clearfield says that two young ladies were drowned there while endeavoring to escape from the flooded district.

Struggling for Their Lives.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., June 1.—A Times special from Blairsville station, on the Pennsylvania railroad, says: John Barton, a freight engineer, says that at 2 p. m. he saw three men and a woman struggling for their lives in the Conemaugh river just below Johnstown.

The Western Union office in Johnstown was swept away at four o'clock yesterday afternoon. The water in Cambria City where are located the Cambria Iron-works, is thirty-five feet and rising.

SOUTHERN GLEANINGS.

The Atlanta (Ga.) Constitution has detailed a reporter to compile a list of the railroad trains which arrive behind time, and the same is published daily in that paper.

Lorenzo D. Cotting, a plasterer on the Eagle Hotel, in Birmingham, Ala., while engaged in his work a few days ago, fell from the third story and was instantly killed.

Mr. Mayno, an aged and prominent citizen of Allen County, Ky., was killed a few days since by the accidental discharge of a gun that he was pulling out from under his bed.

The handsome new Universalist Church, recently erected in Hopkinsville, Ky., was dedicated recently, Rev. Sophia Gibb, of Decatur, Ill., and Rev. Dr. Tomlinson, of Galesburg, Ill., officiating.

The dead body of John Johnson, a negro, was found in a ditch in the woods near Oxmore, Ala., a few days since, in a fearfully mutilated condition, by a party of young folks who were taking a stroll. The throat was cut and a dozen stabs had been inflicted in the sides.

A number of wealthy horse men have organized a company with a capital of $80,000 for the purpose of locating a stock farm for the breeding of fine horses near Hopkinsville, Ky., and $40,000 of the amount desired has been subscribed. The company will soon be ready to begin operations.

A well-authenticated story comes from Jasper County, Miss., to the effect that a white married woman who had reason to doubt that her husband was true, after repeatedly warning him without avil, finally horribly mutilated him with a razor, and the man will likely die.

There is, for the first time west of the Blue Ridge, in North Carolina, what is known as a spring drought. No rain of value has fallen since the middle of February, and as a result the first crops are a complete failure. Very little tobacco has been planted in that section on account of the drought. The same dryness has prevailed for some weeks in most of the tobacco belt, and as a result there is marked backwardness in planting.

The Comptroler of the Currency has authorized the First National Bank of Johnson City, Tenn., to begin business with a capital of $50,000.

Dispatches from many points in Louisiana and Mississippi show that the drought of several weeks duration has been broken by good rains.

At Birmingham, Ala., the Grand Army Post and the Confederate Association united in a joint celebration, and together they decorated the graves of Federal and Confederate dead.

In the District Court at Shreveport, La., a few days ago, Walter Douglass and Jake Bergmann, two young men convicted of murdering John Dickinson, were sentenced to the penitentiary for life.

J. Martin and S. M. Atkins were ambushed and seriously shot near Chattanooga, Tenn., recently, by Jim Barnes and two others. Martin had been paying attentions to Barnes' sister, who is below him in the social scale.

Miss Florence Little, a beutiful eighteen-year-old girl, who created a sensation in York County, S. C., last year by marrying two men within a week, has just been arrested in Charlotte upon the charge of bigamy.

Fire at Louisville, Ky., a few days ago, destroyed the paint and oil store of Klein, Rodemaker & Co., causing a loss of about $20,000 to that firm and about $10,000 to a number of adjoining firms and buildings.

At Decatur, Ala., Robert R. Allison, a white carpenter, was killed by lightning, a few evenings ago. He was building a house when a thunder-storm arose, and after the storm he was found dead. The deadly bolt crushed his skull and broke his neck and thigh.

Mrs. Fannie Dewese died near Louisville, Ky., a few days since, at the age of one hundred and fifteen, as shown by the family Bible, still preserved. Her husband died twelve years ago at one hundred and seven. Up to that time Mrs. Dewese had been able to attend to her own work.

A north-bound freight train on the Knoxville & Ohio railroad ran into a coal-car near Buckeye station, near Chattanooga, Tenn., a few days since. Fireman William Hammond was fatally injured and Engineer Bogart badly hurt.

An English syndicate has consummated the purchase of 320,000 acres of yellow pine land, four saw-mills, three planing-mills and thirty-six miles of railroad and equipment, in Escambia County, Fla., and Baldwin County, Ala., adjoining, for $4,500,000.

At Richmond, Va., on the 30th, the Stewart Horse Guards decorated the grave of General Stewart. The Pickett Division Association visited Hollywood with the flag presented by the Philadelphia brigade and beautifully decorated the monument of Pickett.

At Big Spring, Ky., a few days ago, a boy named Stith was riding a mule when the animal became frightened and threw him off. His ankle became entangled in a chain and the boy was dragged about a mile by the maddened animal. The mule finally went to a barn where Stith was found dead. His skull was crushed to a jelly, both his arms and legs were broken and he was otherwise horribly mutilated.

The Chattanooga (Tenn.) Tradesman is in receipt of letters from producers and brokers who control five-sixths of the entire pig-iron production of the Central South, relative to the cut in prices of iron by the Thomas Iron Company, and the outlook. All agree in stating that the cut will have no effect whatever on the Southern furnaces, and the opinion among all is that the bottom is about reached, and an early improvement in the market is anticipated.

A terrible accident occurred at Danville, Va., a few days since. P. G. Penn was building a large brick tobacco factory on Bridge street, nearly two hundred feet long and six stories high. The walls had been completed and carpenters were at work on it. The wind was blowing hard, and the entire building came down with a crash. Robert Pruitt, William Young, G. B. Jones, Buck Hooper and N. D. Collie were killed. Henry Oakes, it was thought, would die, and six others were badly injured. Several men were buried in the ruins, and a considerable time elapsed before they were extricated.

James Beard was put in jail at Chattanooga, Tenn., recently, on a charge of attempting to murder I. N. Morgan, the father of a young lady, whom he was in the habit of visiting. Beard was chatting with her, when her father came home and ordered him out of the house. Beard drew a knife and started for the old man, who broke for the street, with the young man after him.

Miss Jessie Morse, of Cincinnati, eloped from Chattanooga, Tenn., recently, with Clarence E. Shipp, the son of a wealthy manufacturer, leaving in the lurch Dr. George Hagan, to whom she was engaged, and whom she had promised to wed.

Rev. D. M. Thompson, of the Cleveland (Tenn.) Circuit, has become insane.

The jury at New Orleans, in the case of Louis Clair and John Gibson, charged with murdering Hon. Patrick Mealy on New Year's morning, 1888, rendered a verdict of "guilty without capital punishment."

In a desperate fight, a few days ago, at Gate City, a mining suburb of Birmingham, Ala., Nap Lawson cut Hilliard Hicks all to pieces with a dirk knife, severing the femoral artery. Hicks died in a few moments. Both were miners.

The Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company has dropped three passenger conductors on the South and North Alabama road, and the same number on the Mobile and Montgomery division within the past few days.

A NOTED ALLIGATOR.

He Rather Enjoys Being Shot at and is Always on Hand.

Bob of Dunn's creek is the best-known to river men and tourists of any alligator in Florida. He is one of the largest saurians in the State, being fourteen feet six inches in length, while the largest alligator on the St. John's river of which any reliable account can be had is but sixteen feet in length. Dunn's creek, Bob's home, is one of the most beautiful of Florida streams. It is twenty-two miles in length and it is very deep, being the outlet from Crescent lake into St. John's river. It is a very crooked stream, and is so narrow that in places the boat will scrape the banks. It is lined with evergreens, which meet overhead, forming a leafy bower that is delightful to the lover of the picturesque. The windings are very abrupt at times and the navigation is exceedingly difficult. The steamer Georgia, Captain Bright commanding, is the only boat now plying in its waters. In one of the shortest of the many bends in Dunn's creek Bob has had his home for many years, always lying on the same log, and so close to the log that the passengers can reach him with an oar. Alligators usually become frightened and roll off from the logs into the water at the approach of a boat, but Bob is used to it, and appears to wait for the boat to come. Every day for ten years he has been seen on the same log, and as the boat approaches he slightly turns his head, as though he were waiting for the passengers to begin to shoot at him, which they invariably do. After he is tired of this amusement he dives into the water, to again reappear when the boat returns. He has been shot every day during the last decade, but he never tires of it, and no one has ever succeeded in hitting him in a vulnerable place. He seems to understand that he is there to act as a target for the marksmen and throws his throat close against the log and turns his head so that the bullets can not strike his eyes. He then knows that he is safe. The log on which Bob suns himself has been measured a number of times, and his length is therefore well known. During the ten years since he first began to become famous he has grown two feet.

Captain Bright stated that he believed the pilot would miss his location if Bob was to die. He is a certain landmark, and passengers who are acquainted with the stream will ask "How many miles are we from Bob?" in order to ascertain their whereabouts.

The log upon which he lies has become known as Bob's log, and some facetious passengers have made up petitions to have a post-office established there and Bob appointed as postmaster, giving him as a surname that of the man after whom the creek was called. Several petitions, it is said, have been prepared, but so far as heard from none have been presented to the department; but if "Bob's Landing, Bob Dunn, postmaster," is ever put in the "Postal Guide" it can be known that no one lives there and the postmaster is a huge 'gator.

Bob's home is the half-way point between Crescent lake and St. John's river, and visitors to Florida should not fail to see him. Captain Bright states that if they ever run short of ammunition they will catch Bob and take the bullets out of his back, where enough to stock a small store must be imbedded. Bob is not a myth. He can be seen by any passenger who will go up Dunn's creek, and hundreds of tourists will testify as to his existence and characteristics.—Cor. St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

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