

LOSS OF LIFE

In Terrible Explosions Following a New York Fire.

THE LOSS OF LIFE UNKNOWN.

Catastrophe Occurred in the Crowded Business District.

THIRTY-TWO PEOPLE MISSING.

A Dozen Big Buildings Demolished and a Score of Others Badly Damaged—The Disaster Rivals the Windsor Hotel Fire and Exceeds It in Property Loss, Which is Estimated at a Million and a Half—Elevated Station Wrecked and Track Torn Up—One Body and Portions of Another Recovered From the Ruins.

New York, Oct. 31.—As a result of a small fire several successive explosions of chemicals occurred in the drug store of Tarrant & Co., at Warren and Greenwich streets, Monday and blew down a dozen buildings and badly damaged a score of others. The loss of life is not known, but from all sources of information it is gathered that there are perhaps the bodies of 32 persons in the ruins, that being the number of persons officially reported missing. It is believed by many, however, that the death list will be much higher.

The Tarrant building was a seven story structure, and the other buildings destroyed were five to seven stories high.

The disaster was one of the most terrible that has ever occurred in this city, and rivals the Windsor hotel fire in its appalling results, though in loss of property it will be worse. Chief Croker, of the fire department, said today that the loss is fully \$1,500,000. The action of the tremendous catastrophe was more vivid and awful than the city had seen for a long time. Buildings fell in on themselves or toppled over on others, iron girders were thrown yards away, smashing through great walls, whole structures fell into the streets in piles so that the line of thoroughfare could not be marked out, huge splinters of iron, steel and wood were flung into the streets and into the buildings, clean through the walls, where they buried women and men. People walking through the streets were knocked down and dangerously injured by timbers, glass and steel, horses were thrown down, wagons, windows, store fronts and all sorts of property for blocks in every direction were wrecked and damaged.

One fire company had just arrived when a terrific explosion occurred and threw the entire engine's crew down the stairway. The firemen, realizing the danger of their position, rushed out of the building to the street. The explosion had filled the street in front with a shower of falling glass and small debris, which sent the crowd which was already gathered on the opposite sidewalks fleeing for safety and caused the horses hitched to the engines to rear and try to get away.

Engineer Rocksberry was unfastening the horses, and Fireman Brown, of the company, was turning the safety valve of the engine when the explosion occurred and covered them with a shower of glass. Both were injured, as was another fireman belonging to the company.

Capt. Devanney, of the company, ordered his crew back into the building again. They were dragging the line to the doorway for the second time when another explosion, more terrific than the first, came, and the whole crew was hurled across Greenwich street, Devanney being so badly injured that he was sent to a hospital.

In the meantime the other engines that had responded to the alarm had collected, and the firemen were busy rescuing people from surrounding buildings. Firemen had already taken many girls down the only fire escape upon the building, and more persons had been carried down the escapes of the Home Made restaurant, next door, and the building adjoining upon Warren street.

The second explosion occurred about five minutes after the first. From the accounts of witnesses the building seemed to leap into the air, and in a moment masses of brick wall, timbers and stone were falling into the streets. The force of the explosion tore away the walls of the big commission storehouses fronting on Washington street and caused them to collapse, falling at once in a mass of timbers, boxes and barrels, from which the flames, which burst out from the Tarrant building like the belching of a cannon, at once broke forth.

Across Warren street to the opposite buildings the flames leaped, setting them all afire at once, the force of the explosion demolishing windows and all wooden structures about the houses. In a moment Warren street was choked up with a mass of debris and the whole place was a scene of confusion. The great explosion was followed by half a dozen more scarcely less intense, and by a countless number of smaller ones.

The second explosion carried destruction in every direction. That it did not cause a wholesale loss of life was due to the fact that almost ten minutes' warning came after the first cry of fire—a cry that was real warning to people who knew the character of the chemicals in the burning building—and fully five minutes occurred between the first and second explosion, which warned every one within hearing.

MINERS AS HIGHWAYMEN

Four Kill a Pay Clerk on a Lonely Road Near Pittsburg.

TWO ROBBERS KILLED, ONE DYING

Clerk Hoster, With a Companion, Was Carrying Four Thousand Dollars to Alverton to Pay Off the Coke Workers—Fired Upon From Ambush.

Pittsburg, Oct. 31.—Four Italian miners attempted to rob Pay Clerk William Hoster, of the Southwest Connelleville Coke company, while making his trip between this city and Alverton and Tarr works, amounting to \$4,000. Mr. Hoster is dead, his companion, Harry Burgess, messenger of the company, is wounded, two of the Italians are dead, a third fatally wounded and the fourth in jail.

The money was in a safe in the wagon. As they reached the summit of the long hill above Morewood, just below which lies Alverton, a large cove town, without a second's warning the four Italians fired a volley from their hiding place and sprang forward, firing as they advanced. Mr. Hoster fell dead at the first volley. Young Burgess, though wounded, was able to return their fire with effect, and one of the number at the horses' heads fell dead. A second later he fired his revolver in the very face of another, and as he fell his two remaining companions became terrified, and leaving the dead one set out with the wounded one over the hill to the south, in the direction of the Alice mines.

Burgess managed to drive on into Alverton with the body of Mr. Hoster and the safe, where he gave the alarm. Mount Pleasant and vicinity, with the clerical force of the coke company, turned out 500 strong, headed by Lieutenant John G. Thompson, of Company E, and soon corralled the two, who had concealed themselves in a field on the Durstine farm, a mile or so from this town.

A summons to surrender was answered by a volley, in which one of the posse received a slight wound on the chest. The outlaws, from their fortified position, made a fierce stand for a few minutes, until one of the posse succeeded in getting in their rear. He shot one through the head, killing him instantly. The other surrendered and was brought to the office of Squire Rhodes and remanded to jail.

In the meantime another division of the posse overhauled the third would-be robber, who had received a ghastly wound. The ball, entering his mouth and penetrating his head, came out at the back of the neck. He is not expected to recover.

Explosion Mine Gas Kills Five.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Oct. 31.—A heavy explosion of gas occurred in No. 3 shaft of No. 1 shaft of the Kingston Coal company at Edwardsville at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, in which five men lost their lives, and six others were badly burned. Five of the six injured are in a precarious condition and it is doubtful if they can survive. The dead are: Peter Usovich, aged 23, miner; Frank Mackalowski, aged 22, laborer; John Dolan, aged 24, miner; Michael Gulawehous and Adam Waynales. The last two leave families. Fatally injured: Michael Gatorski, Adam Lotoski, Andrew Ratoski, John Bucho and David Evans. When these men were brought to the surface the skin hung in shreds from their bodies.

OUR NATION'S POPULATION.

Census Takers Have Counted Over Seventy-six Millions.

Washington, Oct. 31.—The official announcement of the total population of the United States for 1900 is 76,295,220, of which 74,827,907 are contained in the 45 states, representing approximately the population to be used for apportionment purposes. In seven territories and including 84,400 in the service of the United States abroad and 145,282 on Indian reservations (except Indian territory) there are 1,667,313. There is a total of 134,158 Indians not taxed. The total population in 1890, with which the aggregate population at the present census should be compared, was 63,069,756, the gain during the past decade being 13,225,464, or very nearly 21 per cent. This is the lowest rate of increase since the foundation of the government. The population by states in 1900 is as follows:

Alabama	1,828,697	Nevada	42,284
Arkansas	1,211,556	N. H. (pop'n)	41,852
California	1,485,652	New Jersey	1,882,669
Colorado	329,790	New York	7,308,009
Connecticut	808,355	N. Carolina	1,891,992
Delaware	184,732	D. Dakota	219,646
Florida	528,542	I. Dakota	4,127,545
Georgia	2,216,329	Oregon	412,532
Idaho	161,771	Pennsylvania	6,301,265
Illinois	4,821,595	Rhode Island	428,524
Indiana	2,516,463	S. Carolina	1,380,312
Iowa	2,253,829	S. Dakota	461,529
Kansas	1,469,976	Tennessee	2,022,723
Kentucky	2,147,174	Texas	2,949,523
Louisiana	1,281,627	Utah	276,545
Maine	694,366	Vermont	341,641
Maryland	1,189,946	Virginia	1,654,184
Massach'ts.	2,805,946	Washington	61,672
Michigan	2,419,782	W. Virginia	858,900
Minnesota	1,751,295	Wisconsin	2,069,963
Mississippi	1,263,372	Wyoming	92,531
Missouri	2,167,137		
Montana	243,291	Total for 45	
Nebraska	1,558,391	States	74,827,907

Embezzler Alford Captured.

New York, Oct. 30.—Cornelius L. Alford, the absconding note teller of the First National bank, charged with stealing \$700,000 from the bank, arrived here this morning in the charge of detectives, having been captured in a Boston lodging house. Alford, who knew Detective Armstrong, stated that he was glad the suspense was ended, and was willing to come back to New York without requisition papers. He declares he has spent all of the stolen money, will serve his sentence and then come out in the world again. He is in jail awaiting trial.

Seven Years For Bank Thief.

Boston, Oct. 31.—William S. Jewett of Lawrence, Mass., was called before Judge Brown in the United States circuit court yesterday and the sentence passed upon him last spring for misapplying the funds of the Lake National bank of Wolfboro, N. H., while acting as liquidating agent, was reimposed. The sentence is seven years in the jail at Lawrence.

Earthquake Destroyed a Town.

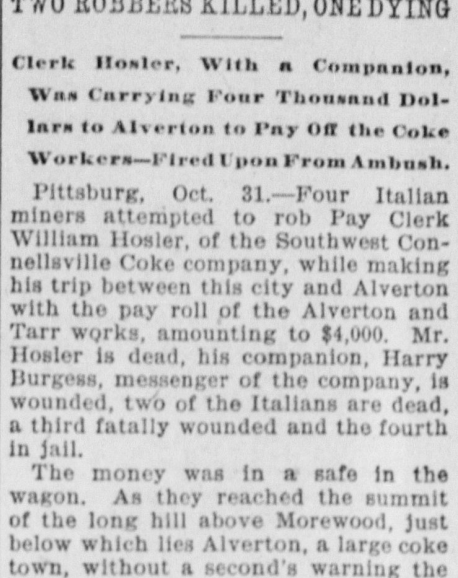
Caracas, Venezuela, Oct. 31.—Monday's earthquake destroyed the town of Guarenas, resulting in the loss of 25 lives. Nearly the entire population of Caracas passed Monday night in the streets or squares of the city. Slight tremors following the severe shocks have recurred at varying intervals and still continue.

Death For Messenger Lane's Slayer.

Marysville, O., Oct. 31.—The jury has returned a verdict of murder in the first degree, without recommendation, against Rosslyn Ferrell, the train robber, charged with the murder of Express Messenger Lane. The verdict carries with it the death sentence.

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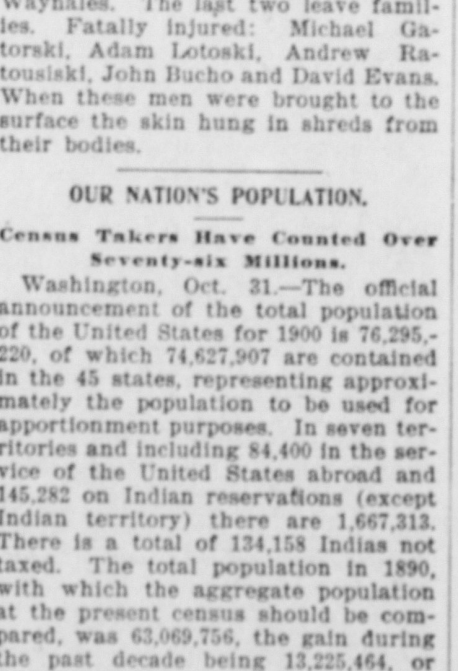
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Wifehood as the Test of Womanhood.

The Good Woman Who Makes a Bad Wife.

Marriage was a serious thing to the grandparents and great grandparents of the present generation. No woman entered lightly upon wedlock. She knew that she was going to found a family, and that she must be equal to all the responsibilities of the position she assumed. She must be able to order her own household; to knit, sew, spin, make bread, butter, soap, candles, and indeed care for and clothe a whole



family. She must not be craven when the whoop of the Indian warned of a dreadful danger. She must stand by her husband, gun in hand. How many women of to-day could undertake wifehood under such conditions? Few indeed. Not because the modern American woman lacks courage, but because she lacks as a rule the physical health which is the indispensable qualification for a life such as was lived by the women of the past. That is why a good woman may be a bad wife. Virtue and goodness are excellent things in women, but to guide a house and bear children demands above all sound physical health.

WOMEN CONVICTS.

To a great number of women the house they live in is almost on a par with a prison. It is prison-like in the monotonous regularity of daily duties; prison-like in the absence of all pleasure in what is done or joy in the doing. And the reason is to be found in womanly ill-health. Few women realize how intimately the general health is related to the health of the delicate womanly organs. A woman may suffer with heart "trouble," or with nervousness, liver or stomach, or with nervous prostration as a result of a diseased condition of the womanly organism. Many such women "doctor" for years for various diseases and wonder why they don't get better. They can't get better until the womanly organism is entirely cured of its diseases.

This is not theory. It is a statement of simple facts founded upon the testimony of hundreds of thousands of women who have been cured of womanly diseases by the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. They had been just "dragging around" for years, with throbbing heads and aching backs, nervous, dyspeptic, miserable. The once fresh colored cheeks had grown sallow, the eyes were dull, the body had lost its plumpness. They had in numerous instances tried many doctors and medi-

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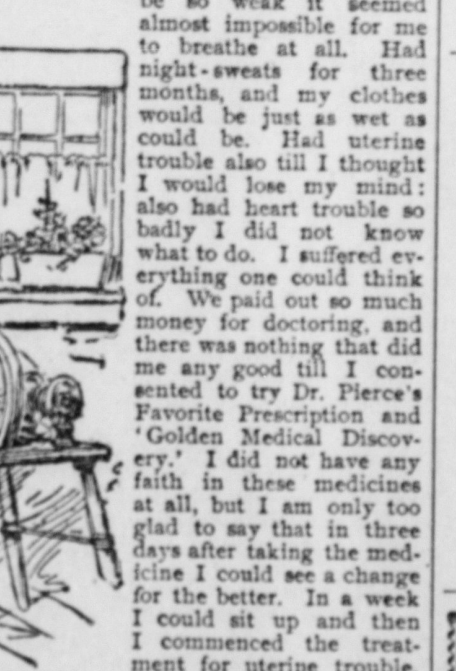
ASTONISHED THE DOCTOR. "When I first wrote to you I did not think I could live till I could get an answer to my letter," says Mrs. Isaac S. Harris, of Gayville, Yankton Co., S. Dak. "At that time I did not tell you everything. When I wrote you I had just got home from the Hospital at Minneapolis, Minn. Had been there one month. Could not see as I was benefited any there, so I came home, thinking there was no help for me, and every one here said that I could not live. I would have sinking spells every day. Sometimes they would last an hour or more and I would be so weak it seemed almost impossible for me to breathe at all. Had night-sweats for three months, and my clothes would be just as wet as could be. Had uterine trouble also till I thought I would lose my mind; also had heart trouble so badly I did not know what to do. I suffered everything one could think of. We paid out so much money for doctoring, and there was nothing that did me any good till I consented to try Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription and 'Golden Medical Discovery.' I did not have any faith in these medicines at all, but I am only too glad to say that in three days after taking the medicine I could see a change for the better. In a week I could sit up and then I commenced the treatment for uterine trouble. In three weeks I was able to be around the house some. I have taken nearly twelve bottles of the medicine and still continue to take it. I am getting better right along, can ride or walk any place. I can never praise your medicine enough. "The doctor here says that he never would have done so much for any one if he had not seen what it has done for me. He also told me to keep on taking it, for he could not help me. I thank you a thousand times for your kind advice and for your medicine."

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