

HOTEL HOLOCAUST.

Boyd Takes the Gubernatorial Chair Today.

BLAINE OUT OF THE RACE.

Serious Changes, Electrocuted, All Indicted, He Caught Him, A Sensation, Hid Their Money, Goes off With the Widow, Charged With Forgery, Passengers were Out, Money Order Facilities, Inspectors Dismissed, Foreign and State News, Etc.

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NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—A disaster, appalling in horror, and bringing to mind the terrible occurrence in Park Place, still fresh in the public mind, occurred in this city early yesterday morning. The Hotel Royal, that well-known landmark, which has stood for more than a quarter of a century at the southeast corner of Sixth avenue and Fortieth street, burned to the ground and a large number of persons were burned, suffocated and crushed in the ruins. At the time of the disaster there were nearly 150 guests in the hotel. The hotel employees, all told, numbered fifty-five. Of the 150 people, five have thus far been found dead, six are in the hospital and sixty-three have been reported alive. One hundred are still missing. The number of dead will probably not exceed, at a later estimate, thirty. The scenes were heartrending and appalling even to the firemen and policemen, who are used to such sights. Soon after the fire broke out, ambulances arrived from the various hospitals, and many physicians, whose residences are in the neighborhood, were quickly on the scene, and did all they could to relieve the injured. Nearly every one of the 124 rooms, which the hotel had on its five floors, was occupied by guests, many of them transients. In fact all the rooms, save four, had been taken at 1 o'clock yesterday morning, when Richard Meares, the proprietor, went to bed. When the flames burst forth, from some unknown origin, near the elevator shaft, the entire building was instantly enveloped in flames.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—At 1:30 a. m. the best estimates, based upon the police reports, the coroner's list, and The World reporter's investigation, show: Dead, 5. Injured, 24; missing, 69; saved, 51.

This morning it was also learned on good authority, that Harding, the foreman of the hotel, who first discovered the fire, fought the flames for 15 minutes before he raised the alarm. Harding dries it.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—The search for the dead in the ruins of the Hotel Royal, which burned yesterday morning, was resumed this morning. Seven bodies had been found at half past nine. From a careful examination of the hotel register and journal furnished by Clerk Underwood, the number of persons in the building when the fire broke out was 152. Of these, eight are known to be dead; eighty-one were rescued before the walls collapsed, and sixty-one are still missing. Among those rescued from the flaming building, twenty-four were more or less seriously burned and bruised. It is not impossible that a number of those who are still among the missing this morning may have escaped, but until the great heaps of debris have been removed no one can tell what will be disclosed.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—By noon two more bodies were removed, both of them women; one is supposed to be that of a woman employed about the hotel. Victor Polleria, a waiter, who worked in the hotel some time ago, this morning said that it was the habit for rubbish to accumulate in one corner of the kitchen. This pile of rubbish on three different occasions caught fire but was quickly extinguished. Polleria believes it was here the fire originated.

BOYD GOES IN TODAY.
LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 8.—The State Journal contains the following: "The Nebraska gubernatorial mudslide is settled for the present, at least. The attorney general Thayer are not certain the office can be legally turned over to Governor Boyd before the official mandate is received, but Thayer wishes to leave the state this week, and has been so annoyed by the clamor of Boyd's friends that he has determined to surrender the seat immediately, if Boyd is willing to take the responsibility of holding the official papers."

Mr. Thayer's letter tendering the office to Mr. Boyd was made public last evening. It is as follows: "When I commenced proceedings a year ago to test your title to the office of governor, I did so in the belief that there was a great doubt in the public mind as to your citizenship and eligibility. I then took occasion to publicly say that as soon as your citizenship was established by the courts I would gladly surrender the office to you. The contest was not one of personal strife, nor to satisfy any ambition of my own, but to comply with an uphold the constitution of the state. Now that the public press has announced that the highest tribunal has declared, under the constitution and laws of our country and state, your right to the office of governor, I am, without awaiting the mandate of the court, willing to surrender the office."

AS I AM ABOUT TO LEAVE THE STATE, Monday, to be absent some weeks, it would be most convenient for me to turn over the office to you at 2 o'clock p. m. that day, Monday, if it is your pleasure to accept the same at that time."

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HID THEIR MONEY.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—A curious story of fortune found comes from Bennett Mills, N. J., where John Elmer, a country merchant, died a few weeks ago. He left a widow and daughter. Mrs. Elmer was taken sick soon after her husband died, and followed him to the grave. The daughter became despondent, and a week after her mother's funeral she was also a corpse. J. E. Allen, brother-in-law of the deceased Mrs. Elmer, took possession of the store and household effects. Allen began a search of the premises, and in the store found an old dirty satchel containing \$1000. On a shelf under one of the counters, concealed by rubbish, between \$500 and \$600 more was found. In another satchel was \$325. An old cigar-box in the house contained many valuable papers, bankbooks showing accounts in two banks, and \$250 in gold and silver. In the garret was a pocketbook which contained a large amount of money, and under one of the beds were two bags containing \$500. At the sale the personal property was sold last. The beds and other things which might contain hidden money brought exorbitant prices, and it took two days to dispose of the property. The amount of money recovered in the store and house amounted to over \$2500. The value of the estate left by the Elmers is estimated at \$60,000.

SERIOUS CHARGES.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—One of the scrub women at the Hotel Royal made a startling statement to a World reporter last night. She said at 2 o'clock in the morning, when she left the hotel to go across the street to sleep, Engineer Harding was drunk. She saw him stagger, slip and, and others told her Harding was seen under the influence of liquor earlier in the night. Night Clerk Underwood denied the story when it was repeated to him. He said Harding was a steady man, and was sober Saturday night. The chief of the house said yesterday one of his cooks may have left a grease-pot on the stove and that it boiled over, burning the fat. In that event it could have set fire to the floor and wall, or blazed up to the ceiling. The fire may have started in this way. Engineer Harding is positive his furnace and boilers were in good order, and that no burning coals escaped. The boiler blew up an hour and a half after the fire broke out. It was common gossip in the servant's dormitory, at No. 695 Sixth avenue, that Night Clerk Underwood, who was asleep at the time of the fire. The scrub woman said that he generally was asleep at that hour in the morning. No one could be found to verify this report.

GOES OFF WITH A WIDOW.

ALBANY, Or., Feb. 7.—James Walker, a farmer living near Albany, has disappeared. It is supposed he has gone to California. He sold his wheat Wednesday, and received \$1350, and started away on a southbound overland train. His family think he left in company with a young widow, Mrs. Vetch, daughter of W. W. McCon. He has a wife and four children, and was a well-to-do farmer. He had recently been paying undue attention to Mrs. Vetch, and was so much in her company that his wife upbraided him for his conduct. He leaves an indebtedness of \$1000 or more. All his property has been attached, which will leave his wife without means. She is prostrate over the affair.

INSPECTORS DISMISSED.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—Several postoffice inspectors have been dismissed because of an insufficiency of the appropriation for that service. Among them is Robert R. Monroe, of California.

ABOUT GUATEMALA.

CITY OF MEXICO, Feb. 8.—Mail advices from the city of Guatemala contain an account of election fights occurring Jan. 12th. They started by attempts to seize some ballot boxes, and troops as well as police interfered. Over sixty persons were killed and 100 wounded, at the time of writing more fighting was going on.

BEHRING SEA COMMISSION.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—The Behring sea joint commission, consisting of Sir Baden Powell and Dr. Dawson, for Great Britain, and Prof. Mendenhall and Merriam, for the United States, met for the first time this afternoon and made preliminary arrangements for a series of sessions in general on the subject of the seal hunting industry. These meetings will be held at the state department, beginning tomorrow, and will be secret.

HE RESIGNED.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—W. N. Beers, president of the New York Life Insurance Company resigned today and his resignation was accepted to take effect Wednesday. Beers retires on a pension of \$25,000.

COUNTERFEIT MONEY.

BOISE CITY, Feb. 8.—A week or two ago, Nathan Falk, one of the most prominent men of the city, received a letter from a New York man who offered to sell some fine counterfeit bills at a very low rate. The letter was promptly forwarded to the treasury department at Washington. In reply the merchant received a circular, issued by A. L. Drummond, chief of the secret service division of the department. The chief goes on at some length to say that the sender of the letter belongs to a class of swindlers called "boodlers," who practice the offering of counterfeit money to unsophisticated persons. One practice of the boodlers, says the chief, is to lead on their victims by sending a genuine \$1 or \$2 note or parts of the same, and represent them to be specimens of the counterfeit notes they have for sale. Under various names of "green articles," "green cigars," "green leaves," etc., they offer for sale the counterfeit money, which they aver is printed on plates stolen from the bureau of engraving and printing of the government. Not a plate of any kind has ever been stolen from that establishment, yet thousands of criminally foolish people believe they can purchase counterfeit money as they would butter and cheese, and in their attempts to obtain it are robbed.

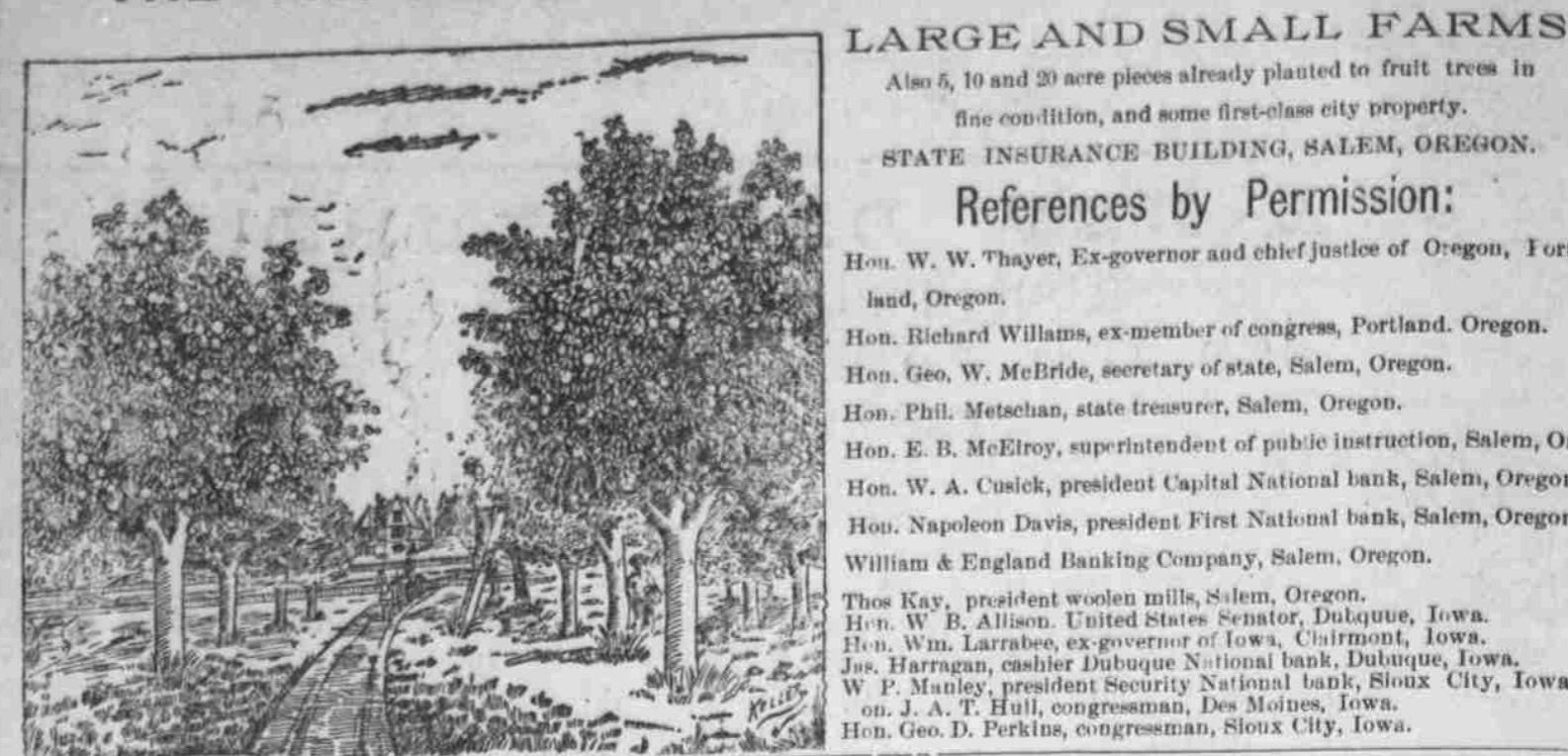
HOW SCHLEY PREPARED THE BALTIMORE FOR ACTION.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—The following incident in connection with the Chilean difficulty, has not before been made public. After the attack on the sailors of the Baltimore, excitement ran high in Valparaiso. As will be remembered, rumors were thick and frequent that the Chileans intended to attack the Baltimore. The naval demonstration on their part were very threatening, and of such a character that Captain Schley felt impelled to put his ship in order for a hot fight, if it was forced upon him. According to the reports a combined attack was to be made upon the Baltimore by the Chilean cruisers, the Esmeralda, the Almirante, the Cocharan and the torpedo vessels. The idea of the Chileans was with their force they could make a complete wreck of the Baltimore in a very short time. Captain Schley did not think so. At any rate he was ready to give them a warm reception on either side of the Baltimore.

FROM COLD AND HUNGER.

GUTHRIE, O. T., Feb. 8.—The recent cold weather has caused great suffering among the new settlers in the Indian country. Three deaths have already occurred and several settlers are now in a precarious condition. Mrs. Tolford and Mrs. Warner, living in a tent near Purcell, in Pottawatomie county, were found dead this morning from exposure and insufficient clothing and food. E. J. Daniels, from Western Kansas, died from the same cause near Chandler, in Iowa county. He leaves a widow and five children. They are all in the most destitute condition.

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- Hon. Geo. W. McBride, secretary of state, Salem, Oregon.
- Hon. Phil. Metcalf, state treasurer, Salem, Oregon.
- Hon. E. B. McElroy, superintendent of public instruction, Salem, Or.
- Hon. W. A. Cook, president Capital National bank, Salem, Oregon.
- Hon. Napoleon Davis, president First National bank, Salem, Oregon.
- William & England Banking Company, Salem, Oregon.
- Thos. Kay, president woolen mills, Salem, Oregon.
- Hon. W. B. Allison, United States Senator, Duluth, Iowa.
- Hon. Wm. Larrabee, ex-governor of Iowa, Clairmont, Iowa.
- Mr. Harragan, cashier Dubuque National bank, Dubuque, Iowa.
- W. P. Manly, president Security National bank, Sioux City, Iowa.
- Hon. J. A. T. Hull, congressman, Des Moines, Iowa.
- Hon. Geo. D. Perkins, congressman, Sioux City, Iowa.

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10 acres of land 5 1/2 miles south of Salem (postoffice) best fruit land, nearly all cultivated. There will be 100 acres set to fruit, immediately adjoining this tract, this spring; price, \$50 per acre, \$100 cash, balance easy payments.

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15 40-100 acres cultivated land with barn and running water, \$45 per acre, 1/4 cash, balance in three equal annual payments.

10 80-100 acres cultivated land, running water on land, \$40 per acre, 1/4 cash, balance in three equal annual payments. First payment taken in work.

30 65-100 acres pasture and timber land, all good land, with running water, 3 miles from Turner, \$25 per acre.

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A WARNING - DON'T USE BIG WORDS.
In promulgating esoteric cogitations or articles of superficial sentimentality and philosophical profundity, the writer forgets that his readers are not all philosophers and professors of metaphysics, and that many of them are practical business men, who are not interested in the quibbling and pedantic subtleties of a certain class of writers. The writer who uses big words, and who writes in a high, pompous and bombastic style, is not likely to be read, and his words are as sound as a tree trunk, without any fruit. The writer who writes in a plain, simple and direct style, and who writes in a way that is understood by all, is likely to be read, and his words are as sound as a tree trunk, with many good apples.

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