

EXPRESS TRAIN WENT INTO RIVER

Loss of Cleveland and Pittsburg
Flyer With Passengers.

HEAVY DAMAGE BY FLOODS

Hundreds of Thousands of Dollars Worth of
Property Destroyed and Many Lives
Lost in Pennsylvania, New
York and Ohio.

REAPER, Pa., Nov. 27.—Late tonight the Cleveland and Pittsburg flyer went into the Ohio river at this place. Three Cleveland men, Engineer Couchour, Fireman Allen and Express Messenger Casey were killed. Nineteen others are reported dead and the entire train is said to be in the river.

PENNSYLVANIA FLOODED.

PITTSBURGH, Nov. 27.—After three days of incessant rain, a flood unprecedented for this season of the year swept down the Monongahela and Allegheny rivers last night, ruined hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of property, caused the loss of at least three lives, temporarily threw out of employment thousands of workmen, by the forced suspension of industrial establishments, and rendered hundreds of families homeless.

A November flood is quite common, but it rarely reaches the danger line, and for this season the steady rains of the past few days caused no alarm until late yesterday, when warning was sent out that a dangerous flood was threatened. The rising waters caught many wholly unprepared. The danger line is 24 feet, and this was passed about 3 o'clock this morning. At 11 a. m. the marks at Davis island dam registered 25 feet, 7 inches. Both rivers were stationary, and it was thought that the worst was over. The lowlands in Pittsburgh, Allegheny, South Sharsburg and McKeesport are inundated and nearly every plant fronting the two rivers has been forced to shut down. Hundreds of families in these districts have either been driven from their homes or are living in the upper floors and using skiffs. There were many narrow escapes from drowning during the night, and several men are reported missing.

Davis and Flocker, with three companions, attempted to row across the Allegheny in a skiff, which became unmanageable and collided with a coal boat. The men were thrown into the river and Davis and Flocker drowned. The others clung to the upturned boat and were rescued, after being carried two miles down the river.

At Neville island, the four-span railroad bridge in course of construction was swept away during the night. It was being erected for the American Steel & Wire Company and was also to be used for passenger traffic by the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie Company.

DAMAGE ALONG LAKES.

CHICAGO, Nov. 27.—A storm of unusual severity swept the states east of Illinois during the past 24 hours, causing numerous disasters on land and water and entailing heavy property loss. Wind, rain and snow combined to make the storm one of the worst of the year. Wires throughout New York, West Virginia, Ohio, Kentucky, Tennessee and other states are still in a crippled condition and it is impossible to tell how great the loss of life will prove. Many alarming rumors have gained credence but confirmation of several reported disasters cannot be obtained.

New York City was all but isolated from the rest of the world a great part of yesterday.

On Lake Erie the gale was severe, a number of vessels being wrecked or driven ashore. Twenty-foot waves swept in from the lake causing serious damage to wharves and buildings along the water front. At Loraine, O., the heaviest sea in many years destroyed the government pier, threatening to do damage to the harbor.

The south canal of the Erie canal near

Rome, N. Y., was broken, letting the water out of the 60 mile level. All vessels in this section of the state will be left on the bottom where they are until the damage is repaired and the canal refilled.

The water works reservoir near Chauncey, O., broke and the flood swept down on the town one mile away, destroying a number of buildings and flooding the city.

Throughout Ohio and West Virginia all streams were flooded and overflowed their banks, carrying away bridges and trestles, severely interfering with railroad traffic.

NEW RUSSIAN DUTIES.

Will Not Be as Burdensome on Importers as First Reported.

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—A special to the Journal of Commerce from Washington says:

The levy of duties on certain imports into Siberia will not affect some of the important articles necessary to the development of the country. The report that flour would be taxed 80 per cent is emphatically denied by the official representatives here of the Russian government. It is declared that the duties will be the same as in European Russia on flour, amounting to about 15 cents per thirty-six pounds or 80 cents per barrel.

The entire European tariff will not be placed, however, upon imports into Siberia. Many articles like railway equipment, locomotives, structural iron and agricultural machinery will be continued to be admitted free of duty into all parts of Asiatic Russia.

The duties announced, moreover, which take effect on January 1, will apply only to articles imported at Vladivostok and other neighboring ports and will not extend to the entire country north of the trans-Siberian railway.

These duties will not be levied in any manner in Manchuria, the Chinese province which is practically under Russian control since the lease was made for the construction of the eastern branch of the trans-Siberian railway. The Russian government, so far as the state department is advised, proposes to adhere firmly to the agreement for the open door in all parts of the territory of China, including those under temporary Russian control.

The Russian government is desirous of raising the revenue and protecting domestic industry in Siberia to a certain extent but proposes to leave free of duty such articles as are not produced in the country and will contribute to its rapid development.

It is declared by representatives of the Russian government that it is not proposed at present to seek any large loan and that the expenses of recent military operations in China will be defrayed from the free cash balance in the treasury.

OLEOMARGARINE BILL.

Representative Tawney Believes That
It Will Pass Both Houses.

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—Representative Tawney, of Minnesota, one of the leaders in the effort to pass the oleomargarine bill, is quoted in a Washington special to the Tribune as saying in an interview:

"The bill is set in the house for December 6. It will be a very lively day and the debate will be spirited on both sides, as the opposition will make a hard fight. I am confident, however, of the passage of the bill in the house by a safe majority and I believe that the prospects are good for its passage in the senate."

"The fight will be made on the bill in both houses of congress. Farmers from the Atlantic to the Pacific are in favor of the bill and the consumer who wishes pure butter is with us. A petition of five million farmers has been signed in favor of the bill."

WILL TOUCH SALT LAKE CITY.

It Is Learned That the Burlington Road
Has Bought Terminal Grounds.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Nov. 27.—T. F. Ginkins, vice-president of the Los Angeles & Salt Lake railroad, is authorized by the statement that the Burlington road is headed for Salt Lake City.

When he was in Salt Lake recently he learned that the Burlington had purchased several tracts of land in that city suitable for terminal structures and he also discovered that a number of Burlington surveyors' checks were in circulation.

ANOTHER GENEROUS GIFT.

Dr. D. K. Pearsons Will Give Colorado
College \$50,000.

COLORADO SPRINGS, Col., Nov. 27.—In an address to the students of Colorado College, Dr. D. K. Pearsons, the Chicago philanthropist, announced that on January 1, 1901, he would make the college a gift of \$50,000 toward the cost of completing the new scientific building now in course of construction.

GENERAL SMITH DEAD.

SAN JOSE, Cal., Nov. 27.—General G. S. Smith, who was surveyor-general of Nebraska under President Hayes and later city attorney of Omaha, died here last night of heart trouble. He came to San Jose for his health six months ago.

MINISTER TO ECUADOR.

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—Gen. Sampson, of Phoenix, Ariz., U. S. minister to Ecuador, will sail this week on the steamer Advance for his post. He came north in September.

SWINDLER CAUGHT.

Posed as a Physician in Distress and
Victimized Doctors.

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—The police have in custody a man who for more than a year has been victimizing physicians and surgeons throughout the eastern states. The man who has been arrested describes himself as William Ferguson, fifty-nine years of age, living at the Capital hotel, Bowery. He is of Irish birth and says he is a physician.

Ferguson called on Dr. William M. Polk and told a touching story about having lost his wife, two children and all his property in the Galveston storm and flood. Dr. Polk afterwards remembered having received a call a year ago from Ferguson and notified some of his professional friends. He further remembered that at that time his visitor said he had lost all he had in a fire in Michigan.

Dr. George E. Jarman was one of those communicated with. Dr. Jarman received Ferguson and again the Galveston flood story was told. Dr. Jarman gave his visitor a marked one dollar bill and later the pretended physician was turned over to the police. At the station house the authorities remembered a marked copy of the Medical Record, dated November 24, 1900, which read:

"An impostor: Dr. W. Payne Porter, of Charleston, N. C., writes that a man personating himself and claiming to have attended the meeting of the congress of American physicians and surgeons in Washington in May last has been victimizing many of the profession in that city by pretending to be in distress and borrowing money from them."

The description given corresponded with the appearance of Ferguson. At the station house the prisoner was searched and a curious assortment of papers was found in his possession, among them being a bunch of checks of the Elliott National Bank, of Boston, on the backs of which were written the names of many people of prominence, among them being the name of E. C. Benedict, and a newspaper dated September 14 having in its columns a list of contributors of the Galveston relief fund.

NICARAGUA CANAL BILL.

Senator Morgan Thinks It Will Pass by
a Large Majority.

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—Senator John T. Morgan, of Alabama, is quoted in a Tribune special from Washington as saying in an interview about the Nicaragua canal project:

"I can see no reason why the canal measure should not go through this session. Every senator who has thus far returned to Washington has expressed his willingness and determination to vote for it and I have no doubt that a large majority of the senate will vote for the bill when the time arrives. The trouble has been and is likely to be in securing permission to consider the bill. When a vote is taken a great majority will vote in its favor."

"I am in favor of the ratification of the Hay-Panama treaty and I think this treaty will be disposed of favorably."

"The question of fortifications along the canal is one which has more interest for the countries of Nicaragua and Costa Rica than for the United States. Nicaragua and Costa Rica own the ground and ought to have a right to say just what they want in this direction. If they want the right to fortify the canal then there will be some necessity for the discussion of this subject, but so far as the interests of this country are concerned the matter is of very little consequence. Some of the military authorities may take the ground that in view of the uncertain character of the governments of South American republics a few fortifications might be a good thing. This is an opinion that does not bear on the canal proper and is of no great consequence. Let the nations owning the land have their say in this respect and let us not worry over it."

FITZ AGAIN IN THE RING.

There Will Probably Be a Championship
Battle in June Next.

TORONTO, Nov. 27.—Robert Fitzsimmons has announced that at the close of his season he will once more enter the ring and then retire for good. Fitzsimmons also states that another pugilistic star manager tried to fix up a false fight, but he would not consent to any such arrangement.

The declaration that Fitzsimmons will re-enter the ring is understood to mean that there will be a championship battle probably next June. Jeffries, when he agreed to meet Ruhlman and afterwards Sharkey, reserved the right to arrange a match with Fitzsimmons, should the latter respond in due time. Now that Fitzsimmons has announced his intention to battle for the championship, Ruhlman and Sharkey may be obliged to wait according to agreement.

RAMBLER MINE SOLD.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Nov. 27.—The Ventura Corporation of London has purchased the Rambler mine, one of the best copper properties in this section, for the sum of \$250,000.

REFORMERS INSINCERE.

Croker Gives the Anti-Vice Crusaders
of New York Some Hot Shot.

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—A dispatch to the Herald from London quotes Rich-



ard Croker as saying in an interview at his country home at Wantage that the reformers of New York are not sincere. Says Mr. Croker in the interview:

"These men cannot fool the people of New York again. The only cause they are fighting for is the Republican party. Their only aim is to elect a Republican mayor of New York."

"They are responsible for the New York charter. They created a bi-partisan board. What we should have is a single-headed police board. Then we could place responsibility on somebody's shoulders. Two-thirds of the police captains in New York are Republicans. Is the Democratic organization which does not control the police board responsible for the administration of these Republican captains?"

"What we mean to do is to satisfy the people of New York," he continued. "These reformers talk about vice in New York. Have they ever been in London or Paris? They are not sincere."

PARK NOT UNHEALTHY.

Report From Chairman of Chickamauga
and Chattanooga National Mil-
itary Park Commission.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 27.—The annual report of General H. V. Boynton, chairman of the Chickamauga and Chattanooga national park commission, to the secretary of war says:

"There are now erected on the Chickamauga field 197 field guns mounted on iron carriages to imitate the pattern used during the civil war, marking 43 union battery positions, and 94 field guns similarly mounted, marking 39 confederate battery positions. On the Chattanooga field 45 guns mounted as above mark ten union and ten confederate battery positions there."

"Historical tablets erected during the year, 190, foundations for state monuments constructed, one excavated, one guns mounted, twelve."

In view of the sensational reports current during the occupation of the park by the troops during the Spanish-American war that the park was in an unhealthy region, the commission called special attention to the report of the engineer showing in connection with the last annual report that the entire absence of fever or any general sickness in the park force has continued from the time it began to clear up the park after the troops left to the present time.

HUGE EXPRESS PARCEL.

Enormous Steel Shaft Weighing 12,000
Pounds Shipped to Anaconda.

BETHLEHEM, Pa., Nov. 27.—The Bethlehem Steel Company recently received an order from the Anaconda Copper Mining Company of Anaconda, Mont., for a hollow forged fluid compressed steel shaft 17 feet 10 inches long and 15 1/2 to 20 inches in diameter with a seven inch axial hole, to replace a shaft which broke in the hoisting engine of the mine necessitating a shut down until the next one could be received and throwing 1600 hands out of work.

The new shaft was taken in hand under emergency conditions and finished complete within 14 days from the receipt of the order, which will be two days in advance of contract agreement. It weighed about 12,000 pounds and on account of the urgent nature of the case was shipped to Anaconda by express in a special car. It was the largest express parcel ever received from this state.

HORSE SHOW A SUCCESS.

Directors Congratulate Themselves on
the Results of the Undertaking.

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—The directors of last week's horse show are congratulating themselves on the final results of the undertaking. The estimated receipts are \$90,000 and the amount given in prizes was about \$30,000.

J. C. Stevens, of Attica, N. Y., carried off the largest number of prizes, seventeen, aggregating \$1785. Thomas W. Lawson, of Boston, came next with \$1410. The estimated attendance was about 50,000. President Cornelius Fellows predicts that next year's show will do still better.

NO MORE ELK TEETH.

Members of the Order Are Requested to
Cease Wearing Them as Emblems.

COLORADO SPRINGS, Col., Nov. 27.—The local lodge of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks has appointed a committee to draft resolutions against the wearing of elk teeth as emblems of the order.

The reported wholesale slaughter of elk in the West for the teeth influenced this action, and copies of the resolutions will be sent to the different lodges throughout the country with the idea of effecting the abolishment of traffic in elk teeth.

CHINESE SMUGGLED IN.

Six Caught Entering New York State
From Canada.

PLATTSBURG, N. Y., Nov. 27.—The business of smuggling Chinese across the border from Canada into this state is believed to have received its death blow.

Late Saturday night two Chinamen were seen as they were being drawn through this village in a covered wagon. They were traced to Keeseville, N. Y., to which point they had been driven from Hemmingford, a distance of about forty-five miles, and there located in a Chinese laundry.

They were arrested and brought to Plattsburg, where they were given a hearing before United States Commissioner Woodward. They gave their names as Foong Lung, aged 23, and Ham Chin Gee, aged 24, and they both stated through an interpreter that they were from the province of Quang Tung. They were committed to jail and will be given their examination today.

The man who drove them from Hemmingford to Keeseville escaped, but the customs officials think they know who he is.

Last night four more Chinamen were captured at Malone by officers who were raiding a Chinese "restaurant," which has recently been opened in Malone by Frank C. Parks, a Chinaman who came there a few days ago from St. Albans, Vt. These four Chinamen were driven from Atholston, Que., to Malone, N. Y., in a sleigh covered with robes and delivered to Park's "restaurant."

Parks was also arrested. He is believed to be an old offender and is also believed to be in league with certain persons in New York. The driver of the team escaped. Parks and possibly the four Chinamen arrested with him will be brought to Plattsburg, as the Malone jail is full and running over with Chinamen, there being no less than ninety-seven there today. There are six or eight in jail here awaiting trial.

BURGLAR AT PRINCETON.

Student Thrust a Revolver in His Face
in College Dormitory.

PRINCETON, N. J., Nov. 27.—A burglar who gave his name as Frank T. McFordan, of Trenton, was caught by a student, Gaylord R. Hawkins, 1901, in the Little Hall last night and a number of valuables stolen from the student's room were found in his possession.

Hawkins thrust a revolver in his face before he could escape and under threats marched him across the campus to President Topley's office. His clothing was searched and several valuable scarf pins, medals, razors, gloves, knives and five dollars were found. Recently over \$250 in money, four gold watches, a number of diamond studs and other valuables have been stolen from students in Blair and Dod halls.

DENBY WILL GO TO CHINA.

Will Take His Old Place Vice Consul
Resigned.

CHICAGO, Nov. 27.—A special to the Tribune from Evansville, Ind., says: Friends of Colonel Charles Denby here assert that they have reasons to believe that the late United States minister to China is to be sent back to that post to succeed Minister Conger who, it is believed, will soon resign his office. Minister Conger succeeded Mr. Denby at Pekin. Colonel Denby is now in the East.

SONORA DIVISION TIED UP.

Engineers Refuse to Cross Into Mexico
Because Many Trainmen Are Un-
justly Imprisoned There.

NOGALES, Ariz., Nov. 27.—For several days there has been almost a tie-up on the Sonora division of the Southern Pacific. Friday all the engineers running into this point from the south refused to pull a throttle into the

Fisher's Opera House

L. E. SELBY, Lessee and Manager.

...THREENIGHTS...

MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY

November 26, 27, 28

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professor from ropes, manacles,

bolts and bars. Nothing before

the public to equal it.

SEE the spirit hand writing on the

wall as is now reproduced by

means of a slate in broad light.

PRICES—Reserved Seats, 35c; gal-

lery, 25c. Sent sale opens Monday

morning at Griffin & Reed's.

ISLAND WILL BE KEPT.

Isla de Pines, South of Cuba, Com-
mands Entrance to the Gulf.

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—The United States will retain possession of the Isla de Pines, whatever the final disposition of Cuba, says a Washington dispatch to the Journal and Advertiser. It will be fortified and a strong garrison will be kept there.

Lying south of the western end of Cuba, the Isla de Pines commands the western or Yucatan entrance to the Gulf and forms an important outpost for the defense of the Nicaraguan canal.

While Secretary Root visited Cuba he went to the island and recognized its strategic importance. The state department now holds that under the treaty of peace the title of the Isla de Pines passed to the United States. Secretary Root holds a similar view.

The northern part of the island—next to the Cuban shore—is admirably adapted for the purpose of the government. It is high, thickly studded with valuable woods and the climate is so healthy that prior to the war a health resort for pulmonary patients was established there.

Naval officers say that Signena bay, on the northwest coast, with but little dredging afford an excellent and safe harbor.

ILLEGAL DISTILLING.

It Is Said That Denver Is Headquarters
for Gang Engaged in the Business.

DENVER, Nov. 27.—Revenue officers are engaged in investigating reports that illicit distilling is being carried on in Colorado. It is said that Denver is headquarters for a gang engaged in this traffic and it is understood that several arrests will be made in the near future.

WILL PUSH HIS CLAIM.

Senator Appointed to Succeed W. A.
Clark Goes to Washington.

HELENA, Mont., Nov. 27.—Major Martin Maginnis, who was appointed United States senator last spring by Governor Smith to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of W. A. Clark, has gone to Washington to present his claim before the senate.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Sealed proposals will be received at the office of undersigned, 12 m. Nov. 27, 1900, for the construction of a three story building for P. J. McDowen & Sons. M. DEIN, Architect, Odd Fellows' Building, Astoria, Ore.

NOTICE FOR BIDS.

Bids will be received by the county court until Wednesday, December 5th, 1900, at 2 p. m., for furnishing plans and the construction across Tucker creek in road district No. 6 of a balance draw bridge (28 foot span) 30 foot trestle approach on the west side, and about 45 feet of trestle approach on the east side of draw span. All of said bridge to be fourteen feet wide and draw built in the same manner as the Warrenton draw bridge.

The right is reserved to reject any and all bids.

By order of the COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, H. J. WHERRY, County Clerk.

CALL FOR A REPUBLICAN CON-
VENTION FOR THE CITY OF
ASTORIA.

A Republican convention for the City of Astoria, Clatsop county, state of Oregon, is hereby called to meet at the court house in the City of Astoria on Saturday, December 1st, A. D. 1900, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of nominating the following officers of said city: to be voted for at the next general election in said city, to be held on Wednesday, December 12, A. D. 1900, to-wit:

One councilman for the First ward.
One councilman for the Second ward.
One councilman for the Third ward.
One city attorney.
Each ward is hereby apportioned eleven delegates.

Notice is further given that a primary election is hereby called to be held in the City of Astoria, Clatsop county, state of Oregon, for the purpose of electing 33 delegates (eleven delegates in each ward of said city) to the Republican convention of the City of Astoria, as aforesaid, to be held at said city of Astoria, on Saturday, December 1st, A. D. 1900, at 10 o'clock a. m. said primary election shall be held Friday, November 30, 1900, from the hour of 1 o'clock p. m. to the hour of 6 o'clock p. m., of said day.

The following polling places in each ward of said city have been established, namely:

In ward No. 1—City hall, corner of Eleventh and Commercial streets.
In ward No. 2—Welch block, corner Commercial and Fourteenth streets.
In ward No. 3—Adair's old school house, Upper Astoria.

The following judges and clerks have been appointed, to-wit:

Ward No. 1—C. H. Stockton, C. G. Fulton and Thos. Mokko, judges; A. B. Dugity and L. E. Howe, clerks.
Ward No. 2—W. L. Robb, D. H. Welch and Fred Wickman, judges; A. R. Carruthers and C. E. Foster, clerks.
Ward No. 3—Gust Holmes, T. S. Cornelius and L. Agren, judges; A. T. Brakke and W. B. Faltner, clerks.

By order of the city central committee.

R. G. PRAEL, Chairman.

F. P. LINENWEHER, Secretary.

UNCLE SAM'S FEAST DAY

should be provided with a choice fragrant cigar to top off the dinner with, and there is nothing that will tickle the palate and delight the heart of the connoisseur like one of our Garcia cigars. It is the best cigar for the money that is made, and will give the lover of a good smoke a treat for 12 1/2 cents. Try a box for Thanksgiving.

WILL MADISON



Distress after eating

is caused from the stomach not
beginning its work immediately.
Until it gets to