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GIANT POWDER WORKS BLOW UP

TWO MEN ARE KILLED WHEN NITROGLYCERIN BLOWS UP THE WORKS.

Oakland and Berkeley Are Shaken by the Force of the Explosion at the Town of Giant.

Oakland, Cal., Aug. 26.—Two heavy explosions a few minutes apart blew two men to fragments, wrecked a part of the plant and started dangerous fires on Saturday at the Giant Powder Company's works at Giant, Contra Costa county, fifteen miles north of this city, on the bay shore. William Thompson, 25 years old, foreman of the separator house, and William Doane, 30 years old, a helper, lost their lives in the disaster. Joseph Haddock, a foreman carpenter, was injured by flying debris. Nils Johnson and Peter McClellan, employed in the nitro-glycerin house, the second building blown up, escaped with their lives, though they had a rough experience when the concussion took them off their feet as they were fleeing from the danger zone.

Following the explosions the acid tanks caught fire from the burning debris, which was scattered far and wide. The flames broke out in a dozen places in the dry grass and shrubs in the fields around the works.

The shocks of the explosions were unusually heavy. They were severely felt all along the bay shore. Windows were broken and crockery ware and other movable objects were jolted from their resting places in many dwellings. Houses were shaken like reeds and the effect had all of the concomitants of a lively seismic disturbance.

PANIC IN A CANNERY

MEN AND WOMEN MISTAKE EXPLOSION FOR EARTHQUAKE AND FLEE TO SAFETY.

San Francisco, Aug. 26.—Believing that the explosions at the giant powder works in Contra Costa county were the forerunners of another earthquake, more than 700 panic stricken men and women employed in the North Beach Branch of the California Fruit Cannery's Association at Montgomery avenue and Leavenworth street stampeded for an exit on Saturday, and in their attempt to escape from the building fought like so many wild animals and trampled the weak underfoot, with the result that three women are at the point of death, four others are seriously hurt and scores are suffering from bruises and wounds.

In the wild scramble to a place of exit the frightened mob abandoned all semblance of humanity and fought like ferocious beasts. Knives that had been used for peeling fruit were used to stab and were freely plied. The small size of the weapons were prevented an appalling death list. As it was, one man was seriously cut in the shoulder by a knife whose blade was no longer than the rest, and a half dozen others were shipped to their homes after the stampede, nursing cuts and scratches of more or less seriousness where they had been jabbed by their fellow workers.

Horses Plunge Over Embankment.

Petaluma, Cal., Aug. 25.—George Klippinger, an employe of Mr. Elmore, while driving a double team near here met an automobile on a narrow road. The horses became unmanageable and went over a twenty-foot embankment into ten feet of water. Klippinger, who went down with the wagon, made an heroic effort to save the horses and succeeded in rescuing one of them after he had been struck repeatedly by the struggling animals. The driver of the auto never stopped to see what happened to Klippinger and his team.

San Jose Prohibits Boxing.

San Jose, Cal., Aug. 28.—An ordinance designed to abolish any and all forms of boxing exhibitions was given final reading before the City Council last night and was passed.

Louisville Carmen Vote to Strike.

Louisville, Ky., Aug. 27.—Louisville employes of the Louisville street railway voted unanimously last night to strike.

NELSON MORRIS DEAD

DIES AT CHICAGO OF HEART DISEASE AND OTHER COMPLICATIONS.

Chicago, Aug. 28.—Nelson Morris, head of Chicago's great meat packing concern, in which Armour and others are interested, died yesterday of heart disease, complicated with kidney trouble.

Morris was a native of Germany. He landed at Philadelphia penniless on arrival in this country, working his way to Buffalo on a canal boat and thence walked to Chicago, where he worked in the stock yards for \$5 monthly the first year. He has been a leading meat packer since the business began in 1862.

Mr. Morris leaves a fortune estimated at \$25,000,000.

WAS ONCE A SOCIETY LEADER.

Poverty Compels Woman to Earn Her Living by Hard Work.

New York, Aug. 28.—Shorn of the social prestige and the independent financial status which once was hers, Mrs. Bertha K. Gresham, whose association with Dr. Raoul Amador, son of the President of the Republic of Panama, attracted the attention of three continents, is practically indigent.

The woman who, in the days gone by, took trips to Panama with Congressional parties, danced in the ballrooms of Washington, hobnobbed with diplomats and wore gowns of splendid texture and workmanship is now forced to seek even the humblest employment.

Though costly jewels were once her playthings, she is now scarcely more than maintaining a meager existence in this city.

The Hague Tribunal Arranges Judges

The Hague, Aug. 28.—The United States delegation announces the willingness of all countries on the American continent, including the United States, to have four judges of the new international court to be appointed for the twenty-one countries of the continent on the understanding that this will reduce the number of judges to fifteen. It is understood that the Americans hope that Asia will be allotted two judges and Europe nine.

BATTLE AGAINST PEST

TEVIS' STOCKDALE RANCH NEAR BAKERSFIELD HAS BEEN FUMIGATED.

Bakersfield, Cal., Aug. 24.—After laboring for almost one week the entomologists under the direction of Edward K. Carnes of the State Commission of Horticulture have almost completed the fumigation of the citrus trees affected by the white fly on William S. Tevis' Stockdale ranca near this city.

The ground under the trees fumigated is now white with the thousands of insects which have been killed. Two fumigation tents have been kept busy ever since the entomologists commenced their work. Unless the eggs hatch out a new generation of the insects, or other trees are found to be affected, the work of the horticulturists will be over for the time.

Mr. Carnes leaves for Marysville, where he will continue the campaign against the pest in that section. Stephen Strong, an expert on insect eradication, recently returned from study in Florida, has been detailed to remain in Bakersfield to guard against an outbreak. L. Woglum of Washington, D. C., with Commissioners Cranes, Cooper, Ehrhorn, Pearse and Mosken compose the local quarantine camps. Investigation has failed to find that the pest has spread in any direction to date. Stockdale is thoroughly quarantined.

End of Strike Is Not in Sight.

New York, Aug. 28.—Prospects mutually satisfactory for a settlement of the telegraphers' strike are no more promising than a week ago. The strike leaders say that they have accepted the companies' statements as final, and are prepared to prolong the strike until the business interests force Congress to act in the matter.

Hanged Twice in One Day.

Indiana, Pa., Aug. 28.—Because the rope broke the first time Carmine Renzo, aged 45, was hanged a second time here today for the murder of his sweetheart, Marian Bearno, aged 15, two years ago. Renzo weighed 175 pounds. Half dead after the first drop, he was carried back to the scaffold and the trap was sprung a second time.

HIS HEART ON THE WRONG SIDE

MAN WITH A FREAK ANATOMY ACCEPTED FOR UNCLE SAM'S NAVY.

With His Heart, Liver, Spleen and Lungs on the Other Side of His Body, Man Is Accepted

Terre Haute, Ind., Aug. 28.—Ira C. Salyards with his heart liver spleen and lungs on the other side of his body from their proper positions, has been accepted as an able bodied soldier in Uncle Sam's army after six months of examinations and deliberations by army surgeons. He has stood all the tests they could invent to discover if his transposed viscera made him incapable of performing the duties of a soldier.

Although not frequent many cases have been reported of the heart being on the right side of the body, but it is said that there are only forty cases in all medical history of such derangements of man's "innards" as the X-ray disclosed in this stalwart interurban motorman.

When six months ago the department at Washington was asked for instructions the department declined to pass on the case and the recruiting officer sent Salyards to the barracks at Columbus, O., where he was tested in many ways. He was given long fatigue marches and stood them as well as could be expected of any able-bodied man. He was kept on duty all night, and the strain had no more effect on him than it would have on a normal man, and so it was with many tests.

Salyards, who is 34 years old, recently became a widower and this led him to decide to enter the army. He had known from his boyhood that his heart was on the right side, but the X-ray disclosed that his lungs were so disarranged that the arteries entered from the wrong side of his body and that his spleen and liver had been specially placed for him, came as a surprise. He is 6 feet tall and weighs 175 pounds. He was reared on a farm in Sullivan county.

Physician Accused of Murder.

Stockton, Cal., Aug. 24.—The Grand Jury which was recently called to inquire into the death of Miss Annie Ray, aged 22 years, returned a verdict of murder against Dr. C. L. De Vinny.

Miss Ray died from blood poisoning and the Coroner's jury found that death had been due to a criminal operation which the jury charged that Dr. De Vinny had performed. The court fixed bail at \$5,000, which was furnished by the accused physician, who was here waiting the action of the Grand Jury.

Dr. De Vinny practiced here for many years, but some time ago moved to Santa Cruz, and made periodical visits to Stockton.

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