

THAW IN EAST CAUSES GREAT FLOODS.

MANY SECTIONS SUFFER

Factories in Several Cities Forced to Close.

ICE GORGES ARE FORMING

Pittsburg is Greatly Alarmed Since the Allegheny is Three Feet Higher Than the Monongahela—Steamers Go Down.

WORST FEARS ARE REALIZED.

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 22.—The worst fears of the manufacturers along the Pittsburgh side of the Allegheny River were realized early this morning when the water swept over the banks in many places and inundated the surrounding districts. Every mill and factory between the Allegheny Valley Railroad tracks and the river is more or less flooded, and it is estimated that in the neighborhood of 25,000 men will be forced to lay idle until Monday or Tuesday.

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 22.—(Midnight.)—The Allegheny and Monongahela Rivers are rising steadily. The Allegheny is three feet higher than the Monongahela, and as a consequence a dangerous ice gorge is now forming between the Wash and Smithfield-street bridges. Just above the confluence of the rivers, there is ice enough in both rivers at this time to keep both the rivers well filled until Sunday morning, and perhaps later.

Early in the day, owing to the warning sent out in regard to the danger from the Allegheny, all of the coal barges and steamboats were sent into the Monongahela to gain the better protection of the pools, and consequently stiller water. Already a large quantity of 40,000 bushels of coal has been sunk and the whole fleet, with nearly 25,000 bushels on board, is in danger.

Mills Forced to Close.

In the Pennsylvania-avenue mill district many of the mills have their pits below flood level, and were compelled to shut down, throwing 700 men and boys out of work. The big and little Shenangoes, which meet at Greenville, are higher than for years. A gorge in these streams has backed the water over the town, causing much damage.

South Race and Water streets are under water. Many families were taken from their homes in boats, while others have moved their household goods to the second floors. The Bessemer railroad shops and the Hodge Manufacturing Plant, both built above the high-water mark, have been abandoned. Tonight these plants are under water two feet, and much machinery has been ruined. The entire Bessemer yards are flooded, and the main line is being used as a storage for locomotives and coaches removed from flooded shops. At Ospegot, two miles north of here, there is six feet of water on the Bessemer tracks.

The water in Mercer is higher than it was ever known before and continues to rise. Both the Neshaug and Shenango Rivers at Green Castle have risen more than 20 inches since morning, and are at flood stage, with the water coming up rapidly.

The tinplate and steel mills are closed and the main thoroughfares are impassable.

Steamers Sink.

During the afternoon Captain McKinley, of the transportation department of the Monongahela Coal & Coke Company, received a telegram from Slaterville announcing that the Hornet No. 3 had sunk in about 24 feet of water and would probably be a total loss. The crew was the impending danger in time to escape. The boat was valued at \$10,000.

About 1 P. M. steamer of the Volanteer, at Brown's Station, reached the local headquarters of the coal combine. The officers and crew were saved. The vessel was valued at \$15,000.

One river man stated tonight that the extent of the damage wrought by the ice tonight could not be estimated until tomorrow, but it will amount to high into the hundreds of thousands of dollars. This, coupled with the losses sustained by railroads, business houses, manufacturing, street car companies, government works and residents, will likely put the loss at about \$1,000,000.

At midnight the Pittsburgh & Western Railroad is out of business, and the Baltimore & Ohio is sending its trains to Youngstown over the Lake Erie.

At 3 o'clock this morning (Saturday) the steamer Tom Lisle and Delta, each manned by a crew of 13 to 15 men, are reported missing. The boats passed Davis Island dam at 9:30 o'clock, apparently in an attempt to rescue a runaway barge loaded with railroad iron. No trace of either boat has been secured up to this time.

Two barges loaded with 50,000 bushels of coal were caught by the current this morning and sunk.

A fleet of 40 barges loaded with pit posts were swept away and reported lost. The barges with their cargoes were valued at \$250,000 each.

HOUSEBOAT IS CRUSHED.

Woman is Drowned and Rescuer Attempts in Vain to Save Man.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 22.—The ice in White River carried off a houseboat occupied by John Schowe and wife, and battered it to pieces. Mrs. Schowe was drowned and her body carried down the river. Schowe was thrown into the water when the houseboat went to pieces and caught hold of bushes on a submerged island in the middle of the river, crying for the crew of the city. In answer to his cries for help, Rollo Morrison started for the island through the ice in a boat. After an hour he reached him, but Schowe, crazed by the cold, fought him off. Morrison finally overpowered Schowe, tied him in the boat and started for shore. The crushing ice and struggles of the man threw Morrison out, and the boat went down the river with Schowe tied to the bottom. Morrison was later rescued.

Indians Have to Be Rescued.

LOGANSPORT, Ind., Jan. 22.—The Eel and Wabash Rivers have overflowed their banks as the result of the breaking up

of the ice, and much property has been destroyed in this city and county. At the village of Georgetown, residents were rescued with boats. At Adamastor, a dam was swept away and much property was destroyed. Whole portions of Logansport have been flooded, and many homes have been abandoned. The water is still rising and rain is still falling.

TUGS AND TOWS FROZEN IN.

Long Island Sound is a Compact Ice Field From Shore to Shore.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—Long Island Sound is a compact ice field from shore to shore and from Hell Gate to New Haven, Conn. Only the largest steamers went through during the night, and unless there is a thaw navigation is likely to be closed at once. Hundreds of sailing vessels and big, ocean-going tugs are frozen in the fields with their tows.

Strong westerly gales have been piling up ice into the neck of the sound, and now cakes five inches thick are gathering in a great sea 60 miles long and 12 miles wide at New Haven. Through its narrow strip of thin ice, fringed with lofty hummocks, marks the path arduously broken out by the Fall River liner. The oldest skippers on the sound declare the condition is something new to them. Considerable loss is being caused by the delay in moving freight.

All the towns on the Passaic River below Passaic Falls are in danger by flood, while one of the worst storms of the Winter was still unspent. In this city street rendered walking dangerous for man or horse, and many cases of serious injury were reported.

No vessels were reported as leaving quarantine, and fog bells were kept ringing. The sound was frozen or choked with ice as far as New Haven. Captain's steamer of nearly 100 small ice-locked vessels walked ashore at various points tonight to get supplies.

Today's rainfall caused great distress in Paterson, Newark and smaller towns nearby. As the watershed above Passaic Falls is frozen solid, all the precipitation must run into the river, and Newark Bay is frozen so as to leave no outlet.

PERU PEOPLE ARE VACATING.

Flood Record for Twenty Years Broken—Large Factory Closes.

PERU, Ind., Jan. 22.—Many families have moved out of their homes or vacated the first floors on account of the high water and ice in the Wabash River, which rose two feet during the night and is still rising. The record for 20 years is broken. The Howe factory has closed, and 600 employes are idle.

It is feared the new \$5,000 bridge of the Indianapolis Northern Railway Company will go out. It is now eight inches above water, with a sea of ice plunging and crashing against it. Preparations are being made to dynamite it if necessary to save other property. Heavy traffic is interrupted, tracks for many miles being under water.

Worst Flood in Many Years.

WABASH, Ind., Jan. 22.—The Wabash River has risen two feet since midnight, covering the lowlands of the city and closing three factories. Traction traffic has ceased. The high water record for many years is broken.

COLD WEATHER MAY SAVE IT.

Cleveland Has Arisayed Suffered a Loss of \$500,000.

CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 22.—The flood situation in Cleveland and vicinity is brightening tonight, because of a fall in the temperature, which will lessen the probability of a dangerous gorge about ten miles up the Cuyahoga River. The water level in the Cuyahoga River is flowing about 15 miles an hour, and is slightly lower than during the day.

The three Great Lake vessels that broke loose from their moorings today are still wedged tightly together, and there is no possibility of them breaking away or being moved until the flood of water has ceased running into the lake. The entire loss in Cleveland is estimated at \$500,000.

ICE GORGE BREAKS IN TIME.

Dayton Escapes Flooding, but Traction Traffic is Suspended.

DAYTON, O., Jan. 22.—Wide sections of the Miami Valley south of Dayton are inundated. Traction traffic between Dayton and Cincinnati has been suspended owing to the damage to trestle work south of Franklin. The immense ice gorge north of Dayton broke away in time to prevent the flooding of the city. The Miami River is still rising, but unless heavy rains should continue, no serious results are now anticipated in this vicinity. Trains are delayed because of damaged roadbeds.

Leaves in Danger of Breaking.

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 22.—The Scioto River has passed the danger line, and now stands at 174 feet. The lowlands have been inundated, and the levees are being closely watched to prevent the entire West side from being flooded. There is much concern. No damage has as yet resulted from the ice going out of the river.

The electric street lamps were dark during the night, the electric company having raised the dynamo so as to be in advance of the danger line in case the levees break. They will be out of service until the danger is passed.

Cincinnati Has Lucky Escape.

CINCINNATI, O., Jan. 22.—The breaking up of the ice gorges in the Ohio River at this point has been accomplished with comparatively small loss. So far a few barges have been crushed, and a few others torn from their moorings. This escape from heavy damage is largely due to the fortunate breaking of the gorge below the city first, and to the checking of the ice above the city so that it did not really become entirely free until late in the night.

Canadian Railway Traffic Tied Up.

TORONTO, Jan. 22.—Snow, sleet and rain completely demoralized railroad traffic in all over the province. The Chicago Express arrived today after spending 15 hours in a snow bank near St. Mary's. No freight trains are moving, and some of the passenger trains are cancelled. The Grand Trunk's Montreal Express is snow-bound near Gananoque.

Ice-Bound Steamers Released.

CHICAGO, Jan. 22.—The steamer Iowa, of the Goodrich line, was released from the ice bank at Chicago today, and proceeded to Milwaukee. The steamer had been ice-bound since Wednesday evening.

Hundreds of Families Driven Out.

PIQUA, O., Jan. 22.—The Miami River rose 3 1/2 feet during the night, and that section of the city known as Rossville is completely inundated. Hundreds of families have been driven from their homes.

Factories Forced to Close.

ARON, Ohio, Jan. 22.—Between here and Cleveland the tracks of the Cleveland branch of the Baltimore & Ohio are under a foot of water and many factories have been forced to close.

Ohio Towns Partially Submerged.

—NESVILLE, Ohio, Jan. 22.—The Licking and Muskingum Rivers are rising rapidly. Roseville and Crooksville, in the southern part of the country, are partially submerged.

WILL RISK NOTHING

Roosevelt Men Propose to Have Delegates Instructed.

WEST IS THE STRONGHOLD

Rule, However, is Expected to Be Made General—Cushman Says Washington Will Make Pleasure Known Emphatically.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 22.—All the talk that has been going about concerning opposition to Roosevelt has resulted in a determination to have delegates instructed, so no combination can prevent his nomination after the convention meets. Interviews published here with many Western men show that without question nearly every state from that region will instruct. Here is what Cushman, of Washington, says: "The delegates from Washington will have iron-bound, brass-mounted, copper-riveted instructions to vote for the nomination of Theodore Roosevelt, and if any man accepted election as delegate to the Chicago Convention and then violated his instructions, something would happen to him when he returned to Washington."

CONFERS WITH THE PRESIDENT

Foraker Goes Over the Ohio Situation in Detail.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—A conference which, though brief, was pregnant with significance, was held today between President Roosevelt and Senator Foraker. Foraker returned yesterday from a sojourn of several days in Ohio, where he conferred with many of his friends regarding the political situation. It was to inform the President of his observations that he called on him.

It seems improbable at this time that Senator Foraker will precipitate a contest in Ohio over the selection of delegates to the Chicago convention. It is known that many close friends of the President believe that nothing would be gained by such a contest, whatever the result it might be. Efforts are now being made to bring Senators Hanna and Foraker together in the selection of Ohio delegates. It is known that among Mr. Hanna's closest friends there is no disposition to attempt to relegate Senator Foraker to the rear if he desires to go to the Chicago convention as a delegate at large, providing that no contest which might imperil the integrity of the Republican organization in the state is made.

Today's conference lasted but a short time, but the situation was discussed in its salient features. It is understood that the President will not permit himself to be drawn into any factional trouble either in Ohio or in any other state. Senator Foraker understands the President's position in this regard. The conference today was not a contest, but an engagement for a committee meeting, which he was obliged to keep, but it is likely that a further and fuller discussion of the matter will be had at a later time.

In Harmony, Says Cummins.

DES MOINES, Jan. 22.—Governor Cummins returned tonight from Washington. He stated there was no difference between himself and President Roosevelt on the tariff issue.

No Change in Vote for Senator.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Jan. 22.—There was no material change in the ballot today for United States Senator to succeed McCormack.

SNOW STALLS TRAINS.

New York Streams Are Also Out of Bounds as Result of Rain.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Jan. 22.—With a continuous fall of rain for nearly 24 hours, the immense quantity of snow throughout the Western part of New York was rapidly turned into water, which soon tonight set the rivers swirling out of bounds, flooding great areas.

In Northern New York and places in Canada where the temperature was lower the rain turned into snow, and a few straggling telegraph and telephone lines and demoralizing railroad traffic. Trains on the Grand Trunk and Canadian Pacific tonight are reported to be 24 hours late. The Chicago Express on the Grand Trunk arrived at Toronto 15 hours late after spending 15 hours in a snow bank. Another train is stalled in the snow somewhere between Montreal and Toronto, and snow plows have been sent out to rescue the train.

Lake Vessels Probably Ice-Bound.

MILWAUKEE, Jan. 22.—Captain Olsen, of the life-saving station, reports that he can see no vessels stuck in the ice off Milwaukee. The weather is misty, however, and it is possible that some craft may be lodged in the ice beyond the line of vision. The steamer Iowa, reported released from the ice at Chicago, has not yet arrived here. The steamer City of Racine, which started for Chicago last night, did not get beyond the lifesaving station.

Conditions are somewhat favorable for the shifting of the wind and with it the ice.

Snowfall Heaviest in Many Years.

ERIE, Pa., Jan. 22.—Several business houses here are flooded, and many streets are under water. Milwaukee has not been higher since the big flood of 1852, when thousands of dollars' worth of property was destroyed. The snowfall has been the heaviest in 25 years.

New York Rivers All Over Banks.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Jan. 22.—Nearly 20 hours of rain, with over two feet of snow, has sent every river in Western New York over its banks.

NEW WAY FOR RECIPROCIITY.

America May Deal With France Regardless of the Senate.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—A movement is making for an agreement between the Governments of the United States and France, in lieu of the projected reciprocity treaty, which has not received the approval of the Senate, and consequently has failed through the expiration of the period of time allowance for ratification and exchange. In the search after new sources of revenue the French government has let it be known that it contemplates a considerable increase of the duties on imported meats, which would, of course, fall principally upon American meats.

An effort on the part of Ambassador Porter to secure the minimum rates for American goods disclosed the fact that some concession must be made in return

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by the United States, and it is intimated that the French government might be satisfied with a 50 per cent abatement of the duty on one of the greatest of French staples imported into the United States.

Having in mind the situation in the Senate in regard to the French reciprocity treaty, the department officials concluded it would be useless to embody this new French concession in treaty form, as it would also probably fail to receive the Senate's approval. Some measure has been taken to secure the passage of the act, and if this projected arrangement should take shape, it being now merely a tentative proposition, the outcome would be of the greatest importance to the United States. Representatives of other European nations than France are keenly interested in the success of this undertaking.

LAWYER WITHDRAWS REMARK

Conrad Shows His Fairness to Machen in Postal Fraud Case.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—In the postal trial today, several witnesses were led through a tedious line of questioning by the Assistant District Attorney, most of which, as counsel explained, was for the purpose of showing a personal interest on the part of Machen regarding the introduction of the Groff fasteners. The Government announced that it was near the completion of its case.

After counsel for the defense briefly had touched on the case, Machen, who was the defendant yesterday's session by Mr. Conrad, said that Machen, on a salary of \$5000 a year had managed to make \$20,000 a year, Mr. Conrad secured permission to withdraw his remark, saying he would not convict the defendant on any statement that fell unguarded from his lips.

The disputed transcript of Machen's account with the Union National Bank, Westmaster, Md., then was admitted, on the express understanding that only such items as were shown to relate to Machen in the transactions between him and the other defendants should be considered.

Justice Pritchard discharged the rule issued yesterday against Postoffice Inspectors Mayor and Gregory, charged by the defense with coaching witnesses, being satisfied with the answers as contained in affidavits presented by them.

Emanuel Speyer, in charge of accounts in the rural delivery division, testified that he had received from Machen a check for \$500, signed by Martha B. Lorenz, and \$100 in cash with which he purchased a New York draft for \$50 in favor of the defendant.

An adjournment until Monday was taken.

Cabinet Holds Two Sessions.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—Morning and afternoon sessions of the Cabinet were held today. In the absence of Secretaries Hay and Moody no matters concerning the State or Navy Departments were considered. It can be said on authority that no action of serious importance was taken. It is probable that during the session of Congress that the President, on account of pressing engagements in the early part of the day, frequently will have the Cabinet meetings in the afternoon.

Wright Will Soon Resign.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—Carroll D. Wright, Commissioner of Labor, tonight authorized the statement that he intends to resign his present office by the end of 1904, and to return to Worcester, Mass. Mr. Wright was elected to the presidency of Clark College at that place some time ago, and he expects to reside there permanently.

FIRE DRIVES FAMILIES OUT.

Blaze Which Begins in a Glass Factory Causes \$300,000 Loss.

CHICAGO, Jan. 22.—The plant of the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company, 42-62 Wabash avenue, was destroyed by fire tonight and from this building the flames were communicated to the seven-story factory and apartment building of the Bucklen Medical Company, just part of the building of the glass company.

A number of families who lived in the Bucklen building were compelled to make hasty exits, but all escaped unharmful. The Bucklen building was badly burned on the west end, but not destroyed. Loss, \$300,000.

FIGHT FIRE IN BLIZZARD.

Early-Morning Slumbers of Troops at San Antonio Are Disturbed.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Jan. 22.—In a raging blizzard 50 infantry and artillerymen, thinly clad, fell out of their bunk beds at Fort Sam Houston early today in answer to a signal cannon and general fire alarm to save the officers' quarters from destruction. A row of two-story frame houses was on fire opposite the Adjutant's office, bachelor quarters and a line of

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You can find your heart's desire in our Knit Goods Section and find it at a smaller price than you expect.

Ice Wool Squares, cream and black, 49c, 59c, 98c, \$1.19 and up to \$3.59.
Shetland Wool Shawls, Fascinators, all colors, 19c, 39c, 59c, 79c, 98c and up to \$3.59.
Knitted Skirts, fancy borders, 39c, 59c, 79c, \$1.10, \$1.19 and up to \$2.00.
Infants' Sweaters, cream, cardinal, fancy border, sizes 1, 2, 3, 98c, \$1.19 and up to \$1.85.

Ribbon Sale

Ribbons for every ribbon want. Plain ribbons, fancy ribbons, dependable ribbons. This ribbon stock is replete with every wearable ribbon style. Prices just now are interestingly low.

25c Taffeta Ribbon, 18c
All pure silk brilliant Taffeta Ribbons, 4 1/2 inches wide and choice of a full line of colors.
50c Liberty Satins, 39c
The very best quality of double-faced Liberty Satin Ribbons, which sell regularly at 50c, on sale today at 39c per yard.
65c Liberty Silk, 25c
These are 9 inches wide and are a remarkable value.

New Books

"DAPHNE"—By Margaret Sherwood, a delight for lovers of light literature. Sweet, pure and idyllic. Pub. price, \$1; special, 79c.
COOKERY—Five arrivals that tell about good things for the inner man:
"Luncheon." Pub. price, 25c; special, 18c.
"50 Salads." Pub. price, 25c; special, 18c.
"Puddings and Desserts." Publishers' price, 25c; special, 18c.
"Cookery for Invalids." Publishers' price, 25c; special, 18c.
"Cookery with a Chafing Dish." Publishers' price, 35c; special, 27c.

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25c Japanese Cleaning Compound.....17c
25c Stand Shaving Mirrors.....13c
25c Listered Tooth Powder.....14c
95c Best Bristle Hair Brushes.....59c
15c metal-back Dressing Combs.....9c
10c Borated Talcum Powder.....5c
25c Tooth Brushes—4 and 5-row.....14c
23c Whisk Brushes.....15c
\$1.25 Hair Brushes.....79c
15c wood-frame Shaving Mirrors.....7c
\$1.25 metal-frame Triple Mirrors.....79c
25c Marvel Shave Shine.....13c
35c bone handle Nail Brushes.....25c
25c Shaving Mugs.....15c
25c Shaving Brushes.....15c
23c large bottle Witch Hazel.....14c
79c 2-quart Water Bottles.....63c
89c 3-quart Water Bottles.....69c
98c 4-quart Water Bottles.....79c

\$1.50 Underwear, 59c

Broken lines of women's all-wool Swiss ribbed Vests, sizes 3 and 4 only, marked to close at 59c; regularly \$1.50.

two-story officers' quarters, enveloping the Government buildings in flames. Major Louis Niles, of the artillery corps, had five bucket brigades at work with 300 men in reserve, until fire apparatus arrived from the city to the relief of the garrison. Several officers' quarters were severely scorched and 300 yards of fence and outhouses destroyed. The total damage will amount to less than \$17,000, but nearly \$50,000 worth of Government property was in danger and only saved by the prompt response of organized troops to the alarm.

Building Lockout is Ended.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—More than 1000 men in the building trades at Paterson, N. J., who have been locked out for a month, have returned to work. Their differences with the employers will be settled by arbitration.

Fire Loss Overestimated.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—Chairman Gary, of the United States Steel Corporation, said today:

"The publications concerning damage to goods belonging to the Shelby Steel Tube Company, located at Shelby, O., are greatly exaggerated. The loss does not exceed \$200,000. Dispatches from Shelby estimated the loss at \$1,000,000."

\$200,000 Fire in Factory.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—Fire in the upper floors of the six-story factory of the E. W. Bliss Company, in Plymouth street, today, did \$200,000 damage. The company manufactured dies and presses for metal stamping and castings and other parts of Whitehead torpedoes for the United States Navy. One fireman lost his life by falling from a ladder.

Great Woodworking Factory Burned.

SAULTE STE. MARIE, Mich., Jan. 22.—Fire started in one of the Hall and Munson factories at Bay Mills, 12 miles west of here, tonight and destroyed a large sawmill, woodworking plant and box factory and a large stock of lumber. The total value of the plant, which employed 200 men, was \$300,000.

AT POINT OF THE BAYONET.

Manila Banker Says Soldiers Forced Him to Import Mexican Coin.

MANILA, Jan. 22.—Manager Jours, of the Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank, during the public discussion now going on, declared that prior to the passage of the supplemental currency act the bank had a letter from General Merritt, upon the strength of which the importation of Mexican dollars was resumed after 20 years' prohibition. That the importation of this coin was not voluntary, he said, upon the part of the banks, but was forced upon them by the military authorities practically at the point of the bayonet. American soldiers entered the banks, demanding local currency for gold, some even going to the length of enforcing their demands at the muzzle of a revolver.

There were 25,000 troops landed within three months to pay whom the Quartermaster and Paymaster drew letters of credit for \$500,000, which Jours on his part found himself unable to convert into coin.

Is There Sickness in Your Family?

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