SOON TO WIELD BATS

Browns Ready to Gather at Bakersfield.

BUTLER IS ALREADY THERE

Manager Fred Ely Returns From the League Meeting--President Swigert Wins Recognition From the Magnates.

Manager Fred Ely, of the Browns, who has been attending the annual meeting of the Pacific Coast League at San Francisco, returned to Portland yesterday morning. Ely is highly pleased with the result of the big pow-wow held by the moguls. He is better pleased, however, with a telegram which he received shortly after his arrival. The yellow envelope was from Ike Francis, asking that his ticket be sent him so that both he (Francis) and Nadeau could leave the East for Portland either Friday or Saturday.

Ike Butler, the big Brown twirler, also wrote Ely that he had already reached the Coast and was at present at Bakersfield, and that he would, within a few days, begin light training in preparation for Spring practice. When Butler went East just before the holidays he said that he would return to the Coast just as soon as his visit was over. The big pitcher took on a great deal of flesh last season in spite of the hardest kind of training, and he laid it to the change of climate and had promised himself that he would not have the same thing happen this coming season. Butler will be on the ground over a month before the team reports and he should be in splendid shape by the time Manager Ely and his players reach Bakersfield for the Spring workouts. Nadeau and Francis will make a short stay in Portland, but they, too, will go to the California training camp before it is time to report. It is also expected that Charlie Shields and Jake Thielman will join the Brown colony some time in February.

Of the San Francisco meeting Manager Ely has nothing but praise. He says that President Swigert made a tremendous hit with the Southerners. They liked his business-like style and did not hesitate congratulating the local club on its selection. President Swigert had no qualms about speaking out at the meeting and his straightforward talk won instant recognition.

"It did not take Mr. Swigert long to prove that he was not a novice at the baseball business," said Manager Ely last night, "and what he had to say was so practical that he found a warm response from the California magnates. He at once demonstrated to Harris, Morley and the rest of them that he knew the Coast baseball situation as well as they did and that he was as keenly alive to the league's needs as they themselves were. For a man who was not in close touch with baseball last season, Mr. Swigert was remarkably well informed, and he made this fact felt by the Southerners and they liked him because he did know what had been going on."

Manager Ely has not yet decided whether it will be necessary for him to make a trip East for players or not. Oakland has granted Portland the right to sign "Judge" McCreedy, but whether Ely will be able to get this player is not known. The clever outfielder has signified a desire to stay on the Coast, and it may be that he might be prevailed upon to sign a Brown contract. Ely was a little disappointed because Hulseman and Lawler were barred by the league, but he has letters from players who are as good who wish to sign with him for 1904.

Lucas May Take in Bellingham.

SPOKANE, Wash., Jan. 6.—Latest suggested move to permit clubowners of Spokane and Seattle in Pacific National League to save something out of the wreck, is to give a franchise to Bellingham, the new town, since the consolidation of Fairhaven and Whatcom. The deal now on foot to perpetuate the Pacific National League is to include Salt Lake City, Butte, Helena, probably Great Falls, Spokane, Seattle and Bellingham.

It is reported that D. E. Dugdale, of the Seattle Club, has signified his willingness to oppose the Pacific Coast League, if Bellingham is taken into the circuit, and that Ogden will be left out of the league in order to take in the three Montana cities.

DAINTY SPURTS TOO LATE.

Favorite Loses Oakland Ingleside to Our Bessie.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 6.—Our Bessie proved a surprise at Oakland today by taking the mile and a sixteenth handicap. Dainty, the favorite, appeared to be winning handily, and Martin grew careless. When he saw Our Bessie coming with a rush, he called on his mount, but it was too late and Our Bessie won by a nose.

Chorus Boy stumbled in the third race, three furlongs from the wire, and fell. Otis sustained a depressed fracture of the skull. Modicum was plunged on in the last race, but made a poor showing. Results:

Futurity course, selling—Our Pride won, Theron second, Sir Preston third; time, 1:11¾.

Six furlongs, selling—Sad Sam won, The Mighty second, Mimo third; time, 1:12¾.

Futurity course, selling—Mocorito won, Puredale second, Romaine third; time, 1:11.

Mile and a sixteenth, handicap—Our Bessie won, Dainty second, Falconbridge third; time, 1:48.

Six and a half furlongs—Rockaway won, Military Man second, Dr. Rowell third; time, 1:20.

Mile and 50 yards, selling—Avenger won, Marlin second, Optimo third; time, 1:45⅘.

PUBLIC QUITS WINNER AT ASCOT

Three Favorites, Two Second and a Third Choice Land.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 6.—Three favorites, two second choices and one third choice won at Ascot today, and the public quit winner. The weather was fine and the track good. Results:

Mile, selling—Lemco won, Ulm second, Sharpless third; time, 1:46⅘.

Mile and a quarter, over five hurdles—Poorlands won, Charawind second, Limber Jim third; time, 2:19.

Six furlongs, selling—Eugenie R. won, Eli second, Neko third; time, 1:14⅘.

Handicap, seven furlongs—M. F. Tarpey won, Ragtag second, Bragg third; time, 1:27⅘.

Selling, Slauson course—Blissful won, The Goldfinder second, Thisbe third; time, 1:30⅘.

Mile, selling—Merwan won, Fiscus second, Platonius third; time, 1:44.

At New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 6.—Crescent City results:

Six furlongs—Fort Plain won, King's Charm second, Cedar Rapids third; time, 1:14 2-5.

Seven furlongs, selling—Lingo won, Oclawaha second, Circus Girl third; time, 1:28.

Six furlongs—Komombo won, Miss Hume second, Nellie Waddell third; time, 1:14.

Mile and an eighth, handicap—Tribes Hill won, Lurlighter second, Bondage third; time, 1:54.

Five and a half furlongs—Morning Star won, Mad Mullah second, Dusky third; time, 1:07 4-5.

Mile and a sixteenth, selling—Ethelwheat won, The Messenger second, Bard of Avon third; time, 1:47 4-5.

Indoor Games at Y. M. C. A.

Basket-ball and indoor baseball will be played tomorrow night at the Y. M. C. A. between teams from the Oregon City Y. M. C. A. and the intermediates of the local association. The Portland teams went to Oregon City last week and met defeat, and in tomorrow night's game expect to repair their damaged prestige. The Portland basket-ball players will be: Pugh, center; Moore and Masters, forwards; Harrison and Wilson, guards. The baseball nine will be as follows: Barrell, pitcher; Pugh or Bachus, catcher; Thing, first base; Lightly, second; Wilson, third; Lowengart, right short stop; Morrow, left short stop; Gates, right field; C. Morrow, left field.

Eastern and California Races
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URGES TURKEY TO ACTION.

Bulgaria Wants Reforms Instituted in Macedonia.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Jan. 6.—The Bulgarian government has sent a note to the Porte complaining of the nonfulfillment of its promises concerning reforms in Macedonia. Bulgaria urgently requests the Porte immediately to take the necessary measures to end a condition of affairs which is so prejudicial to the interests of both countries, and points out that the application of the postponed reforms should be easy, owing to the fact that the revolutionists are not hampering the government at present by any interference. The note concludes:

"If the Porte is actuated by a sincere desire to ameliorate the lot of its Bulgarian subjects and renew its former relations with the principality the responsibility rests solely upon the Porte."

It is learned here that Colonel Bendorff, the Russian agent, has suddenly left Sofia. It is understood that his mission at Sofia was to endeavor to prevent the Bulgarian government from raising the Macedonian question at this time, owing to the acuteness of the Far Eastern crisis, which is now engaging Russia's entire attention.

RUSSIANS ASSAULT HEBREWS.

Demonstration at Kishinef Is Serious for a Time.

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—A threatening anti-Semitic demonstration has occurred at Kishinef, according to a dispatch from London to the American. The police suppressed the disturbance. The riot is reported to have occurred Tuesday. It began with assaults on Jews in the principal streets. A mob quickly formed and surged toward the Ghetto, where Jews were knocked down and trampled upon in the street. Missiles were thrown through windows of houses and many persons were clubbed, but so far as the dispatches indicate no person was seriously hurt. Interference by the police quickly put an end to the demonstration.

Defender of Jews Disbarred.

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—Advocate Kalnovici has been forbidden to practice law for two years, according to a World dispatch from Kishinef by way of Bucharest. He defended the Jews before the court which investigated the recent massacre. Secretary of the Council Karabezewski is said to have been exiled to Siberia for five years.

Some rabbis have joined in a proclamation advising the Jews not to participate in uprisings, but to remain loyal subjects to the Czar.

DEFENSE DIETRICH WILL MAKE

Will Not Admit He Was a Senator When Alleged Bribery Took Place.

OMAHA, Neb., Jan. 6.—When the indictment charging Senator Charles H. Deitrich with alleged bribery in connection with the Hastinns, Neb., postoffice appointment is called Thursday, the defense will refuse to admit that Dietrich had become a United States Senator when the alleged transactions took place. The charge is made in the indictment that Senator Dietrich negotiated with Fisher as early as January of the year in which the Legislature elected Dietrich to the position of Senator.

General Cowin, who represents Senator Dietrich, contends that there could be no violation in the building lease charge, basing his contention on the same ground as in the bribery charge. This question probably will be the first to be adjudicated when court convenes Thursday.

Fugitive Reimburses Bondsmen.

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—Ex-Mayor W. B. Kirk, of Syracuse, now a guest at the Hoffman House, is reported to have exhibited a check for $40,000, payable to his order, and bearing the signature of J. F. Gaynor. Many months ago Mr. Kirk signed a bail bond for Gaynor, who had been indicted for complicity in the frauds connected with Government work in the harbor of Savannah. Gaynor went to Canada, and Mr. Kirk had to pay the $20,000. When Gaynor saw that the bond must be paid he is said to have sent his check to his bondsman.

Denver Nearly Has a Lynching.

DENVER, Jan. 6.—Prompt action on the part of the Denver police probably prevented an attempt to lynch three slayers of Mrs. Youngblood—Peters, Andrews and Arnold. A mob of about 100 people gathered at Valverde and began a march on the jail. Chief Armstrong learned of the movement early and sent the prisoners to Colorado Springs. He then sent a force of police to intercept the mob. In some manner the mob learned of this action on the part of the police before it had proceeded many blocks, and it turned back to Valverde and dissolved.

His Liberty Cut Short.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Jan. 6.—Cashier J. E. Marcell, of the Bank of Highland, Kan., charged with forgery, was released today on bond, and tonight was again arrested on a charge of uttering forged paper, which it is said will aggregate $60,000. The bank doors were closed today. Marcell has been a speculator in wheat on the Chicago Board of Trade. He has lost heavily in wheat of late.

Haytian Revolution Fails.

PORT AU PRINCE, Saturday, Jan. 2.—During the absence from Port au Prince of President Nord, who went to Gonaives to take part in the celebration of the centenary of the independence of Hayti, General Monplaisser attempted to raise a revolution against the President, but the movement failed. The General's son and an accomplice were killed. Numerous arrests were made.

New York Theaters Pass.

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—The inspectors sent out by Building Commissioner Thompson to look into the condition of the theaters of the city reported that they had inspected 80 of the 82 places of amusement in New York today, and had not found a single theater in which there were violations of the building code of sufficient importance to warrant closing orders.

Train Goes Through Bridge.

DEADWOOD, S. D., Jan. 6.—The Burlington train that left Deadwood this afternoon, crashed through a bridge at Rochford, 30 miles from Deadwood, and nine persons were injured, several seriously. Among the injured is L. V. Seals, of Billings, Mont.

MAKES MATCH WITH BRITT

YOUNG CORBETT WILL MEET HIM IN FEBRUARY.

Fight Will Be in San Francisco and Will Probably Be Handled by Yosemite Club.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 6.—William Rothwell (Young Corbett) and James E. Britt, agreed tonight to fight in this city next February. They will weigh in at 130 pounds at 6 P. M. The fight will probably be under the auspices of the Yosemite Club, which has the permit for February.

YOUNG CORBETT CONQUERED.

Featherweight Champion Said to Have Capitulated to Heiress.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 6.—According to report, Young Corbett, conqueror of Hanlon, McGovern and other featherweights, has been conquered by Cupid, and has surrendered to a dashing young blonde, a New York heiress, who is visiting friends in this city.

For two weeks past, stories have been afloat in sporting circles to the effect that Young Corbett was seriously contemplating matters matrimonial. As a matter of fact, since he arrived on his present visit his entire mode of living has noticeably changed. Instead of trying to drink up all the wine in town and staying up all night, as was his wont in times past, he has abstained from drink, greatly moderated his hours of wakefulness and otherwise deported himself in a manner that readily aroused the suspicion among his friends that something serious was agitating his mind.

The fair maiden whose name has been linked by gossip with that of Young Corbett is Miss Marguerite Sulzer, who is said to be the daughter of the late Herman Sulzer, a prominent capitalist of New York. She arrived here two weeks ago and is residing at the Paisley, 538 Sutter street.

"I cannot imagine how this story got about," she said. "I came to San Francisco to visit some friends. I have known Mr. Rothwell about a year, but the question of matrimony has never been given serious consideration by either of us, I am sure." Despite denials, however, Young Corbett's friends are still inclined to think there is something in the air.

HEINRICH CONRIED, WHO HAS PRODUCED WAGNER'S "PARSIFAL" SO SUCCESSFULLY

Heinrich Conried, under whose direction Wagner's "Parsifal" was so sumptuously and so successfully given at New York, December 24, is a man who has achieved distinction in musical and literary circles, and who also has received coveted honors at the hands of royalty. Mr. Conried is an Austrian by birth, having been born at Bielitz, Silesia, on the 13th of September, 1855. He was educated at the Oberealschule, at Vienna, and soon took up the musical profession, his efforts being recognized by the German Emperor, who decorated him with the Order of the Crown, and by Emperor Francis Joseph, who conferred on him the Cross of Knighthood. He also has received the Order of Art and Science of Italy and Belgium; and educational institutions likewise have acknowledged his abilities, for he is an honorary member of the board on German languages and literature at both Harvard and Vassar. Mr. Conried has been before the American public several years as a director of operatic and dramatic enterprises. He is now manager of the Irving Park Theater; and, as successor to Maurice Grau, directs the fortunes of the Metropolitan Opera-House.

ALONE TO BLAME.

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train was made up again and sent over the Union Pacific tracks to Manhattan, Kan., where it will resume its trip over the Rock Island tracks. Most of the passengers were bound to El Paso. Otto Smith, Coroner of Wabaunsee County, and J. M. Dolley, his assistant, while caring for the dead, found $22,600 in bills and drafts on the person of one of the unidentified dead. He was a middle-aged man and presumably a Texas stockman, who had sold cattle on the Kansas City market.

Ten of the dead are at one local morgue, nine at another and one little child unaccounted for. The major portion were taken from the depot in a common express wagon, their bodies covered with blankets. The victims are a pitiful sight. Some are mangled almost entirely below the waist, their faces in peaceful repose almost as if asleep. The shoulders of others are crushed to a pulp. A frantic crowd of bereaved and curious were kept away by the police.

The majority of the wreck victims are evidently of the poorer class of people. Little money or jewels were found. On one woman a purse containing a ring and $24 was discovered by the coroner.

Walter J. Adams, a Rock Island emigrant agent, with headquarters in Kansas City, Mo., was on the train with a party of seven people who were planning to settle. Three of the party were injured. They were C. A. Preib, of Everest, Kan.; G. A. Jones, of Everest, Kan.; and —— Adams, brother of E. F. Adams, of Everest. This is the story which Mr. Adams tells of the wreck:

"The first thing I knew there came a terrible crash. It sounded like a battery of artillery. Then the front end of our car ripped open and the smoker commenced to telescope. All the lights were out. With one or two others, I got hold of the door of the car, which was jammed, and we managed to pull it open. Then we commenced to take people out and pull out seats. I was especially interested in finding my brother. I knew where he was in the car, and I worked my way to him. I took out two men who were jammed in behind seats, and finally I found my brother, down in behind a seat. I got him out and then helped out several women.

"Pretty nearly everybody in the front end of the car was killed. It was a terrible scene. People were screaming for help, and we could hear voices down in the wreck pleading us to save them."

On the bodies of two unidentified young women about 25 years old were found baggage checks reading Tyrone, Okla.

The station agent at Willard said today that the west-bound passenger train was to wait at Willard for an east-bound special freight. He heard the passenger train approaching from the east. As it went by the station, he heard steam escaping and supposed the train was running west on the main track and would stop and back onto the switch for the east-bound freight to pass.

VICTIMS OF THE WRECK.

Identity of the People Killed, as Well as Those Injured.

TOPEKA, Jan. 6.—Following is a list of the dead in the wreck of the Rock Island Railroad:

MRS. J. HILL, Greensburg, Kan.
MRS. W. S. MARTIN, St. Joseph, Mo.
MRS. MARY HARVILLE, Chillicothe, Mo.
BEN HARVILLE, son of Mrs. Harville, aged 13.
TOT HARVILLE, daughter of Mrs. Harville, aged 3.
MRS. SUSAN REED, sister of Mrs. Harville.
JAMES GRIFFIN, Claremont, Mo.
E. E. MYER, Buffalo, N. Y.
RAYMONA MARTIN, Chillicothe, Mo.
W. S. MARTIN, St. Joseph, Mo.
E. RANKINS, Dekalb, Mo.
WILLIAM J. WELLS, Jacksonville, Ill.
MRS. MARY KAISER, Russian; address unknown.
GALE FULLER, aged 7, Brockton, Ia.
GRACE REED, Chillicothe, Mo.
LEONORA REED, Chillicothe, Mo.
Unidentified boy, aged 8.

The Injured.

Following is a list of the injured:

G. W. Sherman, McFarland, Kan., wrist and head injured, slight.

Blanche Martin, St. Joseph, Mo., left foot sprained and abrasion on face.

E. U. Totman, Harlan, Mo., back and head injured; not serious.

Mollie Fuller, Blockton, Ia., head and back; not seriously.

C. A. Fried, Everest, Kan., sprain in right ankle and right thigh.

Mrs. H. B. Ropeke, Louisville, Ky., back injured; not seriously.

Mrs. E. D. Fuller, Blockton, Ia., abrasion on face.

Hattie Ellinger, Lindsborg, Kan., laceration of face.

Dan H. Wadsworth, Arnourdale, Kan., left leg lacerated and fractured.

Mrs. M. A. Hill (address not known), compound fracture of left leg and fracture of right femur, seriously injured.

Clarence Fowlers, Hanson, Ky., lacerations on head.

Mrs. Alloe Rosebo (address not known), slight bruises.

H. A. Jones, Everest, Kan., fractured nose and lacerated face.

J. C. Nagle, conductor, Kansas City, Mo., left ankle broken, bruised.

T. Allen, porter, Topeka, back injured, not seriously.

Frank Harville, Chillicothe, Mo., 6 years old, lacerated head.

C. A. Wright, Kansas City, Mo., fractured rib and internal injuries.

V. Frazier, Kansas City, sprain on left shoulder.

J. Ovenman, conductor of Pullman, Kansas City, Mo.

O. Swanson, Lane, Kan.

F. L. Beatty, Pennsylvania.

E. F. Adams, brakeman, Everest, Kan.

Mrs. Rose Bulb, Atchison County, Kansas.

Mrs. Berth Shubert, St. Claire, Ill.

Ola Harvo, Lynne, I. T.

Peter Clark, Council Grove, Kan., back injured; was on the cattle train.

The dead are being brought to Topeka. Many of them are badly mutilated.

RESCUERS FACE PITIFUL SCENES

Some of the Bodies So Crushed as to Be Unrecognizable.

TOPEKA, Jan. 6.—H. C. Parsons, a Topeka State Journal reporter, was on the wrecked passenger train. Two people on the seat in front of Parsons were killed, but Parsons escaped uninjured. He gives the following copyrighted account of the disaster:

One of the most destructive and fatal wrecks ever witnessed in the vicinity of Topeka occurred about 1:35 o'clock this morning two miles west of Willard, Kan., on the Rock Island Railroad. At least a score of persons were instantly killed, several were fatally injured and a large number slightly hurt. Two passenger cars were demolished, two locomotives totally destroyed and four carloads of stock torn to pieces and dead animals strewn along the right of way. The catastrophe was the result of a head-on collision between the El Paso train, due to leave Topeka at 11:55 P. M., and a cattle train. Both trains were running at a speed of 15 to 25 miles an hour. The freight was a long one. When the engines met they were welded together by the impact. The engineer and fireman on the freight escaped injury by jumping. The fireman on the passenger was seriously injured, but the engineer escaped.

Car Is Driven Through Another.

It was in the third car of the passenger, the first coach, preceded by a smoker and a baggage car, that the greatest slaughter of passengers took place. The shock drove the smoker, which was occupied by only two or three men, completely over and through the car behind it, which was crowded with passengers, some standing in the aisle when the shock came. The passengers in the car where the numerous deaths occurred did not feel any serious shock. They were first warned by the total darkness following the sudden setting of the airbrakes. Then a mass of splintered wood and iron crowded down upon them. No one was thrown out of his seat by the blow.

Out of possibly 100 people in the car about 30 escaped without injury. They got out hurriedly by the rear door which was still unobstructed. No one in the front half of the car escaped. They were crushed down between the seats in the smoker. Only three living people were taken out by the rescuers, who chopped holes in the side, floor and top of the wrecked cars in a frenzied attempt to rescue a man, a small girl and a middle-aged woman, who were moaning and begging for aid. The rest of the passengers in the forward half were all dead. One man was taken out by a rear door within five minutes after the collision, and died almost instantly from internal injuries. A woman died two hours later while trying to tell a physician her name.

Sad Case of a Little Girl.

A little girl named Bonnie Martin, about 11 years of age, was pinned down between the two cars, a heavy stove resting on one foot. Her cries attracted the rescuers, and men, many of them bleeding from wounds about the face and arms, worked manfully to get her out. It took two hours of steady work to relieve her. When she was taken out she addressed a doctor who was bending over her as "Papa." The physician did not have the heart to tell her that she was an orphan, her father and mother having been killed. Mr. Martin was killed instantly, and Mrs. Martin died ten minutes after being taken out of the wreck. The child was suffering with a broken ankle, where the heavy stove fell on her, and severe scalp contusions. She was put to sleep by a hypodermic injection to relieve her pain.

A dozen or more Topeka physicians came out to the scene of the wreck on the relief train which was sent from Topeka as soon as a brakeman could run to Willard and notify headquarters of the wreck. The physicians went to relieving the injured and made no attempt to remove the crushed and disfigured bodies from the debris.

After daylight this morning the work of removing the bodies began. The engine which brought out the physicians, a number of policemen and a wrecking gang about 3:30 o'clock, coupled onto the two cars, sleeper and chair cars, which were uninjured, and hauled them slowly back to Topeka. All the ambulances in town were in waiting at the depot when the train arrived at 6:20 and the injured were at once taken to hospitals. Some of the bodies found in the wreckage were so badly crushed as to be unrecognizable. Through a hole chopped on the left side of a car the body of a gray-haired, heavy set man, and a woman, with long, yellow hair were visible when the train with the injured was taken back to town. At that time the rescuers were positive they had removed all the living victims.

Fires were built along the track at short intervals, and by the light of these men chopped until they were exhausted, handed the ax to another and sat down to rest. The entire sides of the cars were chopped away when the work was completed. Occasionally the choppers would desist upon an alarm being raised by watchers, who declared that the chopping away of the lower car was letting the top car down upon the victims. The top, or forward car, left the trucks in its backward rush. The trucks were still upon the track under the car in front.

Not a wheel on the entire passenger train seemed to be off the track. The freight train fared differently, the four cars immediately behind the engine being crushed into kindling and strewn from one fence to the other. Dead and dying cattle lay around in the neighborhood of the wrecked cars, and some were running loose. A carload of hogs were nearly all killed.

The Hero of the Wreck.

The uninjured passengers in the Pullman cars led the rescue work. The hero of the wreck was Dr. Bell, of New York City, a young physician, crippled and walking on crutches. Dr. Bell, although slightly hurt as a result of the collision, was the first man to leave the Pullman sleeper, which was not damaged. Struggling heroically forward on his crutches, he immediately assumed charge of the relief work. After working until nearly exhausted, Dr. Bell only gave way when the physicians arrived from Topeka with medicine and instruments.

Bell cleared a portion of the chair car and set up a hospital. Then he cleared berths in the sleeper and had the victims of the catastrophe brought in and made as comfortable as possible. He was without instruments or medicine, and the only thing he could do was to bind up wounds with bandages made by tearing up sleeper sheets and pillow cases, giving the patients whisky to deaden the pain.

An artery was severed in the fireman's leg. The young doctor took it up with a penknife and tied it with a thread, probably preventing the fireman from bleeding to death. He performed innumerable acts of a like nature before the arrival of the Topeka physicians. A shortage of hypodermic needles was soon discovered. Nearly all the needles were broken in a short time, and then the doctors were forced to resort to whisky as a deadener of pain.

None of the trainmen seemed to know who was to blame for the wreck. The El Paso train left Topeka about 30 minutes late, and the injured conductor said he had the right of way, and that the cattle train had no excuse for being out on the main line under ordinary circumstances. He said it should have waited for the passenger at Maple Hill, six miles west of Willard. The El Paso train did not stop at Willard, and was running to make up lost time. At the point where the wreck occurred there is a curve in the track, and the engineers on the two trains barely had time to set the air brakes and jump before the crash came. The heavy freight was not easily stopped. The passengers on the El Paso train were given little warning. The loud hiss of the air brakes was followed almost instantly by the blow and crushing sound of telescoping cars. Not more than two seconds elapsed.

Amid the groans and shrieks of the injured the survivors crawled out over wrecked seats. The usual number of humane swine were visible. They stood around and hung on to their baggage with an iron grip while other men were using all the tools on the train and then resorting to wooden levers and pieces of scrap iron to break into the death trap.

Escape a Mystery.

Just before the car went to pieces Henry Kaiser, a middle-aged German, who could not speak a word of English, came into the doomed coach with his family, consisting of wife and five children, all under 10 years of age. They had a lot of miscellaneous baggage, and could find no place in the car. Not ten seconds before the wreck the porter called to the German to go forward to the smoker, as there was plenty of room in that car. The German and his family started forward. A minute after the wreck the agonized German, whose face was covered with blood from a dozen wounds, broke out of the car and began calling loudly for his family. In a few minutes three men came out of the wrecked car carrying four of the children. They were motherless. How they escaped instant death is a mystery. They had been forced upward through the floor of one car and were taken out of the smoker, which was piled on top.

The mother and smallest child were instantly killed. Ladies from among the passengers tried to comfort the desolate children, who were crying loudly for "mutter." The father worked with the frenzy of desperation, tearing boards from the side of the car with his bare hands until the blood came. It was nearly an hour later when the body of the woman was found, with the smaller child and a piece of baggage in her arms.

A Mrs. Hill, who, with her small daughter, was going to El Paso, was in the wrecked car. Mrs. Hill died while giving her name to a physician, who was working over her. When the relief train, with 19 injured persons aboard, left the scene of the wreck, the wrecking volunteers were trying to find the body of the little daughter.

According to officials of the Rock Island here, S. F. Benjamin, engineer of the passenger train, failed to regard his orders to meet the freight train at Willard. It is believed that Benjamin either forgot his orders or disregarded them. He saved himself by jumping.

Kaiser's Part in Singing Contest.

BERLIN, Jan. 6.—Emperor William has completed arrangements for the compilation of popular songs which he promised June 6, during the singing contest at Frankfort. The two committees which the Emperor selected for the purpose were under the chairmanship of Baron von Liencron, of Schleswig. The first committee decides which songs are to be accepted. The Emperor has added to this committee a consulting committee, to obtain the greatest catholicity of taste. It is composed of 22 professors of music, conductors, etc., of many German cities, and also of Vienna and Zurich. Austrian, Swiss and Dutch melodies will be included. Military songs will receive proper attention, as Major-General Count Kuno von Moltke, of the Emperor's personal staff, is a member of the consulting committee.

Berlin Will Inaugurate Reform.

BERLIN, Jan. 6.—At a meeting held in Police Headquarters today for the purpose of hearing the report of Fire Chief Gelersberg regarding the status of theaters of Berlin in the matter of their safety, it was decided that certain changes were necessary. It developed during the meeting that although there was no special danger existing in any of the theaters, some of them needed certain changes for the safety of the public and it was decreed these changes must be made immediately.

Pope Will Put Veto Under Ban.

ROME, Jan. 6.—The Italia says that the pope will issue an apostolic decree regulating the proceedings of the papal conclave, and that the terms of this decree will prevent any of the powers from exercising a veto against any candidate for the papal throne.

APPEAL TO THE REICHSTAG.

German Artist League Determined to Be at '04 Fair.

BERLIN, Jan. 6.—The German Artist League, composed of artists of the impressionist school, which was recently organized at Weimar, having failed to persuade Count Von Bulow, the Imperial Chancellor and Count Von Posadowsky-Wehner, the Minister of the Interior, to issue an order compelling the General Association of Art Societies of Dresden to yield to the League a reasonable portion of the space alloted to German art at the St. Louis Exposition, has decided to petition the Reichstag regarding the matter. Berlin art collectors anticipate a very interesting debate when the petition of the League is discussed in the Reichstag.

ROBBED IN A BUSY OFFICE.

Jeweler Relieved of $4300 With People All Around Him.

CHICAGO, Jan. 6.—With persons busy in offices all about him, David Freeman, a jeweler, with offices on the sixteenth floor of the Masonic Temple building, was held up by two men today and robbed of $4300 in currency, diamonds and watches. A dagger was pointed at his heart, and he was threatened with instant death, he says, and forced to go down on his knees and open his safe.

King's Illness Quite Serious.

GMUNDEN, Jan. 6.—King Christian, of Denmark, is more seriously ill than was at first admitted, and it is stated that his homeward journey which was to have begun today has been indefinitely postponed.

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