



500 ARE KILLED NEAR NAPLES

DOWIE WILL SEPARATE FROM FAITHLESS SPOUSE

Prophet Declares if Wife Said Things About Him He Will Never Live With Her Again Believes Wife Caused Trouble.

ELIJAH RIDES ON TO ZION PLANNING VENGEANCE

SENILE FOUNDER OF THE CHRISTIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH APPROACHES ZION WITH FIRE IN HIS EYE—SAYS HE WILL STOP IN CHICAGO AND CONSULT LEGAL TALENT AS TO WHAT STEPS TO TAKE.

POLAR BLUFF, Mo., April 9.—"If it is true she said these things I shall never live with her again."

With these words, Dr. Dowie informed a representative of the Associated Press today that he intended to separate from the woman, who for thirty years has been his wife.

He spoke earnestly, but there was a grimness of expression on the first apostle's face which made it evident he believed the mother of his children had much to do with inciting the present rebellion in Zion.

Will Consult Legal Talent.

"I may be a little later in arriving at Zion City than I first expected. There will be no turning back, mind you, but I think it advisable to stop in Chicago to consult legal talent. I do not want to make any move which will in the slightest jeopardize my interests. When I go to Zion I shall rest in Shiloh House and under the protection of the Stars and Stripes."

Dowie expects to reach Chicago Tuesday morning and after securing legal advice says "I shall feel strong to move on to Zion Dowie reiterated that he is innocent and declared that if he were guilty he would deserve to be taken out and shot like a dog.

Banker Backs Dowie.

Dowie said tonight that a Chicago banker whose name could not be made public had offered to finance Dowie to any extent in the fight with Dowie's enemies on the condition that the banker's name not be published. Dowie showed the original telegram from the banker to the correspondent of the Associated Press.

Dowie Makes Speech.

St. Louis, April 9.—Standing on the steps of a sleeper, with head and voice trembling from suppressed emotion, Dr. Dowie tonight publicly denounced his wife, exclaiming dramatically: "I will not share my bed with a dog!" A concourse of people surrounded Dowie's car as soon as it came to a stop and Dowie soon appeared on the platform. Dowie said in part: "I have had shame heaped upon me and see the sin used to cover up faults. I have learned things concerning my wife, and I say unto you I will not share my bed with a male pedagogue. The great sin is my

wife's betrayal of me.

I stand in this midnight hour as Christ our Holy Lord Jesus. Would have me stand and step from her lips of the last Lord's day and proclaim to my shame the things heaped upon me. I came upon this unexpectedly and now I tear her and her sins from me."

A moment later he said: "Oh, can you imagine what this burning, shameful information has cost me!"

Elijah Gets Angry.

Raising his voice to a high pitch of intensity, he cried out "I will not share my bed with a dirty dog!" Pausing a moment he exclaimed "Goodbye, Voliva, goodbye!" I will place you in the penitentiary where your brother has been for seven years and I will ——" "All aboard!" shouted the conductor, and as the car started Dowie cried out "God bless you all."

The train did not immediately proceed to Chicago, but ran into the yards and Dowie's car a few minutes later was brought back to the station, Dowie raised the window of his compartment and continued his speech. He denied the charges of extravagance and declared he had authentic reports from Zion that at the meeting of Voliva supporters it had been attended by less than half the population of Zion and the crowded temple was due to the attendance of hundreds of strangers. Dowie was still talking when the train departed.

Anxiety in Zion.

ZION CITY, April 9.—Zion City is sleeping on its arms" tonight to quote seeks immunity were indicted severing the coming of the first apostle. There is but one subject of conversation and that is the possible eventualities of tomorrow, which is expected to see Dowie again set foot in the community he founded. At a mass meeting tonight Voliva urged his hearers to go about their walks of life tomorrow as if there never had been an Elijah the III. The onslaught so far as tonight's meeting showed is awaited with repressed anxiety, but outward composure. Dowie on his arrival will be met by a carriage and taken to Shiloh House but he will be given an apartment in a distant wing from those of Mrs. Dowie.

Will Arrive This Morning.

CHICAGO, April 9.—Although report-

ed four and one-half hours late last night, the train which bears John Alexander Dowie to the fighting line probably will arrive on time in Chicago, at 8:02 tomorrow morning over the Wabash road.

The train which leaves St. Louis at 11:32 Monday evening will be held at least one hour for the 18 passengers who compose the Dowie party.

In case the train is delayed but one hour in leaving St. Louis it can make up the time and arrive in Chicago on schedule according to the railway officials.

Elijah Sternly Arranged.

CHICAGO, April 9.—While the great meeting in Shiloh tabernacle was in progress yesterday morning more than 1500 Chicago members of the Christian Catholic church gathered in the Central tabernacle at 1265 Michigan avenue and heard Overseer Piper deliver a stern arraignment of the deposed leader and his family. In response to a quest for an expression of opinion, the audience almost unanimously voted to stand by Voliva to the finish.

The address of Overseer Piper one of the most eloquent leaders in the church, contained a cold and merciless expose of the conditions that prevail in Zion City and the methods that brought the people to their penniless condition.

Accused of Polygamy.

He accuses Dr. Dowie of teaching polygamy. Through it all was a note of sorrow for the shame of the old leader, but paramount in the sermon was a challenge to Dowie to do his worst.

"You will not find the people of Zion City standing beside the lace factory when Dr. Dowie gets back, said the speaker. "What will he do? I don't know. He may find a judge foolish enough to grant him an injunction, or some court silly enough to put him back in control, but I don't believe so.

"If he gets back to power those of you who have invested money may as well say good bye to it. He's a master at weeping. All he'll need to do is to weep and some of you will fall on your knees."

WRECK IS VERIFIED

Report of Burlington Passenger Wreck Is True.

RAILROAD OFFICIALS LIED

Passenger of Wrecked Train States Eight Coaches Were Ditched and a Number of Passengers Killed in Smashup.

BUTTE, April 9.—A special to the Miner from Billings says: For three days reports, meagre in detail have reached here concerning the wreck of the Burlington passenger train number forty-one west bound, said to have occurred about 100 miles west of Lincoln, Nebraska, early Friday morning. Local railroad men profess no information concerning the catastrophe. It was learned today, from a man who was a passenger on the train that a wreck occurred at the point named. According to the passenger's story the train was proceeding at the usual rate, when the rails spread and eight coaches went into the ditch. He also says while the railroad authorities reported no one killed to his knowledge tow men riding on the seat in front of him were instantly killed, one having a timber run through his body and he has reason to believe several persons met death and many were injured as the train was loaded with passengers. He also stated that when the coaches piled up in a confused heap fire broke out. The train instead of reaching Billings at 7:30 yesterday, did not arrive until 2:30 a. m. Sunday.

MT. VESUVIUS IS DEALING OUT DEATH AND DEVASTATION FOR ALL

WILL DECLINE PROPOSAL

Operators Will Reject Miners Arbitration.

DEVISE ANOTHER PLAN

Arbitration Proposition Involving Settlement of New Grievances.

NEW PLAN BINDING 2 YEARS

At Conference Today Operators Will Reject Miners Proposals and Present One of Their Own—Adjournment Probable.

NEW YORK, April 9.—At the joint conference of the sub-committee of the anthracite miners and operators to be held tomorrow, the operators will decline to accept the arbitration plan offered by the miners and will instead present a counter proposition, which if agreed to by the miners will bind each side for more than two years.

The operators have been working on the new plan ever since the adjournment of the joint conference on Thursday and the inability of the operators to complete it today caused an adjournment to be taken until tomorrow. It is said the offer to be made involves the arbitration plan, but very different from the one offered by the miners, and one that will call for settlement only of new grievances which after an impartial investigation have been found to exist. The operators still maintain the miners in their demands have not called attention to anything not already passed on by the anthracite coal strike commission. President Mitchell announces this evening that the last of the bituminous operators in the Pittsburg districts have signed the scale today.

Conference Creates Little Hope.

PHILADELPHIA, April 9.—There is little hope in the coal fields that the negotiations at New York will result in the immediate termination of a suspension of mining. Should the operators present a counter proposition tomorrow it is regarded as certain that Mitchell will ask for an adjournment in order to enable him to discuss the terms with the miners' committee and frame an answer. The developments in New York today created a more hopeful feeling.

OFFICERS ARE NAMED.

WASHINGTON, April 9.—Representatives Sherman of New York, was tonight elected chairman of the Republican Congressional Committee which will have charge of the coming Republican Congressional Campaign.

NOTHING DOING.

LONDON, April 9.—Lloyd reports all work in the harbor of Naples is suspended.

Volcano Destroys Towns and Villages Covering All With Tons of Ashes and Stones—Houses are Crushed Beneath Their Weight.

'LAST DAYS OF POMPEII' VIVIDLY REPEATED

INHABITANTS OF COUNTRY AND TOWNS SURROUNDING MOUNTAIN FLEEING IN TERROR FOR THEIR LIVES TOWARD NAPLES SCENE PITIFUL—SEA AGITATED—SULPHUROUS PALL HANGS OVER ALL.

NAPLES, April 9.—According to reports tonight facilities in the eruption of Mount Vesuvius are probably as many as 500 lives. Two hundred of these occurred in the district of San Giuseppe and twenty-seven at Sorrent. A railway train between San Giuseppe and Naples was derailed owing to the shower of stones. Cavalry proceeding to the devastated districts is unable to make progress, the rain falling on the ashes making it impossible for horses to travel. The sea is greatly agitated. The sky has cleared but heavy clouds hang over the east, threatening a further downpour. The streams of lava are almost stationary.

Day of Terror.

This has been a day of terror for the cities and towns surrounding Mount Vesuvius. Unconfirmed reports place the number of dead and injured at several hundred, but not many facts can be obtained upon which to base an accurate estimate. At midnight the situation appears more reassuring, the lava stream having diminished in volume and in some directions having stopped altogether, while a copious rainfall is cooling the lava where it lies stationary. Almost equal to the devastation wrought by the lava is the damage to cinders and ashes, which in incredible quantities have been carried great distances. This has caused the practical destruction of San Giuseppe, a place of 6,000 inhabitants. All but 200 of the people had fled from there and these two hundred assembled in a church to attend mass, when the roof fell in and about sixty were injured. The only thing left standing in the church was the statue of St. Anne, the preservation of which the poor homeless people accepted as a miracle and a promise of their deliverance from peril.

Homes and Churches Fall.

At Otta Jano, five churches and ten houses fell under the ashes and cinders which lie four feet deep on the ground. About twelve persons were killed and many injured. Reports from the coast and inland towns depict terrible devastation.

San Gergio, Cremora, Portici, Resina and Torre Del Greco are almost completely abandoned. The inhabitants of Torre Annunziata are prepared to leave at a moment's notice. Somma Vesuviana is another village which has suffered severely. Most of the buildings are flimsy and poorly calculated to bear the great weight of cinders and ashes on them. Inevitably it will be found that a considerable number of persons have perished by the falling of their homes. Although the action of the volcano is less violent than yesterday, ashes are still falling in great quantities.

Scene One of Misery and Terror.

The associated Press correspondent made a round of menaced villages in an automobile which is the only means of communication left, rail and tram tracks being covered inches deep. The scene is one of misery and terror never to be forgotten. As the way was traversed, travelling become more and more difficult. Slight tremblings of the earth were felt and frequent ashes of lightning. In the streets of the deserted villages the only sound heard was the thud of lumps of ashes falling on the roofs and the puffing of the automobile. In the towns where people yet remain houses are closed, the inhabitants roaming disconsolately about the streets, gaining what comfort possible from the caribeeers, heroes of the day, who seem never to sleep or tire.

In the course of the tour, a point was reached from which Vesuvius was seen under its cloud of smoke. The high cone of the volcano is going, having been almost swallowed up so the height of the mountain is nearly 600 feet less than formerly. On the north side many new craters are formed.

RELEASED ON BONDS.

Telluride, April 9.—Vincent St. John, president of the miners union at Burke, Idaho, who was brought to Telluride from Boise to stand trial on the charge of being implicated in the murder of Ben Burnam a miner killed in the strike riot here was released today on \$10,000 bonds.

RAILWAY MAGNATES PLEASE FOR IMMUNITY ARE DENIED

KANSAS CITY, April 9.—Federal judge McPherson today sustained the government in its demurrer to the immunity pleas filed by the Chicago and Alton Railway, as a corporation, J. N. Faithorn and F. A. Wann, ex-officials of the road as individuals, of George

S. Crosby, general freight traffic manager of the Chicago Burlington and Quincy, and of George L. Thomas and L. B. Taggart, freight brokers. All of those seeking immunity were indicted several months ago on the charge of illegally giving rebates. Judge McPherson set the trials for Mar 22nd.

TWO BROTHERS CHARGED WITH TERRIBLE MURDER

FERNANDO, Calif. April 9.—Elmer and Willie Hahn, aged 21 and 19, were held for trial today on a charge of murdering aged William Hayes and wife on October 30. The crime was one of the most cold blooded and brutal in the history of the state. On the day of the murder Hayes was returning from some

land he owned in the western part of the county to Fresno. His wife accompanied him. Their terribly mutilated bodies were found the next day near their wagon. It was evident they had been robbed. The Hahn's are bicycle riders and the tracks of their wheels form the strong link of evidence against them.