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THE NEWS OF THE WEEK

Comprehensive Review of the Important Happenings of the Past Week Culled From the Telegraph Columns.

Storms in West Virginia have created great havoc and railway traffic has been suspended.

The members of a camping party near Oakland, Cal., were forced to climb trees, while a maddened bull destroyed their camp.

E. L. Harrison, who was formerly traveling auditor for the Northern Pacific railroad, committed suicide in Tacoma, by shooting himself in the mouth, the bullet from his revolver penetrating to the brain and killing him almost instantly.

A freight train on the Vandalia railroad ran through a bridge near Crawfordville, Ind., killing Conductor McKenzie and Fireman John Herber and seriously injuring Roadmaster J. S. Brothers and Engineer Bowman. The wreck was caused by washouts.

Rev. Geo. P. Knapp, who was arrested in Bitlis, Eastern Turkey, on the charge of conspiring against the Turkish government, and who was once liberated, but refused to leave the country before his innocence was established, has again been arrested and will be tried on a charge of inciting riot.

E. L. Moody, a logger, made a cowardly attempt to murder Mrs. H. J. Bunn in a hotel kept by the woman's husband at Elma, Wash. Moody stabbed his victim in the wrist and in the right breast with a knife, and then fled, leaving Mrs. Bunn seriously if not fatally wounded. Moody is still at large.

A Havana dispatch says the police have captured a collection of maps of the island, highly colored, showing the supposed insurgent headquarters in Cuitas, the rebel flag and picturing various chiefs of the insurrection. The maps bear the imprint of a Barcelona firm. The Havana stationer, Don Fernandez, in whose possession they were found, was arrested.

The two daring navigators who left New York June 28, in a sailboat but eighteen feet long, to cross the Atlantic, are all right. They were sighted on July 19 in latitude 53, longitude 31.55, by the American liner Indiana and asked to be reported. They appeared to be in the best of spirits and required no assistance whatever from the Indiana, although provisions and water were offered them.

It is rumored that the Turkish government contemplates an issue of paper money.

In Victor, Colo., fifty pounds of giant powder exploded, causing \$5,000 worth of damage. Many people were cut by glass, but none killed.

In Sedalia, Mo., Mart Crawford, a section foreman on the Missouri Pacific, was hanged by a furious mob for the attempted rape of a 16-year-old girl.

The socialist congress, which met in London, proved to be a noisy gathering. Scenes of violence were enacted and a free fight was narrowly averted.

The coming year it is said wines will come high, owing to the failure of California's grape crop. Little wine will be exported from the golden state this season.

A New York dispatch says Senator Hill is now in favor of a third ticket. The information, it is said, comes direct from a personal friend of the senator, who is a prominent Democrat.

A stockman named John Lawrence was found dead upon the range near Union, Or., with a bullet in his head and a pistol lying a few feet away. It is supposed that he committed suicide.

The trial of the South African raiders has ended in London, and Dr. Jameson has been given a sentence of fifteen months imprisonment without labor. The others received light sentences.

In Quincy, Ill., five fatalities by drowning or otherwise occurred in forty-eight hours. James McLean was killed by an accidental fall from the roof of the Ricker National bank; Herbert Harrison, a school teacher, Frederick Gross and Fred Baumgarten, sons of prominent citizens, were drowned in Bear creek; George Betero, another youth, was drowned in a pool south of the city limits, and his two brothers were saved only with great difficulty.

Pennsylvania was visited by a disastrous hurricane, resulting in loss of life and property. Steeples were blown from churches, adjoining buildings were crushed, houses were unroofed, and trees broken off or torn up by the roots. Great havoc was caused by the heavy rainfall. Two lives were lost, thirty-six injured, some fatally, and property damaged to the amount of \$100,000. A boarding-house near Cecil, Washington county, was washed away and its occupants, fifteen coal miners, were drowned. Seven of the bodies have been recovered. Eight are still missing.

Victoria to Retire.

The rumor that Queen Victoria intends to retire in favor of the Prince of Wales is again current in London. It is added that court circles are greatly troubled regarding the condition of the queen's health. Such reports have frequently appeared recently, only to be semi-officially contradicted later, but it seems that there may be some actual foundation for the statements made. It is added that her majesty has decided to spend her time in future at Balmoral or Osborne, and will give the Prince and Princess of Wales the use of Buckingham palace and Windsor castle.

Is Deaf, Dumb and Blind.

An interesting experiment in education will be commenced at the deaf, dumb and blind institution at Berkley, Cal., on the opening of the school year in August. Grace C. Sperow, aged 10 years, who was born stone blind from childhood and is now almost deaf and dumb, is to be made a special student and educated at the expense of the state. This child will be given a nine years' course and will receive instruction from a special teacher employed for that purpose. This will be the first attempt to educate a deaf, dumb and blind person and in consequence great interest centers about the case.

Schrader in Texas.

August Schrader, the so-called divine healer, put in an appearance in Dallas, Tex., where he treated 2,000 persons in four days. Some reported they had been cured. He left suddenly, leaving the following note: "I am called from here, and obey my Father's will."

Successful Filibusters.

Passengers from Havana, arrived in Key West by the steamer Mascott report a rumor of the successful landing of a filibustering expedition in the vicinity of Cienfuegos. The expedition is believed to be under the command of Captain Cabrera.

Oregon's School Census.

The state school census, which has just been completed by Superintendent Irwin, at Salem, shows that there are in Oregon at present 129,823 children of school age.

Republican State Convention.

The Republican state committee of Washington decided to hold the state convention at Tacoma on August 26. The convention will be attended by 436 delegates.

Judge Carpenter Dead.

Word comes from Holland by cable that Judge George M. Carpenter, of the United States district court for the district of Rhode Island, died of paralysis of the heart.

Epidemic of Suicides.

Driven to despair by different causes, six people attempted to end their own lives by suicide, in Chicago in one day.

Devastated by the Storm.

The most destructive storm in the history of Sunday Creek valley occurred at Gloucester, a mining town twelve miles north of Athens, O., resulting in the almost total destruction of one of the principal thoroughfares of the town. The fury of the wind is almost indescribable. Buildings were toppled over, trees torn from their roots, and the town is a scene of desolation. Nearly every building in the town is damaged. To add to the horror, Sunday creek is a sweeping, raging torrent. Several houses have been washed away, and word was received that the list of dead will reach fifteen.

Mine Burned by Strikers.

The mine of the old Pittsburg Coal Company, at Hymean, Sullivan county, Ind., has been burned. A committee from the miners' organization visited the mine and sought to induce the miners to quit work. The watchman was captured, carried some distance and the works burned. The loss is \$25,000.

Italian Warship Destroyed.

The Italian armored warship Rola, of about 5,800 tons displacement, was struck by lightning near Rome. The flames spread rapidly threatening to reach the magazine. It was found necessary to sink the ship by discharging torpedoes.

Both Are Dead.

Robert Stark and Abe Tinkey, the former a merchant, the latter postmaster at Sequim, Wash., attempted to acquire a cheap jag on wood alcohol. The effect was such that within a few hours after drinking the fiery decoction both men died.

Its Glory Has Departed.

The great auditorium in which the Republicans and Populists held their national conventions in St. Louis, will be turned into a Madison-square garden for horse shows, bicycle meets and other great indoor sporting enterprises the coming fall and winter.

Heavy Damage in South Dakota.

Dispatches from Mellette and other points in South Dakota state that a hail storm devastated a stretch of country sixty miles long and five or six miles wide. The damage amounts to hundreds of thousands of dollars.

A Terrible Explosion.

A special from Vienna says an explosion in a powder magazine at Fuenkirchen resulted in the death of five persons, injuring eighty others and wrecking the town hall.

OUR INTERNAL REVENUE

Report of the Bureau for the Last Fiscal Year.

GENERAL INCREASE ON TOBACCO

The Receipts Show a Trivial Increase Over the Preceding Year—Some of the Items—Approximate Expense.

Washington, Aug. 4.—The commissioner of internal revenue has submitted to Secretary Carlisle the preliminary report of his bureau for the year ending June 30. It shows that the receipts of internal revenue for the year aggregated \$146,830,610, an increase of \$3,384,545 over the receipts of the preceding fiscal year. The expense is approximated at \$4,044,310. The percentage of the cost of collection will be 2.7, a reduction of 1.8 as compared with the preceding year.

From spirits, the receipts were \$80,670,070, an increase of \$803,771. The largest item of increase under this head was from fruit spirits, the receipts of \$1,584,879 being \$488,863 increase of last year. Retail liquor taxes increased by \$221,106, rectifiers' taxes \$49,485 and wholesale liquor dealers' special taxes \$46,248. The only decrease noted were trifling.

Tobacco brought in a revenue of \$30,711,629, or \$1,006,721 more than was derived from this source in the preceding year. There was a general increase in all items under this head, the largest being in cigarettes under three pounds per thousand, the receipts from which were \$2,021,191, or \$374,376 more than in the preceding year. Chewing and smoking tobacco brought in \$15,220,028, or \$333,894 more than in the preceding year. Cigars and cheroots, over three pounds per thousand, realized \$12,713,267, or an increase of \$221,800, and snuff afforded a revenue of \$752,515, an increase of \$103,027.

From fermented liquors there was derived taxes aggregating \$33,784,325, or \$2,144,617 more than during the preceding year. All beers and similar liquors brought in \$33,139,131, an increase of \$2,094,826.

There was a falling off of \$189,778 in the taxes realized from oleomargarine, the revenue from which amounted to \$1,219,430. The decrease was general in all the items under this head, the largest being \$112,817 in the direct tax on oleomargarine, while retail dealers' taxes shrunk \$57,215, and the wholesale dealers' taxes \$26,520.

The miscellaneous receipts diminished \$182,600 during the year, the largest item being \$122,540 decrease from playing cards, from which only \$259,839 was received.

During the past year, 167,039,910 gallons of spirits were distilled from other materials than from fruit, a decrease of 7,413,129 gallons as compared with the preceding year. Cigarettes to the number of 4,042,391,840 were drawn out, which was 14,897,850 more than were consumed during the preceding year. The number of cigars and cheroots withdrawn were 4,237,755,943, an increase of 73,783,503. Chewing and smoking tobacco were taken out to the amount of 253,667,137 pounds, an increase of 5,397,499 pounds.

Illinois returned more internal revenue than any other state, the total collections there being \$31,973,133. New York came next in order with \$21,620,470. Ohio and Pennsylvania were close together with \$11,974,740 and \$11,145,548 respectively. Indiana had \$7,693,245; Missouri, \$6,953,915; Maryland, \$5,968,069, and Wisconsin, \$5,012,077.

Nine of the remaining states reached the \$5,000,000 mark in the returns.

FORTY-FOUR PERISHED.

Number of Dead in the Atlantic City Wreck Positively Fixed.

Atlantic City, N. J., Aug. 4.—After much perplexity resulting from many cases of mistaken identity, the number of dead as a result of the awful collisions on the Meadows was this afternoon positively fixed at forty-four.

The impression prevails that the responsibility for the accident rests upon the dead engineer, Edward Farr. There is no dispute that the signal to go ahead was given to the West Jersey excursion train, and if so the danger signal must necessarily have been given to the Reading track by an automatic arrangement. The theory is that Farr did not slow up and could not stop in time when he saw the West Jersey train approaching. It is said he had been laid off for two weeks not long ago for not making good time, and it is supposed he was trying to make up for this by running at a high rate of speed.

The Deadly Chutes.

Knoxville, Tenn., Aug. 4.—A terrible fatality occurred at Lake Ottotsee, a summer resort five miles from this city, this afternoon. A Sunday-school picnic was in progress, and the recently erected "chutes" were doing a good business. As one of the boats came down the chutes, having aboard thirteen small children, a rowboat crossed its path as it struck the water, and four occupants of the rowboat were killed or injured.

Guarded by Militia.

Cleveland, O., Aug. 4.—The labor situation in this city is again critical. One hundred and fifty nonunion men went to work at the Brown hoisting works this morning, guarded by four companies of militia and a large force of police. A big crowd of union men were present, but no outbreak occurred. The police and soldiers kept the strikers moving. A sympathetic strike, threatened ever since the strike at the Brown company's works began, eleven weeks ago, was inaugurated this morning. Eighty-seven men employed by the Van Wagner & Williams Company, hardware manufacturers, laid down their tools and walked out.

Sold at Auction.

Seattle, Aug. 5.—All of the lands of the Northern Pacific railroad in the state of Washington, comprising 11,902 sections of patented and an indefinite quantity of unpatented land, were sold today at public auction by Special Master Alfred L. Carey. The sale was under decree of the United States circuit court of the eastern district of Wisconsin. The property was bought in by Edwin W. Winter for the Northern Pacific Railway Company, of which he is president, for \$1,705,200.

Oakland Building Collapsed.

Oakland, Cal., Aug. 5.—A two-story building on Seventh and Clay streets collapsed last night, and nine people occupying the house had narrow escapes from death. The underpinning of the house gave way shortly before midnight, and the building fell two feet with a crash. The building is still standing, but the first wind probably will topple it over. It was built forty years ago, and is one of the landmarks of the city.

Three Were Drowned.

La Crosse, Wis., Aug. 5.—While boating last evening Henry Hendrickson, Anna Amsrud and Lizzie Oldstadt, three La Crosse young people, were drowned in the Mississippi river just below the city.

Murdered Three People.

Providence, N. Y., Aug. 5.—Near Clay, eight miles west of here, Tom Brown, a farmer, 30 years old, butchered his wife, mother-in-law and baby last night. Brown comes of a feeble-minded family.

Building His Own Church.

San Francisco, Aug. 4.—Rev. Henry Victor Morgan, pastor of the First Christian church society of Alameda, is building a meeting house with the assistance of several members of his congregation. In laborer's garb, with his coat off, his sleeves rolled up and a straw hat on the back of his head the Rev. Morgan may be seen daily plying the saw and hammer in the construction of a house of worship.

"I have always been handy with tools and I am not afraid to work," said the Rev. Mr. Morgan. "I took it upon myself to superintend the construction of our little meeting house. I am being assisted by some members of my congregation. This structure will be used for a church only temporarily. Inside of a year we expect to build a church edifice and then this structure will be moved back and attached to the rear and used as a Sunday-school room. I think I am doing good work for the Lord in this way. I am anxious we should have a home."

Andree Delayed.

Stockholm, Aug. 4.—News has been received from Spitzbergen that Professor S. A. Andree's balloon has been filled and that he was ready to start July 25. The Virgo, with Professor Andree, his two companions and his apparatus on board, sailed from Stromsøe June 15. Since June 20, the expedition had been established in Pike's house, in the northern half of West Spitzbergen, opposite Dane's island. The stores and equipments had already been disembarked and the position considered very favorable. As the explorer had planned that his preparations would all be completed and his balloon filled by the first week in July, it seems probable that some unexpected obstacle was met in completing the preparations.

Spain May Buy Warships in Glasgow.

Madrid, Aug. 4.—The shipbuilders at Genoa, with whom the Spanish government has been negotiating for the purchase of two ironclads, have finally declined to sell to Spain the cruiser Garibaldi, on the ground that Argentina has a prior right. Admiral Beranger, the minister of marine, will in consequence send a commission of naval officers to Glasgow to negotiate for the purchase of two ironclads.

Carried Off a Wife.

Clinton, Mo., Aug. 4.—Several months ago Jim Carey came from Iowa and made his home with his uncle, W. S. Carey, near Clinton. During the latter's absence yesterday Mrs. Carey eloped with her husband's nephew, taking her baby along. A warrant has been issued, but it is thought they have fled to Iowa.

Los Angeles Chinese Shot.

Los Angeles, Aug. 4.—Wong Chee, one of the most prominent and influential Chinese in the city, was shot and seriously wounded by one of his countrymen this evening. Three Chinamen have been arrested and Wong Chew Gow, one of the number, is believed to be the man who did the shooting.

ANOTHER HORRIBLE ACCIDENT

Express Crashes Into an Excursion Train.

100 ARE KILLED AND INJURED

Wreck Occurred at a Railroad Crossing, and the Excursion Train Literally Cut in Two by the Express.

Atlantic City, N. J., Aug. 4.—A railroad accident, horrible in its results, and sickening in its details, occurred this evening, just outside of this city, and as a result about 100 persons either killed or injured.

The Reading railroad express, which left Philadelphia at 5:40 o'clock this evening for Atlantic City, crashed into a Pennsylvania railroad excursion train at the second signal tower, about three miles out from here.

The Pennsylvania train was returning to Bridgeton with a party of excursionists from that place. Millville, a neighboring town. It was crowded with passengers, and a rough estimate of the killed and injured at a late hour places the number at 100. It is believed that this is an exaggeration, but the number is undoubtedly more than 50.

At the second signal tower, the tracks of the two roads diagonally cross. The Reading train was the signal to stop, but the brakes failed to work or the speed of the train was too great to be checked in time. It caught the excursion train broadside and ploughed through, literally cleaving it in two. The express of the Reading train was shattered in pieces. Every car on the excursion train was jammed to its full capacity.

As soon as the news reached Atlantic City, the utmost consternation prevailed, but the authorities were equal to the emergency. Relief trains were dispatched to the scene, loaded with cots and bearing staffs of surgeons. As quick as the bodies were recovered they were carried into the local hospitals and undertaker's shops.

A general fire alarm was sounded and the department promptly responded, and aided in the heartrending work of digging for the victims. Fear gripped into despair and horror as the victims of the relief gangs revealed the awful extent of the disaster.

The first Reading relief train brought into this city twenty-seven mangled corpses, men, women and children. The next train, not an hour later, carried fifteen of the maimed and wounded, and two of these died soon after reaching the city.

As train after train plied to the scene of the wreck, and came back with its ghastly burdens, the station, which does duty as the city hospital, quickly found its capacity taxed. Meanwhile others of the dead and injured were being carried to the private hospital at Ocean and Park avenues.

Edward Farr, engineer on the Reading train, was killed outright, as was another railroad man who rode on the engine with him. This man, whose name has not yet been learned, saw collision coming and leaped from the cab an instant before the crash came. Almost at the same instant the engine cut its way through and caught him directly in its path. His body and that of Farr were found under a heap of debris, but the engineer lay in the wreckage of the cab, and his right hand still clasped the throttle. He had been faithful unto death, and met his last end.

The fireman on that train leaped a few seconds before and escaped with trifling injuries.

Samuel Thornton, baggage-master on the Reading train, is among the dead.

James M. Bateman, a Bridgeton undertaker, is known to be killed. He was in the third car, and his hat was found lying among the mass of broken timbers.

Richard Trenchard, a Bridgeton chemist, and his wife are both dead.

Conductor Kelly, of the Pennsylvania train, had both arms and legs broken, and was internally injured.

Albert J. Mosebach, of No. 18 North Eighth street, Philadelphia, was on the Reading train. He escaped unhurt.

The excursion train was made up of fifteen cars, the foremost of which was a baggage car. This and the next coaches caught the full force of the crash, and were utterly demolished. What remained of the third car was tumbled into a ditch at the roadside. The responsibility for the accident cannot now be fixed.

William Thurlow, telegraph operator in the tower-house, was arrested last night and held, pending an inquiry.

Dragged to Death.

The Dalles, Or., Aug. 3.—A distressing accident happened late last evening, whereby Frances Elizabeth Kreft, the eldest daughter of ex-Mayor Paul Kreft, was killed. The young lady, accompanied by her younger sisters, was out driving, when the horse became frightened and ran away. The young sisters were thrown out, and the eldest one stayed in for a time, when she too, was thrown from the vehicle. The young lady was dragged for over a mile and fearfully lacerated.