NADOES GALORE

...ing Through New Orleans and Vicinity.

...ILLED; NINE MORE WILL DIE

...Damage Is Over $1,000,000—...ops Ruined and Hundreds of Buildings Destroyed.

...Orleans, Oct. 6.—This region ...the center of cyclonic disturb-... at least three of which were ...bes and caused the loss of six ... with nine persons fatally injured. ...first tornado struck west Baton ...Parish about 6 o'clock, killing ...T. Forel and her daughter, Mrs. ... Mrs. Forel's body was found ...field near her demolished house. ...children in Mrs. Forel's house ...fatally injured and five more ...injured in the collapse of a sugar ...ory.

...St. James Parish one woman was ...and Mrs. H. Rebber and daugh-... Mrs. John Meyer, and a negro ...fatally injured. Fifteen build-... were blown completely down in ...parish.

...Point Chataula, George Hawes ...son and daughter were killed by ...collapse of their house, and an-...r child of the family was fatally ...ed. A negro was also fatally in-...d there, besides injuries to a dozen ...r persons.

...The third tornado struck New Or-...s about 8 o'clock. Although no ... were lost, property damage ...ched $500,000 and about fifty per-... were injured, one fatally. Fully ...buildings were damaged, about 75 ...g blown flat. Most of the demol-...ed buildings were negro cabins and ...was here that nearly all the injuries ...urred.

...The path of the tornado through the ...y was about eight miles long.

...The tornado here appeared at a dis-...nce as a cloud sweeping the surface ...the earth. Its course was undulat-..., some buildings being skipped en-...ely as it bounded skyward. Fre-...ently it demolished verandas and ...ces on one side of the street, ...ile not an object on the other side ...s disturbed. The cloud occupied ...veral minutes in crossing the city ...d hundreds of persons who saw and ...ard it approaching had time to run ...t of its pathway.

...One exciting race was made by a ...eet car, which was loaded with ...assengers on their way to work. At ...arengo street the motorman threw ...n full power. The flying car was less ...han half a block past the roller skat-...g rink when that structure went ...own. Another street car was de-...iled.

ANOTHER BIG MINE FIRE.

Fifteen Men Entombed By Gas Exploding in New Mexico.

Denver, Colo., Oct. 6.—According to a special to the News, 15 men are believed to have been entombed in the Dutchman mine at Blossburg, N. M., at 2:30 o'clock this morning, by an explosion which wrecked the walls and roof of the tunnel in which they were working. Only six men are positively known to have been in the tunnel at the time of the explosion, but the usual night shift numbers 15, and none of them have been located outside of the mine.

Rescuing parties have taken out four dead bodies, one of which has been identified as Jan Jenski, 40 years old. All but one of the night shift were Austrians, the exception being an American.

Firedamp has settled in the tunnel, making rescue work difficult. It is not thought that any of the entombed men can live with this condition prevailing. As yet no fire has been reported.

Another Storm Near Mobile.

Mobile, Ala., Oct. 6.—At 11:10 this morning a tornado passed near Kushla, about 12 miles north of Mobile. No loss of life has been reported, and owing to the thinly populated country, it is hardly probable that there will be any. The tornado cut a swath 100 feet wide and felled much timber. The Western Union Telegraph Company lost its wires along the Mobile & Ohio, Louisville & Nashville and Southern Railways. Mobile felt no effects of the tornado.

Dead May Total Seventy.

Bluefield, W. Va., Oct. 6.—Twenty-nine bodies have been recovered from the West Fork of the Pocahontas Collieries Company mine at Pocahontas, Va., and a conservative estimate places the total number of the dead at 70. The rescuing party reached the scene of the explosion, but the immense amount of debris and wreckage has hampered the search for bodies. There is no evidence thus far of fire.

Rebels Capture $125,000.

Ufa, Russia, Oct. 6.—An armed band numbering 40 men held up a mail train near the bridge over the Bjela river last night. After killing a soldier and wounding three others who were in charge of the mail the robbers decamped with $125,000.

ST. JOHN SET FREE.

Not Sufficient Evidence to Hold Great Miners' Leader.

Grand Junction, Colo., Oct. 8.—Vincent St. John, ex-president of the Telluride Miners' union and prominently identified with the Western Federation of Miners, is again a free man, all charges against him having been dropped by the state.

"We were unable to verify certain evidence against St. John, and rather than go to trial with a weak case we decided to abandon further prosecution," is the way District Attorney Selig put it. District Judge Stevens promptly ordered St. John released.

St. John had been out on bonds under the charge of being responsible for the strike riot of 1900 at Telluride, when a man named Burnham was killed. St. John, after leaving Telluride, went to Idaho. He was arrested for complicity in the assassination of ex-Governor Steunenberg, of Idaho, but later released and immediately re-arrested, charged with the murder of Burnham in Telluride, and brought to Colorado. He was placed in jail and a strong guard thrown around the jail to prevent what was alleged to be an attempt to rescue him.

Three weeks later the evidence did not apppear to be so strong and he w s released on a $10,000 bond. His case dragged along until at this term of court the prosecuting attorney announced that he had not evidence upon which to hold him, and he was released.

LOSES MILLIONS ANNUALLY.

Congress Must Reform Second Class Mail Rate Law.

New York, Oct. 8.—The congressional committee which has been investigating the carrying of second class mail matter by the Postoffice department decided today to adjourn the hearing to Washington, where representatives of the Periodical Publishers' association will be heard on November 26. F. C. Madden, third assistant postmaster general, said:

"I think that beyond question the Postoffice department has established its case—namely, that the present laws regulating second-class matter are out of date and practically nullified by present practices beyond the control of the department as now equipped, and that a real and effective enforcement would be injurious to the publishing interests. There are now many persons enjoying the privileges of the second-class rates in violation of the intent and purpose of the statutes to the detriment of the postal revenues amounting to millions annually.

"From the hearings, the correctness of this is specially conceded by the publishers themselves. They seem to be substantially agreed that a reformation of the laws is imperative. Just what view the committee will take or what action it will propose, if any, no one at this time can say."

POLICE AT LOGGERHEADS.

Criminals Allowed To Go Unpunished In San Francisco.

San Francisco, Oct. 8.—It is charged by newspapers here that politics in the Police department is seriously handicapping the efforts of the force to apprehend the two murderous thugs who looted the Japanese Golden Gate bank, slew the vice president and pounded the cashier over the head with an iron bludgeon until he was almost dead. The department seemed demoralized over the struggle now progressing as to who shall head the detectives, and within 12 hours not an arrest has been made, nor is there the shadow of a clew to promise one.

Ed Wren, whom Chief Dinan wants to make inspector of police, appears to be unable to handle the situation, and matters in the upper office are at a standstill, with Acting Mayor Gallagher demanding Captain Duke to take command and infuse a mild solution of brains into the work, while Dinan is equally determined not to accept the program.

Will Withdraw Coal Land.

Washington, Oct. 8. — It is understood that the president has finally made up his mind to withdraw all coal lands not already taken up under the land laws of the United States. The expectation is that he will, by a special message, request congress to change the statutes, but that meanwhile he will himself temporarily withdraw the coal lands from further entry. It is stated, however, that before the withdrawal can take place the Geological survey must determine exactly which are the coal lands, as a basis for the order.

Has Found Cancer Cure.

Paris, Oct. 8.—Promise of a cure for cancer in extreme cases was held out to physicians and surgeons attending the surgical congress here by Dr. Doyen, the expert on that disease, in an address. Dr. Doyen spoke at some length on his serum treatment of the disease. He announced that of the 19 cases he has treated during the first year of the tests, death resulted in only three cases and these were of the most desperate character.

Rumor Platt Will Resign.

Washington, Oct. 8.—It is reported in Washington that Senator Platt intends to resign his seat in the senate, partly because of failing health, but more particularly on account of the unpleasant notoriety he recently received on account of domestic troubles.

Channel to Stranded Vessels.

Pensacola, Fla., Oct. 8.— The Navy department will make an effort to save the war vessels stranded at the navy yard during the recent hurricane by dredging channels from deep water.

INSURGENTS DISARM

Pacification of Cuba Proceeds Without a Hitch.

MARINES GUARD LARGE CITIES

Guerrera's Troops Being Sent Home by Trainloads—Fighting Was Mostly by Gamecocks.

Havana, Oct. 4.—The alacrity with which the rebels are laying down their arms to the commission appointed to superintend that important phase of the termination of the revolution is the greatest surprise the provisional has yet encountered in the smoothly working program. This operation is now well under way in the vicinity of Havana, 700 of Guerra's men with their horses having already been entrained for Pinar del Rio, while one brigade marched to Guanajay today without a sign of disorder.

Hundreds of persons from Havana went out to Santiago de las Vegas and Rincon today to view the disarmament. They were disappointed at not seeing the rebels actually surrender their guns, but nevertheless they witnessed an interesting sight. As a concession to the men General Funston and Major Ladd permitted them to take their arms to Pinar del Rio, where most of the men joined the insurgent army. The rifles, however, were first counted by officers of marines under the direction of Major Ladd and the men will be required to surrender them before leaving the train at Pinar del Rio.

It is reported that some of Del Castillo's followers were reluctant to disarm, but all the brigade commanders have informed Major Ladd that all their men will disarm and disband when ordered to do so by General Del Castillo. Wednesday afternoon General Castillo gave Major Ladd an order directed to all his subordinate commanders and telling them to comply with every request made by the American officers. Major Ladd will work tonight to carry out the disbanding arrangements.

According to the testimony of an American named Harvey, a former Roosevelt Rough rider, who has been with the insurgents, the amount of actual fighting during this revolution was really very small. Harvey says that most of the fighting he had seen was between game cocks. About 10 per cent of Guerra's men carried fighting cocks tied to their saddles.

YELLOW JACK IN HAVANA.

Full Details Concealed and Health Officers Working Hard.

Key West, Fla., Oct. 4.—An opposition many times more serious than the insurrection in Cuba is awaiting Uncle Sam's army of intervention, according to a wireless message received here late tonight from Havana. The new enemy is yellow fever.

According to the dispatch ten new cases were reported today and dozens of suspicious cases are being closely watched. The first reports sent out, tending to minimize the extent of the epidemic, are now acknowledged to have been purposely toned down.

It is said that the American forces will find Havana in a much different sanitary condition from that which obtained under General Wood's rule. There is said to have been a decided lapse toward the old, inefficient condition under Spanish rule. Major Jefferson R. Keene, who left here tonight for Havana, expressed no surprise at the report of the serious condition of affairs, but declared that the sanitary department of the army of occupation is ready to meet the situation and will doubtless be doubly reinforced as soon as Washington can be acquainted with the real gravity of the situation.

Meat Inspection Begins.

Chicago, Oct. 4.— Three hundred inspectors entered upon their duties at the packing houses yesterday, under the new Federal law. Judging from the first day's experience, the inspection will be thorough and systematic. "If there is anything wrong now, it is up to the government," said one packer, with apparent relief. That is the position of all the packers. From statements made by Secretary Wilson, of the Agricultural department, the government is willing to assume the responsibility.

Burn Theater Used by Jews.

Odessa, Oct. 4.—The local theater where the Jewish company played has been entirely destroyed by fire. A professor and two students perished in the flames.

Police patrols and convoys are now supplied with rifles in addition to revolvers and sabres. Governor General Kaulbars has ordered the guards on duty at public buildings to have their rifles always loaded and ready for prompt use.

Loss by the Gulf Storm.

Mobile, Oct. 4. — Prominent insurance men estimate the storm loss here at $1,000,000. The total loss of life will not exceed 100.

NINETEEN BODIES RECOVERED.

Virginia Coal Mine Still Holds Many More Victims.

Pocahontas, Va., Oct. 5.—Nineteen known dead and from 30 to 40 more men entombed, and doubtless all dead, is the situation up to a late hour today at the West Fork mines of the Pocahontas Collieries Company, where an explosion occurred late Wednesday afternoon.

The bodies of these men were recovered from the mines as the result of heroic work of a band of 35 men constituting a rescue party that worked incessantly through the hours of the night and day.

It was not until 7:30 o'clock last evening that the rescuers reached a point near Paul entry, where the explosion occurred. Toward the middle of the evening the hope was expressed that all the bodies would be recovered by midnight.

The authorities anticipated the fearful extent of the casualties by ordering a carload of coffins and burial supplies, which are now on the way. The order is being rushed at Bluefield and the burial supplies, which include 60 coffins, are expected to reach Pocahontas early tomorrow morning.

The West mine has over 700 acres of "worked out" or abandoned workings. This fact alone made it difficult for the men to get to the part of the mine where the explosion occurred. All the brattices in these old workings had been blown out. The scene of the disaster is over two miles from the drift mouth.

In the operation of the telephone system of the mine a number of boys are employed, and the greater number of these are said to have met death in the explosion or were caught by the afterdamp. It is said that shortly after the explosion one of the boys called up the office outside, but was overcome before he gave his message. The boy probably died at the telephone.

The cause of the explosion cannot be definitely ascertained as yet, but it is thought to be due to a gas explosion followed by afterdamp. The mines were considered the safest and best ventilated in this section and the company has been at enormous expense in equipping and ventilating them.

NEWS AMAZING TO CUBANS.

Palma's Early Request for Intervention Surprises Them.

Havana, Oct. 5.—That ex-President Palma early in September asked for American interference in the interest of foreign lives and property is not considered surprising here, in view of his subsequent request to Mr. Sleeper, the American Charge, and Commander John C. Colwell, of the cruiser Denver. But that he suggested calling Congress to ask for American intervention as early as September 8 is considered surprising and that on September 13 he officially asked for intervention and had then irrevocably decided to resign causes amazement.

The correspondence between the State Department and Consul-General Steinhart in connection with Cuban intervention reveals the truth of the rumors current here at the time, which were persistently denied at the palace, Palma declining to speak for intervention.

On September 13 Mr. Bacon received a dispatch which told of the irrevocable intention of President Palma to resign and to turn over the government to an appointee of President Roosevelt in order to prevent complete anarchy. It is added that it may be necessary to land a force to protect American property.

This message was sent upon the day that American marines first landed in Cuba, but were ordered back to the vessels by Secretary Bonaparte. On the day following it was announced that Secretary Taft, and Bacon would be sent to Cuba, and upon that same day a message was received saying that the Cuban Congress could not meet for lack of a leader, neither the President nor Vice President being willing to retain their office.

Urge Soldiers to Desert.

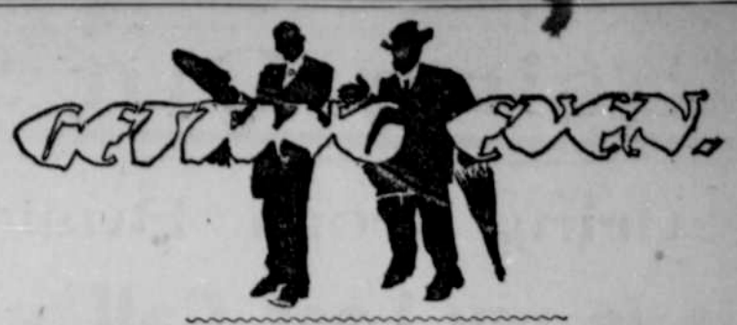
Rouen, Oct. 5.— A large number of posters were placarded on the walls here during the night, signed by the Anti-Military association, summoning the new recruits to desert from the army if they believed they were "unable to endure the insults, punishments and vexations of barrack life," and concluding with an invitation to the women of Rouen to form an "international society of mothers to resist the despots of the government, which is still thirsting for human blood." The police tore down the proclamation.

Equitable Must Answer.

Ballston, N. Y., Oct. 5. — Justice Van Kirk today dismissed the demurrers of the defendants in the suit brought by Mrs. Mary S. Young as a policyholder and stockholder against the Equitable Life Assurance society to compel a restitution of the funds of that society. The court also ordered that, if the defendants do not within 20 days after service of a copy of the judgment answer the complaint and pay the costs, final judgment may be had.

Weird Evidence of Slaughter.

New York, Oct. 5.—A special cable to the Times from St. Petersburg says that nine corpses, with sacks over their heads and bullet holes in their breasts have floated ashore near the palace of Peterhof. They are presumably those of sailors recently executed at Kronstadt.



"He'd skin a man out of his eye teeth, if he thought there was a gold filling in 'em," said the customer to the hardware dealer, who was weighing out eightpenny nails. "He skun me a plenty now, I tell you. How much do you suppose I've paid you in the last week for what I've bought here?"

"I couldn't tell you. Five dollars, maybe. Why?"

"Why? Why, he told me the house was in good repair. I've done nothing but repair ever since I've been there."

"Couldn't you take time to see whether it was in repair or not?"

"I did. He made me think it was. Hypnotized me, I guess. I went all over from the basement to the attic and I didn't see anything particular that was wrong with it. I'll bet you I've paid you $20, my friend. Say, didn't I buy wire screening and window fastenings and a sink faucet and screws three or four times and a whole set of carpenter's tools and—I don't know what all. I've made that house all over, anyway."

"Well," said the hardware dealer, "we can't tell much about what a house is till we go to living in it, that's a fact. Maybe he didn't realize it himself."

"You bet he did. He knew all about it. I'm not going by what he did to me. That was plenty, but he's done worse to others. Say, if I wanted money as bad as he does I'd buy me a gun and go out and get it. I tried to get a little rebate from him, but think I could get him to give up a cent? No, sir. He got my money and he proposed to hang on to it. I couldn't pry him loose from a dollar with jackscrews. They tell me he lives on 15 cents a day the year around—never goes over it a cent. Thanksgiving he puts on his oldest clothes and goes where they're handing out free turkey to the poor."

"He don't do that."

"Well, if he doesn't he goes without turkey. But what he did to me isn't a marker to what I've done to him. I guess I'm even with him right now and there's more coming. If he hasn't suffered the last week nobody ever did. I laid awake nights to study out a way to get even with him ever since I made the trade, and I couldn't think of a thing, but I met him one morning and it came to me as quick—just like that!

"'Hello!' I says. 'Say, I want to ask you about something. Have you missed any money or anything lately?'

"'Missed any?' he says. You can't never get any straight answer out of him. 'What do you mean?'

"'Oh, nothing,' I says, 'I guess you haven't or you'd know what I mean quick enough. A man doesn't have a bunch of money lying around without remembering it. Anyway, I guess anything I found would be mine.'

"You ought to have seen him look at me. Then he kind of laughed. 'I guess you ain't that sort of a man,' he says. 'You're too honest to take advantage. I'm kind of careless about mislaying money and now I come to think of it—how much was it you found?'

"'Just twice as much as the half of it,' I says. 'How much was it you mislaid?'

"'I'll try and find out,' he says. 'I think I can tell you, but whether I can or not, if you've got any money of mine you ought to return it to me, and I can make you do it if it comes to that. Nobody but me has been in that house since my tenants left it.'

"'You give me the name and address of your tenants,' I says. 'Maybe I can do business with 'em. If you think you can make me give up anything to you—supposing that I've found anything—you're welcome to try. I didn't say I'd found any money or anything else.'

"Well, he sort of looked down his nose and went away and I'll bet he's been to see those folks that had the house to try to pump 'em. He doesn't know whether I was giving him straight goods or whether I was stringing him and he's losing sleep and flesh kicking himself because he ain't sure that it isn't a chance he's missed. It may worry him into his grave yet. I wouldn't be surprised. Say, if you see him tell him you heard I'd found a $10 gold piece out in the back yard."

"That would be too darned mean a trick to play on him," said the hardware man.—Chicago Daily News.

"Your mother tells me that you've been fighting, Johnny," said the nice old gentleman to the little boy. "Is it true?"

The little boy tried to withdraw his hand from the nice old gentleman's clasp and squirmed about uneasily, but he made no reply.

"I'm mistaken about that, though," said the nice old gentleman. "You weren't fighting. You weren't doing a thing when that rough, savage Bennie Pendleton jumped right on you and threw you down in the mud and pummeled you in the face and scratched you, all for nothing. That was it, wasn't it?"

"Yes, sir," said the little boy.

"It's disgraceful," said the nice old gentleman. "I hope when your mother tells Mrs. Pendleton about it she will spank the little ruffian well. He certainly ought to be spanked."

The little boy's face brightened with pleasure.

"I hope some day he will pick on a little boy who knows how to fight himself," continued the nice old gentleman. "I hope that little boy will call him some names and make him feel bad first. I know some boys not any bigger than you that wouldn't be a bit afraid to tell Bennie just how mean he was, whether he began on them or not."

"I ain't afraid to," said the little boy. "I did call him one name."

"That's good," said the nice old gentleman, with hearty approbation. "What name did you call him?"

The little boy squirmed again, but did not answer.

"Well, never mind, you weren't afraid to call him something, and if he was a better fighter than you and let him get in the first whack, of course you weren't to blame."

"I did hit him on the shoulder," said the little boy, "but just then somehow my foot slipped—"

"And he got you down and held you so you couldn't do anything, while he pounded you and scratched your face, eh? Well, that's too bad. I must teach you how to take care of yourself a little, Johnny. I think I can show you how to catch hold of a boy and make him fall down, too, so that you can hurt him as much as he does you. I'll bet that other little playmate could show you how—what's his name—Frank?"

"Huh!" said the little boy, "I can wrastle Frank. And I'll bet you Bennie didn't hurt me any worse than I did him."

"Is that so?" said the nice old gentleman. "Well, well, now this is encouraging. But I think I'll have to talk to your mother before she goes over to see Mrs. Pendleton. I think your other story needs a slight revision. Tell dear mother I want to see her, Johnny."—Chicago Daily News.

ENDANGERED BY DRIFTING LOGS

Navigation Along the Pacific Coast Menaced by a Wrecked Raft.

Capt. Ernest Bent, commander of the Japanese liner Hongkong Maru, which arrived recently from the Orient, is glad that he was able to make his approach to port in daylight. If he had come in at night he believes his vessel would have been seriously crippled, as in the darkness it would have been almost impossible to have avoided collision with some of the immense logs, which were fast encountered about thirty miles the other side of the Farallones and through which the Hongkong threaded her way until she passed in beyond the nine-fathom buoy, says the San Francisco Call.

These logs formed part of the raft which left Astoria in tow of the steamer Francis H. Leggett. The Leggett lost the raft, which subsequently went to pieces to the great peril of coastwise shipping. They are logs of great size. Launched head-on by the heavy ocean swell against the hull of a ship, any one of these floating menaces could tear a hole through the stoutest of steel plates. If the propeller of a steamship struck one of these derelicts the propeller would do no more propelling, if the engines were not crippled by the jar.

These logs are scattered across the entrance to this harbor like a fleet of submarine boats and are every bit as deadly. Far beyond the Farallones they float, lurking dangers to approaching and departing craft, and vessels from the south report encounters with these silent monsters from the northern forests long before the bar is reached. Capt. Bent has made a report concerning the logs to the United States lighthouse board and masters of departing vessels are warned to keep a sharp lookout. There was 8,000,000 feet of lumber, all made up of huge logs, in the raft.

The Last Resort.

In a country neighborhood when a man fails at everything else he takes the agency for a washing machine.—Topeka Capital.

An egotist likes to call himself a genius.