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## LOSS OF NEARLY TWENTY MILLIONS

### Half the Property on the Island Swept Out of Existence.

## OVER FIFTY GHOULS SHOT

### Trains of Supplies Rush to Galveston From East and West—Mayor Sends Appeal for Cash for the Homeless.

GALVESTON, Tex., Sept. 12.—8 p. m. via Houston, midnight—All attempts at burying the dead have been utterly abandoned and bodies are now being disposed of in the swiftest manner possible. Scores of them were buried today and hundreds were taken out to sea and thrown overboard. The safety of the living is now the paramount question and nothing that will tend to prevent an outbreak of pestilence is being neglected. This morning it was found that large numbers of bodies which had been previously thrown into the bay washed back upon the shore, and the situation was thus rendered worse than before they were first taken in barges, and thrown into the water. It will never be known how many have lost their lives in this awful catastrophe. Mayor Jones thinks the dead will amount to several thousand and others whose opportunities for judging are less than that of the mayor place it as high as 10,000. Relief committees from the interior of the state have commenced to arrive. The great trouble now seems to be that those people who are in the greatest need are the last to receive aid. Many of them are so badly maimed and wounded that they are unable to apply to the relief committee and the committees are so overwhelmed by direct applications that they have been unable to send out messengers. Very little stealing was reported today and there were no killings. The number of men shot yesterday for robbing the dead proved a salutary lesson. The loss of life among the regular army stationed at the barracks on the beach was largely overestimated. There are but twenty-seven missing, whereas the first estimate of casualties in this direction was nearly two hundred. General McKibben, U. S. A., has assumed entire charge of the city in a general way. Adjutant-General Scully being in direct charge of the city. About 1000 women and children were taken to Houston today. Another train load of provisions and clothing, making the third within the last 24 hours, arrived in Galveston tonight. Governor Sayres received over \$100,000 in contributions today. The steamer Charlotte Allen arrived at noon today from Houston with 10,000 loaves of bread and other provisions.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 12.—Quarter-master Baxter, U. S. A., at Galveston, telegraphs the war department that the fortifications around Galveston are all destroyed and cannot be rebuilt on the present sites. He says: "I fear that Galveston is destroyed beyond its ability to recover."

CHICAGO, Sept. 12.—The following statement was received at 11 o'clock tonight: "Galveston, Tex., Sept. 12.—Charles S. Diehl, General Manager of the Associated Press, Chicago: "A summary of the conditions prevailing at Galveston is more than the human intellect can master. Briefly stated, the damage to property is anywhere between fifteen and twenty millions. "The loss of life cannot be computed. All is simply guess work. Those buried in the sea and ground will foot up a horrible total of at least 3,000. Many estimates of the loss on the island and in the city of Galveston and immediate surrounding districts are between 4,000 and 5,000 deaths. I do not make this statement in fright or excitement. "The whole story will never be told because it cannot be told. The necessities of those living are pressing. Not a single individual escaped property

loss. The property on the island is half swept out of existence. What our needs are can be computed by the world at large by a statement herewith submitted much better than I could possibly summarize them. Help must be immediate. "Signed R. G. LOWE, "Manager Galveston News."

GALVESTON, Tex., Sept. 12.—To the Associated Press: We are receiving numerous telegrams of condolence and offers of assistance. As the telegraph wires are burdened we beg the Associated Press to communicate this response to all. Nearby cities are supplying and will supply sufficient food, clothing, etc., for our immediate needs. Cities further away can serve us best by sending money. Checks should be made payable to John Sealey, chairman finance committee.

All supplies should come to W. A. McVittie, chairman relief committee. We have 25,000 people to clothe and feed for many weeks and to furnish with household goods. Most of these are homeless and others will require money to make their wrecked residences habitable. From this the world may understand how much money we need. All communications will please accept this in lieu of a direct response and be assured of the heartfelt gratitude of the entire population. W. C. Jones, Mayor; M. Lasker, J. D. Skinner, C. H. McMaster, R. G. Lowe, Clarence Owsley, committee.

DALLAS, Tex., Sept. 12.—A bulletin from Galveston, via Virginia Point and Houston, received here at 11 a. m., says: "The situation grows worse every minute. Water and ice are needed. People in frenzy from suffering from these causes. Scores have died since last night and a number of sufferers have gone insane."

HOUSTON, Tex., Sept. 12.—The ghoulies have been holding an orgie over the dead at Galveston. The majority of these men were negroes, but whites took part in the desecration of the dead. Some of them were natives and some had been allowed to go over from the mainland under the guise of "relief" workers. Not only did they rob the dead but they mutilated bodies in order to secure their ghoulish booty.

A party of ten negroes were returning from a looting expedition. They had stripped corpses of all valuables and the pockets of some of the looters were fairly bulging out with fingers of the dead which had been cut off because they were so swollen the rings could not be removed. Incensed at this desecration and mutilation of the dead, the looters were shot down and it has been determined that all found in the act of robbing the dead shall be summarily shot.

During the robbing of the dead not only were fingers cut off, but ears were stripped from the dead in order to secure jewels of value. A few government troops who survived and private citizens have been patrolling the city and have endeavored to prevent the robbing of the dead, and on several occasions have killed offenders. It is said that at one time eight were killed, and at another time four. Altogether, the total of those executed exceeds 50.

HOUSTON, Tex., Sept. 12.—Order has begun to take the place of chaos, which has reigned in Galveston since Saturday's terrible storm, and citizens are recovering from the stupefaction of the sudden disaster. All conservative estimates have been shattered by the estimates of Mayor Jones, of Galveston, and other prominent and conservative men, who, in a statement to the Associated Press, declare that 3,000 deaths will result from the storm. Over 100 lives were lost at other points in Texas. Late advices say 100 human bodies have been weighted and sunk at sea—some identified, but more going to their graves unknown.

Martial law prevails now and vandalism is being brought to a sudden check. Sickening details of the work of ghoulies in mutilating and robbing the dead have been received and half a hundred of these men have paid the penalties of their crimes by summary deaths.

The water supply is now reported as adequate and thereby one of the worst features of the situation is eliminated for provisions are being poured into the stricken city by carloads. Many deaths are resulting from unavoidable neglect and the sanitary conditions.

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## KRUGER WILL GO TO EUROPE

### Several Transvaal Officials Leave on German Steamer.

## GUERRILLA TACTICS ADOPTED

### President Kruger Has Lost Interest in the Struggle—Americans Who Fought With Boers Now in Desperate Circumstances.

LOURENCO MARQUES, Sept. 12.—President Kruger and several Transvaal officials are staying at the house of Mr. Pott, consul of the Netherlands, here.

It is reported that they will sail for Europe, September 24th, on the German steamer Herzog.

LOURENCO MARQUES, Sept. 12.—President Kruger arrived here last night.

NEW YORK, Sept. 12.—A dispatch to the Tribune from London says: "The Boers have decided to make a formal declaration of guerilla warfare. General Botha is understood to have dissented from this course but, according to a Post correspondent with Lord Roberts' forces, he was overruled by the other members of the council of war."

The News correspondent in Belfast learns through a refugee from the Boers that President Kruger was at Neerup on Saturday and that President

of Table Mountain, owing to their inability to pay rent."

MAIL ROBBERY.  
Two Sacks of Registered Mail Stolen at the Metropolis of the Skeena River District.

VICTORIA, B. C., Sept. 12.—The steamer Queen City brings news of a big mail robbery at Port Eslington, the metropolis of the Skeena river mining and canning section. The mail was ready to be brought to Victoria by the Queen City and was placed in the corner of the general store at Eslington, where the postoffice is located.

Two days before the steamer arrived the store was entered during the night and two sacks of registered mail stolen. The letters in these two sacks, Postmaster Cunningham says, contained over \$3000 in cash, checks and drafts. Suspicion fell on some of the half breeds who were hanging around the vicinity of the postoffice, and one of them was arrested. No evidence could be found against him and he was released.

BATTLE OF BRANDYWINE.  
Anniversary Celebrated on the Battlefield.

WESTCHESTER, Pa., Sept. 12.—The 123rd anniversary of the battle of Brandywine was celebrated yesterday on the battlefield where, on September 11, 1777, for the first time the continental army carried the Stars and Stripes into battle, it having been adopted as the national flag by congress a few months before.

The ceremonies incident to the celebration began at noon when a salute of thirteen guns was fired. This was followed by a flag raising, during which thousands of persons joined in singing the "Star Spangled Banner."

Two cannons presented by the government were placed in positions mark-

## AN INSTRUCTIVE PARALLEL.

BRYAN AT TOPEKA.

JEFFERSON DAVIS' BOOK, VOL. II, PAGE 296.

The Republican party nullifies every principle of the Declaration of Independence. And so today we are engaged in a controversy which will determine whether we are to have a republic in which the government derives its just powers from the consent of the governed, or an empire in which brute force is the only recognized source of power. If this Nation enters upon a colonial career, it must repudiate the doctrine that governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed.

When such an issue is raised there can only be two parties—the party (whatever its name may be) which believes in a republic, and the party (whatever its name) which believes in an empire—and the influence of every citizen is, consciously or unconsciously, intentionally or unintentionally, thrown upon the one side or the other.

The whole science of a republican government is to be found in this sentence from the Declaration of Independence: "Governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed."

Who, then, had a right to institute a republican government for Louisiana? Under what principles, then, could a citizen of Massachusetts, whether clothed in regimentals or citizen's dress, come into Louisiana and attempt to set up a state government? Under no principles, but only by the power of the invader and the usurper. If the true principles of a republican government had prevailed and could have been enforced when Major-General Butler appeared at New Orleans, he would have been hanged on the first lamp-post, and his successor, Major-General Banks, would have been hanged on the second.

Steyr, Viljoen, Christian Botha, Fourie and Delarey were with him. Lucas Meyer has been deposed from his command but remains Mr. Kruger's military adviser.

President Kruger is said to be feeble and apparently takes little interest in the military movements. He remains in his railway carriage constantly reading psalms. It is believed that his ultimate intention is to take flight toward Koomatipoort.

LONDON, Sept. 12.—Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, secretary of state for the colonies, in the form of a letter to the Durham Conservative Association issues an election manifesto. Referring to the settlement in South Africa, he said:

"I should seriously fear that if, for any cause, the Liberals were now returned to office they would be ready to throw away, in connection with the settlement, the position which has been so hardy gained.

"I hope every elector who feels that the arrogant and arbitrary tyranny of the Boer oligarchy culminating in an invasion of her majesty's territories requires to be dealt with by a strong hand will support the Unionist candidates at the polls."

CAPE TOWN, Sept. 12.—In the Cape house of assembly yesterday, Premier Sir John Gordon Sprigg, replying to a question concerning the fate of refugees who had not been permitted to return to their occupations, said that if charitable funds failed the government would see to it that the refugees did not starve.

LONDON, Sept. 12.—The Cape Town correspondent of the Daily Mail, referring to the question put in the house of assembly by Sir John Gordon Sprigg regarding the refugees, said:

"The distress among them is very serious. Large numbers, mostly Americans, are living in caves on the sides

ing the patriots' line of battle. The orator of the day was Judge Johnson, of Media.

The celebration was under the auspices of General George McCall Post No. 31, Grand Army of the Republic. The visitors included prominent G. A. R. men and persons from the surrounding counties.

GERMAN MILITARY MANEUVERS.  
Plan Is for Repulse of Hostile Fleet by German Army.

BERLIN, Sept. 12.—The German military maneuvers in accordance with plans prepared by Emperor William have now gone far enough to enable an analysis of the scheme. The supposition is that a hostile fleet can withstand a hostile army on the shore after the German fleet has been repulsed.

The enemy has attempted to push on quickly to Berlin where, however, an army is formed which moves by forced marches toward Stettin, repulsing the invaders. Today the hostile cavalry and infantry divisions are near Pyritz in Pomerania.

The weather has been cool and dry until last evening when a warm rain set in. Prince Henry of Prussia and the emperor have been participating. Emperor William makes frequent and successful use of automobiles. He camped near Wildenbruch last night.

RAINS BRING RELIEF.  
Total Number Receiving Famine Relief Now Reduced to Four and a Third Millions.

LONDON, Sept. 12.—Lord Curzon, of Kedleston, viceroy of India, has called the India office that good rains have fallen in Madras and central Bengal and on the Gangetic plains, relieving all present anxiety regarding the autumn crops in those territories.

The total number now receiving famine relief has fallen to 4,334,000.

METAL MARKET.  
NEW YORK, Sept. 12.—Silver, 62 1/2; lead, unchanged.

## WORLD'S MOST GIGANTIC STRIKE

### 142,000 Pennsylvania Miners Ordered to Quit Work.

## MEN WILL BE CARED FOR

### Miners of Anthracite Coal Will Cease Work on Monday Next—President of United Mine Workers Has Signed the Order.

INDIANAPOLIS, Sept. 12.—This afternoon President Mitchell and Secretary Wilson of the United Mine Workers of America affixed their signatures to a document which will call 142,000 miners of the Pennsylvania anthracite region from their work Monday morning and precipitate one of the most gigantic strikes in the history of the labor world.

The document was an official endorsement of the request of the anthracite miners to strike. The official order to strike was sent to the three presidents of the Pennsylvania districts. The order is simply a recital of the procedure of the three district bodies in applying to the national board for authority to strike, and a formal announcement that the application is endorsed and a strike ordered.

The order says: "Do not wait for any further notice to strike, but cease work in a body on and after Monday, September 17, 1900."

As to maintaining the men during the strike, Mitchell said: "When men are fighting for wages they can subsist on very little. At any rate it is safe to say that nobody will starve or want for necessary clothing. Most of the men live in the company houses and we must consider the probability of eviction, but these things have all been fully considered."

TERRIBLE TRAIN WRECK.  
Nine Persons Killed and Five Injured on the Illinois Central.

CAIRO, Ill., Sept. 12.—A terrible wreck in which nine persons lost their lives and five others were injured occurred at Beechwood, Illinois, a station on the Illinois Central railroad, today.

The dead are: Kate H. Ward, Olive Enright, Ella Williams, of Collins; Anna Allen, Madge Margaret, Faith Hamilton, Ella Williams, Ada and Pat Patterson (colored), Annie Bell (colored), all from Chicago.

The persons killed were occupants of a special private car of Duncan Clark Specialty Company, composed of ten men and seven women, en route to Mound City, where they were billed to appear tonight.

At the north switch half a mile north of Beechwood, the private car, which was attached to the rear end of the passenger train, jumped from the rails to the west and crashed across the front end of a switch engine which stood still upon the track. The car smashed into bits of kindling wood.

The cause of the accident was the breaking of the rear trucks of the private car. Duncan Clark, manager of the company, was among the injured.

NEW YORK DEMOCRATS.  
After Some Bickering Succeeded in Nominating a Ticket.

SARATOGA, N. Y., Sept. 12.—The Democratic state convention tonight nominated this ticket: Governor—John B. Stanchfield, of Chemung.

Lieutenant-governor—William Mackey, of Erie.  
Secretary of state—John T. Norton, of Kennebec.

Controller—Edwin S. Atwater, of Dutchess.  
Treasurer—John B. Judson, of Fulton.

Attorney-general—Thos. F. Conway, of Clinton.  
Engineer and surveyor—Russell R. Stuart, of Onondaga.

The head of the ticket was not selected without a sarcastic exchange of compliments among the leaders. But when the will of the convention had finally been registered, ex-Senator Hill was the first to propose the unanimous nomination of Stanchfield.

WEDDING OF MISS MCKINLEY.  
The President Attended the Wedding of His Niece at Somerset, Pa.

SOMERSET, Pa., Sept. 12.—The wedding of Miss Mabel McKinley, only child of Mr. and Mrs. Abner McKinley, and Dr. Terminus Baer, took place tonight and was made notable by the presence of President McKinley, uncle of the bride.

PAKLING HAS ARRIVED.  
WASHINGTON, Sept. 12.—The war department has been informed of the arrival at Manila, on the ninth instant, of the transport Pakling. She has cavalry horses on board.

## REMOVAL SALE.

For the next sixty days our entire stock of furniture and carpets will be closed out at less than cost. Call early and avoid the rush.

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