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### A TALE OF HORROR.

#### Boiler of Steamer La Mascotte Explodes Causing Death and Destruction on the Mississippi.

#### Twenty-One People Known to be Scalded to Death or Drowned and Six Others Fatally Injured.

The Register is Lost and it is Believed that More Bodies Still Remain to be Recovered.

#### A RIVER STEAMER EXPLOSION.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Oct. 6.—A special from Cape Girardeau, Mo., on the Mississippi river, 150 miles below here, received at a very late hour last night, says: One of the most terrible disasters which has occurred on the river for many years took place at 12 o'clock yesterday at Crawford's, twenty-five miles above here. The steamer La Mascotte, Capt. J. B. Thompson, exploded her boilers at last point, causing her total loss and the destruction of many lives. A full list cannot yet be obtained, and perhaps never will be, as the register was lost, but it is known that from eighteen to twenty-two lives have been lost. The news of the frightful affair reached Cape Girardeau last evening, on arrival of the towboat Eagle, Capt. C. S. Ebaugh, which brought down thirty-five persons, including the remainder of the crew of La Mascotte. The scene, when the news spread among the people, was one of the wildest confusion, but the active sympathy of the people soon took shape and the dead and wounded were tenderly removed and cared for. The following is a list of the victims as far as obtainable:

**PARTIAL LIST OF THE DEAD.**  
JUDGE WILLIAM HAGER and wife.  
Miss KREIGER.  
Mrs. WILLIAM H. WICKLER and two children.  
FRITZ LIND, all of Cape Girardeau.  
CHARLES ANSELL, colored.  
Both chambermaids, names not known.  
One lady, name unknown, and two children.  
The bodies of the three last mentioned and one of the chambermaids were recovered and brought down by the Eagle. J. R. Perkins, first clerk, Miss Julia Liebich of this city and First Engineer Porter, out of twenty-four, including the crew of fourteen, were saved. The following were:

**BADLY WOUNDED:**  
MISS LENA HUGHMAN.  
LON ADAMS, the first mate.  
Several persons unknown are more or less dangerously wounded.  
Among those known to be saved are Capt. J. B. Thompson, Harry Lourey, steward; Jas. Donohoo, pilot, and his partner; J. J. Hanton, second clerk, and D. C. Mault, second engineer. No cause can be assigned, as yet, for the explosion of the boiler which caused such a great loss of life. The boat is said to have been steaming along under 150 pounds of steam, her usual amount, when the explosion suddenly occurred, blowing fire in every direction. The utmost confusion prevailed, the pilot, taking advantage of her heading, turned her toward the shore, but the flames caused him to abandon his post before the stage-plank could be lowered. The current then turned the boat's bow out into the river and her stern swung close to the bank, which afforded the means of escape for those who were at that end of the boat. The stage-plank was lowered and many were placed upon it, mostly women and children, who would have been saved had not the smoke-stack fallen squarely across it, and all who were not killed by it were drowned. The boat drifted 200 yards out into the river and across to the Illinois shore and sunk. The only thing now visible is her wheel.

J. J. Hanton, the second pilot of the La Mascotte, says: "The steamer Eagle was near us when the disaster occurred, and could have pushed us ashore without much trouble or danger, but I understand the captain did not care to render any assistance whatever. The pilot of the Eagle told me the captain ordered him not to go near La Mascotte, as he did not wish to endanger his boat. If he had only pushed us ashore not a single person would have been injured, except from scalds and burns."

All who witnessed the disaster severely condemn the captain of the Eagle for his heartless desertion of the burning boat.

#### HOW THE EXPLOSION OCCURRED.

CAPE GIRARDEAU, Mo., Oct. 6.—The wreck of the La Mascotte resulted from the collapse of one of the boiler flues. The explosion spent its force directly backwards into the engine-room, and only the crew and roustabouts suffered from being scalded by the escaping steam. Eleven of the latter were so horribly burned that high scales of flesh peeled from their bodies. Six of them have died. Their names are:

GEORGE KEY WOOD, Nashville, Tenn.  
MARSHALL HODIN, Walnut Hill, Tenn.  
JACK FINNIGAN, St. Louis, Mo.  
THOS. LARRY, St. Louis, Mo.  
Wm. JONES, St. Louis, Mo.  
J. CURRY GARDON, Evansville, Ind.  
The following deck hands were so severely burned that their lives are despaired of:  
Wm. DAVIS, Midway, Ky.  
ALBERT RICE, Cape Girardeau.  
LEVI CHATHAM, Paducah, Ky.  
WILLIAM SPURSELL, Evansville, Ind.  
DALLAS WEBSTER, Evansville, Ind.  
The others known to be drowned are:

Mrs. WILLIAM WICKLER, and her two young daughters of Cape Girardeau.  
GEORGE WILLIAM HOGAN, Cape Girardeau.  
A YOUNG MAN, NAME UNKNOWN.  
MISS AMELIA KLEGAR of Cape Girardeau.  
J. E. ROY PERKINS of Evansville, first clerk of La Mascotte.  
Miss JULIA ROBINSON of Cape Girardeau, head cook of La Mascotte.  
WILLIAM SHRAMER and two chambermaids.  
LEW D. ADAMS, second mate.  
Also, a lady and two children, supposed to be Mrs. BURNS, and her daughter, of Mexico, Mo.  
J. S. DAVIDSON is so badly burned

around the face and throat that he will probably die.

After the bodies of the killed and injured had been brought ashore, they were placed on the steamer Eagle, which brought them to this city where local and visiting physicians are now caring for them. The register of passengers was lost with La Mascotte, and it is thought that some were drowned or killed whose bodies have not been recovered.

#### NO NEW DEVELOPMENTS.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Oct. 6.—The latest advices from Cape Girardeau tonight are to the effect that nothing new regarding the explosion of the steamer La Mascotte has developed there. John Miller, one of the missing passengers, arrived in a skiff to-day, badly burned. Skiffs returning from the scene of the wreck report no indication of any bodies, and they have searched both shores. Deputy Coroner Parr is holding an inquest over all the bodies so far recovered, and has had the crews of both La Mascotte and Eagle testifying.

Lew Adams, second mate, and Mack Shearer and Albert Rice, roustabouts, died to-day from wounds received, and two more are expected to die. The total number on board as far as known was: Passengers 19, cabin crew 25, deck crew 26; passengers rescued 8; drowned and recovered 3, missing 8; cabin crew rescued 19, dead and missing 5; deck crew rescued uninjured 10, rescued burned 11, missing 5.

### AMERICAN FOREIGN MISSIONS.

#### A Notable Gathering of Distinguished Ministers—Some Interesting Statistics.

DES MOINES, Iowa, Oct. 6.—The seventy-seventh annual meeting of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions began in this city yesterday afternoon. A large audience assembled in the Grand opera-house where the meeting is being held. The house was filled with an array of distinguished persons, prominent in the ministry and laity of the Congregational church. New England, particularly, was well represented by leading officials and members of the prudential committee. At the center and front of the stage sat the venerable Mark Hopkins, president of the board, who, though past eighty years of age, had traveled 1500 miles to preside over the meeting. Rev. E. K. Alden, home secretary, read the annual report of the prudential committee. He stated that during the past year there have entered upon the missionary work of the board abroad, or are now on their way, eight missionaries and twenty-seven assistant missionaries. Incorporated in this report was the report of District Secretary William Kincaid of New York, who reported that apart from legacies there has been in all the states save one a gain in the receipts over the preceding year. During the past year the number of missionary appointments made by the committee was thirty-seven, a larger number than during any previous four years, larger also than the annual average of the past ten years. The report of the foreign secretary, Dr. N. G. Clark of Boston, stated that but four missionaries out of 400 had died during the past year, while four veterans with an average term service of forty-six years had retired. The number of missions is 22; the number of stations, 85; the number of out-stations, 810; whole number of laborers sent from this country, 434; whole number of laborers connected with the mission, 3398; whole number of pupils in mission schools 39,877. The report of Treasurer Landon S. Ward of Boston, gave as the cost of missions for the past year \$620,640; cost of agencies, \$9584; cost of publications, \$22,856; total expenditures, \$643,496; total receipts, from all sources for the year, \$469,867. After devotional exercises the convention adjourned.

### WILL BE TAKEN TO KANSAS.

#### A Young Man Arrested at San Antonio for a Murder Committed at Parsons, Kan. Special to the Gazette.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Oct. 6.—Dug Hill, a young man about twenty-five years of age, was arrested this afternoon at Milton Vance's ranch, near town, charged with the murder of the city marshal of Parsons, Kan., about two years ago. The arrest was effected on a requisition from the governor of Kansas and approved by Gov. Ireland. The deputy sheriff of Parsons will accompany the prisoner home to-morrow, provided a writ of habeas corpus is not interposed in the meantime. Hill is a man without family, a jack-of-all-trades, and at the time of his arrest was working on the farm. He seems confident that he will come clear on a final trial.

### A PHENOMENON.

#### Concealment Rainfall from a Clear Sky in Georgia.

DAWSON, Ga., Oct. 6.—A wonderful phenomenon may be seen at the home of M. P. Herlie, who resides only a few hundred yards from the corporate limits of Dawson. It is a constant fall of rain from a cloudless sky, the area in his yard that is covered by the shower being about twenty-five feet square. Many citizens have been out to see this remarkable sight, and all testify that there is a genuine and ceaseless fall of rain drops. At times the supply of water seems greater than at others. Herlie first observed this unusual sight three weeks ago.

### ON CANADIAN SOIL.

#### The Fight between the Bloods and Gros Ventres Took Place Across the Border.

FORT BENTON, M. T., Oct. 6.—Parties just arrived from Fort Assinaboine say that the recent fight between the Blood and Gros Ventres Indians took place on Canadian soil. A war party of the Bloods came south of the line and raided the herds of the Gros Ventres. The latter, after a long chase, overtook the Bloods on Ghost creek, six miles north of the line, and killed six Canadian mounted police, exerting themselves to prevent the excited Bloods from attempting reprisals on American soil.

#### Three Children Burned.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Oct. 6.—A special to the Chronicle reports the burning of the residence of Leah Gaines, in this county, and with it three colored children. No particulars have been received.

### THE KNIGHTS.

#### A Most Remarkable Suggestion Offered by the Committee on Legislation.

#### A National Congress of Knights to Meet in Washington and Debate and Amend All Bills Offered.

#### The Negro Delegation is Forced into the Orchestra Chairs of the Theater, Causing Great Indignation.

#### A REMARKABLE SUGGESTION.

RICHMOND, Va., Oct. 6.—At the special session of the general assembly held at Cleveland Messrs. Beaumont, McCarthy and Campbell were appointed a committee on legislation to go to Washington to watch legislation in the interest of labor. Beaumont and McCarthy were in Washington during the session of congress, and shortly after adjournment prepared a report which was printed and circulated through the assemblies of Knights of Labor and the substance of which was made public through the press. Ralph Beaumont, chairman of the committee, has prepared the following supplementary report, which will be presented at the present convention, and on which action will be taken:

To the General Executive Board of the Knights of Labor: Your national legislative committee forwarded to you within three days after the adjournment of congress their report, believing that the order should be made acquainted with the work accomplished by the committee at the earliest possible moment. This, with constant attention to duty during the session, prevented your committee from expressing in their report any views that they might have formed during the time they were engaged in performing their task, in regard to any action that the general assembly might see fit to make in future in the line of influencing legislation in the interest of the people. Your committee realize that the day is near at hand when we may safely rely upon the members of our order, in sufficient number to wield the very great and useful power as a body, at the polls to sustain only such candidates as may be relied upon to favor our interests. That obligation can only be accomplished by a system of education that will develop the highest knowledge upon the measures that are constantly being brought to the front by the legislative halls of the nation. Your committee found that the most difficult task it had to perform was to get at the true inwardness of measures pending before congress. They found that among the hundreds of bills now pending before the senate and house on the three great questions of the future, viz: Public lands, transportation and finance, that but few of them were drawn with a view of accomplishing the most good in the interest of the people, but on the contrary it was the common usage of the enemies of the people to introduce a bill that on the face of it would seem to be a good and wholesome measure in the interest of justice and equity, while in between the lines it would contain the most insidious clause that the cunning brain of a railroad attorney could invent. In fact, several members of congress informed your committee that it was an honest and fair bill through either branch of the legislature. Your committee also find that members of the order, and other working men in general, are under these conditions often led to endorsing measures that are decidedly injurious to their own best interests. Again, there is no possible chance of educating the people in these franks by anything that is said in congress, as those who have charge of this class of legislation, as a rule, are the most skillful tacticians in parliamentary debate in the house, and they have succeeded in making the rules such as to enable them to smother debate on every piece of legislation of a vicious character that may come before either house in the interest of the corporate interest of the country, and a committee of three would be more than human that would be able to watch every measure of this nature and be able to counteract the same. Now, your committee is of opinion that in order to combat the corporate interests, aided as it is by a subsidized press, that something more than a committee is not only needed but must be resorted to if we would arouse the people to the wrongs that are constantly being enacted by our law-makers, and in view of this opinion held by your committee they beg leave to offer the following suggestions to be laid before the general assembly:

"That this body establish a congress of its own at Washington during the balance of the present session of the United States congress, a period of 100 days, commencing December 1, 1886. This congress to consist of one delegate from each of the thirty-eight states, they to be selected from the best speakers and debaters in the order, they to be allowed a compensation of \$5 per day, and be allowed actual traveling expenses to and from their homes. They shall organize their body by electing a speaker from their number, and shall appoint the same speakers of committees as are reported by the United States house of representatives, and they shall be designated by the same titles. This body shall be in session daily eight hours per day, from 9 a. m. to 6 p. m. with one hour for dinner. This body shall as soon as it is organized procure a copy of every bill that is introduced into either branch of the national legislature, and it shall also be referred to the appropriate committee and such committee shall at once report to the bill to the body with such recommendation as it in its judgment may deem best, when it shall debate the same, and if amended by the body it shall at once be appointed to take the bill in its amended form and present the same to the committee of either branch of the national legislature that has it under consideration, and request that the amendments be inserted in the bill. This body shall have a clerk, assistant clerk, and a stenographer, also a sergeant-at-arms and

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### RESEMBLES LEPROSY.

An Arkansas District Judge Afflicted with a Loathsome Disease.  
Special to the Gazette.  
LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Oct. 6.—News reached here to-day from Warren, Ark., of the severe illness of Judge J. M. Bradley, judge of the Tenth district of Arkansas. He is afflicted with a disease closely resembling leprosy, the skin having peeled from the entire surface of the body, leaving the flesh raw and in a most painful condition. His physicians say they never saw or read of a case just similar to his. Grave fears are entertained for his life. The disease is a most loathsome one.