

BLOWN UP BY FLOR.

Fatal Explosion in the Biggest Mill in the World.

Illinois Shaken by a Tremendous Concussion.

The large flouring mill and elevators at Litchfield, Ill., owned by Kessler Brothers...

The fire was discovered by the night watchman in the bran-room of the flour mill...

The explosion the immense building swayed for a second and fell in a blazing pile...

At about forty small dwellings were wrecked and many others slightly damaged...

PEOPLE AND EVENTS.

Dr. Julius Schweitzer, for many years editor of the political-economic department...

The author of "Alice in Woodland," who in private life is the Rev. Chas. L. Dodgson...

The Hon. James S. Clarkson, it is announced, will not be a candidate for re-election...

MADAME CARNOT is a blue-eyed, white-skinned brunette, with hair as glossy as...

"COLONEL TAFT," the Boston boniface, died, as probably he would have chosen to die...

A Locomotive of the Philadelphia, Reading and New England Railroad exploded at St. Elmo...

THE STEAMER CITY OF RIO JANEIRO arrived at San Francisco, from Hong Kong and Yokohama...

A REAR END COLLISION between two express trains on the New York, Lake Erie and Western Railroad...

A LOCOMOTIVE OF THE PHILADELPHIA, READING AND NEW ENGLAND RAILROAD exploded at St. Elmo...

A DESPERATE BATTLE. Fight on a Railroad Train in Which Ten Men Were Killed.

Gov. McKinney Sends His Invitation to Executives of Other States.

Gov. McKinney sent out the following letter of invitation to the chief executives of the Southern States:

My DEAR SIR:—In the hope that I may be able to induce good citizens to immigrate to the South...

WRECKED THE MOUNTAINS. Terrific Violence of a South American Earthquake.

A tremendous and destructive phenomenon has occurred in the Department of Cauca, in the Republic of Colombia.

CABLE SPARKS.

THE collapse of a building on the Sprudal street in Gothenburg, killed 14 persons.

THE Russian steamer Peter der Grosse was sunk by collision in the English channel.

THE American missionaries expelled from Ponce are to be indemnified by the Spanish government.

TWO brothers have been arrested in Brussels on suspicion of having been concerned in dynamite plots.

A SPECIAL General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland has condemned the home-rule bill.

OFFICIALS of the Anglo-Austrian Bank have been sentenced to penal servitude for wrecking the bank.

THE German forces in East Africa captured the fortified town held by the chief Sikai, who was slain.

ROBBERS in Salmador, Bavaria, murdered a family of four persons and set fire to the house to conceal their crime.

THE French Chamber of Deputies voted its repudiation of the government's course with the Panama investigation.

THE Chinese are preparing to seize Pomi, while the Russians are sending reinforcements to the country to resist the attack.

SERIOUS friction is threatened between France and the Vatican in regard to the appointment of a Primate for Africa.

THE Amer of Afghanistan will not meet the British envoy to treat in regard to the trouble among the tribes on the Indian frontier.

MAJOR FUKUSHIMA, formerly of the Japanese Legion in Mexico, completed at Vladivostok his horseback ride across European and Asiatic Russia.

CHANCELLOR VON CAPRIVI has rejected the offer of the national liberal party in regard to the army bill, and it is thought the measure will be defeated.

THE British have fought a severe battle with the tribes beyond Chitral, where they are fighting the Indian frontier against Russian encroachment.

ROME BEING SHAKEN. Six Bombs Thrown During Twenty Four Hours.

Six bombs were thrown in Rome during the day. General alarm is felt. No arrests have been made.

A short time after the explosion of a bomb at the Marignoli Palace, in the suburbs of Rome, another explosion occurred in the city.

The outrage in the city was perpetrated at the residence of the Marquis Sacchetti, Grand Marshal of the Papal Court, and has caused a feeling of great anxiety in Vatican circles.

A few days ago an attempt was made to blow up with a bomb the Palazzo Altieri, the headquarters of the Papal Guardia Nobilit, but was fortunately frustrated.

THE police have no clue to the authors of the outrages, though they firmly believe that they are Anarchists who are trying to intimidate the pope and the government.

DISASTERS AND CASUALTIES. CORNELIUS VOGEL, aged 12 years, who skatin at Grand Rapids, Michigan, fell through the ice and was drowned.

JOHN W. CARTWRIGHT, a prominent lawyer and prohibitionist of Ottawa, Illinois, was drowned in the Illinois river by the capsizing of a sail boat.

THE body of a man, found drowned at New York, was identified as that of John Gleason who lived in Philadelphia. He was at work on a brick barge and had been missing for four months.

ENGINEER Michael Donohue, Fireman Martin Donohue and Fireman Burke were instantly killed and their bodies terribly burned by a collision between two sections of an oil train on the Western New York Ontario Railroad, near Oneida, New York.

THE steamer CITY OF RIO JANEIRO arrived at San Francisco, from Hong Kong and Yokohama with advices that 34 lives were lost by an avalanche at Hyda, Japan, on February 15; fire destroyed 220 houses at Tawachow, Japan, on February 14; the Nova Scotia ship Charles Lambert, barkman, was destroyed by fire at Samarang on February 20th.

WORK OF A CYCLOPE.

Northern Mississippi and Western Tennessee Visited.

Three Towns Blown Away and Several Persons Reported Killed.

North Mississippi and West Tennessee are in ruins. A cyclone swept over this section leaving death and destruction in its wake.

The disaster is one of the most appalling in the history of the south, and by the time full particulars are learned the list of dead and wounded will swell into the hundreds.

It is impossible to estimate the amount of damage done, but conservative opinion places it at an extremely high figure.

Tupelo, Miss., the home of Congressman Allen, had an experience which it will take years to obliterate.

The storm struck that city in all its fury and before it had passed over grim death and destruction had stalked through its precincts with terrible effect.

People were killed by the score and dwellings were blown down as if they had been built of cardboard.

Wires are down in every direction, and it is difficult to get details.

The little town of Kelly, 15 miles from Memphis, on the Memphis and Birmingham railroad, was wiped out of existence by the same storm.

INDIANAPOLIS DEVIATED. INDIANAPOLIS, IND.—A wind-storm of remarkable violence visited this city at 8 o'clock in the evening.

A CHICAGO FEARED. ST. PAUL, MINN.—In Western and Southern Minnesota and South Dakota a great storm is raging.

DULUTH, MINN.—A belated blizzard set in within half an hour street cars were badly interfered with.

CHICAGO, ILL.—A severe snow-storm closed all wire communication north from Chicago at 11 o'clock.

RACINE, WIS.—One of the worst blizzards known in years prevailed here. The entire tele phone system is crippled.

WORK AND WORKERS. ABOUT 250 negroes arrived in Pittsburgh to work in the mills of the Carnegie Company.

A MINER'S LAMP DID IT. One Man Killed and Three Fatally Injured by an Explosion.

One man was killed and three badly, if not fatally, injured by an explosion of gas at Oak Hill colliery, near Minersville, Pa.

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PENNSYLVANIA ITEMS.

Epitome of News Gleaned from Various Parts of the State.

JUDGE BRUBAKER, of Lancaster County, referred vigorously to illegal fees extorted by court officials and asked a bar committee to protest against certain accounts that they might properly be investigated.

In view of the Delaware County Grand Jury's recent recommendation that naturalization papers be more carefully issued.

THE Allentown and Bethlehem Rapid Transit Company attempted to lay its tracks at night through Hokendauque, where the Lehigh Valley Traction Company also claimed rights.

THE jury returned a verdict of murder in the second degree against William Rhine, charged with the murder of Councilman Shaffer at Leeburg.

J. LINCOLN DAVIDSON was sentenced at Beaver to seven years for attempting to kill his father-in-law, Mills Bradshaw.

THE case of Dr. Paul Guilford, of Lebanon charged with administering poison to Agnes Sooders, was given to the jury.

REPRESENTATIVES of the agricultural societies of Pennsylvania and Maryland at Harrisburg arranged for a number of racing meetings through the Fall.

Reading's Board of Health decided to establish a small-pox hospital near the city.

THE Reading and Lehigh Valley Railroads have abandoned the plan of having an exhibit at the Chicago Fair.

JOSEPH LAVAZZAS and John Gaydos, Polish miners, fell down a manway in Stockton Colliery, Hazleton, and were killed.

COATESVILLE has been selected as a site for the power plant for the new Philadelphia and Lancaster electric railway.

THE fire is still burning in No. 3 mine of the Lehigh & Wilkes-Barre Coal Company at Honeybrook, and it is feared the land above will collapse.

CHARLES HOLLAND, of Port Kennedy, attacked with an axe and probably fatally injured John Kaufman, of Valley Forge.

A. B. SCHOOLER, who lived near Wilkes-Barre, leaped 100 feet off a bridge into the Susquehanna River and was drowned after floating a quarter of a mile before several thousand people who were helpless along the banks.

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THREE NEW MINISTERS.

The American Envoys to Franco, Germany and Denmark.

Ex-Senator James B. Eustis, of Louisiana, in the List.

The President sent the following nominations to the Senate: James B. Eustis, of Louisiana, to be envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary of the United States to Franco.

Theodore Runyon, of New Jersey, to be envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary of the United States to Germany.

Justice James G. Jenkins, of Wisconsin, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Seventh Judicial Circuit.

To be marshals of the United States—David T. Guyton, of Mississippi, for the Northern District of Mississippi; William P. Hawkins, of Indiana, for the district of Indiana; Abner Gaines, of Arkansas, for the Eastern district of Arkansas; James J. McAlister, of the Indian Territory, for the United States Court for the Indian Territory.

To be attorneys of the United States—Frank B. Burke, of Indiana, for the district of Indiana; Clifford L. Jackson, of the Indian Territory, to be attorney of the United States Court for the Indian Territory; Joseph W. House, of Arkansas, for the Eastern District of Arkansas; Ernest P. Bellwin, of Maryland, to be first auditor of the treasury.

THOMAS HOLCOMB, of Delaware, to be fifth auditor of the treasury; Wade Hampton, of South Carolina, to be commissioner of railroads.

CONFIRMED BY THE SENATE. The Senate has confirmed the following wing nominations: Josiah Quincy, of Massachusetts, to be assistant secretary of state.

Isaac F. Gray, of Indiana, to be envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary of the United States to Mexico.

Patrick A. Collins, of Massachusetts, to be consul of the United States at London.

Robert A. Maxwell, of New York, to be fourth assistant postmaster general.

Wade Hampton, of South Carolina, to be commissioner of railroads.

Wm. McAdoo, of New Jersey, to be assistant secretary of the navy.

MARKETS. BALTIMORE. GRAIN, ETC.

FLOUR—Balt. Best Pat \$ 4.80 @ \$ 4.85 High Grade Extra..... 4.00 4.10

WHEAT—No. 2 Red..... 70 73 CORN—No. 2 White..... 46 49

OATS—Southern & Penn. 38 41 Western White..... 38 42

RYE—No. 2..... 60 61.50 Bar Yellow per bush..... 17 20

STRAW—Rye in car lds. 12.00 12.50 Wheat Blocks..... 6.50 7.00

CANNED GOODS. TOMATOES—Std. No. 3 \$ 1.20 @ \$ 1.25

PEAS—Standards..... 1.20 1.25 CORN—Dry Pack..... 1.10 1.15

CITY STEERS..... 5 @ \$ 8.50 City Cows..... 8 @ 8.50

POTATOES & VEGETABLES. POTATOES—Burbanks..... 83 @ \$ 85

Yams..... 2.25 3.00 ONIONS..... 16 10.5

PROVISIONS. HOGS PRODUCTS—shd. \$ 10 @ \$ 11

Bacon ribs..... 11 11.5 Bacon sides..... 12 12.5

Mess Pork, per bar..... 15 15.5 LARD—Crude..... 13 13

BEST REFINED..... 14 BUTTER. BUTTER—Fine Cream..... 22 @ \$ 20

Under line..... 27 28 Roll..... 26 27

CHEESE—N.Y. Factory..... 17 @ \$ 18 N. Y. State..... 15 15.5

SKIM CHEESE..... 8 11 EGGS. EGGS—State..... 15 @ \$ 16

North Carolina..... 14 15 FOWLTRY. CHICKENS—Hens..... 12 @ \$ 12.5

Turkeys..... 14 15 Ducks, per lb..... 14 15

TOBACCO. TOBACCO—Md. Infer..... 1.50 @ \$ 1.50

Sound common..... 1.00 1.00 Middling..... 6.00 6.00

Fancy..... 12.00 12.00 LIVE STOCK. BEEF—Best Cows..... 5.50 @ \$ 5.75

Good to Fair..... 4.75 5.25 SHEEP..... 4.00 5.75

Hogs..... 7.00 7.50 FURS AND SKINS. MUSKRAT..... 10 @ \$ 11

Raccoon..... 40 45 Red Fox..... 100 100

Skunk Black..... 80 80 Mink..... 22 28

Otter..... 80 80 NEW YORK. FLOUR—Southern..... 3.15 @ \$ 4.00

WHEAT—No. 3 Red..... 74.5 74.5 RYE—Western..... 60 61

CORN—No. 2..... 52.5 52.5 OATS—No. 3..... 38.5 39

BUTTER—State..... 12 12 EGGS—State..... 16 17

CHEESE—State..... 10 12 PHILADELPHIA. FLOUR—Southern..... 3.60 @ \$ 4.00

WHEAT—No. 3 Red..... 73 73.5 RYE—No. 3..... 49 49.5

OATS—No. 2..... 40 41.5 BATS—No. 2..... 22 22

EGGS—State..... 17 17.5