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## DEATH CLAIMS POPE LEO XIII.

LIFE'S FITFUL FLAME FLICKERS  
OUT AFTER HARD FIGHT  
WITH DEATH.

## RESIGNED AND CALM TO THE LAST

PARTING WORDS WERE BENEDICTION ON CARDINALS AND HIS NEPHEWS.

## CARDINAL OREGLIA NOW SUPREME

ASSUMES DIRECTION OF AFFAIRS UNTIL LEO'S SUCCESSOR IS ELECTED.

Rome, July 22.—Pope Leo XIII. is dead. The last flicker of life expired at four minutes past four o'clock yesterday afternoon and the pontiff now lies at rest.

The period of over two weeks that Pope Leo passed in the shadow of death was no less wonderful than his life. His splendid battle against disease was watched the world over with sympathetic admiration and ended only after a series of tremendous efforts to conquer the weakness of his aged frame by the marvelous will power of his mind. The pleuro-pneumonia with which his holiness had been suffering was scarcely so responsible for his death as that inevitable decay of tissue which ensues upon ninety-three years of life. The tested steel which had bent so often before human ills was

### Bound to Break at Last.

To-day the sacred college of cardinals will assemble for the impressive ceremony of officially pronouncing Pope Leo dead. After this sad function has been performed the body will be taken to the small throne room adjoining the death chamber, where it will be embalmed. The funeral ceremonies will extend over nine days, the remains being removed to the cathedral of St. Peter's, where they will lie in state. The ultimate resting place of the dead pontiff will be in the magnificent basilica of St. John the Lateran.

Pope Leo's final moments were marked by that same serenity and devotion and, when he was conscious, that calm intelligence which is associated with his twenty-five years' pontificate. His was an easy death. An hour before he died, turning to Dr. Laponi and his devoted valet, Pio Centra, he murmured:

### "The Pain I Suffer Is Most Terrible."

Yet his parting words were not of the physical anguish that he suffered, but were whispered benedictions upon the cardinals and his nephews, who knelt at the bedside, and the last look of his almost sightless eyes was toward the great ivory crucifix hanging in the death chamber. Practically all the cardinals now in Rome, kneeling at the bedside, watched the passage of his soul. Earlier in the day Cardinal Serafino Vannutelli had impressively pronounced the absolution in articulo mortis. The condition of his holiness varied from agony to coma.

Of the supreme moment Dr. Laponi gives an impressive description. He said:

"Death occurred through exhaustion, although in the last two hours Pope Leo made a supreme effort to gather together all his energies. He succeeded in recognizing those about him by the sound of their voices, as his

### Sight Was Almost Lost.

Still he made a marvelous display of his energy and even his death was really grand. It was resigned, calm and serene. Very few examples can be given of a man of such advanced age after so exhaustive an illness showing such supreme courage in dying. The pontiff's last breath was taken exactly at four minutes past four. I approached a lighted candle to his mouth three times, according to the traditional ceremonial, and afterward declared the pope to be no more. I then went to inform Cardinal Oreglia, the dean of the sacred college, who immediately assumed full power and gave orders that the Vatican be cleared of all curious persons having no right therein. Contemporaneously the cardinal instructed Mgr. Righi, master of ceremonies, to send the Swiss guards from the Clementine hall to close all the entrances to the Vatican and

### Dismiss All Persons

from the death chamber, the body being entrusted to the Franciscan penitentiaries. Meantime, events of momentous importance to Catholic Christendom were occurring. The death of Pope Leo meant the passing of the supreme power into the hands of the sacred college of cardinals as its temporary custodian during the interregnum.

The perfect administrative machinery of the church provided against the slightest interruption of the gov-

erning authority. As the senior member of the sacred college Cardinal Oreglia, to whom the pope yesterday solemnly confided the interests of the church, has now become the exponent of the cardinals until Pope Leo's successor has been elected.

## DELEGATE FALCONIO NOTIFIED.

### He Requests That Masses Be Said for Repose of Pope's Soul.

Washington, July 22.—The first definite announcement of the death of Pope Leo made to his immediate representative in Washington, Apostolic Delegate Falconio, was conveyed to him at 12:45 o'clock yesterday by means of an Associated Press bulletin. Four hours later the official confirmation came.

During the afternoon the legation was visited by many of the catholic clergy, anxious to know if the newspaper announcements were true, and if so, to leave their expressions of sympathy and condolence. Among the callers also were representatives of the German and Russian embassies, both of whom called in state to express the sympathies of their respective nations.

Archbishop Falconio later issued an address to the archbishops and bishops of the United States announcing the death of the pope and requesting that pontifical masses be celebrated in all cathedrals and funeral masses be said in all churches for the repose of the pontiff's soul.

## CANDIDATES ARE MANY.

### Interest Now Centers in Forthcoming Conclave.

Rome, July 22.—The greatest interest is now centered in the work of the conclave which is to select the successor to Leo XIII. Speculations, prophecies and predictions come from every direction in favor of the various candidates. The comparatively long illness of Leo has had the effect of narrowing the chances of some who entered the contest with what was thought to be the brightest prospects, while it has brought forward the prominence of others who at first were hardly considered. The result is that they are all now on about the same level. It is said that there has never been a conclave in which there are so many candidates who have a fair chance of winning. The most prominent candidates of the succession are Cardinals Gotti, Oreglia, Agleria, Serafino Vannutelli, Capeceatro, Saro, Rampolla, Dipietro, Stampa, Ferrarri, Satolli and Richelmi. It is generally believed that the conclave will meet Aug. 3.

## Life of Pope Leo XIII.

Born at Carpineto, in Italy, March 2, 1810.

Son of Count Luigi Pecci and Countess Prosperi.

Baptized Vincenzo Joachim Pecci.

Placed under tutorage Jesuit Fathers at the age of 8.

Began to write Latin verses of remarkably pure diction at 12.

In 1824 was sent to Rome, entered Roman college and passed into the Academy of Noble Ecclesiastics.

Attached to the household of Pope Gregory XVI.

Ordained priest in 1837.

In 1841 made governor of Perugia.

Became Archbishop of Damietta in 1843, when but 33 years of age.

Sent as apostolic nuncio to Brussels.

Created cardinal by Pope Pius IX. in 1853.

Became president of the apostolic chamber at Rome in July, 1877.

Elected to the papal throne Feb. 20, 1878.

Died July 20, 1903, 4:04 p. m.

## ROYAL VISIT TO IRELAND.

### King Edward and Party Leave London for Emerald Isle.

London, July 22.—King Edward and Queen Alexandra, accompanied by the Princess Victoria and their suits, left London at 1 p. m. yesterday for Ireland. Though the day was gloomy, large crowds gathered in front of Buckingham palace and along the route to Euston station and enthusiastically cheered their majesties, who drove to the depot in state landaus, escorted by a detachment of the household cavalry. The king wore the uniform of an admiral. Elaborate arrangements were made by the railroad company for the comfort of the distinguished travelers. With the cheers of the people ringing in their ears the king and queen left London at 6 p. m. for Holyhead, where the royal yacht was awaiting their majesties. They expected to reach Kingstown at 9 o'clock this morning.

## TO PROBE PRINT SHOP.

### Big Government Establishment to Be Investigated.

Washington, July 22.—The government printing office, it is claimed, is next on the list for an official investigation. It is charged that the committee of the various unions, including the bookbinders, are practically dictating the policy of the big establishment. The government, it is said, is paying more for work done in its own print shop than what is paid in private establishments.

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## CROPS ARE RUINED

THE MOST DESTRUCTIVE STORM EVER KNOWN IN THE NORTHWEST.

## LOSS OVER A MILLION DOLLARS

GREATEST DAMAGE IS DONE IN EASTERN PART OF ROCK COUNTY, MINN.

## FIELDS LEFT PERFECTLY BLACK

GRAIN PRACTICALLY DRIVEN INTO GROUND AND CORN CUT OFF AT ROOTS.

Luverne, Minn., July 22.—A hail storm passed over the eastern portion of Rock county yesterday afternoon, totally destroying fully one-third of the entire crop of the county and entailing a loss of approximately one million dollars. The storm in severity and area is the most destructive and extensive ever known in the Northwest. It is reported to have started at Watertown, S. D., hailing in various places from that city to Sheldon, Iowa, the severity of the storm, however, seemed to have concentrated in this vicinity.

A report is current here that from Trosky, twenty-two miles north of this city, south to Ellsworth, a distance of thirty-nine miles, and from those points east for fifteen miles, all of the crops have been

### Totally Destroyed.

In this county six townships were struck by the storm and an aggregate of over one hundred and twenty sections of grain are reported totally destroyed. On thirty-five sections in Magnolia township out of thirty-six there is not a spear of grain or hay left standing. The same is true of twelve sections in Kanaraua township, while, with the exception of a few streaks in Vienna and Battle Plain, the entire crop of these townships are gone. In portions of Denver, Mound and Luverne townships entire sections are laid waste. The duration of the storm was less than ten minutes, but during that time between two and three inches of hail fell. Grain was practically

### Driven into the Ground,

some fields being perfectly black when the storm had passed. Corn was mowed close to the roots and trees were stripped bare of foliage. On meadows the hay was cut down as with a scythe.

Crops in this county throughout were the best ever raised and ten minutes before the storm broke everything pointed to a bumper crop. Farmers everywhere were getting machinery ready for the harvest, which would have been in full blast by the last of the week. Reliable estimates place the loss in this county alone at over one million dollars on this year's crop, and this does not take into account the loss of seed nor loss of damage to trees and buildings.

### Hail in South Dakota.

Clear Lake, S. D., July 21.—Hail has totally destroyed crops here in a strip three miles wide through four townships of this county. It is the most severe storm ever known here. Hailstones as large as English walnuts were piled two feet in places, killing sheep and fowls without number.

### Storm Does Damage in Iowa.

Sheldon, Iowa, July 21.—A severe hail storm struck Sheldon yesterday afternoon. The storm was about ten miles wide. It lasted only fifteen minutes but did \$100,000 damage.

## ARCHBISHOP KATZER DEAD.

Passes Away at Fond du Lac After a Lingering Illness.

Fond du Lac, Wis., July 22.—Archbishop Katzer of the Roman Catholic church died last night at St. Agnes convent after a sickness dating from September, 1902. He came to Fond du Lac for rest and treatment four months ago. A week ago he suddenly became worse. Saturday night his condition became critical. Since that time the end had been expected momentarily. He will be buried in St. Francis cemetery, Milwaukee.

## THREE PEOPLE DROWN.

### Inexperience in Handling a Sailboat Causes Disaster at Everett.

Everett, Wash., July 22.—By the capsizing of a sailboat in the harbor Miss Nina E. Solomon, a telephone operator; Miss Edna Warner, a school teacher, and P. G. Foster, an insurance man, have been drowned. The accident is attributed to the inexperience of Foster in sailing a boat.

### Badly Injured.

Grand Rapids, Wis., July 22.—W. J. Higgins was run over by the mower horses running away and badly injured.

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## BATTLE IS BEGUN

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## WARSHIPS BOMBARD THE TOWN

ATTACKING PARTY MAKES SMALL GAIN AS A RESULT OF THE BLOODY FIGHT.

## HUNDREDS OF DEAD IN STREETS

AMERICAN WARSHIP TAKES ON BOARD REFUGEES OF ALL NATIONS.

Soledad, Venezuela, July 22.—At 5 o'clock yesterday morning the engagement between the government forces and the revolutionists occupying Ciudad Bolivar began in two different directions. The revolutionists opened the battle. At 6 o'clock the smoke over Ciudad Bolivar was so thick that it was impossible to see the city. At 7 o'clock the government troops, after a terrible fight in which they lost more than 100 men, captured the cemetery. At 8 o'clock the Venezuelan fleet, consisting of five men-of-war, shelled the government building.

### Rebels Driven Back.

At 10 o'clock the revolutionists' flag had disappeared from the government building and at 11 all the streets near the building were captured by the government forces and a charge of all the government soldiers on the city was ordered.

The wounded were then beginning to arrive at the government headquarters from all directions and the fight was general; but the movements could not be followed from here in consequence of the smoke caused by the fire of the artillery of the revolutionists, which seemed to be formidable. It was answered vigorously by the government guns and only a few

### Shots Reached the Fleet.

At 2 in the afternoon a block of houses opposite the government building was captured by storm. The revolutionists seemed to be resisting desperately.

The Associated Press correspondent will follow the advance with Gen. Rivas. The latter is waiting for a signal from Gen. Gomez, the Venezuelan commander-in-chief, who conducted the attack from Miraflores, to enter Ciudad Bolivar with his reserves and fourteen guns.

The spectacle in the streets when the smoke cleared away was heart-rending. There were more than 200 dead revolutionists in the streets, besides many wounded.

### Bancroft Takes Refugees on Board.

Washington, July 21.—A cablegram received here from Lieut. Commander Calver of the Bancroft says that on July 10 he sailed up the Orinoco to Ciudad Bolivar and released five steamers of the Orinoco Steamship company, three of which had been secured by revolutionary forces and two by the government. Commander Calver took aboard the Bancroft refugees of all nations who desired to escape the bombardment. The navy department is greatly pleased with the action of the Bancroft's commander.

### MEETS HORRIBLE DEATH.

### Engineer Is Carried Under the Big Cable Drum.

Duluth, July 22.—John Atkinson, chief engineer of dredge No. 8 of the Lake Superior Contracting and Dredging company, met a terrible death late yesterday afternoon on

## TEMPERANCE IN TEXAS.

### Prohibition Makes Sweeping Victories at Local Elections.

New Orleans July 21.—The local option elections in Texas have resulted everywhere in victories for the Prohibitionists. They have carried Williamson county by 200 majority, Hunt by 750 majority, Falls by 400 majority, all of them among the largest counties in Texas.

### Lost Her Savings.

Red Wing, Minn., July 22.—Mrs. Margaret Jones of Diamond Bluff, Wis., had between \$400 and \$500 stolen from her home recently. A man named Gordon who was stopping at the house has disappeared and is suspected. Mrs. Jones is penniless.

### Killed by Fast Mail.

Burlington, Iowa, July 22.—The Burlington fast mail yesterday struck a carriage at a crossing containing Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Grant and two boys named Stotling. Mrs. Grant was killed and one of the boys died shortly after from his injuries.

### Suicide With Morphine.

Fergus Falls, Minn., July 22.—Joseph Hoffman, a young man who has been working on the Great Northern near Campbell committed suicide at Foxhome by taking morphine.

### Rapid City, S. D., July 22.—The city

jailed burned last night and an unknown tramp was cremated. The prisoner is supposed to have set fire to the jail. The charred remains cannot be identified.

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