

RESCUERS IN DANGER

Poisonous Fumes Great Menace to Heroic Miners.

MANY WILL BE DESTITUTE

Added to the Loss of Father, Son or Brother Comes Now the Gaunt Wolf of Poverty Among the Grief-Stricken Families.

MONONGAHL, W. V., Dec. 9.—Sixty hours after a terrific explosion of black damp the wrecked mines Nos. 6 and 8 of the Fairmont Coal Company at this place last Friday morning, 53 bodies, or only about one-eighth of the total number of victims have been brought to the surface, while less than one-fourth of the total number have been actually located. The others, undoubtedly between 300 and 400 in number, lie in unknown sections of the vast workings in the bowels of the great hills that overlook the town and extend two miles and more back from the main entries to the mines. These unlocated bodies, to find which hundreds of brave men are constantly risking their lives, are seriously menaced by two destroying elements—by decay in the over-heated, humid vapor poisoned mines and by fires that are smoldering here and there and from time to time bursting into flames. Steadily the chance is ebbing that these bodies will be brought to the surface, identified by friends and relatives and given Christian burial. This is the situation this morning at the scene of the most frightful catastrophe in the history of the coal mining industry in America. A large force of skilled miners, volunteers for the hazardous task of rescue work, are on the scene, ready to re-enter the mines and take up the work where they were forced to leave it yesterday when fire broke out in mine No. 8. These men await only the word from Clarence Hall, the expert of the federal government, and J. W. Paul, West Virginia's chief mine inspector. These two men are now in charge, superseding officers of the mining company, and many, believed, that the word will be given—that the mines will be safe before the day is far advanced.

New difficulties and complications have confronted the rescuers on every hand, but with only brief interruptions the work was continued until 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, when the fire drove all from the unexplored regions and the search has to be abandoned for the remainder of the day and for the night. The flames have been fought by every possible means, including the laying of a waterpipe from the river far into the mine. This was the second fire since the explosion. The first fire started Saturday morning but caused only a short delay. Many believe the first fire was not entirely extinguished and that it was smoldering embers that broke into flames yesterday.

The bodies so far recovered are in horrible condition. An undertaker is authority for the statement that of the 53 bodies handled, only three were intact. Some were headless, arms were missing from some and legs or other members from others.

The condition of the bodies still in the mines is such that in the interest of public health, the county health board yesterday at a special meeting adopted the following resolutions:

"All bodies in a bad state of decomposition, in the opinion of the attending physicians, must be prepared for burial at the mine opening as speedily as possible. Of the same, such as are there identified, shall be delivered to their friends who shall remove and bury the same.

"Such of said above described bodies as are not identified as well as bodies in a fair state of preservation, shall be removed to the First national bank building (the improvised morgue). Such of them as there identified shall be delivered to their friends who shall at once remove and bury them.

"All the unidentified bodies shall speedily as possible be removed to the cemeteries and there have three hours for identification after which time, if still unidentified they shall be buried."

The volume of after damp is steadily increasing in the mine and the danger of another explosion is becoming ominous. Several leaks have been found in the brattices which the rescuers put up as they worked their way forward through which gas is sweeping in dangerous quantities. These are being repaired as rapidly as found and every other possible precaution is being taken. A second explosion would undoubtedly be attended with great loss of life among the crowds that constantly stand around the entrances. Forces on hand are powerless to keep back these crowds, only soldiers could do that and it may

yet be necessary to call out the militia for that purpose.

Distress and want among women and children dependent upon the men who lost their lives is being brought forcibly before the community. It is estimated that there are between 350 and 400 families now in want. Some of these will later receive insurance, but many have nothing to look forward to. Headed by the churches relief which was started yesterday and a general appeal to the public is being made. Many West Virginia towns have already acted and others are ready to do so. The work will be thoroughly organized and systematized.

A REAL WONDERLAND.

South Dakota, with its rich silver mines, bonanza farms, wide ranges and strange natural formations, is a veritable wonderland. At Mound City, in the home of Mrs. E. D. Clapp, a wonderful case of healing has lately occurred. Her son seemed near death with lung and throat trouble. "Exhausting coughing spells occurred every five minutes," writes Mrs. Clapp, "when I began giving Dr. King's New Discovery, the great medicine, that saved his life and completely cured him." Guaranteed for coughs and colds, throat and lung troubles, by Chas. Rogers druggist. 50c. and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

"Profitable Advertising," published at Boston and one of the leading journals of its character in the United States, reproduces the letterhead of the Oregon Development League in its December number, and prints an exhaustive letter from the Secretary telling of the League's methods and accomplishments. Oregon is nationally known for her development work.

Beware of Frequent Colds.

A succession of colds or a protracted cold is almost certain to end in chronic catarrh, from which few persons ever wholly recover. Give every cold the attention it deserves and you may avoid this disagreeable disease. How can you cure a cold? Why not try Chamberlain's Cough Remedy? It is highly recommended. Mrs. M. White, of Butler, Tenn., says: "Several years ago I was bothered with my throat and lungs. Someone told me of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I began using it and it relieved me at once. Now my throat and lungs are sound and well." For sale by Frank Hart and leading druggists.

There is no foundation for the statement that the newspapers have been "standing in" with the police in the indefensible practice of placing every indicted man's picture in the "rogues" gallery," just to make sure of a supply of photographs, for campaign use, of prominent Brooklyn politicians.

Passed Examination Successfully

James Donahue, New Britain, Conn., writes: "I tried several kidney remedies, and was treated by our best physicians for diabetes, but did not improve until I took Foley's Kidney Cure. After the second bottle I showed improvement, and five bottles cured me completely. I have since passed a rigid examination for life insurance." Foley's Kidney Cure cures back-ache and all forms of kidney and bladder trouble. Sold by T. F. Laurin, Owl Drug Store.

The packers in announcing a reduction in the price of meats explain that it is caused by the rushing of live stock to market and the uncertainty as to the financial situation. The consumer probably will not consider an apology necessary, however, if he gets his meat cheaper.

PUBLIC SPEAKER INTERRUPTED.

Public speakers are frequently interrupted by people coughing. This would not happen if Foley's Honey and Tar were taken, as it cures coughs and colds and prevents pneumonia and consumption. The genuine has no opiates and is in a yellow package. Sold by T. F. Laurin, Owl Drug Store.

HERE'S GOOD ADVICE.

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"Man's efficiency increases at 70," says Mr. Carnegie. The philanthropist has given away \$167,000,000, and the world is glad to hear that his prime is yet to come.

Lane's Family Medicine cannot save all doctor bills, but can save a good share of them. One two-shilling package has kept a whole family in good health for a year.

HUMAN STOMACH HAS BECOME DEGENERATE

Animals Are Healthier Because of Strong Digestive Apparatus.

An interesting interview was recently obtained with L. T. Cooper, the young man whose theory and medicines have created such a sensation during the past year.

Mr. Cooper, in speaking of the remarkable success of his medicine, had this to say on the subject: "My medicine regulates the stomach. That is why it is successful. The human stomach today has become degenerate, and is the cause for most ill health. In the horse, the dog, and the wild animals generally, you see no nervous exhaustion, no chronic debility. They are not shut up day after day with practically no exercise, and they are not able to stuff themselves with food when their bodies have not had enough work to justify it. The human race has been doing this for years and look at the result—half the people are complaining of poor health, not real illness—just a half-sick, tired, droopy feeling. They don't really know what is the matter with them.

"I know that all the trouble is caused by weak, overworked stomachs. I have proved this with my medicine to many thousands of people in most of the leading cities of this country. I expect to do the same thing in Europe next year. This is the real reason for the demand for my preparation."

Among those who have recently been converted to Cooper's theory is Mr. Monroe Brown of 8 Hancock Street Winchester, Mass. Mr. Brown has this to

say of his experience with the new medicine: "For over seven years I suffered with catarrh of the stomach, and for the past year I was lame with rheumatism. I attributed this to my stomach trouble, as my circulation was very poor. What food I ate would turn to gas almost at once. I would have a sensation of bloating, and would have to belch frequently to relieve this. My heart also became affected and I would suddenly become dizzy and have palpitations. I was tired and dull and despondent at all times. I lost a great deal of flesh, and was nervous and depressed. This went on for over seven years, although I spent hundreds of dollars trying to get relief.

"When Cooper was in Boston I heard a good deal about his ideas on stomach trouble. Next, one or two friends told me that his medicine had greatly helped them. I purchased some of the New Discovery medicine. Today I am perfectly well; I sleep like a boy, can eat anything and have no rheumatism or heart trouble. I no longer have any gas on my stomach, and feel as I did years ago. No one could be more astonished by these facts than myself. They are remarkable, but true. This is indeed a wonderful medicine."

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Tide Table for December

DECEMBER, 1907.			
High Water.	A. M.	P. M.	
Date.	h.m.	ft.	h.m. ft.
SUNDAY	1 9:29	8.3	10:10 6.8
Monday	2 10:18	8.8	11:07 7.1
Tuesday	3 11:00	9.3	12:00 7.4
Wednesday	4 0:00	7.3	1:00 7.7
Thursday	5 0:50	7.5	12:25 10.0
Friday	6 1:40	7.5	1:10 10.0
Saturday	7 2:30	7.5	1:55 9.8
SUNDAY	8 3:20	7.5	2:45 9.4
Monday	9 4:15	7.5	3:35 8.8
Tuesday	10 5:11	7.6	4:40 8.1
Wednesday	11 6:09	7.7	5:50 7.4
Thursday	12 7:08	7.9	7:09 6.9
Friday	13 8:06	8.1	8:30 6.7
Saturday	14 9:00	8.3	9:41 6.8
SUNDAY	15 9:49	8.5	10:43 6.9
Monday	16 10:35	8.8	11:38 6.9
Tuesday	17 11:17	8.9	12:30 6.9
Wednesday	18 0:25	7.0	1:00 6.7
Thursday	19 1:05	9.0	1:50 6.6
Friday	20 1:58	6.9	12:38 9.0
Saturday	21 1:45	6.8	1:02 8.8
SUNDAY	22 2:19	6.8	1:31 8.7
Monday	23 2:52	6.8	2:03 8.4
Tuesday	24 3:28	6.8	2:38 8.1
Wednesday	25 4:00	6.9	3:16 7.7
Thursday	26 4:35	7.1	4:00 7.2
Friday	27 5:16	7.3	4:53 6.7
Saturday	28 6:03	7.6	5:55 6.3
SUNDAY	29 6:52	7.7	7:13 6.1
Monday	30 7:45	8.0	8:32 6.0
Tuesday	31 8:44	8.4	9:45 6.2

DECEMBER, 1907.			
Low Water.	A. M.	P. M.	
Date.	h.m.	ft.	h.m. ft.
SUNDAY	1 3:05	2.0	4:10 1.3
Monday	2 4:01	2.2	5:01 0.4
Tuesday	3 4:52	2.3	5:49 -0.4
Wednesday	4 5:40	2.4	6:36 -1.1
Thursday	5 6:28	2.5	7:22 -1.5
Friday	6 7:15	2.6	8:08 -1.7
Saturday	7 8:04	2.8	8:57 -1.6
SUNDAY	8 8:58	3.0	9:47 -1.2
Monday	9 9:53	3.1	10:40 -0.7
Tuesday	10 11:02	3.1	11:36 -0.1
Wednesday	11 12:17	2.9	12:37 2.0
Thursday	12 0:35	0.6	1:31 2.5
Friday	13 1:37	1.1	2:40 1.9
Saturday	14 2:37	1.6	3:47 1.3
SUNDAY	15 3:40	2.0	4:45 0.7
Monday	16 4:34	2.3	5:35 0.1
Tuesday	17 5:23	2.6	6:20 -0.3
Wednesday	18 6:07	2.9	6:58 -0.6
Thursday	19 6:48	3.1	7:33 -0.7
Friday	20 7:20	3.4	8:06 -0.6
Saturday	21 7:54	3.5	8:38 -0.4
SUNDAY	22 8:25	3.6	9:05 -0.1
Monday	23 9:00	3.7	9:34 0.2
Tuesday	24 9:40	3.6	10:05 0.5
Wednesday	25 10:27	3.5	10:41 0.8
Thursday	26 11:15	3.3	11:20 1.2
Friday	27 12:12	3.0	12:12 3.0
Saturday	28 0:10	1.7	1:20 2.5
SUNDAY	29 1:08	2.2	2:31 1.9
Monday	30 2:10	2.5	3:39 1.1
Tuesday	31 3:14	2.8	4:39 0.1



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