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## THE CALAMITY IN WASHINGTON

The List of Killed Includes About Twenty-Five Persons.

### CAUSE OF THE COLLAPSE

Indignation Expressed by the Clerks—They Hold the Officials Responsible for the Awful Affair.

Associated Press.

Washington, June 10.—The sad result of the downfall of the old Ford's Theater furnished the principal topic of conversation all day. The opinion is unanimous that there is blame somewhere for the shocking fatality, and many men echoed the words of Dr. Bartlett, that the accident was not one of the responsibility for which could be laid upon God. The more the matter is discussed and the farther along the work of clearing away the debris progresses, the more evident this becomes. This morning the injured clerks in the doomed building were about the scene of the disaster discussing the situation, and holding little indignation meetings. It is evident the feeling is very strong among them, and many are loud in expressions of condemnation for the officials of the government who herded them together in such a building. Colonel Stewart, superintendent of construction of the new city post office, seemed to think as others do, that the whole trouble came from the weakening of the structure caused by the excavations in the front part of the building.

There is no decrease in the general feeling of indignation that fills the city over the awful disaster. There was much comment over the fact that not a flag on any of the public buildings was half-masted today.

Secretary of War Lamont arrived here this afternoon, and had a conference with Acting Secretary Grant and Colonel Almsworth, with regard to the future action of the department concerning the calamity. The records of the war department show that the collapsed theater building was for years known officially to be unfit for human occupation by reason, not only of the structural weakness, but also because of its defective sanitary condition. The frightful accident calls to the attention of the officials the condition of other public buildings which are said to be more or less unsafe. The building occupied by the war department and the second auditor of the treasury is frequently criticized, and clerks who work there assert it is none too safe. The Busch building, which forms an annex of the postoffice department, is another of these structures about which clings an unsavory reputation for safety and substantiality. The patent office, a massive stone structure, is exempt from general criticism. The building in which the office of the sixth auditor of the treasury department is located, though new, is so heavily weighted with public documents and other material that the floors have sunk from two to three inches already, and the clerks are in constant fear. There is no more dangerous trap in the city than the patched-up government printing office, which has been from time to time strengthened by wooden and iron supports.

**VICTIMS OF FRIDAY'S CALAMITY.**  
Washington, June 10.—The death list resulting from the Ford's theatre accident now stands at twenty-five. The stories of suffering and distress growing out of the calamity are heart-rending. A coroner's jury was impaneled this morning and will begin the inquest Monday. An investigation will also be made by the war department. I. W. Boody, of New York, reported in the list of dead, escaped uninjured. This makes the total number of deaths twenty-two. There is also a doubt about the death of Jarvis, of Michigan.

### GERMAN POLITICS.

Berlin, June 10.—At the general elections for members of the reichstag on Thursday next, and the bye-elections sure to be required, 397 members of the house, a full complement, will be returned. The present week closed with 1,550 candidates in the field. Not only new aspirants for seats, but new political factions appear daily, and as the election daily draws gradually nearer, the confusion grows worse. Instead of eight recognized parties in the late reichstag holding the electoral field, in the present campaign, there are about twenty sections, each fighting for its own program. Among the latest developments in the political situation is a break-up among the anti-Semites. The Jew haters consist of three distinct factions. The final result must depend on political combinations. Every thing promises that the new reichstag will be the most motley parliament known in history. Reports that

## CALIFORNIA CONFLAGRATION.

Sixty Thousand Dollars Goes Up in Smoke in Oakland.

Oakland, June 10.—A fire started here in a saloon about 1 o'clock this morning, and in two hours caused a loss of \$60,000. There were no adequate means of fighting the flames. Eleven wooden buildings and one brick, all occupied by business firms, were consumed. The principal losses are estimated as follows: E. G. Young & Co., warehouse burned and store damaged, \$15,000, partially insured; W. T. Turner & Co., merchandise stock, \$12,000, insurance, \$3,000; A. F. Brown, two store buildings and warehouse, \$10,000, no insurance; Mrs. Young, brick store building, \$5,000, no insurance; Baker & Howard, saloon building and stock, \$3,000, insurance, \$750; John Bayless, saloon, \$1,800, insurance, \$300; P. B. Beckley, building in course of construction, \$4,000; Umpqua Lodge, I. O. O. F., \$1,000, insurance, \$200. Smaller losses make a total of about \$60,000. Farmers in the vicinity lost about \$3,000 worth of wool stored in the burned warehouses. The origin of the fire is not known.

### THE CANAL STRIKE.

Chicago, June 10.—Everything was quiet in the quarries and along the Drainage canal in the neighborhood of Lamont today. George Klakane was added to the list of those killed in yesterday's fight. He died this morning. Another body was found today, but the name of the victim is unknown, though it is said to be one of the strike leaders. Later in the day another unknown body was found riddled with bullets. It is now believed there are from three to five bodies in the canal. Governor Altgeld held a conference of the strikers and contractors. After considering the testimony, he gave out the statement that his opinion, so far as the investigations have gone, is that the shooting of the strikers by the drainage men was unprovoked, and uncalculated. The list of dead will be increased more than half a dozen from among those wounded. Tonight eleven companies of militia, comprising about 400 men, are camped along the canal near Lamont, the scene of yesterday's riot. There is no sign of any trouble.

### TRAIN ROBBERS AT WORK.

Cimmaron, Tex., June 10.—The California express on the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe, was held up near here and the express car robbed of \$300,000 early this morning by five bandits, who flagged the train and forced the fireman and engineer at the point of a revolver to accompany them to the express car. Express Messenger Whitlesey refused to open the door, and the robbers fired into the car, wounding the messenger, who still refused to open. Then the robbers blew open the door with dynamite and rifled the car of everything of value except what was contained in the through safe. Whitlesey was not seriously hurt. He is the messenger who stood off the Dalton gang at Redrock, I. T., a year ago.

### HEAVY FLOODS IN IOWA.

Dubuque, Iowa, June 10.—The rain storm today was the severest in years, two inches and a half of water falling within three hours. The streets are running rivers and everything movable is being carried with the current. Scores of houses in the flat portion of the city are inundated, sidewalks washed away, streets torn up and sewers burst. A rough estimate places the loss in the city at \$50,000. Reports from the country are to the effect that many railroad bridges were washed away, and great damage has been done to crops.

### EULALIE TIRED OF CEREMONY.

Chicago, June 10.—Eulalie visited the fair again today. A member of the committee on ceremonies informed Her Highness that when she suited her pleasure luncheon would be served in the administration building. The princess replied that when she felt hungry she would lunch at the nearest restaurant. The party soon went to Midway Plaisance and there lunched in the German village, rye bread and sausages, cheese and beer comprising the repast.

### WANTS A SECOND TERM.

New York, June 10.—The Times says: "Samuel E. Morse, of Indiana, consul-general of Paris, today sailed for Europe. 'There is no doubt in my mind,' said Morse, 'that Harrison is preparing to be a candidate for the presidency in 1896. His friends are working for that end.'"

### ON THE MATRIMONIAL MARKET.

Newburg, N. Y., June 10.—Judge Brown today granted a divorce to Mrs. Frank Leslie from her English husband, W. C. K. Wilde, a brother of Oscar Wilde, on the ground of gross and vulgar intemperance, violence and cruelty. Mrs. Leslie is allowed to retain

## A VISIT TO THE WHITE CITY

The Cost of Living in Chicago Very Moderate.

### HOTEL COMPETITION IS BRISK

The Crowds Not So Great as Anticipated—A Few Good Words for the Oregon Fisheries Exhibit.

(Correspondence of The Astorian.)

Chicago, June 8th.—A considerable number of people have deferred visiting Chicago on account of reported extortionate charges for food and lodging. For the information of such persons I will state that comfortable rooms at convenient distance from the fair grounds can readily be had from \$1 to \$2 per day. As for restaurant charges, they are about as usual. The accompanying bill of fare will show that the cost of living is not above 50 per cent more than it is in Astoria. At the chop houses convenient to the grounds a good plain meal may be had for 25 cents, although if one hunts for expensive hotels they can be found in Chicago as well as elsewhere. In the fair grounds the charges are somewhat higher, being about equal to those of railroad restaurants and church socials. Any person coming here with the idea of "cutting a figure" or "doing the fair" can dispose of considerable money, but the cost of a month's residence in Chicago need not exceed the very moderate sum of \$100, divided as follows:

Sleeping accommodations.....	\$50.00
Admission to the fair.....	15.00
Meals.....	32.50
Admission to side shows.....	22.50
Total.....	\$100.00

There is quite a lively competition among the hotels and restaurants, owing to the fact that the crowds are much smaller than anticipated, and until these conditions are changed no one need fear extortions in any particular.

Entering the White City your correspondent began a tour around the world in two hours, as the old panorama posters used to state. Those of your readers who consider dancing the poetry of motion would receive a liberal education in poetry by "taking in" some of the side shows in Midway Plaisance. Sonnets in "double-shuffle" meter, doggerel in hop, skip lambs and newspaper ponies with the rhythm of the St. Vitus dance.

The Dahomeyans, out of respect to the American prejudice regarding clothes, have added a little to their usual costume of lion stings and vacant smiles. Their dancing consists in taking a short step with the right foot and drawing the left after it. They do this till they stub their toes against the orchestra; then they swarm back and go through the difficult feat again. Their leading man is from "Old Virginia," and has studied under Ward, as is evident from his dancing. He begins with a shuffle a la Billy Rice. He has attired himself in blue overalls-cut doublet and a red knee. Over this he wears a shirt. On his face he carries a mask fashioned after one of his distinguished ancestors, the gorilla.

The orchestra consists of a gourd fiddle, tom tom, and several pieces of scrap iron. One of the musicians fell asleep during a performance, but the audience did not mind, as it reduced the discord about 10 per cent.

In the Turkish theatre a wedding is followed by a wedding dance. The bride is clothed in blue bloomers and a red bodice, and moves about on her tip-toes in a do-de-do manner.

The Irish village in the Midway Plaisance contains a miniature Harney Castle. Inside the castle are rooms where Irish work is exhibited. An old man whose face, to quote the words of Col. Pat Donan, "is almost an exact topographical twin of the map of Ireland," plays the Irish bagpipes. This is an improvement on the Scotch, if such an infernal machine can be said to be improved. Instead of blowing through a tube in the manner of a Scotchman, (the Hibernian countenance was decorated with a short pipe which looked black against a fringe of red chin whiskers) "The brith," to quote the musician, "came from the little bellows beneath me left arum."

Entering the fair grounds proper the visitor skirts the offices and arrives at a bridge. Here he pauses to watch the fairy scene—the lagoon stretching to the lower end, where the statue of the republic stands upon a pedestal in the waters. Back of the pedestal are a number of Greek columns, and beyond stretches the great Lake Michigan. The lagoon is skirted by great white palaces, while fairy gondolas and electric launches dart hither and thither amid the shadows, or pause an instant at the marble landing.

Craving the bridge you enter the

government building, the departments radiating from a grand central hall.

In the engineering department the model of the section of the jetty work at Fort Stevens occupies a prominent place, the cars being out on the track loaded with rock, but as no engines are attached, the stranger wonders how the cars got there. It would have been a great improvement had engines been attached, in order that a better idea of the magnitude of the work might be obtained.

In the fisheries department are some very good pictures by Astoria photographers and some model fish traps with boat and gear from various parts of the country, but your correspondent was unable to find the model fish boat sent by Mr. Kinney.

The Oregon fruit exhibit in attracting wide attention, and is a great advertisement for the coast.

It may be of interest to the dairy-men of Clatsop county to know that in the tests being held under government supervision, to finally determine the best dairy animal, the Jerseys are far in the lead. W. C. B.

### OREGON BANK IN TROUBLE.

Portland, June 10.—Word has reached here from Corvallis that Hamilton, Job & Co., private bankers, had suspended payment.

The following notice was posted on the door: "We have been compelled to suspend for want of cash. The assets are sufficient to pay depositors in full, as soon as they can be realized upon."

There was no preceding distrust apparent, but a steady withdrawal of deposits on account of the prevailing financial stringency. The assets are \$250,000 in money, notes, county securities and real estate. The liabilities are \$205,000, of which \$171,000 is deposits. There is but little excitement, and general confidence is expressed that the concern will be able to resume business shortly. The First National Bank kept its doors open till six o'clock.

### ANOTHER BANK CLOSED.

Cincinnati, June 10.—The Citizens' National bank of Hillboro has been closed by order of the comptroller of currency. A cousin of ex-Governor Foraker is the president.

### BANK ASSIGNMENT.

St. Louis City, Mo., June 10.—The Union Stockyard's State Bank filed an assignment this morning. The assets are placed at \$482,667; liabilities, \$163,140.

### WASHINGTON KNIGHTS TEMPLAR

Tacoma, June 10.—The grand commander of the Knights Templar continued its session today and adjourned. The place of next year's session is left to a committee to decide. The recorder's report showed eight commanderies in the state, and in the last year 373 seven Masons have been initiated, fifty-one affiliated, six admitted, seventeen suspended, and six died, making a gain of ninety-five for the year and a total membership of 605. The new officers are: Grand commander, Eugene T. Wilson, Ellensburg; deputy, George N. Alexander, Seattle; generalissimo, Horace W. Tyler, Spokane; captain-general, Geo. E. Dickinson, Ellensburg; senior warden, Jacob Weatherwax, Aberdeen; junior warden, R. A. Ketter, Tacoma; treasurer, Thomas M. Reed, Olympia; recorder, M. C. Blalock, Walla Walla.

### THE COUNTRY'S WHEAT CROP.

Washington, June 10.—The report of June 1st, based on returns to the department of agriculture, makes the acreage of winter wheat, compared with that of last year \$7.83, being a reduction of 12.2 points. The states in which the principal decrease occurred are Illinois, Missouri, Kansas and California. The reduction of area in the states of Kansas, Missouri and Illinois was caused in the main by the long-continued drought and extreme cold winter. The vast amount of acreage sown has been plowed up and put into other crops. The conditions of spring wheat passage an average for the entire country of 83.4.

### LAUNCHING A BATTLESHIP.

Philadelphia, June 10.—The big battleship Massachusetts was successfully launched from the yards of the Cramps this morning in the presence of Secretary of the Navy Herbert, Attorney-General Olney, representing the state of Massachusetts, a number of distinguished naval and army officials, and a multitude of 15,000 spectators.

### THE CUT MET.

Omaha, June 10.—The Union Pacific Railroad Company today made a deep cut in freight rates to the coast, following the lead inaugurated by the Great Northern. The Union Pacific also cuts the rates to Montana and Oregon points, and declares they will not stop until the others do.

### BASEBALL IN ALBANY.

Albany, June 10.—The baseball grounds were dedicated today by a game between the Portland and Albany teams. The score was Albany 6; Portland, 3.