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LIVES IN DANGER

HUNDRED AND FIFTY MEN IMPRISONED ON A SECTION OF LEVEE.

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FIFTEEN MEN LOSE THEIR LIVES

LEVEE ON WHICH SEVERAL GANGS ARE WORKING GIVES WAY.

St. Louis, June 9.—Word has been received here that at 1 o'clock a levee near Madison, on which gangs of men were working, gave way and fifteen men, employes of the American Car and Foundry works, lost their lives. About 150 men, it is reported, are imprisoned on a section of the levee that is slowly crumbling and all means of escape has been cut off. Word has been sent to the St. Louis side to rush the private yacht Annie Russell to the rescue. The Annie Russell started to Black Walnut yesterday afternoon and could not force her way against the current, and it is feared she cannot make her way to Madison.

Like a Mill Race.

St. Louis, June 9.—Like a mill race the swollen Mississippi is surging past St. Louis with a stage of 36.9 feet, making a rise of one and one-half feet in the last twenty-four hours. The government forecast is that the rise will continue rapid until after midnight, and then for the next two days the stage will creep up slowly, probably reach 38 feet and begin to recede.

No word was received yesterday from the 200 people imprisoned on a low island at Black Walnut, twenty-five miles northwest from St. Louis, and in peril of their lives from the rising waters of the Missouri river. Word was received Saturday night that the rescue must be received immediately or they would be swept away by morning. The river has spread out around the island with a swift current, and although every effort has been made to reach them nothing was accomplished yesterday, and there has been no means of communicating with them.

The Spread Eagle, moored at Alton, Ill., above St. Louis, was hurriedly manned and storted for the

Imperiled Colony

late Saturday night, but was forced to turn back at the Bellfontaine bridge. A small steamer from St. Charles succeeded in reaching Black Walnut this morning and the 200 imperilled persons, terrified and in great distress for food and shelter, were taken from the island in safety. All were rescued.

Black Walnut is located in a broad and fertile valley of the Missouri, and the land surrounding it is said to be the richest wheat land in the state. Aside from loss of life, if such catastrophe shall occur, the property loss will be very heavy, as the entire valley is under water, homes have been washed away, farms depleted and stock drowned.

The flood stage has broken all high water stages at St. Louis since May 28, 1858, when the high water mark was 37.5 feet. The highest mark known here was reached by the great flood of June 27, 1844, when 41.4 feet was attained.

Just below St. Louis and in the vicinity of the River Des Peres, is the little fishermen's settlement of Happy Hollow. The denizens live in flatboats for the most part, and until yesterday had been beyond the ravages of the flood. But the advancing waters invaded the tract yesterday and the inhabitants had to move out hurriedly.

Several Lives Lost.

The Missouri is doing great damage at St. Charles and vicinity, twenty-five miles west of St. Louis. Several deaths are reported. The big passenger depot at the end of the suburban electric line is surrounded by water and tottering. The tracks for more than two miles are deep under water. So swift a current is washing through the ball park that it is believed the river is cutting a new channel.

Most of the farm houses have been swept away. All day people in skiffs were busy trying to save property.

Jealousy Causes Tragedy.

Wheeling, W. Va., June 9.—Jealousy was responsible for a tragedy in the little mining town of Maynard yesterday. Angered because his cousin paid marked attention to a young woman with whom he himself was enamored, Joseph Seachy shot twice at Michael Seachy and killed Joseph Kosma, an innocent bystander who was a close friend of both.

Cross Atlantic in Dory.

Gloucester, Mass., June 9.—Howard Blackburn, who has already made two voyages across the Atlantic alone in small dories, started yesterday afternoon in his fifteen-foot dory, America, in a third attempt to cross the ocean, with Havre as his objective point.

Killed in Runaway Accident.

San Jose, Mass., June 9. — One man was killed, two persons fatally and several others badly injured in a runaway car accident on the Alum Rock Park Electric railway late last night.

Usually the Case.

"Daughter," said the mother who was long on Solomonic wisdom, "whatever you do, don't marry a man with dreamy eyes."

"Why not, ma?" asked the beautiful bud.

"Because," replied the mater, "it's doughnuts to fudge he'll also possess a dreamy pocket book."

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EIGHTY ARE DEAD

CLOUDBURST CAUSES A DESTRUCTIVE FLOOD IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

WORST PROBABLY NOT YET KNOWN

LOSS TO PROPERTY WILL REACH $3,500,000 AND MAY GO HIGHER.

DEAD BODIES WASHED ASHORE

COTTON MILLS DAMAGED, THROWING THOUSANDS OUT OF WORK.

Spartansburg, S. C., June 9—Torrential rains visited this section Saturday morning, causing a flood which has resulted in great loss of life and incalculable damage to property.

Though the great flood of water is passing on to the ocean laden with debris of every description tnd the swirling streams are subsiding in the Piedmont region, the losses of life and property are increasing, and a conservative estimate places the property loss at a little less that $3,500,000. The most conservative estimate of the dead is eighty.

At Clifton alone 100 cotton mill operatives are missing and all are believed to be dead. During yesterday dead bodies were washed ashore here and occasionally a dismembered limb would float to the banks.

At Convers thirteen dead are reported and forty-one at Clifton No. 2. At Clifton No. 2 twenty-six homes are destroyed; thirteen at Clifton No. 1, and twenty at Clifton No. 3. The loss at Clifton's three mills will approximate $2,500,000.

At Pacolet the loss is nearly $1,000,000. The greatest want among the survivors is at Clifton, where

Five Hundred Are Destitute.

At Converse mills, the newest of Clifton's cluster, the walls were washed away and the looms left standing.

Reports from Seneca river, near the Georgia line, are better. The Blue Ridge road between Seneca and Anderson is intact and the Newry mill is not badly damaged and will be running to-day.

The railroad situation has given much uneasiness here and throughout the state.

The Southern railway annulled trains between Columbia and Spartanburg, 200 feet of the trestle at Shelton having been washed away. The coast line trestle two miles west of the city affords the only exit from Columbia to the Piedmont country.

The flood was due to a mighty cloudburst along the headwaters of the Pacolet river. The crest of the flood when it reached Pacolet was sixty feet high. The mills were located along the banks of the stream.

KILLED BY TURKISH TROOPS.

Band of Bulgarians Wiped Out Near Salonica.

Salonica, June 9. — A band of Bulgarian revolutionists was destroyed by Turkish troops on Saturday at Cradobar, near this city. Fifteen Bulgarians were killed. Another insurgent band is reported to have been annihilated on the railway line near Ristovatz, Servia, after a six-hours' fight. Surprise is expressed that the band was able to approach so near the town. The insurgents last Wednesday killeed ten Greek villagers while the latter were in church at Selovo, near Monastir.

PHILIPPINE CENSUS.

About Seven Million Islanders Are Christians.

Washington, June 9.—A report has been received at the war department by Gen. Sanger, who had charge of the census in the Philippines, in which he says the work of taking the census is progressing. Sanger says the reports thus far received indicate a Christian population of 7,000,000. The population of Manila is in round numbers 220,000.

REFUSES NEW TRIAL.

Jessie Morrison Must Serve Out Her Sentence.

Topeka, Kan., June 9.—The Kansas supreme court has refused to grant a new trial in the case of Jessie Morrison, charged with the murder of Clara Wiley Castle three years ago. It is said that Miss Morrison will be taken into custody at once and returned to the penitentiary.

Factory Destroyed.

Binghamton, N. Y., June 9. — The factory of the Standard Food company was burned yesterday. Loss, $50,000.

Fred C. Smyth, Pres. Thos. P. Smyth, Sec-Treas. D. C. Smyth, Manager.

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ALL RESULT OF MISTAKE.

Slayer of Village Marshal Gives Himself Up.

Duluth, June 9.—The slayer of M. J. McLaughlin, the village marshal of Mountain Iron Saturday evening was a laborer named Sam Berg, and he lies mortally wounded in St. Luke's hospital in Duluth. He gave himself up at 5 o'clock yesterday morning and was brought to Duluth in the afternoon in charge of Sheriff Butchart. The tragedy was occasioned by what is believed to have been a falsehood told by an intoxicated Italian. It was he who complained to Marshal McLaughlin at Mountain Iron that he had been held up and robbed of $100 near the entrance to the Mountain Iron mine, and this story is believed by the authorities. As near as can be learned the Italian, who recently went to Mountain Iron from Ashland, while somewhat intoxicated, started into the mine, which is an open pit, and was ordered out. He made some sharp retorts and a fight ensued, in which the Italian was beaten, and it is believed that he fa..d the story of the hold-up to explain away his battered countenance. But Marshal McLaughlin believed the story and went out in search of the alleged hold-up men. The result was that he was killed by a man who had never seen or heard of the Italian, and his slayer is believed to be dying.

JUST LIKE FINDING IT.

South Dakotan Paid a Bill Due Forty Years Ago.

Sioux Falls, S. D., June 9. — That Uncle Sam always pays his debts, notwithstanding that he sometimes is very slow about it, is again proved by the case of Rev. S. H. Stevens, a prominent clergyman of Gregory county. He has just received a draft from the United States government in payment of a bill which has been due him for nearly forty years. The interesting feature of the matter is that the amount was only about $30. In carrying this trivial sum on the books at Washington, and in investigating the claim, there is no doubt the government has expended hundreds of dollars. The payment is a refund of money advanced by the clergyman during the Civil war for clothing and traveling expenses.

POOR HEALTH AND SUICIDE.

Minneapolis Man Kills Himself at a North Dakota Cement Mine.

Grand Forks, N. D., June 9.—J. W. Skinner, chemist at the Babcock cement mine west of Hensel, committed suicide by shooting himself in the head with a revolver. He has been in poor health for some time and has been despondent. On Thursday he left his room and took his revolver with him, stating that he was going to shoot gophers. He failed to return and the body was found Saturday half a mile from the mine with a bullet hole in the head. His home was in Minneapolis.

Classification of Radium.

Rurge and Precht, Revue Scientifique, have classified radium by the spectroscope. The most intense lenses of the spark-spectrum or radium are rigorously analogous to the strongest lines of barium and its congeners magnesium, calcium and strontium. They place the atomic weight of radium at 257.8. This high atomic weight furnishes in part the explanation of the ease with which its elements split into electrons to produce radioactivity.

Paraffin Oil as Motive Power.

Paraffin oil is about to be tried as the motive power for herring fishing boats on the Moray firth.

DESPERATE MURDERER ESCAPES.

With Fellow Prisoner He Swims the Missouri.

Glasgow, Mont., June 9. — William Hardee, a condemned murderer, killed Charles Williams, his death watch, with a rifle he secured in the jail kitchen. He and the only other prisoner in the jail then took the keys and escaped. Both men are well armed. They swam the Missouri river and are surrounded in a bend of that stream by a posse. Hardee is expected to fight to the death, as he has no hope, the supreme court having refused him a new trial.

FINDS MONSTER PEARL.

The Mississippi Yields One Weighing Forty and One-Half Grains.

Muscatine, Iowa, June 9. — A pearl weighing forty and one-half grains was the find of Bert Roby, a shell digger in the Mississippi near Muscatine. He has been offered $2,000 for it, but refused, holding the pearl to be worth $3,000. It is the largest find known to have been made in these waters.

DRANK FORMALDEHYDE.

Montana Ex-Senator Lies Near to the Hereafter.

Billings, Mont., June 9.—Ex-Senator B. L. Babcock, one of the wealthiest and best known Republican politicians in this section of the country, lies in a serious condition at his home in this city. He swallowed several mouthfuls of formaldehyde under the impression that it was distilled water.

FREIGHT WRECK.

Thirteen Cars Demolished and a Minneapolis Man Injured.

Faribault, Minn., June 9.—A wreck occurred on the Rock Island one mile south of the depot in this city. Thirteen freight cars were derailed and went down a high embankment. They were smashed to pieces and their contents were ruined. James Golrick, a Minneapolis coachman, with a fine team of horses, was in one of the cars. He was seriously injured, but the horses were unhurt.

BURGLARS TAKE SAFE.

Steal It From Second Floor—Weighed Four Hundred Pounds.

New York, June 9.—A safe weighing 400 pounds was carried off by burglars some time Friday night from a front room in the flat of Charles Fox at 193 Varet street, Williamsburg. Fox owns the house, and with his wife, their five children and a servant, they occupy a second flat. In the night burglars climbed up the fire escape to his floor. They took Fox's trousers and waistcoat into the front room, where they rifled the pockets, securing his gold watch and chain and some change. Then they opened the front door leading into the hall and lugged off the safe. There must have been at least three men engaged in the robbery. There was $36, two gold watches belonging to Fox's wife, and papers of no use to anybody but the owner in the safe.

HIS SUITE IS READY.

King Leopols Is Really Expected to Visit America Soon.

Washington, June 9. — His royal highness, King Leopold of Belgium, will be the guest of Thomas F. Walsh of this city in the fall, if the health of his majesty will permit, and with this in view a large and beautiful suite of rooms in Mr. Walsh's residence in Massachusetts avenue is being arranged and decorated for him and his suite. The king will probably come to this country incognito and for the express purpose of studying class conditions and the numerous enterprises in America.

HIS LOVE IS SCORNED.

Harris Attempts to Kill the Object of His Warm Affections.

Osakis, Minn., June 9.—A love affair resulted in an attempt at taking of life. George Harris, forty years of age, paid attentions to a Miss Robertson, sixteen years old, against the parents wishes. While pressing his suit for the girl's hand, and being denied, he declared he could not live without the girl and would therefore kill her. He drew a newly purchased revolver from his pocket and began firing, hitting the mother three times and lodging a ball in her hip. The girl received one bullet in the side, which is harmless. Harris evaded his pursuers by wading a slough and lying in ambush all night. In the morning he gave himself up and has been bound over to the fall term of court.

FLOODS IN IDAHO.

Rapid Melting of Snow in Mountains Causes Much Damage.

Kalispell, Mont., June 9.—Disastrous floods in Northern Idaho, caused by the rapid melting snow in the mountains is causing considerable trouble to the Great Northern railway. Long stretches of embankment along the Kootenai river have caved in and it will probably be two weeks before traffic over the regular route can be resumed. No casualties, however, have occurred.

NO WISCONSIN LYNCHING.

Mob Thins Out and Sheriff Does Not Expect Further Trouble.

La Crosse, Wis., June 9.—A report received from Sparta says that the danger of Samuel Montgomery, alleged wife murderer, being lynched, has passed. The mob has thinned out and is dispersing. Montgomery is well guarded by a squad of deputies, and Sheriff Cassels says that he does not anticipate any further trouble.

ELEVATOR BURNED.

Lightning Starts the Blaze That Does the Damage.

Grand Forks, N. D., June 9. — The M. & N. elevator at Conway was struck by lightning and burned. A woman standing near was shocked and rendered unconscious. The building had a capacity of 50,000 bushels and was empty and closed for the season. It will be rebuilt in time for the crop this fall.

Submerged Lake.

Blue Earth, Minn., June 9—The high water has pretty well gone down in both forks of the Blue Earth river. In several places the river has cut new channels for itself. During the high water there was a natural curiosity near here—a lake that was completely under water. The lake in question is a little sheet of water a half-mile south of town known as Brown's lake. It is very deep but has no visible feeder. This was under water while the river was at its highest.

Crops Are O. K.

Morris, Minn., June 9. — The crop outlook was never better in Stevens county. All the small grains are in the very best of condition and the past few hot days have brought along the corn.

Drowned While Swimming.

St. Paul, June 9. — John Olsen was drowned in Lake Vadnais, five miles north of St. Paul. He was taken with a cramp while in swimming and was drowned before help could reach him.

Adjudged Insane.

Hastings, Minn., June 9. — Mrs. Joseph Michels and Albert Pieper of South St. Paul, and Mrs. Lena Schwen of Hampton, were adjudged insane in the probate court and committed by Judge T. P. Moran to the Rochester hospital.

Lumber Yard Sold.

Hastings, Minn., June 9. — The Thompson Lumber company has sold its yards in Hastings and Hampton to the Scanlon-Gipson Lumber Company of Minneapolis.

Whisky Distilleries of Scotland.

Scotland has 156 whisky distilleries. All the rest of the kingdom has only thirty-six.