

GOVERNMENT IS IN FULL CHARGE

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YELLOW FEVER COULD BE SOON OBLITERATED.

Archbishop Chappell Has Been Stricken With the Yellow Fever at New Orleans—Local Quarantines in the South Are Distressingly Severe, and the Governor Points Out the Necessity for Relaxation—Twenty-Nine New Cases Reported in Louisiana—Public Holiday for Cleaning Up—Official Dies at Culebra.

New Orleans, Aug. 8.—Dr. J. M. White, of the marine hospital service, assumed absolute control of the health situation today, with military power. Archbishop Chappell is very sick. He is the first negro victim reported. Dr. White states if he knew the precise location of every case of fever in the city he could wipe it out in 30 days.

Holding His Own. New Orleans, Aug. 8.—Chappell's physicians are unable to state what will be the result of the archbishop's illness. He is holding his own.

Held for Inspection. Quarantine, N. Y., Aug. 8.—The Panama steamer Alvarado arrived this morning from Colon with 88 passengers, all well. The steamer is held for inspection.

Severe Quarantine. New Orleans, Aug. 8.—This is the first day with the health situation entirely in the hands of the federal board of health and marine hospital service.

The general quarantine regulations have become so distressingly severe the governor has deemed it necessary to issue a public statement urging relaxation, pointing out that many towns cannot get food, ice and medicines, while communication by wire and mail is impossible. The rice crop is going to waste because sacks of twine cannot be brought in. Six cases have been reported at Bonami, 13 at Patterson, four at Shreveport.

Four New Cases. New Orleans, Aug. 8.—Two deaths at noon and four new cases are reported officially.

Yellow Fever at Culebra. Washington, D. C., Aug. 8.—A. C. Livingston, of the division of civil engineering of the canal commission, is dead by yellow fever at Culebra. Two additional cases are reported at Jackson, Miss. The fever situation in Mississippi is unchanged.

Crisis in Five Days. New York, Aug. 8.—According to Brigadier General Arsene Perillat, Chief of ordinance of Louisiana, it will be five days before New Orleans will face a crisis in the yellow fever situation. General Perillat arrived here from the south last night.

"New Orleans is suffering more from commercial anxiety," said he, "but residents of the city feel that the health officials and the various committees, aided by the federal authorities, will cope with the fever. In the meantime, business in that section of the state is still at a standstill. "Unfair discrimination is being made against Louisiana by other states, and her commercial interests are suffering in consequence. The city is opposed to the parishes, and the parishes are arrayed against one another with the 'shotgun' quarantines.

"The mosquito which carries the disease breeds in clean, but stagnant water. New York is safe, I am sure. By this time New Orleans is protected.

"The exodus from New Orleans is a little more than usual at this time

The Sixty-Seventh Victim. San Diego, Aug. 8.—Frederick Mueller, sailmaker's mate of the Bennington, died this morning by injuries received in the explosion. He is victim No. 67. There are still 29 patients in the hospital. It is not expected any other case will prove fatal. The board of inquiry has about completed, and is now taking expert testimony of engineers as to the boiler.

of the year. While commercial interests are paralyzed now, I think that the situation will clear within two weeks. We will stamp out the disease. Sir Patrick Manson, K. C. M. G., medical advisor of the British colonial office, who is here on his way to San Francisco, declares that mosquitoes are among the greatest curses of mankind. "We are yet in the infancy," he said, "of the discoveries of the transmission of such diseases by insects, but in the matter of yellow fever infection, all credit should be given to the Yankees, who went ahead of our eminent men and demonstrated that the stegomyia was the vehicle that carried all the trouble."

COLLAPSE OF A HUGE BUILDING

MANY PERSONS BURIED BENEATH THE RUINS.

Number of Killed and Wounded Cannot Now Be Told—Disaster Thought to Have Been Caused by Excavation Being Made to Effect Improvements—A Proprietor May Be in the Wreck—Nearby Stores Turned Into Hospitals, and 50 Physicians at the Scene.

Probably 30 Dead.

Albany, Aug. 8.—At 2:30 the only identified dead in Miss Burtha Jones. At least 25 persons are not yet accounted for, and some are known to be under the ruins. It now seems certain the list of dead will reach 30.

Albany, Aug. 8.—Part of the building occupied by the department store of John G. Myers company, collapsed at 8:45 this morning, burying beneath the ruins from 50 to 100 persons. A portion has been explored, consequently the definite number of victims is unknown. Girls and young boys compose the majority.

The cause is believed to be partly due to excavations being made preparatory to improvements. Robert Chalmers, one of the firm, is missing, and is believed to be under the debris.

The store had opened for business when the catastrophe occurred. The side walls and roof in the immediate center of the building fell three floors, constituting a mass of mangled humanity, broken timbers, brick and iron piled in the cellar. The structure was in the center of the shopping district, on North Penn street. All the stores in this busy district have been closed and turned into emergency hospitals. Fifty physicians have hurried to the scene of the disaster.

One Body Recovered. At noon 75 injured had been dug out of the ruins by firemen and police. Only one body is recovered, but it is feared many others are in the debris and cellar. Of the injured, many will die. Every attention is being given the injured.

Thirty Girls Escape. Albany, Aug. 8.—Robert Chalmers, a member of the firm, was caught in the ruins and was buried two hours, caught under an upright which supported the debris above his head. He was conscious all the time, and directed the workmen how to proceed with the work of rescue. He was taken out with his right leg fractured. Thirty girls escaped across a fire escape into an adjoining building. Great care is being exercised in removing the beams, for fear of bringing down debris on those in the cellar.

Thirty to Forty in the Ruins. At 2 o'clock three bodies have been taken out, badly mangled and not identified. Six persons are in three hospitals. Between 20 and 40 are still in the ruins, some of whom will undoubtedly be dead. That the list is not larger is due to the noise of a preliminary crash, which caused many to jump to windows and fire escapes and make their way to the front of the building, which remained intact. The panic following the crash was terrific, men and women rushing for entrances, knocking down and trampling the weaker. Fortunately fire did not add to the horror, the boilers being in the front of the building.

FOUR MORE DEAD RECOVERED. Fifty-One Persons as Yet Unaccounted For.

Albany, Aug. 9.—(Four o'clock.)—Four more dead have been discovered and it is believed four more are in the ruins. The cellar was cleared this afternoon. It is filling with water and bodies of men and women can be seen floating. The body of Fitzgerald and beside it the bodies of three women, yet unidentified. Fifty-one are persons unaccounted for. Twenty-five of them are supposed to be dead in the debris. Forty-three persons are listed as injured, two of whom, it is thought, will die.

RUSSIAN AND JAPANESE ENVOYS AT PORTSMOUTH

They Are Saluted, Dined and Received With Deference, the Russians Having Precedence in Order of Day.

Social Observances Participated in by the Army and Navy Officials, and the City and State Authorities, and Representatives of the Government—Japan Floats a Russian Cruiser—40,000 Japanese Prisoners Released on the Island of Saghalien—Russians Fortifying at the Mouth of the Amur River—New Destroyer Has Just Been Launched at Tokio Navy Yard.

Portsmouth, Aug. 8.—Gay with flags and bunting, every building in Portsmouth was astir early this morning to greet the peace plenipotentiaries. Every point of vantage from which even a distant view of the ships bringing the envoys was crowded with people. At 8 o'clock the warships could be seen from the veranda of the Hotel Wentworth coming in squadron formation.

The vessels dropped anchor off the navy yard at about 9. Half an hour later M. Witte, who arrived by train last night, left the Hotel Wentworth in a launch and boarded the Mayflower, to be present when Rear Admiral Mead in command of the navy yard, made his formal call.

Shortly after 10 the admiral's launch left the yard with the commander, two aides and the marine guards, to visit the Mayflower first, thus giving precedence to the Russian plenipotentiaries. The Dolphin was next visited. Firing of guns and ceremonial salutations were a feature of the calls, but were soon concluded and preparation was made by the envoys to go ashore. Seven government launches were placed at their disposal. It was after 11 before the whole party landed at the navy yard. Admiral Mead and staff led the way with the Russians immediately behind, accompanied by Assistant Secretary of State Pierce, followed by the Japanese. The rear was brought up by newspaper correspondents.

Arrived at the building an elaborate breakfast was served the envoys. Mead acting as host in behalf of the government. The best humor prevailed, the Russians being particularly jovial. At the conclusion of breakfast automobiles and carriages appeared, and the distinguished party proceeded across Kittery bridge. At the Kittery end 11 companies of National Guard with the second infantry band, Colonel Telley, were drawn up. After an exchange of courtesies between Telley and Pierce, who was in the first carriage, the parade formed, the band leading, and guardsmen surrounding the carriages following, proceeded up Market street across the parade, down Congress, through Middle street, down State street, to the Rockingham county court house. There the envoys were received by Governor McLane and staff, the city council and the New Hampshire congressional delegation. The reception was entirely private, only the envoys being admitted. McLane made a speech and the formalities ended the day. The envoys returned to the hotel.

Japan Raises Russian Warship. Tokio, Aug. 8.—News received from Port Arthur says that the former Russian cruiser Bayan will start from that place under tow, for Japan about August 15. The Poltava and Peresviet will leave a week later under their own steam.

Russians Are Fortifying. Tokio, Aug. 8.—It is reported that the Russians are vigorously fortifying the mouth of the Amur river. A mixed division has been dispatched from Habalovsk to Nicolaitfsk to reinforce the garrisons in that vicinity. It is understood that the channels approaching the river have been mined.

Will Return Convicts. Tokio, Aug. 8.—The disposition of the convicts on Saghalien island is now under consideration. They will probably be taken to the Russian coast and there be transferred to the Russian authorities.

Under a prearrangement the Russian prisoners of war on the island, 40,000 in all, are being transported to Japan. Japan Launches New Destroyer. Tokio, Aug. 8.—The torpedo boat destroyer Yayo is successfully launched at Yokosuka today. Her dimensions and armament are similar to the class of destroyers now in course of construction at the navy yards of Japan.

Berlin Is Skeptical. Berlin, Aug. 8.—Portsmouth, N. H., a place unknown and even unmarked on some maps in common use, has suddenly become a spot on which the attention of the diplomatic world is fixed. Not only the foreign office, but the Borse and the great trading and financial houses of Germany look forward with extreme interest to the meeting of the peace envoys and numerous Russian enterprises, old and new, financed by German credit, wait on the results of the conference.

The doubt existing in London and other capitals over the prospects of peace exist here but in a far milder form. The prevailing opinion is that, although neither Russia nor Japan is anywhere yet, peace is necessary to both and that each will be reluctant to withdraw from the negotiations, once they are begun, without attaining peace. It is believed in official quarters that each side will find the other adopting a stiff attitude in the beginning and coming close to the breaking point, but that ultimately a common ground will be reached.

TWIN FALLS CELEBRATES. Over 3500 People Fed at Public Barbecue Last Night.

Twin Falls, Aug. 8.—Five thousand people were in Twin Falls last night celebrating the advent of the Minidoka & Southwestern railroad to the metropolis of the Twin Falls region. The celebration during the day went off like clockwork, everything contributing to make the occasion a memorable one, and with not an untoward incident to mar the day. Fully 3500 people were fed at the monster barbecue, at which two big bulls and a number of sheep were cleaned up.

A display of the agricultural resources of the district was made in connection with the celebration, it being an especially fine one. The vegetables could not be beat in any place, and the exhibit was crowded all day long with people who desired to see something of the possibilities of this

in the way of farm and garden products. A speechmaking took place from the balcony of the Hotel Perrine, formerly intended to be called the Hotel Liberty. A rousing speech of welcome was delivered by S. T. Hamilton on behalf of the citizens after which other addresses were delivered by Senator W. B. Heyburn, Congressman Burton L. French, E. B. Critchlow and Major Fred R. Reed. Senator Heyburn in his remarks, took occasion to say that it took more than money to develop a country—that people were needed as well. From the character of the people he had met in Twin Falls and the surrounding country, there seemed no doubt but that it would be well developed, as they were of the right sort.

LEWISTON FIRE COSTS \$70,000

ORIGIN CONFLAGRATION WAS ENTIRELY UNKNOWN.

Flames First Seen at 2:30 a. m. in an Old Wooden Building—Fire Department Had a Desperate Struggle to Save the Remainder of the Town—A Gas Tank Explosion Does Great Damage and Creates a Panic—Some Fine Brick Buildings Destroyed.

Lewiston, Idaho, Aug. 8.—A \$70,000 fire among business houses early this morning threatened the entire business district, and was only checked after four hours' desperate work by aid of excellent water pressure and favorable wind. Insurance is about one-half.

At 2:30 flames were discovered coming from the North Star shoe store, in an old wooden structure on Main street, at the head of Fourth. The department responded quickly, but the fire had gained such headway that four buildings were a mass of flames before control could be secured. West of the frame structures was the Donnie brick, which checked the fire there, but on the east side the Adams block, which is veneered brick, was soon in flames, and the entire third floor was gutted. Five streams were put on this building, and after strenuous efforts of the fire department, the fire was under control at 7:30. The main floor of this building is occupied by business houses and the upper floors by offices. As soon as indications showed that the fire was advancing, everyone in the affected district began moving and the scene was one of Bedlam. Those that did not move from the Adams block suffered almost total losses from water and smoke.

An incident of the fire was the explosion of a gas tank, which threw missiles through windows and also struck several bystanders, causing serious injury. The origin of the fire is a mystery. Those who suffered most severely by losses were: J. P. Vollmer, frame building. F. A. Kettenbach, frame building. Crutcher & Loeb, cigar store and building.

Adams block, owned by Charles Francis Adams. Fountain saloon. U. & I. saloon. Gunderson & Kelley, men's furnishings. Lewiston Light company. O. R. & N. city office. Pitvin & Pitcock, real estate. O. L. Kennedy, millinery. G. H. Lake, jewelry store. Thatcher & Kling, book store. Commercial Trust company bank. Lewiston Business college and numerous law and medical offices. The frame buildings destroyed were old handwarka and will be replaced with brick structures at once.

RUN ON DENVER BANK. Management Declares It Is Without Cause.

Denver, Aug. 8.—Because of wild rumors stated last night, a run began on the Denver Savings bank this morning. The management promptly announced the enforcement of the rule of 30 days' notice and 10 per cent payments, whereupon many left the line, but noon found many waiting to get a portion of their money. Vice-President Jones declares there is no valid reason for the run. The institution is a sound bank, organized in 1890, and re-organized four years ago. It claims deposits of \$2,000,000. The management declines to give details.

CREATORE ARRESTED. Bandmaster Followed From Italy by Charges of Non-Support.

Detroit, Mich., Aug. 8.—Creatore, the band leader, was arrested last night, following the conclusion of an initial concert, on a charge of non-support preferred by his wife Anna, who, with their daughter Josephine, followed him from Italy. Bond was furnished.

Terminals and Boats Burn. New York, Aug. 8.—The destruction of the Hoboken terminal of the Lackawanna, with three ferry boats, has seriously crippled the road arrangements of the Pennsylvania and Erie to handle traffic. The loss is estimated at \$1,000,000. No loss of life.

MIGRATORY TAX ON STOCK VOID

Supreme Court Declares the Law Passed at Last Session is Unconstitutional.

VITAL DEFECT PROVIDES STATED RATE FOR LEVY.

This Provision Puts the Owner of Migratory Stock at a Disadvantage Compared With the Owner of Other Stock—The Court Does Not Pass Upon the Question of Constitutionality in Any Other Regard—The Law Imposing an Interstate Migratory Tax is Invalid and Will Affect a Case Now Pending Here.

Because it is in violation of that section of the constitution which requires that all taxation shall be equal and uniform, the supreme court yesterday, in an opinion of which Chief Justice Wolcott is author, declares that the migratory livestock tax law passed by the legislature is void. The opinion was given in the case of Lake county, appellant, vs. A. E. Schroeder, respondent, from Lake county, and the judgment rendered by Judge H. L. Benson, is affirmed.

Action was brought to enforce payment of a tax under the new law, and the trial judge sustained a demurrer to the complaint and this action is upheld by the appellate court.

Defendant was about to remove his stock into another county when under the provisions of the migratory stock law the county authorities attempted to assess and collect taxes upon the same for the full year at the rate of the last preceding levy, the act so providing in case the owner of the stock has not sufficient real property to secure the tax.

The supreme court holds the provision authorizing an assessment at last year's rate of levy is a vital defect in the law, as it puts the owner of livestock at a disadvantage as compared with the owners of other stock not migratory, because he must pay at a different rate of levy, which may be higher, and therefore an inequality exists.

The court does not pass upon the constitutionality of the act on the ground that no notice or adequate hearing is provided for the owners of the livestock before he is prejudiced by the assessment, as the case is disposed of on the first question.

While the decision given yesterday involves the law regarding the taking of sheep from one county into another and not form another state into Oregon, it is nevertheless said to have a bearing upon the suit that is now pending here, and in which the constitutionality of the interstate law is attacked.

The case on the docket here is that of W. P. Reser vs. Umattila county, and will be decided this fall. It is said that in order to completely settle the controversy the case will be taken to the supreme court regardless of what the decision of the lower court may be.

ST. THOMAS CHURCH BURNED. Place of Worship for Very Wealthy People.

New York, Aug. 8.—St. Thomas church, in the heart of the fashionable residence district, burned this morning. For a time the homes of Seward Webb and McTomby Rockefeller were threatened. The Vanderbilts, Astors and other wealthy families were communicants there, and many fashionable weddings have occurred there. The loss to the church is \$500,000, including the organ, paintings and bronzes.

CHICAGO WHEAT MARKET. Quotations From the Greatest Wheat Market in the United States.

Chicago, Aug. 8.—September wheat closed at \$2 1/2, corn at \$3 3/4, and oats at \$2 5/8.

Fire in Oil Fields. Houston, Texas, Aug. 8.—Lightning again struck in the Humble oil field this morning. Big fire is raging at the Guffy tanks. If confined to the present limits, the destruction will not exceed 500,000 barrels of oil. In the vicinity of 1,000,000 barrels are stored in the district.

Assassin Runs Amuck. Atlanta, Aug. 8.—An unknown man ran amuck on Decatur street last night, killing one man and seriously stabbed six. The fiend went about silently striking the knife into people. A man named Anderson felt the blade slip into his left shoulder over his heart, gave a cry and fell dead. The only clue is that the fiend is a white man.