

GAYETY---WOE.

Fifty People Plunged Down Into a Cellar at Columbus.

There Was a Display of Fire-Works in Ohio's Capital.

A Portion of a Sidewalk Gives Way and Soon the Air is Rent With Piercing Cries and Groans--Unfortunates Badly Crushed.

COLUMBUS, O., Sept. 16.—Fully 30,000 people, citizens and visitors, gathered in the state-house yard, Thursday night, to witness the display of fireworks given by the board of trade on the east front of the capitol.

When the exhibition was over a general rush was made for High street to take the cars for various parts of the city. That thoroughfare between Broad and State streets was soon literally packed with people, surging to and fro as the crowd was augmented from either side. In the midst of this natural excitement the crash was heard next to the Neil house. The immediate cause of the accident was singular as it was trivial.

James Leach, a crippled boy whose home is in Pleasantville, O., and who makes a living by entertaining street crowds by whistling and imitating birds and fowls, thinking to catch a few nickels from crowds as they left the fire-works, took up a position in front of Smythe's book store, in the Neil block and just south of the Neil house entrance.

He settled himself on the glass grating near the building, and as soon as he began his performance the crowd was attracted toward him. He was immediately surrounded by a multitude of men, women and children. In an instant there was a creaking, and then an awful crash. The sidewalk over the extended cellar had given way, and half a hundred souls were dropped eight feet below. A fearful scream went up from a thousand throats as of one man, followed by the groans and screams of the poor victims. A black hole twenty feet long and six feet wide, filled with writhing beings, was here, where a moment before joy and pleasure reigned. The most vivid imagination can not exaggerate the horrors of the scene. The crowd on the verge of the pit surged back, while those in the rear pushed forward, and for a moment it seemed that a huge mass of humanity was to be piled one upon another until the hole was filled. Officers in the vicinity made their way to the scene with difficulty. The patrol wagon was summoned, but it was several moments before a rope could be stretched to keep the crowd from tumbling in. Then the work of rescue began. Dozens of willing hands hurried through the store, procured lights and reached the victims from within. One after the other the injured were pulled out and carried back into the apartments under the store.

Those who were last to go down escaped with slight bruises, but the unfortunates underneath were cut, crushed and battered up, many having broken arms and legs, with ugly cuts from which blood flowed profusely. In the awful heap were old and young, children and women and men. Many of the children were but slightly hurt, and as soon as light came scampered back into the store and up the stairs like so many frightened rats.

There were many victims, however, who could not move, pinned to the ground and against the wall by huge pieces of grating. The most seriously injured was James Leach, the cripple. His deformed and shriveled legs, almost useless at best, were both broken, one of them in four places, and both arms badly fractured in four places. His face and head were cut in a dozen places, and there were ugly bruises all over his body. The poor fellow's injuries are considered fatal. Two or three others will probably die from their injuries.

While it was as a public officer that he was best and most favorably known he was none the less appreciated as a private citizen and a friend. Generous and kind-hearted, and of a warm, impulsive nature, he was ever ready to do a kind act for any one who would ask the favor. In his long and eventful public career, he, of course, became involved in strife and disagreements, and like all other mortals he may have made mistakes, but in this hour of death all—friends and enemies—will, in one voice, pay tribute to his worth.

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Such is a brief sketch of his life, between every line of which could be written a paragraph to his credit.

The funeral will take place Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Third Street M. E. Church. It will be under the auspices of Maysville Commandery No. 10, K. T. Deceased was also a member of the Knights of Pythias and of Joseph Heiser Post, G. A. R. These organizations will probably take part in the obsequies.

From the Endowment Rank of the K. of P. his family will receive a liberal sum. This with a revenue from other sources will leave his family comfortably provided for. He knew that the disease with which he was afflicted would cause his death at no distant day, and he spoke with pride and satisfaction of the fact that those whom he loved would not be penniless when bereft of his support.

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ROBERT G. INGERSOLL's latest political epigram is: "Cleveland, in my opinion, is a Jonah, and the Democratic whale will not swallow him this year."

PUBLIC DAILY LEDGER



FIRST YEAR. MAYSVILLE, KY., FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 1892. ONE CENT.

CAPTAIN JAMES HEFLIN Succumbs to Heart Disease—The End of a Valuable Life.

Captain James Hefflin, the head of the police force in this city, died last night shortly after 1 o'clock at his home on the corner of Market and Fourth streets. His death was sudden and apparently without mental or physical suffering.

He had spent the day in Cincinnati yesterday where he had gone to confer with the Health authorities of that city in regard to devising means for the mutual protection of the two cities against the cholera. Thus his last day was spent as had been the greater portion of his matured life, looking to the welfare of the city and the people whom he loved.

He arrived home on the 8 o'clock train, spent the rest of the evening at the meeting of the City Council and at the theater, and in conversation with friends and physicians upon the one subject that was uppermost in his thoughts—that of preparation for the evil which threatens the whole land.

It was really the chief factor in the precautionary measures to be undertaken and he fully realized the responsibility. To-day would have found him at the front with all his untiring and impulsive energy.

He arrived at his home about midnight and immediately retired. There was nothing in his look to cause alarm, but in preparing for bed he seemed to be almost worn out and his wife arose to assist him. His breathing was unnatural, but this was attributed to his exhausted condition caused by the unusual exertions of the day.

After retiring he seemed to fall asleep almost immediately. His heavy breathing caused his wife to be uneasy and it finally became so labored that she attempted to arouse him. This she was unable to do, and becoming thoroughly alarmed she called her oldest son and he hastily ran for Dr. Owens, a short distance away. By the time Dr. Owens arrived at the house the gallant Captain was dead.

His death was caused by heart trouble, from which he has been a sufferer for many years. The excitement and worry of the day just passed had probably an injurious effect.

In the death of Captain Hefflin Maysville suffered an irreparable loss. This is said with no effort to exaggerate, nor in anticipation of the incapacity of any one who may succeed him in an official capacity.

For the office which he has so long and so honorably filled he had an especial fitness. In the line of ferreting out crime and bringing the criminals to justice he was eminently successful. His acquaintance with the criminal fraternity was varied and remarkable. No police officer in the Ohio Valley was more feared or dreaded by the worst elements of mankind.

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COUNCIL AND CHOLERA.

Cincinnati to Act in Concert With Our Local Health Officials.

There was a called meeting of the City Council last night, presided over by W. H. Wadsworth, Jr., the object of which was to consider measures for the prevention of the introduction of cholera.

It was stated that Cincinnati had taken the initiative, and that Dr. Prendergast, Health Officer of that city, was anxious to co-operate with Maysville in an effort to stay the march of the pestilence.

Dr. C. C. Owens, City Physician, who had just returned from a conference with the Cincinnati authorities, briefly outlined the plan to be adopted—that Cincinnati would furnish, at her own expense, as many physicians and as many policemen as might be necessary to a thorough inspection of all incoming trains, only asking that Maysville furnish a similar number of each, the entire corps to be under the direction of the local authorities.

The force operating from this point is to meet all C. and O. trains at Springdale, and all K. C. trains at a point sufficiently distant from the city to allow a thorough examination of passengers and baggage before the train reaches the city.

It is not intended to make a "dumping ground" of Maysville; but if any train carries a passenger who is destined for this city and who is sick with cholera he must not be permitted to enter the city, but must be taken off the train at some isolated point and placed in a hospital to be provided by the City Physician and the County Board of Health, the latter representing the State Board of Health.

If any passenger destined for other points be sick, it will be the duty of the health officials to isolate him from the other passengers on the train and to notify the officers at his point of destination to be prepared to receive and care for him on his arrival.

This system will be adopted along the entire line of the C. and O. Railroad between New York and Cincinnati, everywhere the Cincinnati officials being under the direction and subject to the orders of the local authorities.

In general, passengers for Cincinnati and Western points who may be stricken will be cared for at Cincinnati, where ample provision has already been made. If the person be too sick to proceed further, the local authorities are free to dispose of him as they think best.

At the meeting last night there were present nearly all the physicians in the city and a goodly number of citizens, and before final action was taken the matter was pretty fully and freely discussed by Dr. J. I. Bonar, representing the Cincinnati Board of Health; Dr. C. C. Owens, City Physician; Drs. Thomas E. Pickett and H. K. Adamson of the County Board of Health and Dr. George M. Phillips. Dr. S. M. Cartmell of the County Board and Dr. J. T. Strode were present also.

After a discussion by the members of Council, the City Physician was empowered to appoint an assistant if necessary, and these, in conjunction with the County Board of Health and the local police, supplemented by the Cincinnati officers, were given full power to provide hospital accommodations and to dispose of the sick persons as the exigencies of the case might require.

As a further precautionary measure, the City Marshal was instructed to notify all persons that garbage and kitchen offal must be deposited in barrels or boxes and to provide carts for hauling this to a boat to be procured for the purpose, that it might be thrown into the river at a safe distance from the shore.

Captain C. M. Phister of the Lawrence, who was present, generously agreed to tow this boat to mid-stream free of cost. This extra and gratuitous service on Captain Phister's part may disarrange his across-the-river trips somewhat; but we believe the people of Aberdeen, with the good of the citizens on both sides of the river at heart, will second his efforts to preserve the public health.

Councilmen Haulman and Newell called attention to the "dumps" on the Second street extension and near Hunter's mill, and the Marshal promised to look after them.

After the adjournment of the Board, Marshal Hefflin made his detail for the work of inspection, including Officers Edwin Goepfer and Lefe Resler of Cincinnati, two very intelligent gentlemen who are here to assist our authorities, and the examination of all trains began this morning and will continue as long as the danger lasts.

It is due to the railroad authorities to say that they are in full sympathy with the movement, having issued all necessary orders for the stoppage of trains whenever and whenever necessary to carry out the wishes of the officers.

THE West Union, O. Fair is in progress this week.

A KANSAS farmer traded his farm for 100,000 cigars.

COBBETT is a Republican and Sullivan is a Democrat.

AT Georgetown Colonel Robert Rankin died from the effects of a fall.

FRANK FISCHER and Miss Lizzie Rittenhans were married at Covington.

ROSS SKAGGS, the Kentucky giant, joined Sells Bros.' show at Paris.

THE C. and O. is double-tracking all of its lines through the mountains.

JIM SMART, an assistant brakeman on the K. C., had his foot cut off at Covington.

JAMES YOUNG was attacked and seriously stabbed by two unknown men at Louisville.

FIVE members of the Dalton gang of train robbers have been captured at Deming, N. M.

THE Lexington Convocation of the Episcopal Church will meet at Ashland, September 28th.

A. T. TRUMBO and Mary Robertson, a colored couple, were granted a marriage license yesterday.

THE WEATHER.

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Eleven Deaths on the Voyage Between Hamburg and New York—She Had 681 Steerage Passengers From Pest Inspected Regions.

NEW YORK, Sept. 16.—Thursday night another plague ship arrived in port with its story of disease and death on the voyage.

Eleven more victims add to the long list of those who have died of cholera between Hamburg and New York.

This is the story of the steamship Bohemia, which reached New York Thursday night and anchored in the lower quarantine.

Her coming has been dreaded as much as the coming of her sister ship and sister death house, the Scandia. She left Hamburg at the time when the pest was at its worst, and her 681 steerage passengers, gathered from the infected regions of Germany and Russia, were confidently expected to bring the cholera with them, and these expectations were realized.

"We have had eleven deaths on board," said the captain. "They were all of little children. There is no sickness on board at present. The last death was five days ago. Nobody has been ill on board since then."

"How long after you left port did the first death occur?"

"About the fourth day. The children were very young. The oldest was between four and five years. They were all in the steerage. No adult passengers have died or been sick."

And thus another chapter is added to the sorrowful tale from down the bay. Here is the situation in a nutshell as it is Thursday night:

One new case of cholera and some suspected ones. That is the city's story. A sewing woman hurried away to the Reception hospital, the first patient to be sent there; a dozen cases under suspicion, more or less serious; four suspicious cases reported in Brooklyn, which later were declared to be only cholera morbus; suspicious cases reported here and there, but with small foundation in fact, and a new pest ship in the lower bay.

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THE Nabobs have every reason to feel proud of the large and enthusiastic audience which greeted them last evening. A great many changes for the better have been made since "The Nabobs" appeared here last season, and those who saw this fine musical extravaganza then pronounced it one of the best of its kind. If there was a dull moment during last night's performance, it was not perceptible. There is more absurdity and laughing situations in "The Nabobs" this season than its former admirers and patrons thought it possible to accomplish. It is all there, and only the eye-witness can fully appreciate Henshaw, Miss Ten Broeck and their excellent company of fun makers. Miss Ten Broeck was wonderfully clever, as she always is, and was a great favorite. Handsome John Henshaw is perhaps without an equal in his line of comedy.—Atlanta (Ga.) Constitution.

THE Nabobs will appear at the Washington Opera-house on Tuesday, September 20th.