

NUMBER OF DEAD IN LOWELL DISASTER NOW NUMBERS 21

Six Others Will Die From Injuries Received—Four are Missing—Scores of Buildings Were Utterly Destroyed by Explosion.

List of Injured Now Numbers More Than 50—Further Details of the Dreadful Explosion of Lowell Powder Magazine.

Lowell, Mass., July 30.—Up to noon no further deaths among the injured at the hospitals were reported, but the condition of Clarendon Goodwin, who was in charge of the carriage company's employees at the magazine, is said to be critical.

Edward McDermott, eleven, was the only survivor of the four brothers and Clara Suspenena, 9, are also perhaps fatally hurt. Of the known dead three bodies of all the employees of the Cartridge company have not been recovered and the police think they never will be found, as they were undoubtedly blown to atoms.

The city was thrown into a panic, and it required every effort of the authorities to establish and maintain anything like order. It became necessary to summon four companies of the state militia. An attempt to estimate the loss of life was found most difficult, and alarming reports to the effect that over 100 had been killed and injured caused widespread confusion.

The streets of the city were filled with throngs of men, women and children who swept out to learn what had happened. To add to the tumult, inquiries from cities all through the section were received, and within an hour the police had been asked to explain the cause of the widespread shock.

The explosion is thought to have been caused by the jarring of dynamite stored in the magazine by workmen who were laying a new floor. The dynamite set off the powder stored in one chamber, and that explosion was followed by another in a second chamber.

The plant of the United States Cartridge company is located in a district known as Riverside park, in Tewksbury, just outside of Lowell.

Scene of the Explosion.

The building in which the explosion occurred was a stone building about a mile and a half distant from the works of the cartridge company. Within a distance of fifty yards are located half a dozen houses. Within a distance of 100 yards there are twenty houses more, and beyond that the buildings are very close together. Every structure within a quarter of a mile was torn within and without. Men and women and children who were in side of the houses sustained cuts, bruises and broken bones if they escaped with their lives. Men who lived in streets not far off, who were fortunate enough to escape serious injuries, immediately gave themselves over to the work of removing women and children to places of safety, for almost simultaneously with the explosion came flames from several buildings. Into the flames and debris scores of men were soon plunging in efforts to save life and property.

The wreck was so complete, however that their work was harrowingly slow. The patrol wagons of the police and teams of all description were brought into use to supplement the hospital ambulances. It was nearly noon before anything like an accurate estimate of the number killed could be obtained. Previous reports had said that the dead would number seventy-five, but at 11:30 a canvass of the hospitals and inquiry at the police station resulted in a conservative estimate of twenty-five killed and fifty-five injured.

St. John's hospital afforded refuge for those most sorely in need of surgical attendance, and sixteen victims were hurried thither. The house staff separated those in direct emergency and soon ascertained that the hospital list would surely add to the roll of those dead at the works.

Whole City Suspends Business.

At this hospital it was stated at noon that four would die and that as many

more were desperately hurt. The crowds increased momentarily, and it seemed as if all Lowell had suspended business and was at the scene of the catastrophe.

Many instances of heroic work in life saving were noticed. A short time after the explosion the fire bells were rung from box 128 and the fire department started at full speed for the scene of the horror. On the way to the fire numerous carriages were met bringing victims to the hospital.

Bodies were taken from the ruins and laid on the grass. Some were mangled beyond recognition. Men and women fainted at what they saw. Women with children bearing faces from cuts by glass passed through the streets in a hysterical state.

The wreck caused by the explosion covers an extent of three acres and the region resembles a battle field after conflict. Houses, barns and outbuildings lay in a ruined state, some half demolished, others hardly more than a heap of broken timbers; still others were smoking from the recent fire. The prompt response of the fire department enabled the firemen to quench the flames which followed the explosion before they had extended beyond the buildings affected by the shock.

Mexican Secretary of War.

El Paso, Tex., July 30.—From the capital of Mexico an authoritative report comes that General Luis E. Torres, governor of the state of Sonora will be made secretary of war of Mexico.

PREPARING FOR THE CONCLAVE

Extraordinary Number of 55 Cardinals Attended Last Requiem Mass Today.

Rome, July 30.—High requiem mass, the last ceremony pertaining to Pope Leo's pontificate, was celebrated this morning in Sixtine chapel. The extraordinary number of fifty-five cardinals participated. Preparations are progressing with feverish activity so that the conclave can start tomorrow afternoon.

THEIR WAGES INCREASED.

Employees of Union Bag and Paper Co.'s Mill Return.

Ballston, N. Y., July 30.—The strike of the employees of the Union Bag and Paper Company's paper mill here was settled this morning. The men went to work with wages increased, but the union is not recognized.

NATIONAL BANK CLOSED.

Doylstown, Penn., Institution Closed Today.

Washington, July 30.—The Controller of the Currency this morning closed the Doylstown National Bank of Doylstown, Penn., appointing Bank Examiner Schofield as examiner.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL CONVENTION.

Many Features of Interest in Preparation by Able Leaders.

Burlington, July 29.—An interesting programme has been prepared for the annual convention of the State Sunday-School Association of Vermont in this city October 20-22.

Among the noted speakers already engaged are Marion Lawrence, general secretary of the International Sunday-school Association, Prof. H. H. Horne, of Dartmouth college, who is rapidly coming to the front as an expert in pedagogy; W. N. Hartshorn, chairman of the International committee, who has promised to be present for one session, if possible.

It is given out that this convention will be, in many respects, the most important of any in the history of the association.

LEAGUE BASE BALL.

Chicago Nationals Defeated St. Louis in a Fine Game.

Yesterday's National League scores: At Chicago, Chicago 3, St. Louis 2 (10 innings).

At Brooklyn, Philadelphia 2, Brooklyn 7.

At New York, New York 5, Boston 2. At Cincinnati, Pittsburg 7, Cincinnati 3.

National League Standing.

Won. Lost. Pct. Brooklyn 40 41 .494 Chicago 36 46 .438 New York 34 48 .414 Cincinnati 33 49 .402 Philadelphia 28 54 .341

Yesterday's American League scores: At Philadelphia, Philadelphia 4, Washington 4 (10 innings).

At Boston, New York 15, Boston 14. At Detroit, Detroit 5, St. Louis 1.

American League Standing.

Won. Lost. Pct. Boston 30 29 .509 New York 28 30 .483 Philadelphia 24 36 .400 Cleveland 23 37 .383 Detroit 21 39 .350 Washington 21 39 .350

Yesterday's Northern League scores: At Plattsburg, Plattsburg 4, Burlington 3.

At Rutland, St. Albans 2, Rutland 1.

TWO GUESTS LOST LIVES

In Old Orchard, Maine, Hotel Fire.

HOTEL A TOTAL LOSS.

Several Other Guests Were Quite Badly Burned—Guests Lose Money.

Old Orchard, Me., July 30.—The Seaview House at the camp ground was destroyed totally early this morning and it is feared that two guests were buried in the ruins. Mrs. Helen E. Martin, aged 62 years, Mrs. E. A. Stevens, aged 65 years, of East Grafton, N. H., not having been seen since the fire broke out. They were sisters and had passed their summers at Seaview for a number of years. Both were widows and wealthy. Miss Tuna Dawson of Boston made a sensational jump from a third story window and escaped unhurt.

Mrs. E. D. Hooper of Paris, Maine, is suffering from inhalation of smoke but the doctors have hopes of her recovery. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Terrill of Manchester, were taken down a ladder by firemen, Mr. Terrill losing \$1,000 in a trunk. Mrs. Sarah Kimball of Massachusetts, escaped in her night clothes but her hair was burned from her head. All the guests escaped in their night clothes, many losing money and jewelry.

FIRE LOSS OF \$500,000.

Storage Sheds on Docks at Greenbay, London, Burned.

London, July 30.—A number of storage sheds on the docks at Greenbay were burned this morning. The loss is \$500,000.

A WINOOSKI ROBBERY.

Shaving Utensils Removed from Cross Barber Shop.

Winooski, July 30.—A daring and successful burglary took place some time Thursday night or early Wednesday morning at the barber shop of Frank Cross, at the corner of Union street and Mallett bay avenue, and was not discovered until about 5 o'clock last evening. Mr. Cross, whose father-in-law, Bruno Pepin, is dangerously ill, had not been able to open his shop as usual yesterday morning owing to the serious conditions of the sick man. About 5 o'clock a customer called at Mr. Cross's residence, and asked to be shaved. Together they went to the shop and were surprised to find articles of furniture broken and strewn about the place. A mug cabinet which hung on the wall was smashed to kindling wood and the mugs missing. Every razor and strap besides combs and other tonsorial articles were taken besides \$12.50 which was in the money drawer. Entrance was gained through a rear window facing Union street.

YOUNG CORBETT WON.

Knocked Out O'Neill of Philadelphia Last Evening.

Philadelphia, July 29.—Young Corbett knocked out "Jack" O'Neill of Philadelphia in the fifth round, at the National Athletic club. The first three and a half rounds were tame, O'Neill avoiding the champion's rushes. In the fourth round O'Neill hit Corbett three glancing blows on the jaw and was about to deliver a fourth when Corbett dropped to his knees to avoid it. This gave the local man confidence in the fifth round which proved fatal for him. He met Corbett's rushes and in an unguarded moment received a terrific right punch on the jaw, which sent him to the floor and he was counted out.

SAID HE WAS DRUNK.

Hearing on Charges Against Burlington Fire Captain.

Burlington, July 30.—The hearing before the aldermanic committee on fire department on the charges filed against former Captain Brown of Station 1 by Chief Murray, was begun last night at Station 1, and considerable evidence in support of the charges was presented.

Several firemen, call men and ex-firemen were called and their testimony was in support of charges alleging insubordination and drunkenness. Several men testified that Captain Brown had been drunk while on duty, that he had called Chief Murray profane and vile names and that he created disturbances among the men by telling untrue stories.

Captain Brown's side of the case will be presented Friday night.

SHORT AND STOUT.

Artie Newell of Bethel is Missing From Home.

Bethel, July 30.—Artie Newell, a 10-year-old boy of this town has suddenly left his home presumably for Manchester, N. H., and the police of that city have been requested to look out for him. He is described as short and stout, light hair, and a very green country boy.

The new grays in shirts, hose, and neckwear, shown by A. A. Smith & Bro. are having a great run in large cities.

CATHOLICS CELEBRATE

Golden Jubilee of Burlington Diocese.

ONE HUNDRED PRIESTS

Pontifical High Mass Said by Bishop Michaud—Sermon by Rev. Fr. D. J. O'Sullivan.

Burlington, July 29.—The Catholics of Vermont celebrated today the golden jubilee of the diocese of Burlington. It was a day long to be remembered, and one which called to mind the remarkable growth of Catholicism in Vermont under the supervision of the late lamented Rt. Rev. Louis DeGoesbriand and his able successor, the Rt. Rev. John Stephan Michaud.

The celebration today began at 9 o'clock with pontifical high mass sung by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Michaud, after which the Rev. D. J. O'Sullivan, of St. Albans, preached an eloquent sermon.

At 1 o'clock a banquet was served in the large hall of the parish to which about 100 priests sat down.

From eight small churches and five priests and not a single school or institution of any kind to eighty-six churches, school and hospital buildings in fifty-six parishes with a membership of 70,000 souls—such is the marvelous growth of Catholicism in Vermont in the last half century.

Tribute was paid today to the two new bishops to whom in a large measure is due the wonderful prosperity of the mother church in the diocese of Burlington—the one whose life work is done but whose memory is revered by thousands—the other strong in the activities of a noble and successful accomplishment which is bearing fruit to the great and lasting good of the diocese.

The Rt. Rev. Bishop was assisted in the celebration of the mass by the Rt. Rev. Mgr. Cleary as assistant priest, and the Rev. C. C. Delany was master of ceremonies. The deacons of honor were the Rev. P. Cunningham of Brattleboro and the Rev. J. A. Boissannault of St. Johnsbury. The Rev. D. J. O'Sullivan of St. Albans was the deacon of the mass and the sub-deacon was the Rev. N. Bronx of Rutland. The acolytes were the Rev. N. Lechance of Hyde Park and the Rev. J. Doherty of St. Albans. The Rev. Charles L. Fontbrland of Lyndonville and the Rev. J. P. Rand of Winooski were censor-bearers. The cross bearer was Francis Welch; nitre bearer, Master Donald O'Brien; candle bearer, Master Fred McCarthy; crosser bearer, Master Thomas Cronan; book bearer, Master Stephen McGrath; genial bearer, Master Louis Johnson.

POSTAL CONVENTION.

Officials to Meet in Boston Next Week. E. W. Blasee an Officer of Convention.

Boston, July 29.—One of the most notable gatherings of post office officials in Boston has had for many years will be held here during the coming week. It will be the sixth annual convention of the national Association of Postmasters and it will occupy four days for the transaction of business beginning next Tuesday. Headquarters will be established at Hotel Brunswick. It is expected that Postmaster General and Mrs. Payne will be present at the reception in the evening of the first day. The first business session will begin at 2:30 o'clock next Tuesday afternoon and there will be two business meetings daily, followed by a theatre party Wednesday evening, trolley rides through Boston Thursday morning and a sail down the harbor with dinner at the Rockland House, Nantasket Beach, Friday afternoon. The entertainment of the visitors to the convention is in the hands of a large committee composed of postmasters of the larger cities in New England, of which Postmaster George A. Hilliard of Boston is the chairman. Edward W. Blasee of Barre is the member from Vermont.

WATSON-LAWSON.

Pretty Wedding of Westerville Young People at East Barre.

East Barre July 30.—A very pretty wedding took place at the residence of the officiating clergyman, last evening, and in the presence of family friends of the contracting parties, when Frank Watson and Miss Helen J. Lawson both of Westerville, were united in marriage by Rev. A. J. Eastman, James Lawson, brother of the bride, and Miss Maggie J. Fraser, served as best man and bridesmaid respectively. Mr. and Mrs. Watson will reside at Westerville.

CHARGED WITH LARCENY.

Raymond Sharkey Given Preliminary Hearing.

Raymond Sharkey, a young lad, was in city court yesterday charged with the larceny of \$10 from Fred Downing, having been arrested by Chief Patrick Brown. After a preliminary hearing the case was continued to August 8, bail of \$500 being furnished by Charles A. Churchill.

The new fall woollens for suits, trousers and overcoats are already being shown by A. A. Smith & Bro. Anyone contemplating a suit of clothes early, should not fail to see them.

Some more of those 60c wrappers at Perry's.

Secure a parasol at Perry's Saturday sale.

RAILROAD BRINGS SUIT.

St. Albans Electric Co. Plaintiff Against W. S. Stevens.

St. Albans, July 29.—Suits has been brought by the St. Albans Street Railway Co. vs. Dr. William S. Stevens, docketed in the county clerk's office June 27. A. A. Hall representing the plaintiff and C. W. Witters the defendant. It is reported that the action is brought by the street railway company to enforce an alleged contract to subscribe for stock in the company.

New couch covers at Perry's.

CONDITIONS IMPROVING UNDER LICENSE LAW

Much Quieter Sundays, Less Rowdiness Nights, and No Increase in Drunkenness.

The board of license commissioners held a meeting at the city council chamber yesterday afternoon to examine police, constables and deputy sheriffs on the operations of the license law. Each officer was examined privately and separately and while the commission is not giving out all that transpired, it can be said that the officers of Barre are unanimous in the statement that there is an improvement in the general conditions in Barre under the new law. Conditions on Sunday are far better than they were under the old law, there being almost a total elimination of drunks and rows.

Under the new law there is a marked decrease in the number of prowlers about the streets after 10 and 11 o'clock. While it may appear that drunken men are seen more frequently on the main streets they have almost entirely disappeared on the back streets, where they formerly sought out places selling intoxicants. The officers were also positive that conditions had improved under the operation of the new law in that there is less drinking and drunkenness now than there was in May, and places which were reported to be selling under the old prohibitory law and tried to do business under the new without a license have been compelled to give up the effort because of a lack of patronage.

HEARING ON CLAIMS

Of Mrs. Eleanor, Wife of Lucus Nicholas, Against Nicholas Estate.

Montpelier, July 29.—The hearing on the claims of Mrs. Eleanor, wife of Lucus Nicholas, against the estate of Calbra Nicholas, her mother-in-law, was finished this morning before Commissioner M. E. Smille and W. E. Adams. The claim amounts to \$10,000 for money loaned A. Nicholas and for other services. The witnesses used by the claimant are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cook, Dr. James Madison Huse of Berlin, Irwin Morse of Worcester branch, Mrs. Ann Sellans. The claimant did not testify as she is a party in the case. She was represented by George W. Wing and W. A. Lord appeared for the estate. The hearing was held in F. P. Carleton's office.

NORTHFIELD WOMAN HAS DISAPPEARED

Grace Coburn, a Town Charge, Left Tuesday Night, Going Towards Montpelier.

Northfield, July 29.—Grace Coburn, a town charge, has disappeared from the town farm, and all trace of her has been lost. The woman left Tuesday night, and it is supposed that she started for Montpelier. Wednesday morning at 8:30 o'clock she was seen in Northfield and at that time she was walking towards Montpelier. Her tracks were followed and she was traced nearly to Northfield Hill, almost to that city.

The woman is 26 years of age, quite tall, light complexioned, with blue eyes. When she left the town farm she was dressed in a blue print wrapper and wore Northfield and Roxbury are considerably stirred up over the disappearance, and searching parties have been sent out.

GOT WEDDING PRESENTS.

Mrs. Edward Dodge Had Stormy Time, However.

Montpelier, July 29, 1903.—Mrs. Edward E. Dodge of St. Albans, who recently brought suit against her husband for divorce after four months of married life, came to Montpelier this afternoon and in company with an officer, went to the home of Elmer E. Dodge, her husband's father, to secure possession of her household effects and wedding presents. It is said a stormy scene ensued, but with the assistance of the officer Mrs. Dodge carried away the goods. The marriage certificate could not be found.

WILL GO TO VERGENNES.

Two Montpelier Lads Committed to Industrial School.

Montpelier, July 30.—Two young boys named Butterfly and Provost, were this morning sentenced to the industrial school for the remainder of their minority, for stealing electric light fixtures from George H. Almon. Both pleaded guilty.

FUNERAL OF WM. RAYCROFT.

Will be Held at Northfield Friday Afternoon.

Northfield, July 30.—The funeral of the late Wm. Raycroft will be held from the home of Mrs. Kelly Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Death at the Soldiers' Home.

Bennington, July 29.—William H. Stinson is dead at the soldiers' home, his being death 151. He was a native of Cornwall, served in Co. C, 3d Vt. Vols., in the War of the Rebellion, and was admitted to the home from New York city in July, 1898. He leaves one son, Dr. Arthur H. Stinson, belonging to the United States marine corps and now stationed at New Orleans. He will reach here Thursday in time to attend the funeral and designate the place of burial.

Funeral of John D. Miller.

Rutland, July 29.—The funeral of John D. Miller, the well-known funder who died Monday, was held at his home in Wallingford this afternoon at 1 o'clock and was largely attended by prominent men from all over the State. The Rev. S. H. Archibald, of Springfield, officiated, assisted by the Rev. A. L. McKenzie, of Wallingford, and the Rev. Dr. G. W. Phillips, of this city. The burial was in the Wallingford cemetery.

DECISIONS OF SUPREME COURT

Two Barre Findings Among Them

THREE MEN ADMITTED

To Practice Before Court—Full Court Sitting For First Time in Nearly a Year.

Montpelier, July 30.—At 10 o'clock this forenoon the supreme court judges who have been in consultation for two days, announced several decisions, among which were two Barre cases, after which an adjournment was taken until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

For the first time in nearly a year Chief Judge Rowell was in his accustomed place, making a full bench.

Three men were admitted to the bar, Cassius K. Peck of Burlington, George L. Hunt of St. Johnsbury, and John J. Knight of Burlington. The first two passed the bar examinations last fall but owing to the fact that they had not been registered three years they were not admitted at that time. John J. Knight was formerly a practicing attorney but was debarred some time ago. Recently a petition for reinstatement was gotten out and he was readmitted.

Among the decisions rendered were four Washington county cases as follows: The Montpelier tax case of Phillips vs. Bancroft, formerly tax-collector, the pro forma degree of the court of chancery sustained. This was a tax case on which the orator was taxed on a grand list of \$50, County court held that it had no jurisdiction in the matter.

The insurance case of Harvey Hersey of Barre against the Northern Assurance Co., argued on a demurrer, the pro forma judgment was reversed and the cause was remanded. The first and second counts were declared sufficient, while the other four were declared insufficient. Opinion of Judge Stafford.

In the Woodbury case of Haskell vs. Holman Daniels, the degree for the orator was sustained and the cause was remanded. Opinion of Judge Tyler.

A decision was rendered in another Barre case, Jessie L. Ingram vs. James Ingram, petition for support, former decision granting \$5 per week. The order was reversed. Opinion by Judge Tyler.

No decision was announced this morning in the case against the Barre and Montpelier Power and Traction Co., on the increase of fares on the street railroad.

CENTRAL LAEBOR UNION.

Important Meeting to Held on Friday Evening, July 31st.

The 30th regular meeting of the Central Labor Union of Barre and vicinity will be held in Sharpers' hall, Quinlan building, on Friday evening, July 31st, at 7:30 o'clock. This will be an important meeting, and it is hoped that every local union will be fully represented by its delegates.

B. F. Healey, Pres. C. C. Ramsdell, Sec.

WIRES TO GO UNDER GROUND.

New England Co. Will Start the Work Tomorrow.

The New England Telephone Co. will begin work tomorrow morning on putting its wires on Main street underground. The pipes have already reached here and the contractors are in town ready to begin operations.

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