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DEATH IN THE FLOOD

Pittsburg and Vicinity Visited by Cloudbursts.

HEAVY LIFE AND PROPERTY LOSS

Six Persons Drowned at the Village of Dehaven--All Rivers Greatly Swollen.

PITTSBURG, Aug. 13.—A great rain storm burst over this city and vicinity this morning at 8 o'clock, deluging a territory several miles in extent, swelling the streams into torrents, sweeping away bridges and buildings and sending a score of human beings into eternity. The storm came from the southwest. Great banks of dark, angry clouds hovered over Pittsburg and the surrounding country, turning dawn into darkness and striking terror to the heart. Suddenly the clouds burst asunder and the rain fell in sheets. The heavy rain lasted for fully three hours.

The storm is attributed to the approach of a cool wave from the northwest.

At Dehaven, a small town near the Wildwood oil well, six people are reported drowned.

Everything is washed out between Sharsburg and Dehaven. Dehaven has several hundred inhabitants, and is situated about six miles north of Allegheny, on the old Butler plank road. Pine creek, which runs through the town, is a raging torrent. Houses, oil tanks and barns lodged against the Pittsburg & Western railroad bridge at Etna, where at 11 o'clock there was eight feet of water on the main street.

Residents are seeking safety on the hillsides. The lowlands at Sharsburg are under water, and the flood is spreading rapidly.

Reports from Capin Creek valley indicate that the loss of life from the cloudburst will be heavy. At 12:45 p. m., thirty lives were reported lost. The whole Pine Creek valley, eight miles in length, is devastated. At Dehaven, an entire family named Appleton was drowned. Among the others lost are Mr. Thomas Byrnes, Mrs. Thompson. At Etna the water rose so rapidly that the employes at Spang, Chatfield & Company's iron works were compelled to swim for their lives. The foundry of Walter Watkins was also flooded and the workmen narrowly escaped.

They Saw a Large Meteor.

CHICAGO, Aug. 13.—E. Simmons, wife and two daughters were sitting in the yard at their home on Armitage avenue, at 10 o'clock last night, when they saw a meteor descending and aiming directly toward them. Terror overpowered them, bound them to their seats and prevented their fleeing. But fortunately while the mass of molten metal was 100 feet from them it burst, and the fragments scattered with a report like a cannon, the hissing sound, which had been growing in intensity culminating in a last dying gasp.

"It was certainly a providential escape," said Simmons, as he told of the matter. "The meteor came directly down from the skies toward myself and family. It was a wonderfully brilliant sight."

No fragments of the heavenly visitor could be found.

OVER-THE-WATER COMMENT.

Logical Reasoning Arent Our Possible Change of Standards.

LONDON, Aug. 13.—The Westminster Gazette, in a financial article this afternoon, says:

"Bryan's speech will certainly not increase confidence in the minds of investors. It is replete with financial heresies and will cause investors everywhere to desire to withdraw their money from America while they are able to obtain gold in payment for debts. Should the free-silver party be elected, gold undoubtedly will be driven out of circulation and a substantial premium at once be demanded by those possessing it.

"We do not believe individual Americans will take advantage of the political dishonesty proposed by the Democratic convention, whereby even existing contracts calling for payment in gold will not be valid, when free coinage is car-

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BRYAN NOT DISCOURAGED.

Adverse Criticism Falls to Phase the Boy Orator.

NEW YORK, Aug. 13.—If Mr. Bryan had any doubts as to the success of his speech last night he did not show it this morning. He was up early, read the newspaper interviews and comments. The adverse tone of most of the articles did not seem to worry him in the least. He was especially gratified at the fact that all the newspapers printed his speech.

"I did not expect to overcome all the prejudice at one blow. Neither did I expect to set the North river on fire with oratory. It was not the time for oratory, but for serious argument and discussion. I am pleased with my reception."

Drowned in Coos River.

Hal Bonebrake, a boy about 14 years old, drowned in Coos river, near Marshfield, last Sunday. The boy was enjoying himself with the others in the water, when suddenly he commenced crying frantically for help, and seemed to be utterly powerless to make an effort to keep afloat, leading many to believe that he was seized with a fit. His companions went to his assistance, but were unable to rescue him, and he sank almost immediately, never coming to the surface after he once disappeared. A. Smith, whose residence is close to the bathing place heard the cries for help and lost no time in getting there and plunging into the water; but though he dived until exhausted, he could find no trace of the missing boy. The searchers were finally rewarded by finding the body, close to where the unfortunate boy disappeared, in about ten feet of water. The boy was the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Bonebrake of Coos river.

Reduction in Railroad Fares.

As there will be numerous requests for reduced rates on account of political meetings during the coming contest, it has been decided that in order to treat all parties alike, a one fare rate will be made by the O. R. & N. Co. for various meetings of this character.

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The Charge That Bryan Is in the Pay of the Silver Millionaires.

Of Bryan, the Chicago Chronicle, the great Democratic newspaper of Illinois and the West, in its issue of July 11, said:

"There was a time when the owners of the big bonanzas of the Far West were glad to occupy purchased seats in the United States senate. Sharon, Stanford, Fair, Jones, Stewart and others gratified their fancy in this manner until the novelty wore off, and then they deputized attorneys and other employes to take their places and vote for protective tariffs and free silver. Of late years, owing to the encouragement they have received from the Republican party, which always does something for silver, when it passes a tariff bill, the proprietors of the big bonanzas have found it profitable to keep a large number of orators, lecturers and other spokesmen on the road, preaching to people, already limping as a result of bites by the free-silver cur, the sovereign remedy of applying the hair of the dog to the wound.

"Among the men who have been thus employed and carried on the pay-roll of the big bonanzas for a number of years is William J. Bryan, of Nebraska. A paid agent of and spokesman for the silver combine, he has not, since his retirement from congress, had any other visible means of support.

"The richest men in the world, the proprietors of the big bonanzas, hire orators like Bryan exactly as other wealthy men hire fiddlers, and value them about as highly. Silver orators, like fiddlers, come in at the back doors of the big bonanzas and eat at the servants' table."

This charge was recently reiterated by Senator Thurston on the stump, and has never been denied by Bryan.

NOTICE.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

By order of the Common Council of Dalles City, made on the 3d day of August, 1896, and entered of record in the records of Dalles City on the 4th day of August, 1896, notice is hereby given that the sidewalks on the following streets have been declared dangerous by said council on said 3d day of August, and the said Common Council will proceed to make the improvements as hereinafter stated, on said streets, or parts of streets, so declared dangerous, after fourteen days from the first publication of this notice, to-wit, August 7, 1896; and the cost of such improvements of all such sidewalks, and of each of them, will be charged and levied upon the property adjacent thereto and directly benefited thereby, as by charter provided.

The sidewalks declared dangerous and about to be built are as follows, to-wit:

1. To build a sidewalk on the west side of Court street from Second street to the alley, along lot 5 in block 4.
2. To build a sidewalk on the south side of Second street, between Court and Union streets, along lot 3 in block 6.
3. To build a sidewalk on the north side of Second street from Union street east 72 feet, along lot 8 in block 4, and on Union street from Second street to the alley, along lot 8, in block 4.
4. To build a sidewalk on the north side of Fourth, along the property now occupied by W. E. Garretson.
5. To build a sidewalk on the north side of Fourth street, along lot 4 in block 2.
6. To build a sidewalk on the north side of Third street, along lot 6 in block 5, and on the west side of Washington street, along lot 6 in block 5, from Third street to alley.
7. To build a sidewalk on the north side of Alford street along lots 3 and 4, in block 2, between Laughlin and Federal streets.
8. To build a sidewalk on the east side of Washington street, along lot 12 in block A, and on the north side of Fulton street, along lots 8, 10, 11 and 12, in block A.
9. To build a sidewalk on the north side of Second street, between Washington and Court streets, along lot 9, in block 3.

All of said sidewalks will be built and constructed in accordance with the provisions of the charter and ordinances of Dalles City.

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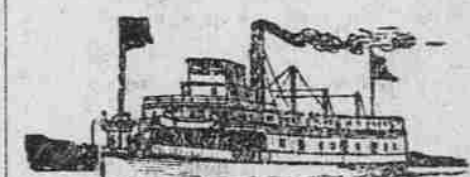
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