

A RAILROAD MASSACRE.

Excursion Train Wrecked on the Reading Road at Hatfield, Pa.

THIRTEEN DEAD, FIFTY HURT

The Excursion Train, Running Thirty-five Miles an Hour, Crashed into the Rear End of a Combination Milk and Passenger Train.

Philadelphia, Sept. 5.—Thirteen persons killed and fifty others injured in the appalling record of a rear-end collision between an excursion train and a milk train on the Bethlehem branch of the Philadelphia and Reading railway yesterday morning at Hatfield, Pa., 27 miles north of this city.

The killed are: Miss Annie Sherry, aged 21 years, South Bethlehem; Robert Miller, 21, South Bethlehem; Richard Bachman, 40, South Bethlehem; William Ehret, 22, South Bethlehem; Ira Ehret, 20, brother of William, South Bethlehem; Joseph Mordaunt, 22, South Bethlehem; Charles McFongle, Allentown; Thomas Day, Allentown; Miss Mamie Kaellin, 14, Telford; Godfrey Kaellin, father of Mamie; William Blackburn, Ambler; Harold Landis, Hatfield; Florian Waldspurger, Taylorsport, Pa.

The injured: John David, Philadelphia, engineer of excursion train, skull fractured, critical; Albert J. Wagner, Philadelphia, fireman excursion train, contusions chest and legs, serious; Wilson Crossland, South Bethlehem, baggage-master of milk train, head lacerated, serious; Michael J. Tighe, Allentown, legs crushed and burned, serious; John German, South Bethlehem; foot crushed; John McHugh, South Bethlehem, leg and thigh injured and hurt internally, not serious; Abraham Transue, Jr., South Bethlehem, deep scalp wounds, contusion of back and internally injured, serious; Mrs. William Burkhardt, South Bethlehem, injured internally; Miss Gertrude Burkhardt, South Bethlehem, both legs broken; P. J. McMahon, South Bethlehem, ankle broken; John Reichley, South Bethlehem, internally injured; Mrs. George Harrison, arm broken and contusion of body; Irvin Newhard, head badly cut; Mary Newhard, South Bethlehem, crushed ribs; Miss Carrie Bachman, daughter of Richard Bachman, who was killed, chest crushed, serious; Miss Brennan, South Bethlehem, arm broken; L. T. Hartzog, South Bethlehem, arm broken; Harry Schiott, South Bethlehem, leg contused; Edward Reese, Allentown, contusion of shoulder and legs; Mrs. S. Haber, Allentown, both legs broken; John Schantz, Allentown, toes crushed; William Schantz, Allentown, thigh injured; Miss Schaeffer, Allentown, legs broken; Mary Koch, fractured legs; Lewis Knecht, Bethlehem, contusion of legs; George Landis, Bethlehem, scalp wounds; Mrs. Alfred Schroyer, Bethlehem, badly lacerated; Annie Miller, South Bethlehem, hips crushed; William Wilmeyer, South Bethlehem, badly lacerated; Mrs. Wilmeyer, legs crushed; Hon. W. H. Rosenberry, of Lansdale, member of the legislature.

The wrecked train consisted of ten day coaches, and was the first section of a large excursion made up of people from Bethlehem, Allentown and surrounding towns to Atlantic City. This section carried only those persons who lived in Bethlehem and Allentown, and left the Union depot in Bethlehem at 6:55 a. m., exactly 35 minutes behind the milk train. The latter train consisted of two milk cars and two passenger coaches, and had stopped at every station on the road from Bethlehem en route to Philadelphia. At 8:54 the milk train drew up at the milk platform at Hatfield, and in less than two minutes the special excursion train running at the rate of 35 miles an hour, crashed into the rear of the milk train. The locomotive ploughed through the two passenger coaches and crushed them as if they were egg shells. The milk car immediately in front was also badly wrecked. Four persons, Godfrey Kaellin, his daughter, Mamie, Harold Landis and William Blackburn, in the passenger cars of the milk train, were almost instantly killed.

As soon as the crash came a terrible cry arose from the smashed cars, and those who had not been injured quickly crawled or jumped from the cars and went to the assistance of the injured. Many were pinned down by wreckage and had to be freed by the liberal use of axes. With three or four exceptions the dead were killed instantly, the others dying on their way to the hospitals.

The second section of the excursion, made up of persons from towns other than Bethlehem and Allentown, left soon after the first section, but was flagged before it reached Hatfield. As it could not get through on account of the blocked tracks it was returned to Bethlehem, and there was great rejoicing at the narrow escape of its occupants from the catastrophe.

The coroner of Montgomery county visited the wreck early and spent the entire day at the scene. He directed the removal of the dead to Lansdale, a short distance south of Hatfield. He promises a rigorous investigation into the horror.

Victims of the Hatfield Wreck.
Bethlehem, Pa., Sept. 5.—The condition of John Davis, the engineer of the excursion train which was wrecked on Sunday morning at Hatfield, Pa., where 13 persons were killed and 50 injured, is reported to be slightly worse. Fireman Albert Wagner, of the same train, is still in a critical condition. There were at least a dozen new cases of injured persons reported yesterday. The most serious of these are Mabel Kluge, who is paralyzed and lies in a critical condition, Mrs. Howard Edelman, who is suffering from severe internal injuries, and Miss Laura King, who has been unconscious for 48 hours.

Minneapolis Flour Shipments.
Minneapolis, Sept. 5.—The official figures compiled by the Northwestern Miller show that the flour output of the Minneapolis mills the past year was 15,305,160 barrels. The output in 1899 was 15,318,415 barrels. Foreign shipments increased 344,460 barrels.

ARTHUR SEWALL DYING.

Was Democratic Candidate For Vice President Four Years Ago.

Bath, Me., Sept. 5.—Arthur Sewall, Democratic candidate for vice president in 1896, is critically ill at his summer home at Small Point. He was seized with apoplexy at 10 o'clock on



ARTHUR SEWALL.
Sunday night, and has since been gradually sinking, being unconscious most of the time. His death is expected at any moment. The family is about the bedside awaiting the end.

Democratic Gain in Vermont.

White River Junction, Vt., Sept. 5.—In the state election held in Vermont yesterday the Republicans elected the following ticket: Governor, William Stackney of Ludlow; lieutenant governor, Martin F. Allen of Ferrisburg; treasurer, John L. Bacon of Hartford; secretary of state, Fred A. Howland of Montpelier; auditor, Orin M. Barber of Arlington; members of congress, David J. Foster of Burlington and Kittredge Harkins of Brattleboro. The Republicans, as usual, will control the general assembly, having elected the 30 senators and the usual large majority of representatives. The Republican vote shows a loss of practically 20 per cent, while the Democratic gain is substantially 13 per cent. The Republican majority will be about 29,500.

Mrs. Dunlap a Suicide.

Nashua, N. H., Sept. 5.—Mrs. Ellen Dunlap, wife of Irving Dunlap, of the fish commission in Washington, committed suicide by drowning in Pennicook pond yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Dunlap was brought here several weeks ago for treatment for a general breaking down in health and despondency. Yesterday afternoon her husband took her for a drive, and while passing Pennicook pond, as they were chatting pleasantly, Mrs. Dunlap, without warning, sprang from the carriage and into the water. Mr. Dunlap, being unable to swim, could not help her. The body was recovered. Mrs. Dunlap was 39 years of age.

New York's Republican Ticket.

Saratoga, N. Y., Sept. 5.—The practical work of the Republican state convention was completed yesterday by the adoption of the platform. There only remained the formal naming of the candidates, and these were named this forenoon. The ticket is: For governor, Benjamin B. Odell of Newburg; lieutenant governor, Timothy C. Woodruff; secretary of state, John P. Jaekel; attorney general, J. C. Davies; state engineer and surveyor, A. E. Bond.

The Interstate Marksmen.

Sea Girt, N. J., Sept. 5.—The interstate regimental match, the first stage of which was completed Monday, was decided yesterday afternoon. The honor went to the team representing the second battalion of the District of Columbia, with a total score of 830. The first regiment of Washington team was second, and the Sixth battalion team third. The Fourth, of New Jersey, came fourth, with Battery B, of Boston, fifth.

Resumed at Reduced Wages.

Cleveland, Sept. 5.—Three mills owned by the American Steel and Wire company in this city, which were closed down June 1, resumed operations yesterday, giving employment to between 500 and 600 men. It is stated by the employers that there has been a general cut in wages, amounting in some cases to as high as 23 per cent, and also that the hours of labor have been increased.

Hanna and Dewey in Ohio Campaign.

New York, Sept. 5.—Senator Hanna left the Republican headquarters in this city yesterday afternoon to be gone for three weeks. He went to Elberon, and will go to Cleveland today. He will open the Ohio campaign at Youngstown on Saturday and will then go to Chicago. It was announced here yesterday that Senator Dewey will be in Youngstown with Senator Hanna.

Gave His Life For a Boy.

New Haven, Sept. 5.—Albert Harris, aged 60, a farmer, whose home was in Orange, died at the City hospital yesterday as the result of an unusual accident. He attempted to catch in his arms a boy who fell off the roof of his barn, but instead the boy struck him on the head with such force that his neck was broken. The boy was little hurt.

A Remarkable Slaughtering Feat.

Indianapolis, Sept. 4.—At a sheep slaughtering and dressing exhibition here yesterday Charles J. Gardner, of Indianapolis, broke the world's record. In 1898 he killed and dressed ten sheep in 32 minutes and 9 seconds. This made him the world's champion. Yesterday he killed and dressed ten sheep in 30 minutes and 22 seconds.

Fire Closes a Mine.

Shamokin, Pa., Sept. 5.—Fire broke out in No. 10 vein of the Neilson shaft yesterday, and has become so serious that it is feared the operation will have to be flooded. The origin of the fire is unknown. Twelve hundred men and boys are rendered idle. The shaft is owned by J. Langdon & Co., of Elmira, N. Y.

EVACUATION OF PEKIN

Seems Far From the Intentions of European Governments.

KEEPING AN EYE ON RUSSIANS.

Their Proceedings in and Around the Chinese Capital Watched With Some Anxiety—Situation Threatens to Develop Many Complications.

London, Sept. 5.—"Six months' rations for the British forces," says the Tien Tsin correspondent of The Standard wiring Aug. 27, "are being forwarded to Pekin. Newspaper correspondents are seriously handicapped by the bad arrangement of the Chinese telegraphs. Messages have been obtained and tampered with, and nothing has been safe unless mailed to Shanghai. A good deal of curiosity is felt here regarding the fate of the mail bag containing official and press dispatches describing the entry into Pekin, which was sent by an admiral to Chefoo in a Russian gunboat and is reported not to have been received there.

"The proceedings of the Russians in and around Pekin are watched with some anxiety. The situation threatens to develop many complications. It is said that the Russians intend to take Shan-Hai-Kwan. They have assumed complete possession of the Hai-Ku arsenal at Tien Tsin and allow admission to none but Russians. The arsenal still contains thousands of pounds worth of guns and ammunition. "The Russians are charged with cutting the wire between this point and Pekin and with committing various other petty annoyances."

Regarding the evacuation of Pekin, says the correspondent of The Times at Tokio, the Japanese government will pursue the course approved by a majority of the powers.

One reason for the delay in getting news from Pekin doubtless is the anxiety of the Chinese authorities to procure the evacuation of the capital. No effort is being spared by them to bring this about. Their idea is that, should the foreign ministers in Pekin be allowed free communication with the governments, the full extent of the complicity of the Chinese government in the anti-foreign outrages would be revealed and would lead the allies to decide to remain until retribution had been exacted.

According to Shanghai advices, Li Hung Chang, the Chinese minister in London, Sir Chi Shen Lofeng-luh, as follows: "Our St. Petersburg minister has persuaded Russia to leave Pekin. You are useless if you cannot persuade England."

There is no sign as yet of any decision on the part of the powers regarding the Russian proposals. The Japanese papers unreservedly condemn the idea of evacuating Pekin, and hint that there is a secret compact between Germany and Russia to the detriment of Great Britain and Japan.

Li Hung Chang, Yung Lu, Hsu Tung and Prince Ching, whom an imperial edict has appointed peace commissioners, constitute a radically anti-foreign commission. Hsu Tung, guardian of the heir apparent, is especially obnoxious. Three of the commissioners are Manchus.

ANOTHER DISPATCH FROM CONGER

It Indicates That Messages Will Hereafter Be Dated.

Washington, Sept. 5.—A very interesting dispatch was received yesterday at the war department from Gen. Chaffee. It described the military situation as eminently satisfactory, and would have been of greater value but for the omission common to all of the other official dispatches from China, namely, the date line.

However, taking into consideration the fact that a cablegram was received by the state department yesterday dated Aug. 30 from Mr. Conger, the conclusion was reached that Gen. Chaffee's dispatch also was sent from Pekin about Aug. 25 or 30. Gen. Chaffee asks a very important question as to the withdrawal of American troops. The answer to that question, it is said, might have been found in the state department's answer to the Russian evacuation proposition. But that answer, or rather a synopsis of it, was not cabled to Gen. Chaffee until the 20 ultimo, and it is assumed that, allowing for the same time in transmission as was consumed by Gen. Chaffee's dispatch, the synopsis has just reached him.

It is stated that no order has been sent to Gen. Chaffee to leave Pekin as the result of any recent development. In fact it would seem that the war department is not able to instruct him more specifically on this point until the decision of the powers relative to general evacuation is known. It was stated at the war department that our position was unchanged; if Russia withdraws her troops then Gen. Chaffee will do the same. Meanwhile it is gathered that conditions in China are still disordered, and foreign life and property are still unsafe.

The dispatch received from Minister Conger, aside from bringing the information up to a recent day, satisfied the officials that the minister at last had received instructions to include the place and date of each message as an integral part of it. This promises to do away with the great confusion caused thus far in dateless messages. The text of the Conger dispatch was not made public, but it was authoritatively stated that it did not change the situation, and was devoted somewhat to expressions of opinion. It was authoritatively stated in this connection that Minister Conger will remain at his post until further orders.

Trying to Save An Industry.

Paterson, N. J., Sept. 5.—Last night a number of prominent business men met to discuss ways and means to keep the Rogers locomotive works from being closed down in pursuance of Jacob S. Rogers' desire to retire from business. A plan which will be presented to Mr. Rogers was agreed on at the meeting, but what this was will not be announced until after Mr. Rogers has looked it over. It and Mr. Rogers' answer will be submitted to a public meeting of citizens to be held tonight.

A WEEK'S NEWS CONDENSED.

Thursday, Aug. 30.

The population of Wilmington, Del., is 76,508.

The population of Paterson, N. J., is 105,171.

Bresci, the slayer of King Humbert, of Italy, was sentenced to solitary imprisonment for life.

The American rod and nail mills at Anderson, Ind., shut down yesterday, throwing 980 men out of employment.

In the Corbett-McCoy fight at New York tonight McCoy was knocked out in the sixth round. Corbett gets \$23,000 and McCoy \$10,000.

Friday, Aug. 31.

The G. A. R. convention at Chicago elected Major Rasselour, of St. Louis, commander-in-chief by acclamation.

England's high court of justice enjoins picketing during strikes to induce non-unionists to refrain from working.

In a letter to Senator Sewell, of New Jersey, Adj. Gen. Corbin defends the army canteen as conducive to morality and temperance.

Complete returns of the prizes won by Germans at the Paris exposition show 261 grands prix, 545 gold medals and 608 silver medals.

Andrew Coger, who on Monday night shot and killed Horton Bryant, janitor of an Amsterdam avenue, New York, apartment house, was arrested yesterday in Jersey City.

A cyclone that visited Mafeking on Wednesday night did more damage than the seven months' bombardment. One person was killed and two were injured, and there were many narrow escapes.

Saturday, Sept. 1.

Steamer Deutschland, of the New Hamburg line, crossed the ocean in 5 days, 12 hours, 29 minutes, beating all records.

The Nicaraguan congress yesterday approved the commercial reciprocity treaty between Nicaragua and the United States.

Panic in a street car at Akron, O., caused by a burning fuse, resulted in the death of F. Bargetz, killed by jumping from the car.

Jesse W. Weik, ex-inspector of post-offices, is under arrest at Greencastle, Ind., for continuing to use his inspector's railroad pass.

A Pensacola, Fla., coal company closed a contract yesterday for 100,000 tons of coal to be shipped through that port to Filzbe, Austria.

Louis Goodman, a Russian pack peddler, died at his home in Pittsburgh yesterday from the effects of a cold, aged 105 years. He worked steadily until he was 104.

Sunday, Sept. 2.

The electric tramway system of Santiago, Chile, was formally inaugurated yesterday.

A. Woods, a farmer near Martelle, Ia., while beating his wife was shot dead by their 18-year-old son. A jury exonerated the boy.

An effort is being made to have the headquarters of the Brotherhood of the Locomotive Firemen removed from Illinois to Rochester, N. Y.

In Chicago yesterday three deaths and one prostration occurred as a result of the heat. The dead are Michael Keefe, John Feely and John Walsh.

Robert A. Morris, of Elliott City, Md., bit off a peach in which a bee was concealed. The bee stung him in the throat, swelling ensued and he choked to death.

Tuesday, Sept. 4.

The Peruvian senate is considering a Chinese exclusion bill.

A case of the bubonic plague has been officially reported at Buenos Ayres, Argentine Republic.

Ex-Governor L. D. Lewelling, of Kansas, died very suddenly and unexpectedly of heart failure at Arkansas City, Kan., last night.

A London dispatch says that Mrs. Maybrick, sentenced to life imprisonment for poisoning her husband, will be released in two years.

Mrs. Mollenhauer, daughter-in-law of the millionaire sugar refiner of New York, was waylaid by thugs and robbed of \$75 in cash and \$1,800 worth of diamonds.

Wednesday, Sept. 5.

Glasgow has now 13 cases of bubonic plague, with 103 under observation.

Baron Sudely, a bankrupt in London, has liabilities of £79,588; assets, £260.

Two St. Louis policemen were killed by electric shocks while using the police telephone.

The population of Richmond, Va., is \$5,050; in 1890, \$1,388. Charleston, S. C., 55,807; in 1890, 54,955.

It is reported that Gen. Delaney, the Boer commander, has died of wounds received at Eliand's River.

Zack Montgomery, who was assistant attorney general during President Cleveland's first administration, died at Los Angeles, Cal., Monday night, after an illness of several days.

GENERAL MARKETS.

Philadelphia, Sept. 4.—Flour in light demand; winter superfine, \$2.40; city mill, extra, \$2.45; Rye flour quiet and steady at \$1.10; wheat quiet and steady at \$1.10; No. 2 red, in elevator, 79¢; No. 2 mixed, in elevator, 75¢; No. 2 yellow, for local trade, 75¢; Oats steady; No. 2 white, clipped, 60¢; lower grades, 55¢; Hay firm; choice timothy, \$4.50; for large bales, beef steady; beef hams, \$12.00; Pork quiet; family, \$12.00; Lard firm; western, \$12.00; Live poultry quoted at 10¢; for choice western fowls and 10¢; for spring chickens, as to quality. Dressed poultry (fresh killed), choice western fowls, 11¢; old roasters, 9¢; nearby spring chickens, 14¢; western spring chickens, 12¢; Butter steady; creamery, 17¢; factory, 14¢; imitation creamery, 14¢; New York dairy, 16¢; fancy Pennsylvania prints, 16¢; do, wholesale, 15¢; Cheese steady; large, white, 19¢; small do., 18¢; colored, 18¢; Eggs firm; New York and Pennsylvania, 18¢; western, regular packing, at mark, 19¢; western, less off, 16¢; Potatoes quiet; Jerseys, \$1.25; Long Island, \$1.50; Jersey sweets, \$1.25; Cabbages dull; Long Island, \$2.50 per 100.

East Liberty, Pa., Sept. 4.—Cattle market steady; extra, \$5.00; prime, \$4.50; common, \$3.50. Hogs steady; prime pigs, good mediums and light Yorkers, \$5.00; heavy Yorkers, \$4.50; heavy mediums, \$4.00; heavy, \$3.50; roughs, \$3.00; Sheep slow and lower; choice wethers, \$4.00; common, \$3.00; choice, \$2.50; veal calves, \$7.50.

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