

DISASTER AND DEATH.

Eight Young Women Perish in a Cigar Factory.

PHILADELPHIA, April 30.—Unfortunate accident to a deaf and dumb boy, Isador Bacus, was today directly responsible for the death of eight girls and young women and the fatal injury of three others and serious injury of more than two score of girls employed in the cigar factory of Harburger, Hanan & Company, branch of the American Tobacco Company. The dead are:

MARY GENEVA, aged 15 years.
HELEN LOLLINIA, aged 12.
ELIZABETH TARTINE, aged 13.
ANNIE ROSSCHNEIDER, aged 18.
LOUISE DESEPI, aged 18.
IDA GREEN, aged 18.
ANNIE FORD, aged 13.

Unidentified woman about 25 years old, whose body is at the morgue. The fatally injured are:

Mary Mesino, injured internally and skull fractured.

Josephine Oroneo, injured internally. Unidentified woman, fractured skull. The injuries of others consist mainly of bruises about the body and fractured limbs.

The building in which the disaster occurred is a five-story brick structure and occupies the entire block. Twelve hundred persons were at work at the time of the accident, ninety percent of whom were girls, whose ages range from 12 years upward. The trouble began on the fourth floor of the structure. The elevator was at the top of the shaft and Bacus, janitor of the building, pulled a rope to bring it down. He opened the door leading to the shaft and leaned forward to see where the carriage was. As he did so, the elevator, which was descending slowly, struck him across the back of his neck, pinning his head between the elevator and the floor. Some of the younger girls fainting while others not being able to control their feelings cried "fire." Instantly there was a mad rush for the stairway leading to the street below. Girls rushed down the narrow stair-case until they reached the bend in the exit between the second and third floors. In their eagerness to escape the frightened passengers fell. Others immediately following tripped over a struggling mass of humanity and in less than a minute, there were hundreds of children and young women struggling in the passage-way. Shrieks and screams of terror-stricken girls could be heard for a block or more. During the excitement an alarm of fire was given in, but before the engines could reach the scene, several of the occupants of the building had rushed to the windows and jumped to the street, a distance of 50 feet.

AN OLD PIONEER.

BAKER CITY, April 30.—Jack Vinson, aged 78 years, one of the early pioneers who came to this country over 50 years ago, died this evening. Vinson came West when gold was first discovered in California and followed nearly all the great mining excitements of California, Nevada, Oregon and Idaho. He was an old time packer, prospector and stage driver. In early days he drove a stage during the time the Indians were so troublesome.

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PUSH CLUB MEETING.

An Important Conference at the Chamber of Commerce Rooms Last Night.

There was a fair attendance at the regular meeting of the Push Club last night, considerable interest being manifested on some questions of the hour. Mr. G. Siemens was proposed and upon motion elected an active member of the club.

The committee on the entertainment of the Travelers Protective Association, which is proposed to meet here in June, by its chairman made a report of the expenses to be incurred in the matter of a banquet and it was the concurrent expression that the drummers ought to be substantially entertained, not only for the credit of Astoria but for the comfort of the guests.

A movement to appoint a joint committee on the Lewis and Clark expedition was carried and left to the discretion of the chair at some future time. There being no further business before the club an adjournment was effected to the next regular meeting.

PISTOLS GALORE.

Revolvers and Clubs Are the Trumps in a Riot in New York.

NEW YORK, April 30.—For the first time in the recent police raids here on the pool-rooms and other law breaking resorts, pistols have been drawn. Captain Sheehan, with three men, gained admittance to an alleged pool room in West Fourteenth street. In the heart of the old Knickerbocker district. When the door swung ajar, however, scores of persons rushed from the rooms, which were located in an old brown stone front residence, and attempted to throw the captain and his men over the balustrade. Captain Sheehan knocked several of his prospective assailants unconscious with his club. His men were being rapidly borne toward the stairway, however, and pistols were quickly drawn. With bloodshed as a possibility the crowd quickly submitted and 61 prisoners were carried to the tenderloin station. Captain Sheehan was knocked down during the fight by a blow on the head, but was not seriously hurt.

WOMAN IN FRONT.

LOS ANGELES, April 30.—With the arrival of many special trains from the East and North carrying delegates to the biennial convention of the General Confederation of Women's Clubs, various headquarters have become centers of bright colors and lively action. Railroads estimate the number of those arriving to attend the convention at 5000.

Mrs. T. S. Dennison, of New York, is prominently mentioned as the Eastern candidate for presidency, while Mrs. Platt-Decker, of Denver, and Mrs. Robert J. Burdette, of Pasadena, are Western candidates.

PENITENTIARY MURDER.

HOUSTON, Tex., April 30.—It has just been learned that a murder was recently committed in the penitentiary at Rusk which is out of the ordinary. Recently the San Antonio officers convicted a number of Mexicans of robberies extending over several years in which it was estimated that \$10,000 worth of goods had been stolen and sold. The leader of the gang was Ramon Mendez and he was given 15 years. The police used Juan Aguilar for a witness and he was let off with five years. As soon as Mendez had an opportunity after arriving at the penitentiary he killed Aguilar.

RECORD BREAKER.

BEAUMONT, Tex., April 30.—A record in loading a Standard Oil Company barge has just been made at Port Arthur. A full cargo of 5000 barrels was sent into the barge and in an hour and forty minutes from the time the vessel was towed in, it was ready to be towed out again.

FOUND DEAD IN BED.

NEW YORK, April 30.—Simon Balen, a young Peruvian, who was educated at the United States Military Academy in West Point, has been found dead in bed, says a Herald dispatch from Lima, Peru. He had seen service in Indian campaigns in the United States.

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