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AT HEPPNER

e is Danger of Contagious seases From Polluted Air d Water.

OW ESCAPE OF W. T. MATLOCK AND DR. COLE.

of Railroad Track Has Been d Away-Bedding is Badly d: Also Cooking Utensils and who Will Work-Preparations to Punish Looters Severely.

W. G. Cole has returned Repper, where he went in re-of the news of the disaster, and he has been since that time asin every way in his power date the suffering and better ditions at that place.

poctor thinks that the list of at will not go over 200, and that it will be even smaller He has only words of people of that place that the fortitude displayed m at all times during the calamand places them in the front resourcefulness and citizen-

Bridge Fell Down,

he way over the doctor and his re caught in heavy rains and very unpleasant experiences place William Matlock had ren across a high bridge it went down, falling almost er the back wheels of the This forced Dr. Cole's party to straight up the face of the long way to get the gulch.

accounts in the papers of the of the scenes at the city have en any too graphic, for it prea picture of desolation that can e realized by one having seen ouses, barns, fences, trees and of all kinds strew the path of d and line the valley for miles be stream, while during the bodies could be seen lying there along the way and and twisted with the wreckage

es of Railway Track Gone. milroad is a total wreck, the baving been torn out for miles in some places was atterly wiped out of existand in others was simply float-the side for a mile or less, and hed over the uneven face The company expect the line rebuilt into the town three days.

a first day following the disaswas not much system in the the city, everyone devoting to the task of finding those of dear to them. But soon was a system evolved in the and the work was carried on was converted into a morgue, a this all of the bodies were to this all of the bodies were found as fast as they were found dispatch. One of the large te there was a force of men im in waiting to care for The bodies were washed and and buried as fast as iden-This was done for the reason vas thought that the list of the ald amount to such numbers would be no place for se put, and for the further that the bodies were so bloatwater that they had to be

as soon as possible. nyed in the removal of the and the work was carried to than the day before. All of tions worked with a will; even who had lost loved ones in the nifed their grief and turned he to the work that they be done.

is the town, for the reason of the place will not an interests in the misery of ors. The Palace hotel is that come and asking for the work.

That Are Most Needed.

ets and things of that kind and cooking utenalls, and sadding the things that are into the town to feed the peo-oid, is rel-headed men are want-its and men that will work hard at lor there is no place for or men who do not know what

Yesterday a young man he was only seeking a remembrance of the dead. The town is full of strangers, and such things are liable strangers, and such things are liable to occur where the people are un-known one to the other. The men in charge of the work are stern and de-termined and Western justice will be meted out to any one lawlessly in-

The flood as it came washed the first houses in its course away and carried them on the crest of the wave down the valley. The houses would lodge in their flight and jam, and this would dam back the water till it found volume enough to sweep the accumulated mass on down the accumulated mass on down the stream. In this way the flood reached higher than it otherwise would have done, and the loss was increased Houses bobbed about on the greatly flood like corks in a bucket,

Danger of Sickness Occurring.

Doctors are not needed at the scen now, but unless the conditions of the place are changed in the next few days disease and sickness are liable to sweep the town. Owing to the wreck of the city and to the large number of dead, the exposure and strain upon the inhabitants, and the lack of customary food, and the wet ground and vapor driven up by the hot sun, the conditions are favorable to the breeding of sickness.

REMARKABLE CIRCUMSTANCE.

Official Suicides Who Is Not Short in His Accounts,

New Yorfi, June 17.-Frank Dean, vice-president of the Scaboard Na-tional Bank, shot and killed himself in the cellar of his home, this morning, after bidding his family good-bye Insanity is supposed to be the cause of the deed, as Mr. Dean's accounts are known to be straight,

Revolt in Arabia,

Constantinople, June 17.—There is another revolt in Arabia owing to heavy taxation. Osman Pasha, com-mander at Medina has been wounded and imprisoned. The people of Mec-ca rose against the local Ritz and imprisoned the governor general and his staff.

Fell Five Stories.

New York, June 17.—An elevator fell from the fifth floor in a West Houston street building this morning five, three seriously. cable parted.

ANOTHER ROW IN KENTUCKY

TROOPS PROTECT NEGROES ACCUSED OF MURDER.

Large Number of Citizens Are Corralled in a Square by the Militia, Court.

Maysville, Ky., June 17.—The trial of three negroes accused of the mur-der of John Farrow, was today a big military event. Early this morning the town began to fill with farmers from the surrounding country. When the troops started to march from the jail to the courthouse, the excitement began.

Shouts from leaders of the mob caused the officers in behalf of the prisoners to order the militiamen to fix bayonets. The troops then faced the crowd surrounding it, and held it in the square while another detachment of militia and the sheriffs took the prisoners to court. The military then took charge of the courthouse. barred all entrances and placed can-

non in front The town is wildly excited and all business is suspended. Nothing but the uncompromising front of the

guardsmen prevents a lynching.

The prisoners were arraigned, surrounded by soldiers, and then taken back to jail.

Times Correspondent Captured,

Algiers, June 17.-Charles Harris. the famous correspondent of the Lon-don Times in Aigeria, has been captured by mountaineers.

GRAIN MARKETS.

Quotations Furnished by Coe Commission Company-R. L. Boulter, Local Manager, 120 Court Street,

JulySept	75% 73%	Close. 76% 74%
Corn— July	4916	5014
Oats- July	39	3914
Minneapolis, Ju July	ne 17.— Opening. 78% 72	Close. 7914 7212

seen to take a brooch from the corpse of a young lady, and a lynching nearly resulted from the act, but it was discovered that the lady was the sister of the young man and that he was only seeking. MOURNING IS EVERYWHERE

Two Hundred and Fourteen Bodies Recovered --- Many Are Missing and Debris Yet Covers Many Dead.

Topography of the Country Has Been Modified by the Rush of Waters-Trees Uprooted or Twisted Off, Huge Boulders Carried Long Distan ces-Relief From Different Points in Umatilla County.

OVER 200 BODIES FOUND.

Heppner, June 17 .- Two hundred and fourteen bodies have been recovered. For 12 miles down Willow creek are piles of debris, all supposed to contain bodies. The principal efforts are centered on clearing the town, but small parties are working along the creek and discovering bodies every little while,

at 11:30 a. m. Monday. At 12:30 we arrived at Echo. The teams telegraphed for in advance were ready and an immediate start was made.

Those in the party were William Bowman, John Stevenson, M. A. Ra-der, E. P. Dodd, Mr. Long, the writer, and several others.

Across the Desert.

The heat shimmering on the drift ing sands, the sparse sagebrush, the jack rabbits and horned toads darting to shelter behind clumps of sage brush the monotonous sameness of the hills describes the country be-tween Echo and Heppner. An hour out from Echo we encountered the first evidence of the severity of the storm of the preceding night,

First Evidence of Storm.

The land had been cut and guilled by the water, sagebrush being up-rooted and winrows of sand formed. Shallow pools stood in the depres-sions, and the road was hub deep with water in places. William Matlock, who has traveled the Heppner-Echo road times innumerable since the early sixties, said that never before had he seen the water standing in such quantities on the flat.

Usually the thirsty alkali soil eagerbeen the waterfall that the hillsides were cut with ravines where the water had eaten its way to the low lands. Two or three hours out from the course of the second of the low lands. While the Blacks Are Taken to Echo our five rigs pulled out of the road to make way for a single buggy drawn by a splendid span of blacks coming on the dead run. Their glis-tening, sweat-stained flanks were tening, sweat-stained flanks were flecked with foam. As long as they were in sight they kept up their killing pace. We wondered what message of life or death was urging on the stern-faced driver.

Heppner A few miles from skies became dark and threatening. The lightening flashed fitfully across the darkened sky and the low rumble of thunder was heard.

The electrical display increased till the lightening flashed blindingly from three or four different points at the same time. Then came the deluge The rain seemed to come in sheets and by bucketsful. In five minutes the hillside ravines were bank ful-

of muddy water. Our progress was somewhat slow er than it would ordinarily be as oc casional detours had to be made to get around washouts and places where the road had been destroyed by the storm.

A few miles from Heppner the road lost all semblance of a road. We were preceding evening

Path of the Waterspout.

Here the road followed Hinton creek, Hinton creek and every trib-utary, swale and gulch had been raging torrents. Where the road had been huge piles of boulders and rocks had been deposited. Rocks weighing a thousand pounds had been carried down from the hillsides above and left in the roadway or the alfalfa fields

Some of the nifalfa fields will be valuable as rock quarries than as alfalfa fields now. In places the fences were entirely washed away. fences were entirely washed away, while in other places the barbed wire fences had withstood the flood and mud and silt had been deposited to the top strand of the wire.

Freaks of the Flood. One curious thing to be seen was

Heppner, June 17 .-- I have wired re- | the inequality of the damage of the port of Heppner disaster from Ione, flood. Here a man's splendid alfalfa however a few personal observations field was cut in ravines or covered and impressions may be of interest. with a deposit of rocks and gravel. Our special left the Penneton depot while possibly the next field, not lying at the foot of a hill down which the waters would madly tear would have a deposit of one or two inches or rich muddy sediment that will be worth hundreds of dollars in enrich-Matlock, H. L. Swaggart, John Endicott, Dr. W. G. Cole, E. S. Podgett, falfa was either washed out entirely J. A. Marston, Fred Crawford, Dan or lay prostrate in the mud.

Roads Impassable.

In many places we got out of the hacks and let the driver pick his way over the boulder-strewn roadway. Just this side of Ed Day's house we overtook a young man hurrying for-ward on foot to Heppner. He accept-ed our offer of a ride toward the ill-fated city. His anxiety to reach there was painful to witness. A cour-ier had started the preceding night and by riding all night and until 10 o'clock that morning, had notified bim of the catastrophe which had overwhelmed the city. The young man's people were among those reported mising.

Horse Ridden to Exhaustion,

"I rode my horse from Desolation Creek since 10 o'clock this morning," he said. "For 60 miles I put him through as hard as he could stand it. He gave out a few miles back and I couldn't get a horse for love or

money, so I had to come on foot."

When we got there he found that
85 of the dead had already been bur-Whether his people were among the number I did not learn,

First Sight of Desolation. Driving to the edge of Willow creek we caught our first glimpse of the desolation that had been wrought by

devouring waters. Where on my previous visit to heppner I had noticed block after lock of beautiful and substantial res surrounded by well-kept and shade trees, there was dences

now to be seen a bare expanse swept clean of every semblance of a house. Here and there a twisted free trunk where the street had been. Houses on their sides, u houses, houses with their upturned backs broken, lodged against a tree; houses

in all sorts of grotesque positions, were to be seen singly and in groups. We drove to where the bridge had positions, been and a man pointed to where we teen and a man percent we drove up to where the root of the Telephone stable lay. The proprietor welcomed us. Feed them all the loose hay you

want to boys, it won't cost cent, so help yourselves. We are not selling things in Heppner now.

"Last night I waded out from that "Last night I waded out from that stable in water higher than my waist carrying my little grandson on my back. You see how it is boys. If it hadn't been for that pile of drift that turned the current and broke its force I never would have gotten out. That big roof there is George Conser's house. George and his wife had a narrow escape. "Doc" McSword and Johnny Ayers were with them, but they were both drowned." they were both drowned.

Main Street a Chaos,

Skirting piles of drift and making detours through the mud to avoid the wreckage we made our way to the main street. Here we found confusion worse confounded,

Wooden buildings that had floated down the street had lodged and been left in the middle of the street or leaning against the buildings which on account of being built of brick or stone, had been able to withstand

tives gave sickening evidence of the wholesale destruction of life that had come like a holt from the blue upon the once happy and prosperous little city of Heppner.

Families Torn Asunder.

Men, who 24 hours ago had had a wife and family and a beautiful home, may be seen standing among the rulus dry-eyed from grief. Here and there a man winks back the tears. Here a trembling lip tells the story of a grief too deep for words. Before such an overshelming visitation one. a grief too deep for words. Before such an overwhelming visitation one sees little grief of the noisy or dem onstrative kind.

One woman, with grief too deep for tears, said to me: "Can you tell me whether they have found my husband's body? Most of my relatives were drowned. It seems hard that I should have to live. If I could only have gone with him."

City in Darkness.

The city is in darkness—a darkness too deep to be dissipated by the feeble gleams of the lamps and tallow candles that are being used in lieu of electric lights. A misstep at the street crossing results in going into the soft and slimy mud to one's ankles. The Palace hotel is crowded with the homeless. Picking my way along as best I could, I made my way to the morgue. On the street corners and stacked along the sidewalk are bastily constructed oblong boxes. A grim reminder of the chief occupation at present—the burial of the

At the Morgue.

In the hall of Robert's stone block is the morgue. When I went up I found Mrs. N. A. Kelly and Mrs. M. M. Cresswell busy with the dead. They and the other brave and courageous women of Heppner have made e response to the call upon Stretched the length of the a nobic noblehall are porcelain tubs, these tubs slats are placed. Across

As the bodies are recovered they re brought here. Some look calm and peaceful.

One little girl was lying in a box, the light from a smoky lantern falling upon the satiny smoothness of her bare white shoulders. It lit up her clustered ringlets of golden hair till they looked like fine-spun gold. Her lips were partially closed. Her Her lips were partially closed. Her expression had nothing of fright or pain, rather it was one of utter peace

and content. It did not seem possible that she was dead; rather it seemed that she slept. Death had dealt gently with her, leaving no signs of stress or sorrow on her beautiful and Innocent

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TWENTY THOUSAND HOMELESS

SITUATION DESPERATE YET AND MONEY NEEDED.

Kansas City and Two Suburbs Are in

Bad Shape-Water Supply of Latter Cut Off and Relief Fund Ex

Kansas City, Mo., June 17.—Four thousand families, aggregating not fewer than 20,000 persons, are home-less in this city and subsisting on charity. There is left \$60,000 of the relief fund, which Mayor Gilbert declares is one-fourth enough to allevi-ate present miseries and the distress that is in sight

In Two Kansas Suburbs.

In Armourdale, a city of 8,000 pec ple, only four streets are passable passable. hundreds of inhabitable bouses still blocking some of the main thorough-tares. The strength, time and finan-cial resources of most of the volunfeer laborers are exhausted and the extremity that invests the entire com-

munity is very great. In Argentine, on the opposite of the Kaw, there is no water supply, the weils being fouled and the water-works entirely out of commission. They were damaged almost beyond repair. Argentine has 5,000 inhabi-The relief fund especially in tended for this city is exhausted.

DAMAGES TO SPAIN,

What Would Have Happened Had She Gotten the Destroyers.

Edinburg, June 17.—The court zeion today upheld the decision given by Lord Kylacchys some months ago that the Clyde Bank Shipbuilding Company must pay \$67,000 to the Spanish government for delay in the livering the four torpedo destroyers ordered for the Spanish-American war. Spain, in the suit, claimed that the lack of these destroyers completely changed the history of the war.

New Civil Service Commissioner, Washington, June 17.—Henry Green of Duluth, has been appointed civil service commissioner to succeed James Garfield, who was recently made chief of the bureau of corpora-Mud and slime was over everything. James Garfield, who was recently an all pervasive odor of the charnel house pervaded the air. The smell of carbolic acid and other preservations, a new bureau in the department of commerce.

HELP HEPPNER

Question of Diversion of the Funds to Go to an Immediate Settlement

MONEY BE SENT TO HEPPNER

Tomorrow Evening at 7 O'Clock All Subscribers to Observance Fund Will Meet at Council Chamber-Proposed to Reserve Only Enough to Pay the Expenses Already Ac-

All of the subscribers to the Fourth of July fund are requested to meet at the council chamber tomorrow evening at 7 o'clock for the consideration of the question as to whether or not if will be wise for the city to cele-brate the Fourth in view of the Henp-ner disaster. The meeting is called by the order of R. Alexander. the president of the Progress Club.

A sentiment has been growing in the city for the last 24 hours adverso to the celebration of the Fourth. There are so many of those prominent in the celebration movement that have lost friends and relatives that it is thought best by most of the prominent men interested in the prominent men interested in movement to abandon the celeoration out of respect to their dead and as a mark of respect to the sister city.

Another plan is to turn all of the surplus of the subscriptions left after the expenses already contracted have been paid, over to the town of Hepp-ner, for their use as they may see fit. This action will be discussed at the meeting tomorrow and some defi-nite conclusion reached.

Relief Train Wrecked.

Arlington, June 17.—The relief train sent by Spokane to Heppner went through a defective bridge at 3 o'clock this morning, between Heppo'clock this morning, between Heppner Junction and Douglas Station on
the O. R. & N. Four persons and two
horses are reported drowned. The
train was loaded with supplies, tools
and laborers for relief work at Heppner, and the accident has blocked
traffic somewhat today. Part of the
train passed safely over the bridge,
but the structure gave way with the
rear end of the train. That portion
which crossed over, went on to Lexington with its much-needed cargo. ington with its much-needed cargo.

IN CAMP AT CHEVENNE.

Grand Army of the Republic of Wyoming and Colorado.

Cheyenne, Wyo., June 17 .- The annual encampment of the Grand Army Department of Colorado and Wyom-ing, opened in this city today with a monater military pageant Resides the G. A. R. veterans the parade em-braced ex-soldiers of the Spanish-American war, the Sons of Veterans and United States troops from Fort

Many dignituries of the two states are here and the city is patriotically decorated in honor of the visitors. Tonight eminent speakers will adtomorrow the Grand Army and the affiliated organizations will hold their business sessions. Spirited contests are on for department offices and also for the next meeting place.

Plots and Counterplots,

London, June 17.—A dispatch from Constantinople reports that the sultan has warned the mother of Milan, son of the late king of Milan of Servia, to guard her son. It is thought there may be a plot to murder young Milan, to completely clear the title to the Servian throne,

Politician Suicides.

Independence Mo., June 17.—David Wallace, past grand master of the grand lodge of Masons of Missouri, and a democratic politician of nationand a democratic politician of national standing, once being deputy surveyor of customs at Kanaas City, suicided at his home today, using a revolver. The cause is unknown.

American Released By Pirates.

Washington, June 17.—Consul Mc-Wade, at Canton, cables the state department today that the American who a few days ago was captured and held for ransom by pirates, has been rescued by the gunboat Callao and re-turned to Canton.