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EVENTS OF THE DAY

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TERSE TICS FROM THE WIRES

An interesting collection of items from the two hemispheres presented in a condensed form.

Bubonic plague has made its reappearance at Calcutta.

Great Britain will increase her garrison at Victoria quite materially.

The Mexican government, it is said, has determined to exterminate the Yaqui Indians.

The American and German representatives of the Samoan commission have returned to San Francisco.

Officials at the Soldiers' Home now believe they have succeeded in effectually stamping out the yellow fever.

By the collision of electric cars at Sanderstown, R. I., the motorman, M. W. Abbey, was killed and one lady injured.

Toral and Pareja, who were on trial in Madrid for having surrendered Santiago to the Americans, have been acquitted.

Pension Examiner Benjamin H. Snell brutally murdered a 14-year-old girl with whom he had become infatuated in Washington.

Captain Dreyfus is again facing his accusers. His retrial began at Rennes, France. There was no demonstration. The prisoner was firm but pallid.

At Bridgeport, Conn., 26 persons were killed and a large number injured in a street railway accident. A trolley car dropped 40 feet into a mill pond.

Paris was visited by an electrical storm and many buildings were slightly injured and scores of trees destroyed. The lightning conductor of the Eiffel tower was struck ten times.

A colored American citizen, a blacksmith, was mistaken for a Kaffir at Johannesburg, South Africa, and cruelly maltreated by the police. The United States consul has taken up the matter.

Hon. John Goodnow, consul-general of the United States at Shanghai, has rendered a decision, as referee in the consular court, that will result in cutting off Aguineldo's supply of arms he has been receiving from China.

A big river coal combine has been completed at Pittsburg, Pa., and 96 of the 102 working coal mines along the Monongahela river, together with a large number of steamers and barges, will be merged into one concern.

During the excitement attending the arrival of battleships at Bar Harbor, Me., a crowded gangplank gave way and 150 persons were precipitated into the water. Seventeen were drowned and three died subsequently from injuries.

The cotton duck trust is the latest; capitalization, \$23,500,000.

It is said that Mexico's bad faith is the cause of the Yaqui Indians' outbreak.

North Mississippi valley corn and wheat suffered from hail and wind storms.

The Charleston shelled the enemy on the island of Cuba and compelled them to retreat.

The Standard Oil Company has succeeded in purchasing the interests of its only competitor in Mexico.

Charles Franklin, a Portland man, has been appointed to an important position in the Philippine postal service.

Zachery's remarkable story asserting that the Alaska boundary is outlined by monuments is not credited at Washington.

The hospital ship Relief has arrived in San Francisco with 320 sick and wounded soldiers on board. Two died on route.

The new bankrupt act is not popular in New York. Those taking advantage of it have not reached near the expected number.

While on a trout the new Columbia broke her mast. When the accident occurred she was a mile in the lead of the Defender.

Dave Connell was shot and probably fatally wounded while trying to secure miners in Colorado for the Coeur d'Alene country.

A tramp at Independence, Kan., has confessed to killing two farmers who had let him ride all day. He says he secured but \$30 in money.

An American has a cinch on coal in the straits of Magellan, and patriotically charged the Oregon \$11 a ton for supply when she made her long cruise.

Rumor says that William Waldorf Astor became a British subject in order to marry Lady Randolph Churchill. His children also became subjects of the queen.

The political situation at Port au Prince, Hayti, is causing anxiety and numerous arrests have been made. The United States minister interfered in one instance.

During the fiscal year of 1897-8 the United States sold \$29,000 worth of typewriters in Mexico and \$18,000 worth in Argentina.

J. P. Bryant, the Bardwell (Ky.) millionaire, owns the largest strawberry patch in the world. It covers 1,700 acres and has made his fortune.

In Kansas since 1859 every year ending with the figure 9 has been a great corn year, while every year ending with a cipher has shown a failure of the corn crop.

LATER NEWS.

A movement is on foot to form an opposing whisky trust.

Quiet has been restored in Cleveland, but the strike is still on.

Thirty thousand Finns will form a colony in Newfoundland.

Former Governor W. Y. Atkinson, of Georgia, died at Newman.

A woman of noble birth died in a hotel in Chicago. Up to the last she refused all favors.

Cavalry horses for Manila will be taken via the Aleutian islands and Japan to allow rest.

Encouraged by the movement in other cities the messenger boys of Buffalo, N. Y., are on a strike.

A tank car loaded with naphtha exploded in a tunnel near Somerset, Ky., wrecking a train of 20 cars.

A Washington special says Britishers are getting a firm hold on Cuban trade and American capital is slow.

Carlisle, Ky., was visited by a half million dollar fire, which destroyed nearly the entire business portion.

A Chicago man has been taken with a fit of laughing and is unable to check it. He is unconscious, but continues to giggle.

J. C. Hildebrand, an advertising solicitor in the employ of the Portland Oregonian, fell from a veranda and met with instant death.

The coroner's jury has found that the cause of the Bar Harbor catastrophe was due to insufficient construction of the ferry slip.

Ambassador Choate says there will be no war over the Alaskan boundary dispute. Negotiations are always slow in such matters, but are progressing.

Aguinaldo has appealed to the powers for recognition of "Filipino independence," in a document dated Tarlac, July 27, and signed by Buencamino.

The Santo Domingo rebels have taken possession of Dajabon, driving the garrison before them. The foreign population and Haytian consul have left the place.

A broken flange on a wheel caused a wreck on the Southern Pacific near Dos Palos, Cal. Engineer Ford and Fireman Wood were scalded to death. Two others were seriously and a number slightly injured.

Italy and Uncle Sam will probably not agree on the circumstances surrounding the lynching of the five Italians in Louisiana recently. The reports of the representatives of both governments clash on nearly every point.

Henry Freuhau, a young German, killed himself in a Portland saloon.

An Eastern syndicate will build a railway 253 miles in length in Mexico.

Troops A, D and M, Third cavalry will embark from Seattle for Manila.

The New York Sun is badly tied up by the strike of the printers and stereotypers.

The new Samoan treaty will not become effective until ratified by the powers.

Catholics and freethinkers indulged in a riot in Spain and a number were injured.

In a race riot five negroes and one white man were wounded at Greenville, S. C.

During the examination of the secret dossier the Dreyfus court will sit in secret session.

Marshal de Campos, president of the senate, predicts a ministerial crisis in Spain in November.

An American is to be tried in Japan for murdering three people. It is the first case under the new treaty.

Dewey will next go to Genoa or Nice. He refuses positively to discuss any public questions. He was banqueted by the Italian vice-admiral.

President McKinley will be in Chicago during the fall festival in October, and will participate in the laying of the corner stone of the new federal building.

The London Times' financial news editor says that the new decree ordering a gold standard for India seems a kind of ovalish joke, since India is unable to collect gold save by borrowing.

The Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railroad Company has placed an order with the Brooks Locomotive Works for 15 10-wheel passenger engines, to be delivered as soon as possible.

The returning Samoan commissioners say that an agreement to the present form of government has been signed by the chiefs from all tribes and factions among whom they were.

Spain has had 81 wars in the last 100 years.

Two thousand saloons have been opened in Cuba since the war.

The first cotton mill in Kansas will soon commence operations in Independence.

The fraternalities of the United States have 6,000,000 members.

There was a falling off of nearly 50 per cent in the number of embezzlements reported in the country last year.

WERE MUSTERED OUT

Oregon Soldier Boys Are Again Civilians.

GOT DISCHARGES AND PAY

General Summers in His Farewell Talk to the Troops Gave Them Some Wholesome Advice.

San Francisco, Aug. 9.—They are citizens now, and the gallant Second Oregon are no more. The men who took up the burden over a year ago for their nation and their Oregon today saw their release. It was a day of justification and excitement.

Each man received his discharge papers from the mustering officer and passed on to the paymasters, who gave each soldier what money was due him.

There have been none of those terrible thrashings promised non-coms and officers, nor even an example of that mild revenge, blanket-throwing. Officers and men were glad their term was over. They joined in the final ceremonies with feelings of regret at parting and evidences of pleasure at getting back to civil life.

General Summers gave each of the battalions a farewell address that called forth tremendous cheering. He recalled the faithfulness with which the men had obeyed him at times under most trying circumstances, and the mutual trials. He most cordially thanked all for support and consideration at all times. The general closed with the statement that he felt most closely bound to them all, and he wanted them to feel he would ever be willing to afford assistance to members of his old command.

He cautioned them not to do anything in the short time that remained before they are finally disbanded to reflect on the excellent record they have made, and also to be on the lookout that no one should take undue advantage of them. General Summers, who is very popular, was enthusiastically cheered by the men of his command.

He asked the members of the regiment, so far as possible without inconvenience to themselves, to follow the colors until finally delivered to the governor. This he asked as a personal favor, and the request will hold many for the special train tomorrow afternoon who would have straggled home.

Each of the three majors gave their battalions farewell talks. A desire was expressed to know the boys in civil life more intimately than was possible under military regulations.

Chaplain Gilbert was made the happiest man in camp by an evidence of the regard in which he is held by the men, in the form of \$200 as a library fund. The little, tender-hearted chaplain, who has buried the fallen comrades, often taking hold of the spade himself, is universally esteemed, and says he prizes the affection of the men more than any past favor. There were swarms of sharpers and scheming men about, but no undue disturbance. Cheers resounded from every quarter.

Favorite officers were cheered and cheered again. Many partings were touching, although the light-hearted soldier is not often deeply moved. All are anxious to arrive home.

Nebraska's band and the Utah light artillery have kindly offered their services to escort the members on the march from the Presidio tomorrow. All are expected to assemble there at 1 P. M., after which the march will be immediately taken up.

The three special bearing 730 members of the regiment as a body, leave, the first at 3:30, another at 4, and the last at 4:30. Other members of the regiment are now on their way, while the rest will leave within the next few days.

Fortunately, at the last moment the 18 hospital corps men learned that they would get their discharges about as soon as the regiment. Their final will be cashed early tomorrow, enabling them to return with the command.

BRIDGEPORT DISASTER.

Motorman of Ill-Fated Car Charged With Manslaughter.

Bridgeport, Conn., Aug. 9.—An open trolley-car of the Shelton Extension Company, twisted, bent and smashed almost into kindling wood, lying in the middle of Peck's mill pond at Oronoque, about six miles north of here, this morning, is the only visible indication of the frightful accident of yesterday, when 39 lives were lost and about a dozen people seriously injured by the car tumbling off the trestle which crosses the pond at this point.

All sorts of theories have been advanced regarding the cause of the accident. Engineer Starr who superintended the building of the bridge, today said it was perfectly safe in every respect. In his opinion, after a thorough examination, the motorman became bewildered as the car commenced to travel fast down the incline, and finding himself in a dangerous situation, lost his head and steered the trolley instead of reducing it.

George Hamilton, the motorman of the ill-fated car, was arraigned in the Bradford justice court tonight, charged with manslaughter. He pleaded not guilty and the case was continued for one week. The prisoner's bail was fixed at \$2,000, which he furnished.

The Mount Desert Catastrophe.

Bar Harbor, Me., Aug. 9.—A careful examination by divers in the vicinity of Mount Desert ferry slip, the scene of yesterday's accident, and investigation on shore seems to indicate that the 20 victims reported last night are all who perished as a result of the catastrophe. Mr. Southard, of Bangor, who was seriously injured, is not likely to recover, and two other persons are suffering from pneumonia. Others injured are in a favorable condition.

THE TRACK SANK.

Freight Train Wrecked on the Bitter Root Branch.

Butte, Mont., Aug. 10.—A special to the Butte Miner, from Missoula, says: A disastrous freight wreck occurred on the Bitter Root branch of the Northern Pacific this afternoon, caused by the sinking of the track. The freight was going at the usual rate of speed when, at a point about one mile west of Florence, the engine suddenly sank, and before one was aware of any trouble, seven cars had piled upon each other. Engineer Beebe was found dead under the engine, and was probably instantly killed. Fireman Hill was badly scalded, and will not live.

Miles Asserts Himself.

Washington Aug. 10.—General Miles is going to assert himself and have a definite understanding as to whether Alger's attempt to suppress him is to stand. General Miles will call upon the secretary to rescind portions of Alger's orders regarding the inspector-general's office, which goes beyond all previous regulations and strikes out all reference to the general commanding the army. The order has been subject to some juggling since it was first prepared, but, as finally issued, it is as Alger desired. The fine Italian hand of Corbin in the matter is discerned, as he desires to curb both General Miles and General Breckenridge.

Lead and Shot for Japan.

San Francisco, Aug. 10.—The Examiner today says: The City of Peking, which sailed on Saturday for Hong Kong by way of Honolulu and Yokohama, took among her cargo 312,440 pounds of shot, the first shipment of the kind that has ever been made to Japan. In addition there were 107,650 pounds of pig lead and 34,758 pounds of shot lead.

Just to what use this rather unusual shipment is going to be put is not known, but suggestions have been made that it may be intended to smuggle it into Manila for the use of Aguineldo and his army.

Duel With Sabers.

Vienna, Aug. 9.—A sensational duel with sabers was fought today between Herr Wolf, the notorious German radical member of the Reichstag, and Herr Krezek, a German liberal deputy. It was a furious encounter. Herr Wolf received a wound in the head, severing an artery. The doctors declared him incapable of continuing the duel, but he persisted, though his face was covered by blood. Ultimately he sustained another wound in the head and was carried home in a dangerous condition.

The duel arose from Herr Krezek accusing Herr Wolf of always answering political attacks by fighting duels against incapable antagonists.

Converted to Christianity.

Chicago, Aug. 10.—A special to the Chronicle from Toledo, O., says: On the evening of August 15, in the middle of the street in front of the Memorial United Brethren church, this city, the elegantly bound volumes which compose the library of Marshall O. Waggoner, formerly one of the most pronounced agnostics in the world, will be burned.

He was recently converted to Christianity, and made a public declaration of faith a few weeks ago and became a member of the United Brethren church. The library is valued at several thousand dollars.

Dun's Wheat Report.

Wheat weakens, yielding one cent with the astonishing receipts at the West of 4,734,363 bushels for the week against 3,199,643 bushels last year, and 23,598,129 bushels since last June, against 10,508,876 bushels last year. Atlantic exports for the week 3,765,789 bushels, four included, against 3,026,731 bushels last year, and 12,121,370 bushels since June against 10,354,951 bushels last year, continue to support hopes of a great foreign demand, with Pacific exports for the week 355,042 bushels against 614,916 last year.

Take Possession of Dajabon.

Port au Prince, Hayti, Aug. 10.—The revolutionary Dominican troops, which assembled at Manamintin, have crossed the frontier, and have taken possession of Dajabon. The garrison at that place retired to Fort Belair, the strategic position commanding the town. The foreign population and Haytian consul have left the place. The Haytian government is taking active measures to prevent Jimines from landing in its territory.

Fort de France, Martinique, Aug. 10.

—It is very difficult at present to obtain information regarding the events transpiring in the Dominican republic. It is reported, however, that the exiled Dominicans assembled at Manamintin Hayti, crossed the frontier of Santo Domingo and captured the town of Dajabon.

Dewey Wants No Demonstrations.

Naples, Aug. 10.—Admiral Dewey exchanged visits with the general commanding here. Dewey is delighted with the cordial hospitality everywhere extended to him. In an interview with a press representative Dewey said: "I do not desire fetes or demonstrations at home. It is enough for me to know my countrymen think I did my duty as a soldier."

Car Blown Up.

Cleveland, Aug. 10.—A West Park avenue electric car of the Big Consolidated line was blown up near the Euclid avenue barns at 1:30 this morning. The car was badly torn. The motorman, name not yet known, was badly hurt. There was one passenger on the car. He escaped unhurt. The perpetrators of the deed escaped.

In Russia people must marry before 30 or not at all, and may marry only five times.

REBELS AGAIN ROUTED

MacArthur's Army in Battle With Filipinos.

ENEMY SUFFERED GREAT LOSS

Ten Thousand Men Engaged—American Loss Was Twenty Killed and Wounded.

Manila, Aug. 10.—General MacArthur's force, consisting of 4,000 men, advanced five miles beyond San Fernando today and encountered and defeated a Filipino force of 6,000 men.

The enemy retreated, leaving many dead and wounded. The American loss in killed and wounded was 20.

Campaign Will Be Pushed.

Plattsburg, N. Y., Aug. 10.—The war in the Philippines is to be prosecuted with a vigor that ought to result in a speedy cessation of hostilities. A press correspondent saw Secretary of War Root tonight in the office of the Hotel Champlain, just after he had said good-bye to the president and was preparing to take the 9:45 train for Washington.

"Will the war in the Philippines be prosecuted vigorously from now on?" asked the correspondent.

Mr. Root turned on his heel and replied: "Yes, sir; the war in the Philippines from now on will be prosecuted with all possible energy. The men, the arms and the supplies necessary to end the trouble in the islands will be furnished at the earliest possible moment."

"How large a force will be at the disposal of the commanding general there?" was asked.

"There will be 50,000 men there ready for active service at the close of the rainy season, about the last of October, and more will be sent there if necessary."

As to the rumor published in some of the papers that President McKinley and he were not agreeable upon the policy to be pursued in the Philippines, Mr. Root said, "Of course that is all nonsense."

When asked whether General Otis would be relieved of the command of the American forces in the Philippines, Mr. Root replied that he had nothing to say on that point at this time.

It would be impossible for any one to be more emphatic or determined than Secretary Root is in his avowed policy of ending the trouble in the Philippines. He seldom talks for publication, and the fact that he had just come from a two days' conference with President McKinley adds interest to his words.

APPEAL TO POWERS.

Aguinaldo Asks for Recognition of Filipino Independence.

Manila, Aug. 10.—Aguinaldo has appealed to the powers for recognition of "Filipino independence" in a document dated Tarlac, July 27, and signed by Buencamino. It has been received by all the foreign consuls in Manila with the request that they forward it to their respective governments.

The Filipinos in their appeal for recognition, use their old argument that they had conquered the sovereignty of the islands from Spain before the signing of the treaty of Paris, and therefore Spain was in no position to cede them to the United States. They argue that the possession of 7,000 Spanish prisoners captured with their arms fighting against the Filipinos is eloquent proof of the nullity of Spanish sovereignty, as when they surrendered, Spain's hold was irrevocably lost.

Causes No Worry.

Washington, Aug. 10.—Aguinaldo's address does not worry the officials here. There is no idea that any foreign government will heed it. It has been the desire of Aguineldo and his associates from the first to secure such recognition, and the appeal merely put this desire into rather formal shape, and it may bring to an issue the position of outside governments.

Oregon Mormon Beaten.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Aug. 10.—President Ben. E. Rich, of the Southern Mormon Society, left here tonight for Frankfort, Ky., to call on Governor Bradley to bring his attention to the anti-Mormon outbreak in that state, and to demand protection for the elders. In Carter county, Kentucky, a mob of 50 men took out Elders Turman and Snow yesterday, but turned them loose, warning them to leave the neighborhood. In Belt county, near the Tennessee line, Elder Titenor and James Miller were badly beaten by a mob of mountaineers. Elder Titenor is badly hurt. He is one of the wealthiest lumbermen in Oregon.

Russian Peasants Revolt.

Vienna, Aug. 10.—The Neue Freie Presse today says the peasantry of portions of Bessarabia (a province of Russia, bounded on the south by the Danube and the Black sea), have revolted, being driven desperate by famine. Troops, it is added, have been sent there, and several encounters have taken place. A score of peasants have already been killed and many have been wounded.

Three Men and Team Killed.

Humboldt, Ia., Aug. 7.—At a wagon road crossing on the Northwestern road two miles east of Dakota City, three young men and their team were instantly killed today. Nothing was found by which the victims could be identified.

Yda Addie Storke, the writer, was sentenced in Santa Barbara, Cal., to one year in jail for writing anonymous letters reflecting upon certain prominent people of that city.

SANTA TERESA IS BLAMED.

Mexican Sorceress Believed to Have Incited Red Men to Riot.

St. Louis, Aug. 9.—A special to the Republic from El Paso, Tex., says: Santa Teresa, the Mexican woman who has long been revered as a saint by the natives of Chihuahua and Sonora, and who is believed to possess the power of healing the sick by the laying on of hands, is believed to be more or less responsible for the present outbreak among the Yaqui Indians.

George Harold, an old Texas ranger, now a policeman of El Paso, says that he is confident that Santa Teresa is responsible for the outbreak. Harold is one of the officers who rounded up the ringleaders that raided the Mexican customhouse at Palomas, Chihuahua, a few years ago.

"Santa Teresa," he said, "was implicated in that rebellion, which was crushed in its incipency. Every rebel captured on this side of the line had a picture of the woman in his possession, and on the back was inscribed one of her prayers."

After the Palomas raid the Mexican government made an effort to apprehend her, as she was looked upon as a dangerous character. She escaped to El Paso, however, and remained here a year or more. While here she was visited by thousands. About a year ago the woman disappeared from this locality and afterwards turned out that she had gone to Sonora, and had taken up her abode in the edge of the Yaqui villages, where she was safe from molestation by the Mexican government.

It is believed she incited the Yaqui to revolt. The woman is described as frail and delicate looking. She undoubtedly possesses great magnetic powers. Harold and others are confident that her presence in the Yaqui country had a great deal to do with the uprising now assuming alarming proportions.

SEIZED BY MOROS.

Savages of Balabac Captured a Light-house, But Were Routed.

Washington, Aug. 9.—The following dispatch was received from Admiral Watson, in command of the Asiatic station:

"Secretary Navy: Naro, the commander of the Manila, on July 7 re-established the lighthouse at Cape Melville, Balabac, Philippine islands, and hoisted the flag with appropriate honors. July 13, on his return, 13 Moros, under arms, were found to be in possession of the lighthouse. The landing party, commanded by Ensign E. L. Bisset, encountered resistance. No casualties in our party. Loss in killed, one officer and one man of the enemy; Diegoago Manilo, chief of the Balabac Moros, was killed, and seven men taken prisoners; two escaped. The chief of the party was very unpopular with the people of Balabac owing to fear of him. The light has been restored. The Manila has landed a force. The Charleston is on her way to Balabac, and will render all assistance possible. WATSON."

The island of Balabac, the scene of the brush with the Moros, detailed in Admiral Watson's dispatch, is situated southeast of the island of Palawan, which is the most westerly of the Philippine islands, and directly west of the island of Panay.

HAD HIS EYE ON MANILA.

Dewey Wanted to Capture the City a Quarter of a Century Ago.

Washington, Aug. 9.—An interesting historical fact dating back to 1873, has come to light, in which Admiral Dewey was the central figure. Dewey, then a commander, was in command of the United States ship Narragansett, on the Asiatic station, having taken charge of the vessel March 1, 1873. The vessel was on surveying duty when the Virginian trouble was precipitated and a war with Spain seemed imminent. Commander Dewey wrote to the navy department requesting that in case of war he should be assigned to the duty of capturing Manila. The peaceful settlement of the controversy with Spain avoided the necessity of hostile demonstration, but the interesting fact is that the doughty officer had his eye on Manila over a quarter of a century ago. A search will be made for the letter in the files of the navy department and if found it is expected an effort will be made by the citizens committee to have it reproduced as a souvenir of the reception to be tendered Admiral Dewey upon his arrival here.

Fight for Steelheads.

Astoria, Aug. 9.—The fight for steelheads is still in progress, and the buyers for Trescott and Alter were reported to be paying 12 cents last night, and willing to go as high as 15 cents. Very few are being caught, so not much money is being paid out. The run of chinook salmon has fallen off considerably, and the quality is not as good as it has been.

Escaped From Lynching Party.

Birmingham, Ala., Aug. 7.—John Thomas, a negro charged with attempting to assault the wife of a prominent citizen of Cuba, Ala., was surrounded in a swamp last night by a lynching crowd and wounded during a running fight. He finally managed to escape with the posse in hot pursuit. He wounded several of his pursuers.

Strikes on in Earnest.

New York, Aug. 8.—The compositor and stereotypers of the New York Sun, 130 in number, who went on a strike Saturday night, were still out tonight. The press and composing rooms were in darkness, but the editorial room presented the usual appearance. The Sun appeared this morning with only eight pages, four in its news section. In an editorial, the Sun of this morning says that it may be impossible for the paper to be published tomorrow.

JUMPED THE TRACK

Electric Car With Passengers Plunges Into a Pond.

MANY KILLED AND INJURED

Four-Ton Motor Fell Forty Feet Upon the Wrecked Car and Crushed the Helpless People.

Bridgeport, Conn., Aug. 8.—Nearly 40 persons were killed by an accident on the Stratford extension of the Shelton Street Railway Company at 4 o'clock today, when a loaded trolley car went off the trestle over Peck's millpond at Oronoque, about six miles north of Bridgeport, and sank in the flats 40 feet below. Thus far 38 persons are known to be dead, and several more injured.

Only two persons are known to have escaped unharm. It is believed that there were 43 passengers on the car, but the indicator was removed by a conductor of another car and spirited away, so that at present it is impossible to say accurately the number aboard.

The scene of the accident is midway between Shelton and Bridgeport. The car was northbound, running toward Shelton. The trestle is 440 feet long, made of iron, with stone foundations, and was not protected by guard rails. South of the trestle is an incline down which the car ran on the trestle for about 10 feet, the trucks left the rails. The car continued on the incline about 75 feet, when it went off the trestle and dropped into the pond below, overturning and completely upsetting.

When the car struck, the four-ton motor and the heavy trucks crashed into it, instantly killing many of the passengers. Three physicians, who were passengers on a car a short distance behind, arrived quickly and rendered all possible assistance to the injured.

Word was sent to Bridgeport and three ambulances and a police wagon were hurried to the scene, and the injured were taken to Bridgeport general hospital. A morgue was improvised in the main room of the town hall at Stratford, and in a very short time 23 bodies were laid out awaiting identification.

DROWNED IN GROUPS.

Disaster to Maine Excursionists at Mount Desert Ferry.

Bar Harbor, Me., Aug. 8.—A score of persons were killed