

### A WEST VIRGINIA FLOOD

#### Swept With Terrible Fury Through the Mining District.

#### FIFTY TO SIXTY LIVES LOST.

#### Only Ten or Fifteen People Drowned and Forty Houses Washed Away at Keystone—Terrible Experience of the Vandye Family.

Roanoke, Va., June 26.—Persons coming from the flood stricken district in West Virginia place the number of drowned at 50 to 60 persons, but have no definite or detailed information on which to base the estimate.

A gentleman arriving in this city from the stricken section gives as an explanation for the report first circulated that great masses of human bodies were seen floating around in the water that there is a graveyard between North Fork Junction and Keystone, which towns are about a mile apart, and at which point the storm was very severe. This graveyard is near the bank of the river. When the flood came the graves gave up their dead and added greatly to the number of bodies seen.

J. B. Frances, a Roanoke man, who is in Keystone installing a water plant, and who was first reported dead, has written his wife telling her he is safe and sound. He has the following to say about the disaster:

"A big flood visited the town last Friday night. Everybody had to go up on the mountain. Men, women and children were drowned in the streets and houses went floating down the streams with people in them. All our crowd are safe. We are entirely cut off from the outside world and provisions are getting short. There is now no water in our town."

Another letter from Keystone says between 10 and 15 people were drowned and 40 houses washed away at that place. The people are hard at work clearing up the town and repairing damaged buildings.

The report received here that the father, mother, one sister, two brothers and a sister-in-law, with two children, of J. W. Crotty, of the Norfolk and Western railroad, were drowned was a mistake. Mr. Crotty is now in the coal fields and telegraphed today that they were all safe.

Tazewell, Va., also suffered from the cloudburst. The house of Paris Vandye, four miles west of Tazewell, in a gorge of the mountain, was washed away. Vandye heard the roar of water and started home from the field. When a short distance from the house he saw the water rushing down the mountain sides, tearing up and twisting off giant trees as if shrubs, the water leaping 40 feet high and traveling with frightful speed. Vandye rushed for the house to warn his family, but the water overtook him and swept the house and all its inmates away. Two children, 5 and 7 years old, were instantly killed, their brains being dashed out against the rocks and timbers. The bodies were washed to lowlands. A little girl, holding a young sister in her arms, was carried 200 yards. Another member of the family died Monday afternoon, and Mr. Vandye is still unconscious and cannot live.

At Cedar Bluff, 16 miles west of Tazewell, 17 dwellings were swept away, but no lives were lost.

At Pounding Mill Mr. Tate, Mrs. Hoops and two children were lost. Knobe, a small town seven miles west was almost completely destroyed. Ravens, two miles west, was badly damaged, and many business houses destroyed. The damage to country roads will not be less than \$50,000.

The Norfolk and Western Railway company will lose, at a conservative estimate, \$1,500,000, not taking into consideration the delay to traffic, etc. Their double track is practically washed away for a distance of six miles, and at least 3,500 men are at work day and night repairing roadbed and removing drift. The loss to the coal operators will reach about \$400,000, outside of the delay at the mines in loading, etc. The property loss by private parties is very heavy and cannot be estimated at this time. It is thought it will reach the million dollar mark.

#### A New Champion Woman Golfer.

New York, June 26.—In the class A team championship series yesterday of the Women's Metropolitan Golf association the golfing sensation was the defeat of Miss Beatrix Hoyt, the amateur champion of 1896, 1897 and 1898, who was deemed invincible on her home links, by Miss Marion Oliver, the girl who last week cut the record at the Nassau links to 91.

#### Strikers Fired on Marshals.

Huntington, W. Va., June 25.—Yesterday a posse of deputy United States marshals, led by A. C. Hufford, of Bluefield, were fired on by the strikers and forced to flee from the coal fields at Matewan. The marshals were engaged in serving notices of the injunction order issued by Judge Jackson. Further trouble is feared when they renew the work with increased force.

#### To Revise New Jersey's Laws.

Trenton, June 25.—Governor Voorhees has appointed Justice Dixon and Justice Fort, of the supreme court, and Charles L. Corbin as a commission to revise the statutes of the state. The statutes of the state were last revised as a whole in 1874, by a commission that was appointed under the act of 1871.

### THE OHIO REPUBLICANS

#### Nominate a State Ticket and Adjourn in Three Hours.

Columbus, O., June 26.—The Republican state convention met here yesterday and nominated the following ticket: For governor, George K. Nash; lieutenant governor, Carl L. Nippert; supreme judge, J. L. Price; attorney general, John M. Sheets; clerk of supreme court, Lawson E. Emerson; state treasurer, Isaac B. Cameron; member of board of public works, W. G. Johnson.

The convention was in session from 10:10 a. m. to 1:10 p. m., breaking the Ohio record by completing its work in three hours. The intense heat was prostrating, and Chairman Hanna not only cut short his own speech, but also those of others, and then dispatched business with the utmost speed.

Of the seven nominations only three were new men, and one of these, Nippert, for lieutenant governor, was nominated without opposition, after Lieutenant Governor Caldwell had declined renomination.

#### Indians' Appeal Denied.

Washington, June 26.—The court of appeals yesterday denied the motion of Lone Wolf and other Kiowa and Comanche Indians for a special appeal from the decision of Judge Bradley, refusing an injunction against the secretary of the interior and other officials to prevent the opening of the Kiowa, Comanche and Apache lands in Oklahoma. Assistant Attorney General Vandevanter argued for the government and ex-Congressman W. M. Springer for the Indians. The court holds Judge Bradley's denial of the injunction to be not a final decree and says the case must proceed in the district supreme court, with the right of appeal then to the court of appeals and the United States supreme court. The president's proclamation opening the lands to settlement will probably be issued next week.

#### Double Murder at Hagerstown.

Hagerstown, Md., June 26.—William Grant, a Cumberland Valley railroad locomotive engineer, last night shot and killed Yardmaster Jacob H. Fuller and Policeman Flora, and was himself fatally wounded by Flora as he fell. Grant, who had been 20 years in the service of the railroad, was discharged yesterday on the report of Fuller. When the men met last night Grant fired four shots into Fuller, who died an hour later. Policeman Flora came running up, and Grant shot him through the heart, killing him almost instantly. Grant cannot recover.

#### Absorbed by the Pennsylvania.

Philadelphia, June 26.—The actual purchaser of the underwriting syndicate's holdings of the Pennsylvania Steel company's stocks was made public yesterday by Effingham B. Morris, a member of the executive committee of the company, and one of those who negotiated the sale. The purchaser was the Pennsylvania company, owned and controlled by the Pennsylvania Railroad company. Mr. Morris also announced that the Pennsylvania company had secured a controlling interest in the Cambria Steel company.

#### The St. Louis World's Fair Site.

St. Louis, June 26.—At its regular monthly meeting the board of directors of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition company unanimously adopted the report of the executive committee, which has selected the Forest Park site as its choice for the location of the world's fair, to be held in this city in 1903. It is not thought that there will be any delay in the ratification of the action of the local directors. The site covers 1,118 acres, one-third more space than was used by the Chicago exposition.

#### Clark Will Contest His Claim.

Butte, Mont., June 26.—Speaking of the suit instituted against him by United States District Attorney Rogers, at Helena, to set aside patents for 10,000 acres of valuable land in Missoula county, alleged to have been filed upon for speculative purposes, Senator William A. Clark said last night: "I was an innocent purchaser of these lands for a valuable consideration, and I maintain that the government cannot cancel the titles nor interfere with my rights."

#### Exploding Fireworks Kill Seventeen.

Paterson, N. J., June 22.—Seventeen people were killed, nine seriously hurt and a dozen others received injuries as the result of a fire following an explosion among a quantity of fireworks in the store of Abraham M. Rittenburg, in this city. The store was on the ground floor of a tenement building. The cause of the explosion is not known and the property loss will not exceed \$35,000.

#### Mrs. Cordelia Botkin's New Trial.

San Francisco, June 26.—The case of Mrs. Cordelia Botkin, under life sentence for the murder of Mrs. Elizabeth Dunning at Dover, Del., was called in court yesterday for the purpose of fixing a date for a new trial. After some legal sparring the case went over until next Saturday. In passing the case Judge Cook remarked that the witnesses from Delaware will be brought here.

#### Expelled For Disloyalty to the King.

Melbourne, Victoria, June 26.—Amid scenes of excitement in the crowded galleries the federal assembly yesterday, by a vote of 64 to 17, expelled Mr. Findlay, editor of a local labor organ, for republishing in his paper the article from The Irish People, of Dublin, dated May 10, violently attacking King Edward, which caused the seizure of the last mentioned weekly periodical.

### ADELBERT HAY'S DEATH

#### The Sudden Affliction Which Comes Upon Secretary Hay.

#### KILLED BY FALL FROM A WINDOW

#### The Ex-Consul to Pretoria Was in New Haven to Take Part in Commencement Week at Yale, as a Leader in the Class of '98.

New Haven, June 24.—Adelbert Stone Hay, former consul of the United States at Pretoria, South Africa, and eldest son of Secretary of State John Hay, fell from a window in the third story of the New Haven House in this city shortly before 2:30 o'clock yesterday morning, and was instantly killed.

The dead man was a graduate of Yale, of the class of '98, and his death occurred on the eve of the university commencement, which brought him here Saturday and in which, by virtue of his class office, the young man would have been one of the leaders.

The full details of the terrible accident will never be known. It is generally supposed, however, that after going to his room he went to the window for air and, sitting on the sill,



THE LATE ADELBERT S. HAY.

he dosed off and, overbalancing, fell to the pavement below—a fall of fifty feet. The fall resulted in instant death, and within 15 minutes the body had been identified as that of young Hay.

Young Hay was one of the vanguard of the academic class of Yale '98. He had come to his old college town as a member of his class triennial committee and arrived early to assist his colleagues on the committee in preparing for the festivities of commencement week in general and for the class supper in particular. He took dinner with some of his classmates, and at 8 o'clock hurried to the Hyperion theater, where he witnessed the evening performance. He spent a quiet hour in the hotel corridor and smoking room after the theater, and shortly after midnight retired to his room, remarking to the hotel clerk that he was sleepy and leaving a call for 9 o'clock in the morning. He was not seen again until his body came whirling through the air to its destruction. The body was clad in pajamas.

Secretary Hay, worn by the trip of nearly nine hours from Washington to New Haven, and nearly prostrated by grief at the untimely end of his oldest son, reached this city at 5:45 o'clock last evening. He was accompanied by his secretary, Mr. Whitney, and was met at the station by R. L. McDuffie, of New York city, and Mr. Charles Wade, of Cleveland.

The secretary, with his party, immediately entered a carriage and was driven in great haste to the residence of Mr. Seth Mossy, 36 Wall street, where reposed the remains of the dead son. Here Col. Hay utterly collapsed, and prostrated by his great grief took to his bed. His prostration was temporary, and today, accompanied by his wife, two daughters and younger son, the secretary left with the body of his son for Cleveland, where the interment will take place.

#### Steel Trust Still Reaching Out.

Philadelphia, June 25.—The Press says: "The United States Steel corporation is negotiating for the purchase of the Flat Top Coal Land association properties, and it is believed the deal will be consummated within a few days, the price of the land being fixed at \$10,000,000. The company owns a large bituminous coal property in Virginia and West Virginia, comprising 238,000 acres. The celebrated Pocahontas coal field is in this territory."

#### Another Texas Oil Gusher.

Denison, Tex., June 26.—A large oil gusher was brought in yesterday at Red Fork, Creek Nation, north of Denison, on the Frisco railroad extension. The gusher was tapped by the Pennsylvania Oil company, operating in the oil fields of the Indian Territory, and the oil spouted 400 feet in the air. The well was struck at a depth of 530 feet, and the pressure is so great at the top that any means of capping the top cannot be used.

#### Britons Supporting 80,000 Boers.

London, June 26.—The casualty lists made public by the war office continue to show rather severe fighting in various parts of South Africa that are not reported in the ordinary dispatches. This is noticeably so with regard to the Zeerust position in Cape Colony. Including the Boer prisoners and those in the concentration camps, the cost of supporting some 80,000 Boers is today falling upon the British taxpayers.

### The Athenian of Today.

The Athenians dine late the year round and, whenever the weather will permit, in the open air. As the heated season advances the dinner hour is set later and later until in August 9:30 or 10 becomes the common thing. Fancy going to the theater after that! Yet the open air performances are liberally patronized, and they do not begin, of course, until after dinner. The legend "Curtain rises promptly at 9" is a snare and a delusion, as many a foreigner has found, to his extreme annoyance.

The out of door dining and the sky roofed theaters are so typically Greek that they serve as a link between modern and classical times. The old Greek, as everybody knows, was an outdoor man, his house serving as little more than a sleeping place and storeroom. The Athenian of today dines in a garden, on his terrace or in a park. If he is too poor to possess any of these accessories, he sets his table upon the sidewalk. Many of the cheap restaurants appropriate the walks for dining rooms. One is often compelled when taking an evening stroll to dodge in and out among dozens of tables covered with reasonably clean linen and lighted by means of candles, whose flames are protected from the wind by means of glass globes.—Scribner's.

### Doctors' "Cat Naps."

The "cat naps" indulged in by the late Dr. William Pepper constituted a standing joke among his intimate friends. He had the faculty of going to sleep at will and waking up when he willed. He would sometimes when under a mental strain keep a roomful of patients waiting while he slept soundly in his private office for three minutes or five minutes, or as long as he wished. Then he would resume his duties, greatly refreshed.

Another prominent physician has a queer habit of napping, although he only takes one a day and that directly after luncheon, which with him is a hearty meal. He repairs to his office and throws himself in a chair at a point where the polished wood floor is not covered by the rug. He holds a bunch of keys between the forefinger and thumb of his right hand, which is allowed to hang loosely over the arm of the chair. Then he dozes off, but it is never more than a doze, for the moment his fingers relax the keys drop to the bare floor, acting as an alarm clock. It is scarcely a nap—just a brief relaxation of the mental and bodily faculties. The doctor calls it his siesta, and if he misses it he says he doesn't feel quite himself for the rest of the day.—Philadelphia Record.

### Charley's Aunt.

Mr. Penley, otherwise Charley's Aunt, told the following: "A military man, a friend of Mr. Penley, took his daughter to the stalls and, having a busy and tiring day, went calmly to sleep in his easy seat during the interval between the curtain raiser and 'Charley's Aunt.' The daughter sympathetically allowed him to remain in peace until the curtain went up for the commencement of the play of the evening; then she gently nudged him in the ribs and whispered 'Charley's Aunt!' to remind him of his whereabouts.

"The gentleman still slept on, and his daughter tried again. She gave her father an extra push and murmured, with emphasis: 'Papa, do wake up! 'Charley's Aunt!'"

"This time it was effectual, for the colonel leaped to his feet and cried, 'Bless me, so it is!' and began to shake hands furiously with a demure old lady who happened to be passing along the stalls in front of him on the way to her allotted seat. 'Bless me, so it is! How do you do, madam? And how is Charley?'"—London Answers.

### Russell and the Solicitor.

It is said that once when the late Lord Russell, then Sir Charles, was on circuit, he became so indignant with every one in general and his solicitor client in particular that he seized his large and heavy brief and smote the solicitor on the head with it. The solicitor indignantly collected his papers and hurried out of court, murmuring that he would never brief Sir Charles again.

Some time afterward a shipping magnate came to the same solicitor with a big case. "Brief Russell," he said. The solicitor said he was sorry, but it was impossible, as Russell had never apologized. "Then give me my papers," said the shipowner, "and I'll go to some one who will."

Eventually the unhappy man of law, not wishing to lose his best client, had to apologize to Sir Charles Russell for leaving the court when assaulted.—Pearson's Weekly.

### "So On."

Lady Dorothy Nevill is one of the wittiest women in London society. Some time ago there was a rich and ambitious man in society who went in for entertaining largely and especially for making his parties interesting and representative. A marked falling off began to take place after awhile in the quality of his guests. Lady Dorothy, commenting on this deterioration, said, "Once we used to meet Brown and Whistler and Henry James and so on there; but now we only meet—so on."—Chambers' Journal.

### Covers Too Much Ground.

Binks—Jinks is continually telling me what a lucky fellow you are. Kinks—Yes, but I don't like the way he expresses it. Every time he meets me he says: "Kinks, you're a lucky man. You don't seem to have anything on your mind at all."—Indianapolis Sun.

### A Fellow Feeling.

Hasben—Yes, I am always interested in perpetual motion ideas. I like 'em. Tatters—Yes, do? What for? Hasben—They never work.—Philadelphia Press.

### RAIN OR SHINE

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