

ECHOES OF THE FLOOD.

The Mississippi River Eighty Miles Wide at Places.

VANDAL KILLED BY A GUARD

Detected in the Act of Cutting a Levee. Heavy Losses from the Drowning of Hogs and Cattle, but Little Loss of Human Life Reported.

St. Louis March 24.—A special from Caruthersville says: The river rose here one inch and a quarter during 24 hours, and continues to weaken the levees. The encouragement of three days ago is departing as day after day the government reports bulletin the rise from Cairo up. The situation here is serious. A terrible windstorm and three-sixteenth of an inch rainfall occurred Monday night, and the wind blew a gale yesterday. The situation across the river grows more alarming every day. The loss of life, of property and of live stock is frightful.

On one little saw dust heap, half an acre square, near Tiger Tail Mill, on the Tennessee side, were crowded 20 people and 100 of live stock, but all were picked up by one of the relief tugs and carried to Dyersburg. The crevasse just below town is today more than 1,200 feet wide, and the water is pouring into the country. Contrary to expectations, the water is now driving families out in the upper end of the country. The steamer Verona is near Tyler, and is expected here with another barge of people and stock.

A guard shot a man below here on the Arkansas levee the other night, whom he detected in the act of cutting the levee, and threw his carcass in the river. No one knew his name, and no one cared.

If the river rises six inches more it will sweep over the top of three miles of levee north of here, unless the people are able to keep ahead of the rise, which they hope to do. The water is now 18 inches above the crown of the old levee.

Every square inch of available room is occupied by refugees from the flooded districts. Three families are occupying two deserted school houses, and one family is in the new jail. The Methodist church is full, and refugees now are occupying the two gin and grist mills.

There is six inches of water in the Gayoso courthouse. Only two houses are above water there, and the rest of that town has from four inches to six feet of water.

The relief boat Vadalia just arrived with a barge load of people and live stock from the Bends, between here and New Madrid. The captain says that many would not leave. It is clear, but the wind is blowing a gale.

Captain W. R. McCoy, of the Anchor line steamship Bluff City, returned yesterday from a trip through the entire overflowed valley south of Cairo. Concerning the damage and loss of life Captain McCoy said: "So far the damage in the flood district around Memphis has not been as great as the general public suppose. I was particularly inquired, as we came up the river, whether there had been any loss of life, but so far as I was able to learn there had been none. In the district around Memphis there has been heavy loss from the drowning of hogs and cattle, but as a general rule there have been very few horses lost.

"In front of Memphis the river is 40 miles wide, having broken through the levees and spread out into a vast lake, reaching clear across to Madison, in an unbroken stretch. The town of Marlon, Ark., is under water, and the only railroad that is running is the Iron Mountain.

"The overflowed district as it stands at present extends from 80 miles below Memphis to Point Pleasant, 150 miles above Bluff City. The average width is probably 80 miles, and the average depth, except in the bed of the river, is from three to seven feet. There will be no early crop from that region this year. This will constitute the heaviest part of the flood losses, I think."

Protest Against the New Tariff.

New York, March 24.—A meeting of representative men of various trades interested in the exportation of canned goods was held yesterday for the purpose of protesting against the tin plate schedule of the Dingley tariff bill. The resolution adopted declares it will throw thousands out of employment. Mr. S. A. Condit, of the Central Lard Company, said in his speech: "The Standard Oil company will move its works to England, thereby throwing thousands of American workmen out of employment if the tin plate schedule of the Dingley tariff bill becomes a law."

Captain Reed's Heroic Wife.

New York, March 22.—The long overdue American clipper ship T. P. Oakes, which left Hong Kong on July 4, 250 days ago, with a general cargo for this port, and which had been given up as lost, was towed into port yesterday by the British tank steamer Kasbek. Captain Muir, which picked her up last Thursday. The crew were sick with scurvy, and six had died. Since March 1 only Captain Reed and his wife and two mates had been able to work, and Mrs. Reed was obliged to take the wheel.

Legs Torn Off by a Hawser.

Liverpool, March 24.—The Johnson line steamship Templemore arrived here yesterday in tow of her sister ship, the Ulstermore. Captain Moore, from Baltimore on March 7 for this port. She was disabled on March 2. Six days later the hawser snapped and sprang back on board the Templemore, tearing off the legs of both Captain Simpson and a seaman. The two men died shortly afterward. Four other members of the crew, including Chief Officer Phillips, had their legs broken.

Mills Resume on Full Time.

Rockville, Conn., March 23.—The first general short time schedule ever adopted by the big woolen mills in this city, which has existed for two years, was ended yesterday, when full time was practically resumed. The mills employ 2,000 persons when running full capacity. Since February, 1935, the mills have not run over two-thirds time.

PENNSYLVANIA LEGISLATURE.

Matters That Are Attracting the Attention of the Lawmakers.

Harrisburg, March 23.—In the senate last night Mr. Walter introduced a bill providing for the erection of an new capitol building. The structure shall be erected by a commission composed of the commissioners of public buildings and grounds and their respective successors, the present president pro tem, the senate and the present speaker of the house. The building is to be of nearly fire proof as possible, of colonial style, and built upon or near the old site. The cost of the building is limited to \$550,000.

Mr. Mitchell, of Jefferson, introduced a bill to make it unlawful for any persons to publicly exhibit any photographic reproduction of a prize. Violation of the act is punishable by a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500 and imprisonment for not more than ten days.

A bill to prevent and punish prize fighting was introduced in the house by Mr. Seyfert, of Lancaster. It provides "that whenever either one of the contestants shall be so severely injured that death ensues the remaining contestant shall be indicted for murder in the first degree, and if convicted shall suffer the penalty of death." It also provides that spectators may be sentenced to a fine not exceeding \$1,000 and imprisonment not less than six months.

Harrisburg, March 24.—The joint committee appointed to investigate the offices of the state treasurer and the auditor general made its report to the legislature yesterday. As a matter of fact, there were two reports, the Democratic members, Messrs. Kerr of York and Lennon of Lehigh, dissenting from the majority report. In the senate the majority report, after some opposition on the part of the anti-Quay members and the Democrats, was adopted by a vote of 27 to 12. The report practically exonerates the state treasurer and auditor general from the charges of mismanagement, which have been made against their offices. Whatever defects were found were ascribed to an insufficient clerical force and to faults in the systems under which the departments are managed. The house accepted both reports, but took no vote on the question of adoption.

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ITEMS OF STATE NEWS.

Reading, Pa., March 24.—Superintendent Passmore, of the Reading and Southwestern Street Railway company, has ordered that after April 1 conductors and motormen must be clean shaven, not even mustaches being allowed.

York, Pa., March 24.—Catharine, the 5-year-old daughter of J. G. Menges, of Menges Mills, was instantly killed yesterday by her hair catching in the shafting in her grandfather's mill. Her scalp was torn and she was thrown some distance across the mill room, when her grandfather found her body.

Pottsville, Pa., March 22.—Ellsworth Batdorf, 24 years, of Minersville, was killed at Lytle colliery by a fall of coal while driving a hole preparatory to making a shot. Nearly two hours' hard work was required to recover his body. He is survived by a wife and five small children. This is the second time that Mrs. Batdorf has been bereaved, her first husband having been killed in a similar manner.

Norristown, Pa., March 20.—Charles O. Kaiser, Jr., was last night convicted of murder in the first degree for the killing of his wife, Emma P. Kaiser, on the afternoon of Oct. 23 last. Kaiser received the announcement unmoved. On their first ballot the jury stood nine for conviction and three for acquittal. Three other ballots were taken, and on each one man was added to the majority.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., March 23.—Hester Bruce and Sarah Miller, the two colored women charged with being implicated in the blowing up of the railroad shanty on the mountain two years ago, by which six lives were lost, were brought into court yesterday for a habeas corpus hearing. The women have been in jail nearly eighteen months. Miss Mary Trescott appeared as their counsel. One of the prisoners, it was alleged, disguised herself in men's attire and worked with the male members of the party in laying the wires from the battery to the shanty. After the evidence had been heard the court ordered the discharge of the prisoners.

Philadelphia, March 22.—Director Ritter has issued the following order to Superintendent of Police London: "In the matter of the boxing contest held on Thursday last at the blacksmith shop of Patrick Murphy, on Germantown avenue, above Oxford street, between Frank Connelly and Christopher Kellecker, in which Kellecker was killed, and in the matter of the boxing contest held Friday night at 1422 Vine street, between John Perry and Edward Gibbons, in which Gibbons was killed, you are hereby instructed to arrest all the persons present at each of these contests, and they are to be held as accessories, if the magistrate will so hold them."

Harrisburg, March 22.—Although it was flatly contradicted by the other side, there was direct and explicit testimony of bribery alleged in at least one instance in the examination of a witness for the defense in the somewhat sensational trial Saturday of Rev. Dr. C. B. Swallow, editor of the Pennsylvania Methodist, for his utterances against the state soldiers' orphan school commission. J. S. Huston, a harness dealer, averred that he had paid \$25 to Commissioner George G. Boyer to induce him to buy of the witness harnesses for the orphan school at Scotland, Pa. There was also testimony of whisky being dispensed from a regular bar at one of the soldiers' orphan schools. Argument in the case is being made today.

A WEEK'S NEWS CONDENSED

Thursday, March 18.

Postmaster Hesing, of Chicago, has tendered his resignation to President McKinley.

General Wade Hampton, commissioner of railroads, is seriously ill at Washington.

Mrs. Kate Day, an active W. C. T. U. worker, was found murdered in her apartments in New York.

Three mill strikers at Paterson, N. J., were convicted of disorderly conduct for annoying workers. Fourteen others are on trial.

Four survivors of the wrecked French steamer Ville de St. Nazaire were brought to New York by the schooner Hilda. Sixty-one souls were lost with the St. Nazaire.

It is rumored in Paris that the governorship of Crete will be offered to Prince Henry of Orleans.

The new gunboats Wheeling and Marietta were successfully launched yesterday at San Francisco.

It is reported that two bands of Thesalians numbering over a thousand men have entered Macedonia from the Volo and Larissa districts of Thessaly.

In Philadelphia Montravelle H. Smith pleaded guilty to embezzling \$7,500 from the Philadelphia Trust, Safe Deposit and Insurance company, and was sentenced to one year and six months in the county prison.

It is reported that a union between the Transvaal and the Orange Free State has been decided upon.

The Tahiti natives are carrying on a stubborn guerrilla war against the French in Karaita and Tahao.

Milk Inspector Byrnes, at Philadelphia, estimates that 57,000 quarts of water are sold annually as milk in that city.

Jackson and Walling, the youthful murderers of Pearl Bryan, who decapitated their victim, were hanged today at Newport, Ky.

Reports from the west and south, where floods have caused many thousands of dollars damage, indicate that the waters are now subsiding.

Monday, March 22.

The Marquis of Salisbury, Great Britain's premier, is still confined to his bed with influenza, but is much better.

Henry C. Payne, of Wisconsin, was given his choice of the missions to Australia, Russia, Belgium and Japan, but declined.

A cable dispatch from Montevideo, Uruguay, states that the insurgents were defeated by the federal forces under General Villar.

The proposed yachting tour of E. C. Benedict and ex-President Cleveland to Cuba has been postponed, and the trip will be made in a new yacht, which Mr. Cleveland may purchase.

Tuesday, March 23.

At a fire in Lawrence, Mass., eight persons were seriously injured while escaping.

Figures collected from six states show prospects of a big wheat crop. The yield may equal 1895.

Engineer Franks and Fireman Smith were killed at Englewood, Ill., an explosion utterly demolishing their locomotive.

California Chinamen who called upon Minister Yang Yu, in Washington, were compelled to kneel during the interview.

It is asserted in Copenhagen that Russia and Turkey have made an agreement, the former guaranteeing the integrity of the Ottoman empire.

Wednesday, March 24.

Mrs. Marie E. Storey, who was the first wife of Wilbur F. Storey, once the famous proprietor of the Chicago Times, is dead in Florence, Italy.

It is reported in London that Emperor William of Germany and President Faure of France will visit the projected exhibition at Brussels.

A mob at Vienna yesterday attacked the shops of Jewish merchants and was charged by the police. The disturbances are caused by the recent elections.

William Painter, a railroad brakeman who was crushed by the crowd that greeted President McKinley at Pittsburgh, died from his injuries last night at Altoona, Pa.

STOCK AND PRODUCE MARKETS.

Closing Quotations of the New York and Philadelphia Exchanges.

New York, March 23.—The bears were rampant today and were in absolute control of the market. Everything on the list was more or less depressed, and several of the stocks which were most effective in sustaining the market in face of the several efforts made last week by the bulls to raid it were foremost today in yielding to the pressure on the market. Closing bids: Balto. & Ohio, 154; Lehigh Valley, 233; Ches. & Ohio, 174; N. J. Central, 85 1/2; Del. & Hudson, 107 1/2; N. Y. Central, 130; Do. J. & W., 150; Pennsylvania, 83; Erie, 100; Reading, 224; Lake Erie & W. 16 1/2; St. Paul, 79; Lehigh Nav., 29; W. N. Y. & Pa., 28; All assets paid.

General Markets.

Philadelphia, March 23.—Flour quiet; winter superfine, \$2.90; do. extra, \$2.75; do. Pennsylvania roller, clear, \$2.90; do. straight, \$1.20; do. western winter, clear, \$2.90; do. straight, \$1.20; do. city mills, extra, \$2.90; do. Rye flour steady at \$2.50 per barrel. Wheat firm; contract wheat, March, 83 1/2; No. 2 Pennsylvania and No. 2 Delaware red, spot, 83 1/2; No. 1 northern spring, spot, 83 1/2; do. No. 2 red, March, 80 1/2; do. May, 79 1/2; do. July, 77 1/2; do. September, 75 1/2. Corn steady; steam corn, spot, 24 3/4; No. 2 yellow for local trade, 24 1/2; No. 2 mixed, March, 27 1/2; do. April, 27 1/2; do. May, 26 1/2; do. June, 26 1/2; Hay firm for good; choice timothy, \$13.50 for large bales. Beef quiet; beef hams, \$18.50; Pork firm; family, \$10.50; Lard steady; western steamed, 44c. Butter steady; western creamery, 33 1/2; do. factory, 33 1/2; Eggs, 19c. Canned goods, 19c. Creamery, 19c. Fancy prints, 19c. Cheese steady; large, 9 1/2; small, 9 1/2; part skims, 9 1/2; full skims, 9 1/2. Eggs quiet; New York and Pennsylvania, 19c; western, fresh, 19c; southern, 19c.

New York Live Stock Market.

New York, March 23.—Cables quote American steers at 116 1/2; sheep at 119 1/2; refrigerator beef at 92 1/2. Calves steady; veals, 44c. Sheep and lambs firm; sheep, prime, 45; good lambs, 45. Hogs firm at 41.50.

THE HOUSEHOLD.

How the French Make Delicious Coffee.

The Silence Cloth—Strawberry Cottage Pudding.

The French are noted for the perfection of their culinary skill. They are famous especially for the delicious preparation of their coffee. The fragrant "bowl" of this beverage—with light roll—and tiny, individual pitcher of hot, boiled milk, as served at any "cafe" in Paris, is so indescribably delectable to the partaker thereof that he forthwith determines to inquire into the mysteries of French coffee making.

The secret of the unsurpassed excellence of their coffee, as explained in The Housewife, is that they prepare it by means of filtration instead of boiling. To boil coffee is to rob it of the "triple extract" of its delicate aroma. The French contrivance for filtration consists of a perforated porcelain funnel, which fits into a porcelain coffee pot. A circular piece of filter paper lines the funnel and is renewed at each coffee making.

The desired amount of ground coffee, according to strength and quantity, is placed in the paper lined funnel, upon which the boiling water is poured. The amber colored filtrate is clear as sparkling champagne, of delicious flavor and full strength.

Many may consider this rather an elaborate method of preparing a drink which is in such frequent demand. A good substitute arrangement for filtration is a muslin bag sewed on to a narrow, perforated ring of heavy tin. This is a much simpler method for obtaining the same end and is within the reach of all, which the authority already quoted tells about. Procure a china coffee-pot—a tin can should never be used for coffee—and have made a tin ring, three-fourths of an inch deep, to fit the top of the coffee-pot. The ring must have perforations one half inch apart, by means of which the muslin bag is attached. Any tinman will make a ring of this description for 5 or 10 cents.

The bag is made of medium weight muslin, nicely rounded and tapering toward the lower end. If the muslin is too heavy, the filtration will be too slow; if too light, it will be too quick and the filtrate will not be so clear. The same bag must not be used too long. It takes but a few minutes to stitch a new one on to the ring. Ground coffee, the desired quantity, is put in the bag, and boiling water slowly poured over. Coffee made in this manner fully equals in strength, flavor and clearness that filtered through a porcelain funnel.

A mixture of Mocha and Java, the one for strength, the other for delicacy of aroma, makes the finest drink. Green coffee gives better satisfaction than the browned, because after being roasted it readily loses its delicate aroma. But enough to last a week should be roasted at one time.

A suggestion with regard to the water used: Fresh water should be taken and made to boil as quickly as possible, when it should immediately be poured over the ground coffee. There is a distinctive difference in the taste of water which has bubbled and spluttered for hours and fresh, quickly boiled water—though the difference is, perhaps, more marked in tea than in coffee.

The Silence Cloth.

Every dining table nowadays has, or ought to have, a silence cloth for everyday use as well as for special occasions. Table padding, felt or double faced Canton flannel may be found at all the large dry goods houses especially for this purpose. An old blanket will answer if new material cannot be obtained. This silence cloth protects the polished table from scratches or discolorations from hot dishes or the spilling of liquids, saves the wear of the linen cloth along the edge of the table, and gives it a richer, heavier appearance, and, most important of all its merits, it prevents any noise in the serving. It is desirable to have the silence cloth long enough to allow for the extra leaf needed on special occasions, and if too long at other times it can be pinned at the corners around the table legs, or you may put several loops on the cloth and some tacks to correspond on the inside of the table frame and hook the cloth up out of the way.

Green Rush Furniture.

For a large morning room or a veranda nothing makes such an attractive substitute for rattan as the green rush furniture. It is artistic as well as cool looking and has the further merit of being quite new. Bright cushions, which are so useful to throw about on chairs and lounges of rattan, are prettier when covered with Persian or Indian stuff. Pillows covered with meersut, an Indian cotton, may be obtained in the large furniture shops for \$1 each and will be found to wear quite as long as those made of more costly materials.

Strawberry Cottage Pudding.

Cream together a half cup of butter and a cup of sugar; add a cup of milk, a beaten egg, a pint of sifted flour and 2 teaspoonfuls of baking powder. Bake in a cake pan and serve hot with liquid sauce, into which fresh strawberries, washed with sugar, have been stirred.

A Seasonable Dish.

Raw ice cold tomatoes scooped out and filled with a paste of brown sugar, dry mustard, salt, vinegar and a little table sauce.

Household Brevities.

Cafe au lait is strong coffee with which milk is boiled.

Always fold a dress shirt right side out for packing, as it will not wrinkle so much.

Spagetti is an Italian paste similar in shape to but much smaller in size than macaroni.

Fireplace cushions are usually stuffed with hair. They are made much larger than sofa pillows.

Cut glass sugar sifters, with sterling silver tops, assume a new importance with the advent of the berry season.

out in the rain

A good drenching in a cold rain is often the beginning of consumption. Yet no one claims that the germs of this disease exist in the rainwater. Then how was this brought about? The exposure was followed by a cold; the vitality was lowered; the cough continued for some weeks; the throat and lungs became congested; and thus all the conditions were favorable for the consumption germs.

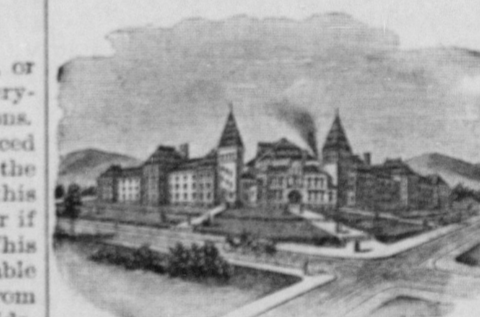
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