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## WEEK'S DOINGS

News Items Gathered from All Parts of the World.

### OF INTEREST TO OUR READERS

General Review of Important Happenings Presented in a Brief and Condensed Form.

The czar has decided to form a second military army.

Many of Port Arthur's guns are said to be worn out from incessant firing.

Flour on the steamers Arabia and Julebas, which was confiscated, will be released.

Russian reconnaissance near Mukden causing heavy fighting with many casualties.

Russia has informed America that outposts are exempt from the contract class.

Belgium is filled with visitors to witness the coronation of King Peter, but it is enthusiastically displayed.

Russians attempted to take a fort at Port Arthur which they had recently lost, but were repulsed with heavy casualties.

The Sovereign Grand lodge of Odd-fellows is in session at San Francisco. A warm contest is promised for sovereign grand master.

The steamer North and, bound from Fortland to San Pedro, Cal., with a cargo of lumber, went ashore on the rocks near Monterey. The vessel will be saved.

The work of dismantling the Lena is in charge of an American gunner.

The Russian troops are changing their clothing for the winter campaign.

The fear is expressed by Russia that China is secretly negotiating with Japan.

The old Iroquois theater has been rebuilt and the building inspector has approved its license.

Russia insists that horses and other beasts of burden remain in the category of absolute contraband.

United States war ships are practicing shooting at night. The Russo-Japanese war has led to this.

The Canadian government offers a reward of \$5,000 for the capture of the Canadian Pacific train robbers.

The monitor Wyoming has been ordered to remain on Puget sound to enforce neutrality should the Korea put into that port.

Major General Sumner, commanding the Southern division, recommends the abandonment of several military posts in Texas and Colorado which were regarded of the utmost importance in the old days of Indian warfare.

The transport Lena has gone to Mare Island and will be dismantled at once.

Field Marshal Oyama is reported to be concentrating his men for an advance on Mukden.

Japanese are rushing reinforcements to Port Arthur and have captured another fort.

The Union Pacific is carrying many colonists to the Northwest and particularly Oregon.

Crefield, the holy roller, has admitted his guilt and has been sent to the penitentiary for two years.

General Moore will relieve General MacArthur of the command of the department of California but not of the Pacific division.

A sweeping postal fraud order has been issued against the agents of the Preferred Mercantile company, which has a representative in Portland.

A final sortie of the Russian squadron at Port Arthur may be expected at any time. The commander of the fleet has strict instructions that if the fortress falls not on of the Russian ships must fall into the Japanese hands.

One of the Canadian Pacific train robbers is believed to have been captured near Bellingham, Wash.

A bridge fire at Stillwater, Minn., collapsed when a crowd rushed on it. Two people were killed and five others injured.

The Breakers hotel, at Long Beach, Wash., has been totally destroyed by fire. Very little of the contents were saved owing to the rapidity with which the flames spread. The loss is placed at \$70,000.

A son has been born to the queen of Italy. The infant has been named Humbert and given the title of Prince of Piedmont.

The Russian transport Lena at San Francisco is to be dismantled. All necessary repairs will be made, but the vessel cannot put to sea until the war is over.

The immense Pullman car shops at Pullman, Ill., have been closed. The 7,000 employees were told to take their tools with them, and from this infer that a considerable period of idleness confronts them.

The Russian volunteer fleet steamer Korea is expected to put in at Victoria, B. C. She is short of coal. The British officers will demand that she be dismantled unconditionally and that the crew be sent home.

The continued silence of Kuropatkin greatly irritates the Russian public.

Germany is reported to have made a secret treaty to give Russia India and Africa.

The main Japanese army is within 21 miles of Mukden.

## MERCY IS FORGOTTEN.

### Frightful Scenes Enacted About Port Arthur Forts.

Chefoo, Sept. 21.—According to Lieutenant Prince Radzivil, of the Russian army, who reached here last night from Port Arthur, hearing dispatches from General Stoessel, the commander-in-chief of the Russian stronghold, to General Kuropatkin, the temper of the belligerents at Port Arthur has reached an absolutely merciless stage. Prince Radzivil served with the British in the Boer War, and he says that until he became aware of the state of affairs at Port Arthur he had no idea that war could be so horrible.

It was set forth in these dispatches some weeks ago that serious suspicions were entertained by both belligerents that the other was misusing the Red Cross. The suspicions have been increased by the commission of various acts by the soldiers of both armies until now even flags of truce or surrender are not respected by either side.

Prince Radzivil declares that the men of both armies are absolutely venomous in their antagonism. Lieutenant General Stoessel has addressed his garrison, saying that the present mood of the Japanese indicates clearly the necessity of resisting them to the last drop of Russian blood, because if the Japanese soldiers entered the fortress it undoubtedly would be impossible for their officers to control them and prevent a massacre. For this reason Lieutenant General Stoessel is making no objection to civilians leaving Port Arthur.

When the 500 women who are engaged in Port Arthur in hospital work were advised to leave, they replied they would rather face the possibility of massacre than desert their posts.

In consequence of the fact that flags of truce are ignored, numbers of the Japanese dead which have been lying on the slopes of the hills of the northeast defenses for weeks past are still unburied, and the stench in Port Arthur from decomposing bodies when the wind is in the right direction is almost unbearable.

The Russian soldiers, who are in some cases posted within 500 paces from heaps of decaying dead, have constantly to wear their handkerchiefs soaked in camphor, as otherwise they would be unable to remain at their posts.

## AIRSHIPS ARE FEW.

### No Successful Flight Has Yet Been Made at St. Louis.

St. Louis, Sept. 21.—As the closed season for airship flights in the grand prize matches at the World's Fair approaches the question of extending the time and otherwise modifying the rules governing the contest is being considered by the aeronautic committee.

The time limit set by the rules, before which the contestants for the grand prize were to have begun their trial flights, is September 20. As this is only 11 days away and none of the contestants as yet has made a successful flight and no definite dates have been set for future trial flights, the question of extending the time for the contests rather than have them go by default is receiving the serious consideration of the exposition authorities.

At present there are only three aeronauts in the city who have entered the match for the grand prize. They are: T. C. Benbow, of Montana; Captain Baldwin, of San Francisco, and Francis Contour, a French aeronaut, who arrived in St. Louis Saturday. Of the three, Benbow is the only one who has made a trial flight. At the time he essayed officially his airship was not free of the ground, being held captive by a rope from the ground, and he, of course, did not qualify.

Captain Baldwin is the only one of the three who is known positively to have qualified for an entry in the contest for the grand prize.

## Trophies of Japanese Victory.

Tokio, Sept. 21.—Marquis Oyama, Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese forces in the field, reports that the army under Generals Kuroki and Nodzu made no prisoners in the fighting before Liao Yang. General Kuroki captured 40 horses, 800 rifles, 300 rounds of artillery and 600,000 rounds of rifle ammunition, telegraph apparatus and various miscellaneous implements. General Nodzu captured 490 rifles, 1000 rounds of artillery and 37,800 rounds of rifle ammunition, three heliographs, telephones, tools and large quantities of foodstuffs and timber. General Oku captured enough timber to construct railroad depots.

## Navy's Strength Dissipated.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 21.—The Novoe Vremya, commenting on the Lena case, criticizes the authorities for dissipating the energies of the volunteer fleet and scattering the vessels aimlessly over the face of the globe, and says: "The volunteer fleet would be effective were it concentrated nearer Japan, where it would have a chance of picking up contraband and taking it to Russian ports." The paper also calls attention to the alleged presence of many Japanese spies in Denmark and Sweden, who are said to keep their government advised of every move of the Russian ships.

## Cut Off Opened to Traffic.

Salt Lake, Sept. 21.—Without ceremony of any kind the great Ogden-Lucan cut-off of the Harriman system, running across the north end of Great Salt Lake, was today opened for passenger traffic. It has been in use for some time for part of the overland freight traffic, but today it was made an actual part of the overland system and henceforth all trains will be run over the tracks of the cut-off, which stretches for miles in an absolutely straight line over piling and fillings through the water of Salt Lake.

## Assonion Is Cut Off.

Buenos Ayres, Sept. 21.—According to dispatches received here, the revolutionists of Paraguay are concentrating their land forces at towns parading with the railway and have cut off supplies and communication with Assonion.

## OREGON NEWS OF INTEREST

### WEALTH FOR POLK.

#### Growers and Packers of Hops Get Large Returns.

Independence.—In some of the smaller hop yards, picking is done, but in the larger yards, harvest will not be over until some time during this week. A few pickers, however, have passed through town, but the bulk of them are yet to start from the hop fields.

Growers in this district have uniformly paid 50 cents a box and there will have been paid out to pickers in the neighborhood of \$100,000. Including the money for other necessary help, wood, sulphur, hurlap, baling, etc., the amount paid out will exceed this sum. One yard, the Horst Bros., will pay out \$30,000 for picking alone. The McLaughlin yard will pay out a like sum for picking, and a number of growers will pay from \$2500 to \$5000 to pickers.

No sales are being made. Ralph Williams, of Dallas, has made some small purchases at 27 cents.

The growers in this district are left in better circumstances than they have been for many years. During the period of low prices, many were reduced to the verge of insolvency, and it took the profits of last year and the year before to pay off the hard times indebtedness. This year they started in independent and the profits for this year's crop represents money that the grower may use as he pleases.

### No Permit for Sheep.

Enterprise.—Hubbard Flerchinger, a sheepman of Asotin county, who was arraigned in the justice court on the charge of running sheep into this state without a permit from the stock inspector of this county, was fined \$50. Deputy District Attorney S. Z. Henderson prosecuted the case, and Hon. J. A. Burleigh, ex-representative for Union and Wallawa counties, was for the defense. The sheepmen of Asotin county have been running their sheep into this county for several years, and there are reported to be six other sheepmen from that section who have their sheep in the northern part of the county at the present time, and who will in all probability have to answer to the same charge as Flerchinger. The case tried will be appealed to the circuit court.

### Fire in Cascade Reserve.

Albany.—Parties returning from the Breitenbush Hot Springs report destructive forest fires burning in the mountains along the North Santiam river. One of these fires is in the magnificent timber of the Cascade forest reserve and is doing considerable damage. It started about 16 miles northeast of Detroit, and is burning in a northern direction.

This fire is in the heart of the Cascade forest reserve, and quite a distance from the course of travel or camping places of pleasure-seekers. It is presumed to have been started by the Indians in an effort to destroy the feed on the reserve and thus keep out the sheep, great herds of which are annually driven over the Indian hunting grounds in the reserve.

### Salem Can Use Bar Gravel.

Salem.—Judge Galloway has rendered a decision in the Minto gravel bar case in which he perpetually enjoined the defendants from interfering with the employees of the City of Salem while they are taking gravel from the northeast corner of Minto Island, for use on the streets of Salem. The decision is of great importance to the City of Salem as the Minto gravel bar is the only one of the kind in the city which has been reseeded.

### Trail Creek Road Rebuilt.

La Grande.—The Trail Creek-Imnaha road, which runs through some parts of Wallawa county to the Imnaha mining district, was almost totally destroyed by one of the cloud-bursts which were frequent in Eastern Oregon early in July. In which some people in that section nearly lost their lives. It has been under repair since that time, and is now almost completed. It has cost Wallawa county \$717.60 for labor and supplies.

### To Purchase 20-Stamp Mill.

Medford.—Dr. J. F. Reddy, of Spokane, who recently bonded the Opp quartz mine, located near Jacksonville, has left for San Francisco to purchase a 20-stamp mill and other machinery. J. W. Opp left Thursday morning to join Dr. Reddy. A large force of men has begun work clearing ground for the erection of the buildings. Work will be pushed and it is expected everything will be in running order within 60 days.

### Suit on Hop Contract.

Salem.—T. A. Livesley & Co., have brought suit in the Circuit Court, to enjoin John Johnson, of Woodburn, from disposing of a certain crop of hops of 20,000 pounds, for which plaintiff has a contract. This contract was made over a year ago, and covered the crop mentioned for five years at 14 cents a pound. A suit arose out of that contract last year, and resulted in favor of the plaintiff, but is still pending in the courts.

### Fine Weather for Harvesting.

Enterprise.—Old settlers of this county say that this section of the country is experiencing the longest dry spell in its history, there having been no rainfall for over a month. Luckily, the crops were all well matured before the dry weather began, consequently it has also been one of the best years for harvesting ever known.

### Apples Plentiful.

Milton.—Apples are plentiful and of all varieties. The outlook for prices is not flattering. Shippers expect to commence shipping as soon as the prune season is over.

### BEET HARVEST IS ON.

#### Heavy Yield of Fine Quality in Fields at La Grande.

La Grande.—The digging of the new crop of beets for the sugar factory located near this city, has commenced, and will be pushed. The season has been a very favorable one for beet growers, and the yield will be much greater than in any previous year. A number of fields, it is estimated, will produce over 12 tons to the acre, and some as high as 15 tons per acre, all of excellent quality.

Extensive improvements are being made in the factory, and much new machinery is being added. A large tank for storing syrup is being built, as the present one is inadequate to hold the syrup left over from the season's run.

Plowing has begun on the 1200 acre farm lately purchased by the sugar company, near Union, a large portion of which will be planted in sugar beets for the next year's crop.

### Athens Growers Sell Wheat.

Athens.—Little wheat is stored at this place to be held by owners. The most is sold outright to wholesale buyers. Fully 75 per cent of the season's crop has been disposed of. Only a small per cent has been moved, but the W. & C. R. company is running trains out nearly every day now and the O. R. & N. Farmers do not desire to hold their grain at the present high prices. The heaviest purchasers are the Preston-Parton Milling Company, the Pacific States Warehouse Company and the Pacific Coast Elevator Company, all of whom have received immense amounts. Hauling will be completed this week, as now but few loads straggled in, coming from isolated farms.

### Railroad to Be Extended.

Cottage Grove.—G. B. Hengen, of New York business manager of the Oregon & Southern Railroad Company, has been here several days, looking over the affairs of the two companies. He announced that construction will commence on the extension of the railroad soon. The road is now 16 miles long, and a force will be kept at work until the line is completed to the reserve line, a distance of four miles. A part of the route is to be completed this winter. Relative to the Oregon Securities Company, he said it would probably be 60 days before the large mill plant would be put in operation. They have 220 feet of cross-cut in hard rock to run yet before they strike the Champion lead. The water is very low, and they are only to run one shift a day.

### Prune Season About Over.

Milton.—The prune season will soon be over at this place. The Milton Fruitgrowers' union will finish packing and shipping this week, and the Walla Walla Produce Company will finish in about a week. The Milton Fruitgrowers' Union and the Shields' Fruit Company have shipped 20 cars and the Walla Walla Produce Company has shipped the same amount, but expects to ship more before the season closes. The price to the growers has been 75 cents per hundred, and all seem well pleased over their returns. The payroll has been quite large, as the shippers have employed men, women and children nearly all the summer. They pay 3 cents per crate for packing, and some workers pack as high as 80 crates in a day.

### Surveying Power Sites.

Eugene.—W. J. Wilsey, manager of the Willamette Valley Electric railroad company, announces that surveyors are now in the field surveying sites for power plants. Four sites have been selected, any one of which would prove satisfactory. As soon as the surveys on the sites are completed, a big corps of surveyors will be put on the various routes of the proposed system, in order to have everything in readiness for construction work early in the spring.

### One Half of Crop Disposed Of.

Pendleton.—Only about one-half of Umatilla county's 5,000,000 bushel wheat crop has been disposed of to date. Of late the market has been well up, but growers are loth to sell. Only one-fourth of the crop disposed of has been shipped out. Dealers are anxiously awaiting the time when all that has been purchased can be moved. Hauling continues as rapidly as the dusty roads permit, and a large part of the crop is in the warehouses.

### Baker County Fair Dates.

Baker City.—The directors of the Baker County Fair and Speed Association have placed the date for holding the fair from October 11 to 16. There will be \$2000 hung up in purses, besides the \$1500 state money to be distributed in premiums on agricultural exhibits. A contract has been let for building the pavilion and grandstand.

### Sells 4,000 Ewes.

Baker City.—Lee Bros., prominent sheep men of this place, have sold 4000 head of choice yearling ewes to a Wyoming buyer at \$2.25 per head. The sheep are at present on the range near Cornucopia, but will be delivered in this city for shipment.

### Wheat Market.

Portland—Walla Walla, 75c; bluestem, 83c; valley, 85c.  
Tacoma—Bluestem, 82 1/2c; club, 80c.  
Albany—75c.  
Salem—80c.  
Colfax—Club, 71c; bluestem, 78c.  
Pendleton—Club, 70c; bluestem, 73c.  
La Grande—Club, 65c; bluestem, 70c

## CLASH IN PANAMA.

### Officials Cannot Agree as to Their Rights.

Washington Sept. 20.—The Times tonight prints the following: "There have arisen serious misunderstandings between John Barrett American minister at Panama, and the Isthmian commission. Admiral Walker, head of the Isthmian canal commission, prefers to deal with questions that have arisen between this government and Panama in his own way, desiring not to 'waste time' with diplomacy.

"Minister John Barrett holds that there are questions bearing on relations between the canal zone government and the government of the republic of Panama that should be submitted to diplomatic adjustment.

"The pinch has come in determining whose authority shall be uppermost in settling a number of questions which might as readily come under Governor Davis' jurisdiction as under that of Minister Barrett. So serious has the differences between the Panama officials become that Minister John Barrett has decided to come to Washington personally to present his case to the president.

This story cannot be confirmed, but probably grows out of the fact that Minister Barrett is soon to return home on leave of absence, which the president promised he should have this fall.

## TRAIN IN A WRECK.

### Chicago Passenger Train Piled Up at a Crossing.

Chicago, Sept. 20.—A passenger train on the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern road was wrecked this afternoon at the crossing of the tracks at Root street. Accounts of the cause differ, some of the railroad people alleging that the train ran into an open switch and others saying the locomotive jumped the track because of a broken flange. Twelve persons were injured and some of them may die.

The train was going at a high rate of speed to make up lost time. The tracks are elevated, and the accident happened just before the train reached the viaduct over Root street. The engine plunged to the far side of the viaduct, where a rail torn from its fastenings rose up on end and transfixed the rear of the engine cab and the fore part of the baggage car. It held the wreckage so firmly that several hours' work with coldchisels was necessary before the baggage car could be removed. The four cars behind the baggage car were piled in a heap at the north end of the viaduct, and all of them badly smashed. An overturned stove in the rear car set fire to the wreckage, but it was extinguished by the fire department before it had gained much headway.

## OREGON GETS PRIZE.

### Shorthorn Cow First in the Aged Class at St. Louis.

St. Louis, Sept. 20.—Orange Blossom, of Fairview, a red beauty of a shorthorn cow, splendidly typical of the breed belonging to the Ladd estate, Portland, Or., has won first award in the class for aged cows, the feature event of the world's fair cattle show.

Roberta, belonging to the herd of the Toba Land & Cattle company, of Clinton, Mo., beaten but once since she was a yearling, and winner at the last international at Chicago, who was thought to have a mortgage on this event of calving a beautiful white heifer shortly before the event was called.

Choice Goods, which won the first event for aged bulls in the shorthorn class, is the sire of the little white heifer that is valued by its owners at \$1,000. Roberta and Choice Goods are two of the trio of shorthorns for which, along with Cicely, the Toba Land & Cattle company is said to have paid the Ladd estate \$15,000.

## Japanese are Advancing.

Mukden, Sept. 20.—The Japanese are reported to be advancing on both flanks from the east, southeast and southwest. The outposts are closely engaged 20 miles southward, there being almost constant skirmishing. Indications point to another great battle in the vicinity of Mukden. Russian troops occupy all the surrounding villages. Refugees are flocking in to the city. Chinese among them complain of severity on the part of the Japanese.

## New Packing House for Chicago.

Chicago, Sept. 20.—Chicago is to have a new packing house plant, capitalized at \$2,500,000, and with a daily capacity of 1,000 head of cattle, 2,000 hogs and 5,000 sheep. The company has been incorporated under the laws of New York and negotiations for a site at the union stockyards are under way. The plant is expected to be erected and in working order by May 19, 1905. New York capital is said to be back of the new enterprise.

## Loubet Will Retire.

Paris, Sept. 20.—President Loubet, in the course of a speech to the provincial mayors today, said he looked forward with satisfaction to the serenity of private life after the close of his term. The statement is taken as a definite statement of the president not to seek a second term. His present term expires at the end of next year.

## WORK STARTS

### Irrigation Convention Meets at Ontario.

#### THIRD SESSION OF ASSOCIATION

#### About 200 Delegates in Attendance

#### Malheur County Has an Exceptionally Fine Fruit Exhibit.

Ontario, Or., Sept. 20.—The third annual irrigation convention met here yesterday afternoon, President Devers, of Portland, presiding. Rev. David Sepp pronounced the invocation, after which Mayor Lackey extended a most cordial and hearty welcome to the delegates. President Devers responded to the welcome.

The convention took a recess after President Devers' address until 8 P. M. The evening session was held in the Congregational church, which was crowded to its capacity, most all of the delegates having arrived on the delayed trains since the afternoon meeting.

After singing "America" Governor Chamberlain was introduced as the first speaker of the evening. The governor congratulated the people of Malheur county on the magnificent fruit exhibit. He said he had visited St. Louis and viewed the horticultural exhibits from all the states, Oregon included, and he could state, speaking from personal knowledge on the subject, that the exhibit made by the people of Malheur for this convention was finer in every respect than that of any state or territory at St. Louis. The governor said he had wired President Myer, of the state commission, to come over and secure and send this exhibit to St. Louis at once.

The governor then spoke at some length in regard to the irrigation projects inaugurated under the Carey act. Contracts have been signed and lands segregated to the extent of 120,500 acres and applications are pending for 267,950 acres more, enough to provide homes for 30,000 people.

H. B. Gates, of Hillsboro, member of the state irrigation commission, spoke of the proposed irrigation laws the commission is preparing and congratulated the people of Malheur on being the first in Oregon to secure government aid for irrigation.

Judge Lowell, of Pendleton, said he wanted to live to see the day when the line of demarcation between East and West Oregon would be wiped away by the heartbeat of a united people, and in closing he gave the convention the sentiment: "Oregon for Oregon."

E. M. Brannik, of Portland, spoke in the interest of the Lewis and Clark fair and urged the people to work for and aid the fair in every way possible.

The evening was enlivened by several songs by Rev. Dr. Sepp.

President Devers, at the request of the local committee, appointed F. W. Sheffield, Dr. Withycombe and Professor F. W. Young to act as judges of the horticultural and agricultural exhibits. The exhibits of fruits made by the fruit growers of Malheur county has proved to be the most attractive as well as the most astonishing feature of the convention. Nothing to equal it, says Governor Chamberlain, President Devers, Judge Lowell and others, has ever been seen in Oregon. All visitors from other portions of the state join in this opinion. There are about 200 delegates in attendance.

## Forest Fires Spreading.

Anaconda, Mont., Sept. 21.—The forest fires west of the city have progressed so far that there is now danger that the buildings at Mountain View park may be destroyed. The advance of the flames is being watched closely by a force of men employed by the railroad company. Should the danger be great, a general alarm will be sounded and a bucket brigade organized. There is plenty of water at the park if it can be properly directed. Along Warm Springs canyon fully a dozen prospectors' cabins have been burned.

## Train Is Ditched.

Junction City, Kan., Sept. 21.—The Pullman section of the eastbound Atlanta express on the Union Pacific was wrecked six miles east of here shortly after 1 o'clock this afternoon by the rails spreading. The train was traveling about 40 miles an hour. Three Pullman cars left the track and the one at the rear rolled over a 15-foot embankment, turning over three times. There were 32 persons in this car. Six of them were seriously injured, and the rest received slight but painful injuries.

## Sailors Cannot Return Home.

Washington, Sept. 21.—Admiral Goodrich, commanding the Pacific station, has telegraphed the navy department that he has forwarded by mail a full report of the agreement he entered into with Captain Berlinaky, of the Russian vessel Lena, for the parole of the officers and crew of that ship. This provides for their freedom of the city of San Francisco, but they may not go beyond the boundaries of the city during the present war.

## Reserves Japan Is Calling Out.

London, Sept. 21.—The Morning Post asserts that the report that Japan is calling out reserves refers to the men not yet summoned to the depots, and whose period of service in the reserves has not expired. The paper explains that a Japanese soldier is not exempt from service until he passes his 41st birthday.

## BIG RUIN BY WIND.

### Atlantic Coast Is Swept by a Terrible Tornado.

New York, Sept. 17.—A number of lives were lost, much property damaged and several ships wrecked in the storm which ravaged the Atlantic coast last night and today. It was one of the fiercest September storms on record, thunder and lightning adding terror to a howling gale which carried drenching sheets of rain over sea and land. Telegraphic reports tonight say the storm was swept out into the ocean and from the Canadian coast.

The greatest loss of life was near Wilmington, Del. The tug Israel W. Durham, with a crew of six men and four other men, employees of the American Dredging company, was swamped in the Delaware river early today during the height of the storm. Eight of the ten persons on the little craft were drowned. Great destruction was caused in the city proper. Trees were uprooted, houses flooded and crops ruined. Further down the coast, Jacksonville, comes the report that five men were drowned off Charleston. This report was brought in by one of the coast liners.

New York suffered comparatively little. The wind and rain and thunder and lightning were terrific, but little actual damage was done. Nineteen coal barges went adrift in the bay and tonight wreckage strewn the shore from the Battery to the Narrows, but no lives were lost. Several small vessels also went ashore on various parts of the coast near New York.

At 4 o'clock this morning the wind was blowing 80 miles an hour, and the rain was coming down in sheets. It was then that the trolley cars came to a standstill. Elevated roads stopped and traffic of all kinds was paralyzed. Along the streets through the market sections of the city wagons were overturned and horses hurled from their feet.

Many plate glass windows succumbed to the wind, especially in the downtown section of the city.

Soon after daybreak the rain ceased and the clouds cleared away. There was a decided drop in the temperature.

In Newark, N. J., lightning struck the building of the Prudential Insurance company and ripped out some of the heavy granite blocks from a cupola 264 feet from the ground. Hundreds of pounds of the granite blocks went crashing through roofs of houses adjoining the skyscraper, causing a panic among the residents.

The storm caused much damage in Brooklyn. In some instances scores of houses were flooded, several blocks of sewer caved