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TWELVE DEAD FOUND

Frightful Accident on an Express Train.

A LARGE NUMBER WERE INJURED

Two People Killed by Drinking Water From a Poisoned Well—An Old Couple Asphyxiated by Gas.

PARIS, Sept. 10.—The disaster to the Paris and Cologne express train at Apilli, between Noyon and Chauny, yesterday, was more serious than at first supposed. The first estimates placed the number of persons killed at 10, with 20 injured. Twelve bodies have already been taken from the wreck. The accident was due to the slow shunting of a freight train at Apilli. The engineer of the express saw the cars on the line and reversed the engine. The shock of the collision was borne by three front cars. As soon as the accident became known a priest and others hurried to the railroad station, and did everything to assist the dying and injured. The report that the station master at Apilli had committed suicide by jumping in front of the express train when he saw the collision was inevitable, turns out incorrect. The station master ran along the track to signal the express and the freight train, and was caught between the two trains and killed. It seems certain there were Americans among the killed or injured.

Pilot For a Dime Novel.

PARIS, Sept. 10.—The judicial authorities of St. Quentin are at present engaged in investigating a most extraordinary affair. In 1873 a foreigner was found lying in the street with a bullet wound in his head and was brought to the hospital, where he stated that he had been a cashier in a New York bank, and had absconded with \$60,000. Believing that the Paris police were on his track, he had taken the train to Hergnier, and finally in despair, he had attempted to take his own life. Next day fever set in, and he died shortly afterward. His clothes, which were much the worse for wear, were destroyed, but one of the nurses saved the upper leathers of his boots, which were in fairly good condition. For 21 years they lay in a cupboard where they were found by a man named Mennechet, employed in the hospital, who asked leave to take them. It was granted, and he carried them off, little imagining that he had secured a valuable prize, but such was the case. They were lined with papers which proved to be scrip, and Mennechet, who is a militant socialist, commissioned one of his political friends to negotiate the bonds in London. The man recently returned with the money, and the authorities, having got wind of the matter, are seeking to discover what has become of it.

A Successful Burglary.

CLARION, Pa., Sept. 10.—F. W. Collner & Co., general storekeepers at St. Petersburg, this county, were robbed Saturday of \$70,000 in bonds, notes and cash. The theft was kept secret, in hope of catching the guilty persons disposing of some of the papers. Saturday night the store was closed at 10 o'clock. Four members of the firm, the bookkeeper and clerk finished balancing the books, counted the cash, and after putting the latter into tin boxes locked the store and went across the street. In ten minutes they returned to the store door, which they had locked securely. It was standing wide open, and the tin boxes containing bonds for \$60,000, checks and promissory notes for \$5,000 and over in cash were gone. A search of the premises showed that some one had been concealed in the store and as soon as the force had left grabbed the boxes and followed, unlocking the door from the inside.

Lightning Made the Dumb Speak.

WINFIELD, L. I., Sept. 10.—A house belonging to John Zelinka, of this village, was struck by lightning during the storm Saturday night. A bolt went through a two-foot brick wall into the dining room where Mr. Zelinka, a neighbor and Mrs. Fisher, a visitor, were discussing the storm. It seemed to pass between Mrs. Fisher and her 13-year-old daughter Mary, who had been deaf and

dumb for over eight years. Mrs. Fisher and her daughter sat motionless for several seconds, when the little girl got up and pointing her finger to her ear, said, "Mamma, I heard that let us go home." This is the first time, it is said, that she has spoken since an attack of scarlet fever left her deaf and speechless.

Compelled to Kill Their Horses for Food.

LONDON, Sept. 10.—A Shanghai dispatch says the Chinese transport Chean while proceeding to Formosa with 1400 troops was wrecked at Chetang. The soldiers and crew were saved. Chinese officials attempting to board a French mail steamer at the wharf at Shanghai to search for Japanese passengers, but the captain threatened to call a French warship, and they desisted.

Three powerful China warships have gone to the Gulf of Pe-Chi-Li, to join the Northern Squadron.

Another Shanghai dispatch says the Chinese forces in the northern part of Corea are hemmed in by Japanese and their supplies cut off. The Chinese were compelled to kill their horses for food. The Japanese have discharged all the foreigners employed at the dock yard, it is said, to conceal the damage to the ships in the recent engagement with China. A large force of Japanese are about to embark at Hiroshima for the seat of war.

A Disastrous Fire.

MASSILON, O., Sept. 10.—Twenty acres in the heart of Dalton, Or., were devastated by fire between 2 o'clock and daylight this morning. Over 50 houses were destroyed, and the loss is beyond computation; insurance almost nothing. Assistance was sent by special trains from Massillon, Orville and Canton. The village water supply was soon exhausted and wells and cisterns emptied. Early in the morning rain began to fall and the flames died out. The fire is supposed to be incendiary.

The fire originated in a stable where tramps were making their quarters. The loss is estimated at \$200,000. The streets are filled with homeless women and children.

To Succeed Casimir-Perier.

PARIS, Sept. 10.—The election of the member of the chamber of deputies to represent Nogent-Sur-Seine in succession to M. Casimir-Perier, recently elected president, took place yesterday. The result was M. Edmund Robert, moderate republican, 4083; M. Bachimont, radical, 3361; M. Paul, socialist, 1183. As M. Bachimont did not obtain a majority over his two opponents, a second ballot is necessary.

An Old Man Drowned.

SANTA CRUZ, Cal., Sept. 10.—An old man named Samuel Bentley, a resident of this place, while fishing on the bank, was washed off the rocks near View de Liew, this morning and drowned. A companion jumped in after him. He nearly lost his life, and was with difficulty rescued.

The Pope as a Mediator.

LONDON, Sept. 10.—A special dispatch from Rome says the pope is said to have expressed a wish to arrange the troubles between China and Japan, but was prevented by France, who feared the intervention of the church would undo the work France was carrying on in the East.

A Waterspout in Oklahoma.

PERRY, O. T., Sept. 10.—This vicinity was visited by two waterspouts last night. Many business houses were inundated and in the lowlands many homes filled with water and the inmates compelled to wade out. In some streets the water was waist deep.

Drank Poisoned Water.

PIEDMONT, Ala., Sept. 10.—Two members of the family of Ed. Downs have died from drinking water out of a poisoned well, and two more are not expected to recover. Andrew Finley, a discharged servant, has been arrested, charged with poisoning the well.

Won't Go Back to Salvador.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 10.—General Colocho, one of the Salvadorean refugees, who was dismissed by Judge Morrow last week, has left for the City of Mexico on his way to Acapulco, where he will reside with his family, whom he will meet there.

Killed Himself With Gas.

NEW YORK, Sept. 10.—Emma Annmann the common-law wife of Billy Plimmer, champion bantam-weight pugilist, committed suicide at a Coney Island hotel early today by inhaling gas.

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Took the Gas Route.

CHICAGO, Sept. 10.—George Rolands and wife, old and prominent citizens of Ravenswood, were found dead in bed today, having been asphyxiated. A gas jet was found wide open.

The Reported Massacre.

EL PASO, Tex., Sept. 10.—Nothing is known here concerning the reported massacre of the government surveying party. Only one party is out, and it is about 30 miles from Hargis Hills, Ariz.

A Dangerous Traveling Companion.

During a recent rise in the lower Mississippi among the victims were a Mr. Henry, his wife and his ten-year-old boy. Quite early in the morning the fast-rising tide overspread the yard and came into the house. Mr. Henry climbed up higher and higher, and finally he and his family were on the roof, with the family dog and cat and a half dozen chickens. But the tide kept rising until finally the roof slipped off, and then began a singular and adventurous voyage. Sometimes the roof would spin around as if in a maelstrom, and then again the waves would sweep completely over it. The chickens and cat were soon swept away, and also the dog, although he always managed to crawl back again. But the most distressing occurrence of this unlucky voyage was the unwelcome visit of a ten-foot alligator, which seemed desirous of taking passage with them. Mr. Henry was not rash enough to attempt to push off the creature, but he yelled at it once or twice, and finally the big saurian disappeared under a wave and was not seen again. Some time later, when the sun was just setting, the roof grounded on a high ridge, and there remained until the tide receded.

What Did He Eat?

There comes, says the New York Herald, a good story from Monte Carlo, from that holy of holies, the salon wherein are the trente-et-quatre tables. Just as the cards were being shuffled for the commencement of play a gentleman deliberately counted out twelve one thousand franc notes and placed them on the black without even taking the precaution of insuring them. It was "playing the limit" and a bystander remarked:
"Rather a bold play, sir."
"Well," said the player, "I dreamed last night that I saw this table exactly as it is now, and on the first coup black won."
The cards were dealt for the first coup and black won. A suppressed "Oh!" from the bystanders greeted the announcement: "Red loses," and then from across the table came a woman's voice:
"What did you have for supper last night? Do tell me!"

Everett Rest—This here paper says whisky kin be made of sawdust. Laymand Sowre—I wonder of it would be any disgrace for a gent to saw wood ef he knowed whisky would be made from the dust.—Cincinnati Tribune.

Man wants somebody to answer his question, and no body to question his answer.—Galveston News.

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