

ALONG DIRTY ROADS, Through Deep Sinkholes That Threaten to Swallow the Entire Outfit.

THE EXPEDITION ADVANCES. Beaver's Eye Completely Plastered Up With Mud and Buccephalus' Sleek Coat.

CHANGED TO A DIRTY YELLOW. Fayette County Furnishes the Explorers an Experience Closely Resembling.

THE FALL OF THE LATE MR. MCINTY. A Ride of Twenty-Mile Rough Ground in Which Luck Pitfalls Without Number.

THE WONDERS OF WATERBUGGERS EXHIBED. Through much tribulation and mire of unknown depth the wagon carrying the DISPATCH road explorers moves steadily forward.

Cold and desolate was the break of day at Uniontown when we took our departure yesterday.

Our wagon rattled up street long before any person was awake, as we supposed.

The West Virginia line is close to Fayette and Greene counties, and no doubt accounts for the large African population here, but still I didn't think a discreet politician would crack a joke at the expense of the negro vote.

"Because a rescuing party will have to be sent out after you," answered the wire-puller. Confirming my opinion of his discretion.

We had been warned that 'perils awaited us on the mud roads between Uniontown and Waynesburg, so we halted at the top of the County Poor House hill and sounded the tires and axles. Then we pulled off the

turkpie and steeled westward. Beaver's dark gray hide was not yet spotted with a single splash of mud. His pretty main and graceful tail were combed free of dried earth. Buccephalus arched his neck with nice symmetry then the morning on which he shied at Fifth avenue cable cars.

A Maelstrom of Mire. Sunlight had now flashed across the valley from that historic mountain peak known as General Danbar's Camp, reckless Buccephalus, sniffing the air, which was still sharp and cold, distended his nostrils, as though all his internal organs were informing one another of the coming battle afar off.

I pause, as a painter does before he will fully solve a picture. Our horses looked so handsome as they trotted along the foot-hills of the Alleghenies that morning, that I dislike to describe their appearance when we entered this town at dusk. But so bravely did they behave in the miry maelstrom; so determined were they in a struggle of 12 hours long, that we seraped the mud from their sides that night with something of the same feeling which a soldier experiences in fending his old war horse.

think was the yellow clay upon them from the tip of their hoofs, up the legs, over the breast-strap, sticking to the necks like a poultice, and covering the faces just as though masks had been fitted on them with eye-holes and breathing slits already punched—this artificial skin gave them an amber shade entirely foreign to their dappled gray hides.

The Wagon Badly Disfigured. The wagon was a picture in itself. It was loaded upon an axle as massive as that carrying crowds of Waynesburg people. After a terribly rough winter voyage a big effort was made to get it into the mud which covered with ice, its yard-arms and jib hanging with glittering ice pendents.

When we had reached the top of the first sinkhole, we had to get down it. The mud was so thick and sticky that it was like a wall. We had to get down it by using ropes and poles. The mud was so thick that it was like a wall.

We three, in our rubber coats and top boots, looking like human, I had to abandon spectacles early in the fray, because I only had them wiped in time to get them dimmed again with liquid earth.

Our hour had begun that morning without an hour after our start. The mud was about a foot deep on an average. In Mancini township wallowing in water we were deceived a certain spot. The water proved deceptive, for where we thought it was only a foot deep, like the balance of the road, the hole proved at least two and a half feet in depth.

Joshua Wouart, the obliging farmer at that point, permitted us to tear down his fence in order to have a good assortment of rails to choose from. I selected a good one and went to work between the wheels. The driver whipped up the horses, and although both of us sank to our boots in the pit we presently had the thing moving.

The Worst Experience Yet. But by all odds the worst experience we had was just before we left Fayette county. We encountered one of those peculiar sink

holes of a quicksand character. Nothing but a soggy appearance of the surface warns one of the existence of a trap. In this instance we only noticed that the road had a heaped-up appearance in the middle. But the moment the horses' hoofs touched it, down they sank.

In quicker time than it takes to write this Beaver was in up to his knees and couldn't budge. Down went Buccephalus next. It was not the wagon that got stuck this time. It was the horses. As soon as they found they couldn't move they became frightened.

Sinking Out of Sight. "Don't let them stand still," yelled John Findley, a farmer who lives near, "or you will have to dig them out." Sure enough, we saw them sinking steadily before our eyes.

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The Argentine Ministry Resigns. LONDON, April 13.—A dispatch from Buenos Aires announces the resignation of the Argentine Ministry.

denly, the regular driver arose excitedly from the rear seat and cried: "Whip up Beaver, for goodness sake. We're caught again. We're in a—"

Theatrical Tank Disaster. A Reservoir With 1,000 Gallons of Water Smashes Up Things Generally. PHILADELPHIA, April 13.—The new Park Theater was damaged to the extent of \$10,000 to-day.

PHILADELPHIA, April 13.—The friends of General Hastings in this city have put on their war paint and propose to make a lively fight against the nomination of Senator Hastings.

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Chairman and the Colonel, Captaincy F. Black, of the Black, Capt. Henry C. Black, one time, has many supporters here, and may be the compromise candidate.

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Nothing But Water. The Eye From a Boat Down the Mississippi River, Now GROWN TO AN INLAND SEA.

Thousands Are Homeless and Speedy Relief is Imperative. The Future Decidedly Gloomy. Little Prospects That Any Crops Will be Raised This Year.

MIRACULOUS ESCAPES FROM DEATH. The first authentic details of the great Mississippi flood have been received from a boat expedition now proceeding down the river.

NOT EXACTLY A PALACE. The walls and rafters of the gin house are covered with masses of lint cotton and the negroes are prohibited from having either light or fire.

COMMITTED SUICIDE. Because He Was Accused of Trying to Kill a Senator. DENVER, April 13.—Some months ago a local newspaper published an account here that two young men had concocted a plot to kidnap Senator Tabor and hold him for a ransom.

SCORES OF LIVES RISKED FOR THE SAKE OF A SMALL INSURANCE. NEW YORK, April 13.—A deliberate but vain attempt was made this afternoon to burn a tenement house in Ludlow street.

A NEW BRIDGE FALLS. Carrying Two Workmen Into the River and Killing Them. POPULAR BLUFFS, Mo., April 13.—The middle span of the new iron bridge, which is being built across Black river, fell this afternoon, carrying two men down.

ONE SENATOR VANCE'S FORMER CHATEAU KILLED FOR HER MONEY. ASHEVILLE, N. C., April 13.—A horrible murder has been committed three miles west of this city.

THE CHARGES MAGNIFIED. A Partial Denial of the Reports of Turkish Outrages at Rethymu. CANDIA, CRETE, April 13.—A Turkish councillor has been making inquiries at Rethymu into the charges of Turkish cruelties and outrages.

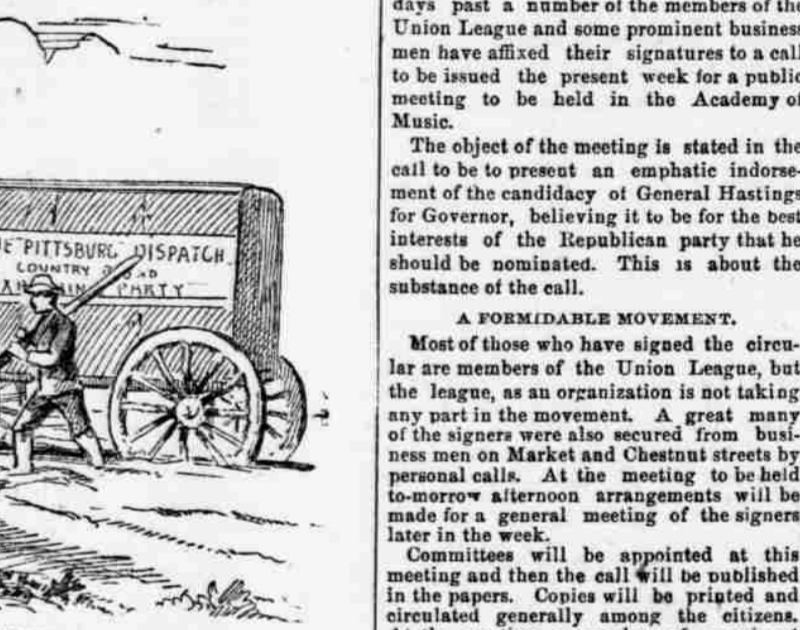
GERMANY USES THREATS. To Compel the Sultan of Zanzibar to Cancel Concessions. ZANZIBAR, April 13.—It is ascertained that the Germans, by threats, have compelled the Sultan to cancel the concessions of Manda and Patti to the British East Africa Company.

STANLEY WAS DISDAINFUL. A French Savant's Objection to the Great African Explorer. PARIS, April 13.—The President of the French Geographical Society is opposed to a public reception to Henry M. Stanley, because his enterprise had a commercial object and because he treated Brazza with disdain.

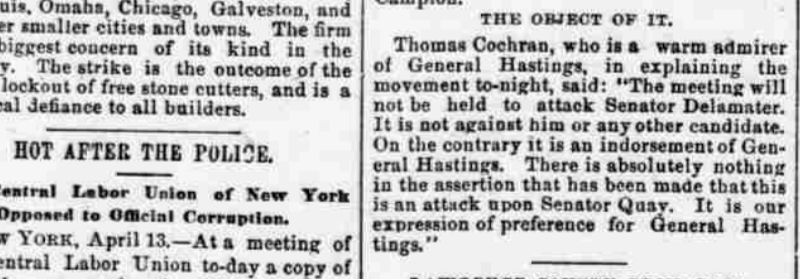
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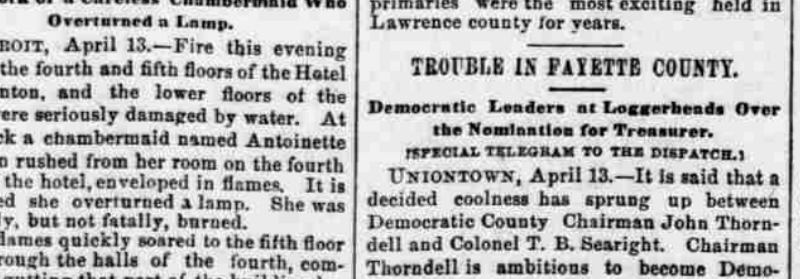
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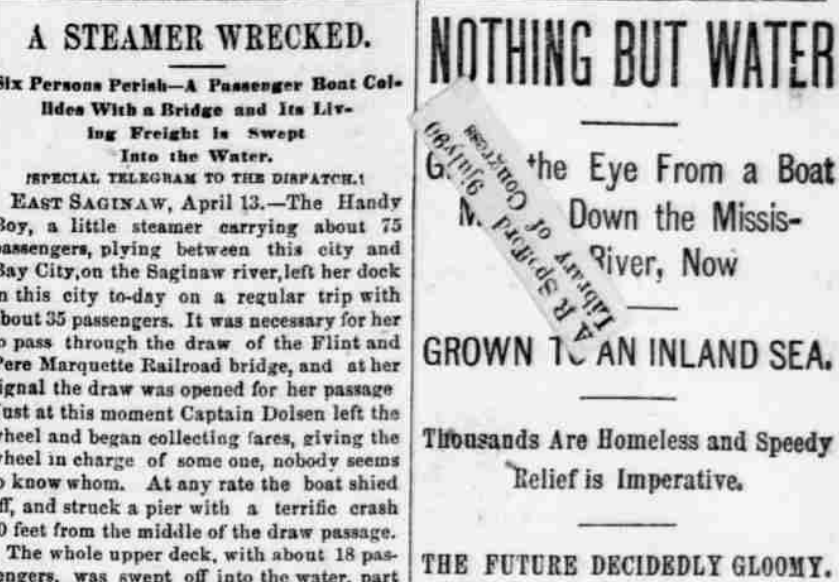
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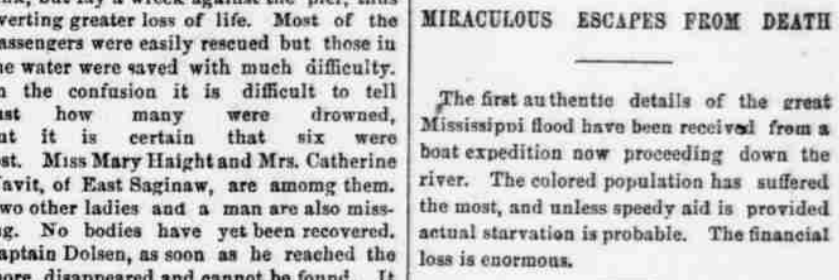
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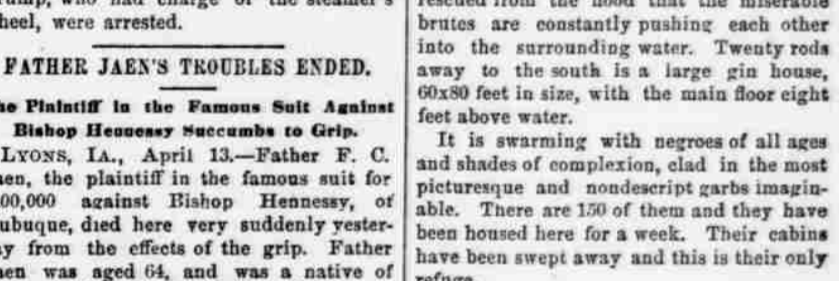
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