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REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS.

STATE TICKET.

FOR GOVERNOR,
GEN. JAMES A. BEAVER.

FOR LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR,
HON. WM. T. DAVIES, of Bradford.

FOR AUDITOR GENERAL,
A. WILSON NORRIS, of Philadelphia.

FOR SECRETARY OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS,
THOS. J. STEWART, of Montgomery.

COUNTY TICKET.

FOR CONGRESSMAN-AT-LARGE,
EDWIN S. OSBORNE, of Luzerne.

FOR CONGRESS,
EDWARD SCULL, of Somerset Borough,
Subject to the decision of the Republican District Conference.

FOR STATE SENATE,
JOHN E. SCOTT, of Somerset Borough.
Subject to the decision of the Republican District Conference.

FOR ASSEMBLY,
JAMES L. PUGH, of Somerset Borough.
NOAH S. MILLER, of Jenner Township.

FOR ASSOCIATE JUDGE,
SAMUEL WALKER, of Allegheny Township.
OLIVER P. SHAVER, of Quemahoning Twp.

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY,
FRED. W. BIESECKER, of Somerset Borough.

FOR POOR HOUSE DIRECTOR,
FREDK SCHMUCKER, of Somerset Township.

FOR COUNTY SURVEYOR,
WILLIAM BAKER, of Milford Township.

THE Prohibitionists set the hen.

AND Charley Wolfe made the riffle.

IT is very touching to hear the good Prohibitionists so feelingly refer to the death of the Republican party. Hence these tears.

THE Democratic Convention of Beaver County last week refused to pass resolutions endorsing the work of the State Convention. Another black eye for Black.

THE Democratic State Convention made an honest division between the two factions. The Randall men get the offices, and the Wallace men must do the electing. That's fair, ain't it?

THE Democrats who four years ago aided in swelling the cry against "Boss Rule," are now writhing under the bitterest kind of boss rule, with Randall cracking the boss whip about their ears.

THE Iowa Republican State Convention at its meeting last week renewed its declaration in favor of Prohibition. It will now be in order to follow the example of the truly good people in this State, and organize a Prohibition party in Iowa to "smash" the Republican party.

OUR "Chan." was always known to love a good joke. One of his latest and funniest is the declaration made in his York speech that "he has every reason to believe that he will be elected Governor." As a joker, the Democratic candidate for Governor is unexcelled.

CANDIDATE Black starts out bravely, if not discreetly. He boasts that he is going to be elected, announces that he will make an "aggressive fight," and wags his unruly tongue against corporations and corporate rights. If somebody doesn't hold the young man he will tear things.

THE United German Trades-Union of Philadelphia, composed of 6,000 voters of all parties, at its meeting last week denounced the labor plank in the Democratic platform as "a snare to entrap workingmen" You don't always sometimes catch the hard-headed German with a sucker hook.

CANDIDATE Wolfe talks largely of the vote he expects to poll. He claims that he will receive the support of 60,000 Prohibitionists; that he will have a large following of the former Independents, and that the vote of the colored people can easily be depended on. If Mr. Wolfe knows whereof he affirms, a lively campaign is before us.

BORN the Commissioner and Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs are absent from Washington, and a woman—Miss Minnie S. Cook—is running the office. As another young woman is running the Presidential office just now, it begins to look as if this great nation was being subjected to "petticoat rule."

THE National Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee has issued a hand book for the use of the faithful, crammed full of stuff committing the Democratic party to free trade, pure and simple. This is unquestionably the position of the party, but in tariff States like Pennsylvania it puts the boys who are trying to court the labor vote in a very bad hole, and "cuss" words fill the air.

THE liquor dealers in this State have formed a League and propose to raise a fund of $200,000, with which to defeat Legislative candidates who favor submitting the prohibitory question to a vote of the people. Thus the Liquor League and the Prohibitionists meet on a common platform, for the common purpose of defeating prohibition.

THE Democratic revolt against the methods used to nominate Chauncey F. Black for Governor still goes on. Senator Wallace openly attributes his defeat to a bargain with Claveland, and the Harrisburg *Patriot* has joined the malcontents, tells the "naked truth," and asserts that Wallace was beaten and Black nominated in pursuance of orders from Washington, executed by Randall.

WITH the bitter hostility to corporations which Chauncey F. Black inherited from his distinguished father, he also imbibed his hostility to protection and devotion to the doctrine of free trade. And yet Mr. Randall had a carefully devised protection platform erected, which his candidate stands upon, and professes to heartily admire and endorse. It is very evident that someboey is to be cheated. A Free trade Democrat on a tariff platform is ample proof that fraud is contemplated. Let the laboring men of the State beware the free-trade trap that is baited with protection.

MR. BLAINE is receiving a right royal welcome wherever he speaks in Maine. His popularity at home is undiminished, and thousands of people turn out at every meeting to listen to his exposition of party doctrines. There is probably no other man in the country who could draw such crowds to hear him, and none who is so lucid in his statements.

SECRETARY BAYARD is in ill luck again. Sedgewick, the special envoy whom he dispatched to Mexico to investigate the arrest, trial and conviction of editor Cutting, no sooner arrived at the City of Mexico than he proceeded to get roaring drunk and started out with a party of young roysterers to paint the capital of the Montezumas red. It will now be in order for the Secretary to send another envoy to take care of Envoy Sedgewick and bring him home.

IN Tennessee the Democratic State Convention adopted a resolution favoring the submission of the liquor question to a vote of the people. In Pennsylvania the Democratic State Convention declared against all "sumptuary laws." And yet we constantly hear the boast that the Democracy is Jeffersonian and rock-ribbed in principle, united and homogenious in cause, the same yesterday, to-day, and forever.

THIS time four years ago the Republicans of this State were divided in support of two candidates for Governor, and the Independent candidate was supported by more than a score of newspapers. To-day the party is united, on one candidate who has the support of every Republican paper in the State. On the other hand, Black's nomination has caused almost as much disaffection in his own party as followed General Beaver's nomination in 1882, and if like effects follow like cause, he will be beaten out of sight.

THE President having taken to the woods, swarms of Federal office holders were "present and active" at the Democratic Conventions of this and other States, notwithstanding his recent orders to them about "pernicious activity in politics." This exemplifies the old saw, "while the cat's away, the mice will play." We will see when Mr. Cleveland returns whether he dares enforce his own order, or whether, as is popularly believed, it was only intended to apply to Republican officeholders.

THAT ultra Democratic journal the Philadelphia *Record* comes to the support of the nominees of the late Democratic State Convention with the following cheering and spiriting remarks:

The Democratic State Convention was a Randall Convention, the platform is a Randall apple-jack tariff platform, and the election of the ticket would be a Randall victory, not over the Republicans, but over the principles and policy of the Democratic party. Mr. Randall has chosen to set himself up in opposition to the policy of the Democratic party, and no Democrat who believes that that policy should be maintained is under obligations to support his ticket. Since the ticket was nominated by office-holders and office-expectants, let them elect it. There will be no better time to put a quietus to Randallism in Pennsylvania than now.

A little question of veracity has cropped out between some of our eminent Democratic friends. The Philadelphia *Record*, the Harrisburg *Patriot*, Senator Wallace and others charge that their Convention was dominated and controlled by Federal office holders and Federal patronage, while Chauncey F. Black says:

"Some of the Republican newspapers driven to their wits' end, and having nothing else to say, tell their readers that this ticket was made by the Federal office holders. They know it is false as well as you or I do."

Shinny on your own side, Mr. Black! It is your own party associates, not "some Republican newspapers," that make the charge. Apparently you "are driven to your wits' ends, having nothing else to say!"

THE Prohibition State Convention that was in session during Wednesday and Thursday of last week, had a "halcyon and vociferous time." It was composed of 644 delegates, representing every county in the State except Elk, each county sending as many delegates as it deemed proper. Wednesday was devoted to preliminary organization, praying, speech-making and singing, and not until Thursday was the real work of the Convention taken up, when the platform of principles was adopted and the ticket placed in nomination. While the enthusiastic brethren were enjoying prayer and song, the old politicians who were running the machine, had been busily employed writing up the platform and arranging the slate, and accordingly when it came down to real work everything ran as smoothly as if it had been greased. The ticket agreed upon and adopted with much apparent enthusiasm is Hon. Charles S. Wolfe, of Union county, for Governor; Hon. A. A. Barker, of Cambria, Lieutenant Governor; Hon. John M. Emory, of Lawrence county, Secretary of Internal Affairs; Charles L. Hawley, of Lackawanna county, Auditor General, and Rev. John M. Palmer, (colored) of Allegheny county, Congressman-at-Large. The platform was then adopted with great enthusiasm; a State Central Committee, consisting of one member for each county in the Commonwealth, was appointed, a purse of $8,000 for campaign purposes was subscribed, and after singing the doxology this notable Convention then adjourned, to meet at the polls in November next.

WHISKEY SOURS.

Joking aside, it looks as though Prohibition were going to be a big political issue in the future. Let the Republican party take time by the forelock.—*Lancaster Inquirer, Rep.*

What scares the spoilsmen is the large number of preachers who are fighting the battle of prohibition. Where the prophets lead a multitude often follow.—*Philadelphia Times Ind Dem.*

Mr. Wolf will get some otherwise Democratic, but many more other wise Republican votes. As a rule Democrats are not as silly as Republicans, and it takes a particularly silly man to hope to cure insobriety by prohibition.—*Lancaster Intelligencer Dem.*

The Prohibitionists opened their convention at Harrisburgh the other day by singing "Jesus, Lover of My Soul" and other stirring hymns. That's very much unlike the way the politicians opened their conventions; and it reminds us much of Cromwell's "fighting psalm-singers." They appear to be in dead earnest, and there'll be any amount of fun in the political arena 'twixt now and the ides of November.—*Tocsin, Labor Organ.*

We should do everything in our power to aid the Prohibitionists in conducting Wolfe's campaign. The reason for such action is that Wolfe's candidacy will create a wide breach in the Republican party and cause it to take steps to crush out all similar movements originated by the Prohibitionists in the future. * * * It is sure to prove disasters to the Republicans and the party's representatives at Harrisburg will not in the future be likely to feel kindly toward the people who caused their defeat. Of course this condition of affairs is to our advantage and should be accepted as a pointer to our future guidance. We can aid the movement in various ways.—*Hotel and Saloon Keepers' Journal (Trade Organ).*

Senator McNeill Dead.

PITTSBURGH, August 28.—State Senator Hugo McNeill died at his home in Allegheny City to-night of inflamation of the bowels.

POWDER MAGAZINE EXPLOSION TWO MILES FROM CHICAGO.

CHICAGO, August 29.—At 9.15 o'clock this morning in the midst of a heavy thunder-storm, the powder magazine belonging to the Laffin-Rand Powder Company was struck by lightning. An explosion followed which destroyed property to the value of $75,000, besides killing one person almost instantly, fatally injuring four and inflicting painful injuries on nearly twenty-five others.

About 9.15 a flash, which all agree was much brighter than those preceding it, was followed by a report that shook the greater part of Cook county. It was a sharp report, but, strange to say, by most of those who lived in the vicinity of the explosion it was hardly distinguishable from the series of thunder claps which had been the order of the morning. All agree that there was a tremendous shaking of the earth. Articles of furniture not stationary were thrown about as if they were playthings in a giant's power. Men, women and children were tossed around at the will of the terrible, resistless force.

Just preceding the explosion, a long, vivid electric flame seemed to burst from a cloud directly over the Laffin & Rand magazine. In an instant the air was filled with flying missiles. Masses of brick and clay, sheets of tin, large stones and pieces of timber performed indiscribable girations hundreds of feet in the air—some falling back close to the point from which they started, while others shot off through space with frightful velocity, only conforming to the laws of gravity after a long flight. Stones weighing from 150 to 200 pounds were thrown into fields two miles from the scene. Trees were stripped of their foliage, fences by the mile were laid low, telegraph wires were snapped like fragile threads and the prairie bore scams as if of a thousand steam plows. Not a building within a mile of the explosion escaped damage. The little cottage of John Guhl, with its surrounding outhouses, was laid low without a warning and in a moment parts of the exploded warehouse began falling on the debris of the cottage. Guhl's family consisted of himself, his wife and Carrie Ahernawerth, 14 years of age. The latter was instantly killed, while Guhl and his wife were dragged from the ruins frightfully mutilated. Their horse, cow and swine were all killed by the concussion and the bodies blown full of dirt, sand and powder. The ruins of Guhl's house immediately took fire and the smoldering fragments burned out during the day The body of Carrie Ahernawerth presented a sickening spectacle. Half the face was torn away, the eyes were almost blown from their sockets and there was a gaping hole in the forehead large enough to receive a man's fist. The girl's left arm was torn from the shoulder. The body was removed to the home of her uncle, August Ahernawerth on California avenue.

The shock caved in the two magazines of the Oriental Powder Company and also those belonging to the Warren Powder Company the Hazard, the Dupont Company's and the Forcite Dynamite store-house. Laflin & Rand Company's was the only one which exploded. Where it stood is now an immense excavation, nearly fifty feet in depth.

A Thief Catches a Tartar

CINCINNATI, Aug. 29.—With L. E. Keller, a wealthy citizen of Winter Place, seven miles out of the city lives his father, an old gentleman about 70 years of age, who remained at home this morning while the rest of the family went to church. He was roused from a nap by a noise up-stairs, and running up found an able-bodied thief ransacking the rooms. The thief at once started to run and the old man took after him. The thief dropped a pistol and the old man picked it up and threatened to shoot. The thief drew another pistol and turned to fight, but thought better of it, and as a train was just leaving for Cincinnati he ran to it and climbed on a front car just as it was pulling out. He supposed he had escaped, but the old man caught the last car, pulling himself abroad and came to the Grand Central Station in this city. Here he jumped off before the train stopped, spotted his man, who was amazed to find his Nemesis still pursuing him, and started to run out the backway. Old Mr. Keller kept close to him, however, and the depot policeman joined in the chase.

The thief ran five or six blocks, with the old man still a good second. The policeman's wind began to fail him and he began to shoot. One bullet struck the thief in the back and passed through his body but he kept running until he fell from loss of blood. Then he was taken to the hospital with a very serious wound. He proved to be a professional crook named John Wilson, well known to the police. Mr. Keller saw his man in good hands and then calmly boarded an out-going train and got back before the rest of the family returned from church.

A Gusher Struck.

PITTSBURG, August 28.—The wildest excitement prevails in the New Shannopin oil fields on the Pittsburg and Lake Erie Railroad, sixteen miles from here. The Marks well, which was flowing yesterday at the rate of from 500 to 600 barrels per day, increased at 3 o'clock this afternoon to a rate of from 2,500 to 3,000 barrels. The sand was reached on Friday, but it was not until late that the oil streak was touched.

On Saturday it improved to between 500 and 600 barrels. The flow of gas was very strong, and it was found necessary to move the boiler. This work required until after 2 o'clock to-day. Connections were made so that none of the production should be lost. The drill was started at 3 o'clock, and in less than ten minutes the well began to gush. Two lead lines were run into each of the tanks, but so rapidly did they fill up that it was found necessary to begin pumping the oil away at once to keep it from running over.

The Pittsburg Pipe Line Company had been pumping the production of the past two days away and its line was called into use immediately. To-night this line was carrying the fluid at the rate of sixty-five barrels an hour, but the tanks were still filling up.

The United Pipe Line Company laid a line to the well by eight o'clock. It required the combined efforts of both lines to carry off the product of the well.

Cutting Released.

EL PASO, Tex., August 29.—Cutting was taken before the Court at Paso del Norte today, and the official record of the Supreme Court decision confirming his sentance, but ordering his release, was interpreted to him.

The Court bases its decision solely upon the ground that Medina waives his right to a civil suit for damages. The Court declares that this puts an end to the proceedings. When notified of his freedom, Cutting said:

As I am no further detained as a prisoner I accept my liberty; but I desire a copy of the Supreme Court decree for future reference.

The Court directed a copy to be prepared for him. Cutting said to a reporter:

Well, I cannot understand what all this has to do with my card in the El Paso *Herald* for which I was solely arrested and put in jail.

It is said that the Mexican law prohibiting the residence of agitators and other dangerous characters in Mexico will be enforced against Cutting.

Higbee to be Arrested.

HARRISBURG, August 25.—Governor Pattison, Deputy Attorney General Snodgrass, District Attorney McCarroll, and J. Howard Gurdiel, of Philadelphia, special council for the Commonwealth, held a consultation at the executive department this afternoon on the preparation of the criminal suits against those who are alleged to have mismanaged the soldiers' orphans' schools of this state. General Wagner's recent report was examined closely and will be used on the trial.

It was decided to bring suit against Superintendent Higbee and thirty specifications of wrong doing have been formulated against him. He is now in Michigan, but when he returns a warrant will be issued for his arrest and the case will go before the November term of the Dauphin county court. The owners of the schools will not be proceeded against until Higbee's case is disposed of.

An Earthquake Shock.

ATHENS, GREECE, August 28.—Greece has again been visited by an earthquake which has been most disastrous in the Morea, and in which the loss of life, according to the best information, reaches the enormous figure of three hundred. The village of Pyrgo and the town of Philiatra, situated on the western coast of Morea, were the chief sufferers, and these furnish, it is believed, all that have perished. In Pyrgo not a house is left standing, while Philitra is almost swept from the face of the globe, swallowed up in the convulsions of the earth. The shocks were experienced throughout the entire country of Greece in a greater or less degree. In the town of Zante every house was damaged and the inhabitants fled in terror to the open country. Several towns in Italy were also visited by the earthquake, but not to any serious extent, Naples, Brindisi, Foggia, Caseria and Taranto being of the number.

ROME, August 28.—The earthquake was felt throughout the provinces of Syracuse, Reggio, Calamburia, Potensea, Pozzuli, Bari and Avelino. In many instances the houses swayed violently to and fro and considerable damage was done to property. The people were terribly frightened and deserted their homes, fleeing to the open fields and churches.

The town of Naples was visited to-day by a second earthquake, greatly alarming the people, who fled from their dwellings and crowded the streets leading to the suburbs. Whole families are leaving the town. Two eruptions of Vesuvius have occurred and the volcano is very active.

ATHENS, August 28.—This city was visited by an earthquake shock at midnight tonight.

ALEXANDRIA, August 28.—Violent shocks of earthquake have been experienced here and in other parts of Egypt, causing terror among the natives, but so far as known doing no serious damage.

CHARLESTON, S. C., August 28.—Another shock of earthquake was felt here this morning at 4:48 o'clock. It extended as far north as Summerville, five miles from here.

A Clergyman's Suicide.

ELMIRA, N. Y., August 25.—The Rev. J. C. Beecher, of Cocoah, Conn., brother of Henry Ward Beecher and Rev. Thomas K. Beecher, of this city, committed suicide at the Water Cure here this evening by shooting himself through the head with a small rifle. He had been suffering with severe mental troubles for a number of years, and for a time was under treatment at the Middletown Asylum, this State. He came here recently in the care of a special attendant. At the Cure he appeared to be in pretty fair health, and to-day enjoyed himself with others shooting at a target in Dr. Gleason's range. During the evening, while conversing on the piazza, he suddenly went to his room and taking a rifle, placed the muzzle in his mouth and fired, killing himself instantly.

Mr. Beecher was about 50 years old and was the youngest son of Dr. Lyman Beecher. He was graduated from Dartmouth College and Andover Seminary. He was chaplain of the Seamen's Bethel in China, chaplain of the Brooklyn Regiment during the War of the Rebellion, became a colonel and was mustered out as a brevet brigadier general; was pastor of Congregational churches at Oswego and Poughkeepsie, and also had charge of the Bethel Mission in Brooklyn. Of late years he has lived on a farm in Ulster county.

Flooding a Big City.

MANDALAY, August 24.—One of the embankments of the Irrawaddy River burst in this city yesterday. The break was three hundred yards in length, and so rapid was the flow that in a few moments the whole district was flooded from four to twenty feet deep. Engineers at once cut the dam south of the city to allow the waters to subside, but the result of this measure is as yet unknown. Fifty thousand persons are to-day homeless in this city, their houses and possessions having been either submerged or destroyed. A number of persons were drowned by the sudden inrush of water, how many has not yet been ascertained. The flooded district had within its territory many of the food supply stores, and all of these were swept away. The result will be an approach to famine among the homeless population. The river will not fall sufficiently to permit any attempts at reconstruction of the broken embankment until November. The British military operations are seriously interfered with by the overflow.

The damage done by the flood already amounts to $5,000,000. Many dead bodies are being constantly washed ashore.

General Beaver at Tacoma.

TACOMA, W. T., August 25.—The Grand Army Post gave a magnificent reception last evening to General Logan, Governor Alger, General Beaver and others. All of these gentlemen spoke. General Logan advocated the early admission of Washington Territory into the sisterhood of states. General Beaver made a speech that was full of pleasant, humorous and patriotic allusions to the passage of the Queen of the Pacific, on which the travelers arrived to-day. He tendered Captain Alexander a set of engrossed resolutions, which expressed their personal appreciation of the Captain's attention to their interests while they were on their voyage.

General Beaver leaves to-morrow for Portland and thence starts homeward over the Northern Pacific, stopping for a few days in the Yellowstone Park. He expects to reach Philadelphia about September 7. General Logan goes to Seattle to-morrow. He has been the recipient of grand ovations during his entire trip on the Pacific coast, and is to-day more popular than ever here.

Death from Hydrophobia.

CHICAGO, August 26.—A dispatch from Fort Worth, Tex., says that on the farm of W. K. Gaudy, near there, on August 8, a rabid dog bit Walter Gaudy, aged 4 years, in the face. The boy's parents at once took him to Denton, where a madstone was applied. It would not adhere and it was said that no virus had entered the system. Not satisfied, the father took the boy to Mansfield, where a second madstone was applied. It also refused to adhere. On Saturday the little fellow said his throat was sore and he refused to eat. He would cry when water was brought near him and soon became frantic. Physicians went out from Fort Worth and exhausted their skill, but the boy grew worse and greenish foam issued from his lips. A little playmate went to see him yesterday and Walter snapped at him, biting him slightly in the face. The physicians fear this boy has also been inoculated with the poison. Last evening the sufferer became quiet for a while and slept for a few moments. He awoke with a tremor, barked like a dog, bent himself nearly double, gnashed his teeth, blood and foam gushed from his mouth and he was dead.

Stoning a Sinner.

FARGO, Dak., August 26.—W. M. Smith, formerly of Harrisburg, Pa., was attacked with stones and bad eggs at Mapleton to-day. He left Pennsylvania with a Mrs. Baybrooks. The husband followed the couple and found them living as man and wife, but induced his wife to return with him. All went to the train together, but Smith was quite roughly treated by the indignant people of Mapleton. He received a black eye as well as plenty of rotten eggs.

Mrs. Baybrooks went out in the street while the eggs were being thrown and advised Smith to shoot his assailants, but he did not attempt it. Mr. and Mrs. Baybrooks have started for their home while Smith lingers in Fargo to clean his clothing.

A Summer Resort in Darkness.

PITTSBURG, August 26.—The Monntain House at Cresson, Pa., was clouded in darkness last night owing to the gasolene supply having been entirely cut off by a fire. A telegram was sent to the Pennsylvania Railroad authorities at Altoona, and candles and lamps were hastily packed on a special train, which made the trip to Cresson in the remarkable time af thirty minutes.

Ravages of the Texas Storm.

GALVESTON, August 24.—The recent storm proved very destructive to small vessels off the Texan coast. The sloop Katie J. went to pieces off Pelican Island. The crew were saved. Lying near her, bottom up, is the sloop Elias. Her crew of two men are drowned. The schooner Livonia Perkins is lying bottom up in the bay near Pelican Island. Two of her crew were lost. The Schooner Lottie Mayo is ashore near Indianola. All hands are supposed to have been lost. All the small craft in the bay from the shoal to Edwards Point are reported to have been lost. The schooner J. W. Perry has gone to pieces in the Gulf and her cargo of lumber is strewn along the beach. Her Captain and cook were drowned. It is estimated that the damage to shipping in this vicinity will reach $100,000.

The village of Quintana, at the mouth of Brazos River, was entirely swept away, and the schooners Rosa Lee and Nettie were driven ashore.

Indianola is a complete wreck, not more than three or four houses having escaped destruction. Dr. Fisher, the quarantine officer, with his wife, M. Mahone, Captain Adolph Sternbrook, and Martha Ellis had a narrow escape from drowning. The quarantine station was swept away early on Friday morning, and they were forced to take refuge in a grove of Spanish ceders. For nine hours they clung to these frail supports before relief came. Nearly every house on the upper end of the island were swept away. Nearly all the sheep and cattle on the island were drowned.

The City Council last evening appropriated $15,000 for the benefit of the storm sufferers of this city. Citizens have subscribed $5,000 for the same purpose.

A Fight With a Lion.

PARIS, August 30.—There was an exciting incident a few days ago in a travelling menagerie at the outer Boulevards fair. A beast tamer named Graconetti was in the lions' cage, when one of the lions which had been in a surly humor all the morning, sprung upon him and, burying its claws in his thighs, bore him to the ground. The spectators were horror stricken, but Graconetti in falling managed to keep his eyes fixed on those of the beast. In this way, the eyes of man and beast glaring at each other, he managed to regain his feet and slowly backed out of the cage, holding his whip high in the air in a menacing attitude. Just as he reached the door the blood spurted in a stream through his tights, and the animal, with a fierce growl, sprang at him. With a sudden movement, however, he flung shut the grating, striking the animal on the nose, and as it retired to a corner with a look of baffled savagery on its face, the unfortunate trainer fell in a dead faint.

Elopes With Two Women.

RALEIGH, August 25.—Evidence in a trial at Carthage, Moore County, has brought to light a queer state of affairs in two families. Two men were husbands of wives of opposite characteristics and personal appearance. One was a blonde, the other a brunette. The men are rough customers. Each fell in love with the other's wife. They were friends and a trade was proposed. The husband of the blonde gave the husband of the brunette $1 50 to clinch the bargain, and the trade was made. A few days later the new husband of she brunette concluded that he yet loved his blonde wife as well as his new mate, and to settle the matter in the easiest way ran away with both women. His whereabouts is not known. He now has both women and the other man's money as well. The other man is in jail at Carthage for his part in the bargain, and after serving out a term there will go to the workhouse to work out the costs.

Burned to Death.

CINCINNATI, August 27.—Sister Eulalie, the Superioress of the Immaculate Academy at Newport, Ky., met a shocking death this morning. She was nearly convalescent from an attack of typhoid fever, and about four o'clock was trying to take some medicine when the mosquito bar caught fire and in a moment the bed was a mass of flames. Sister Eulalie sprang out and tried to get into the hall, but found the door locked and in her fright could'nt find the key. Occupants of the house came to her assistance, but had to break down the door to reach her. When the fire was extinguished the unfortunate woman was so badly burned that she died in two hours. Deceased was 40 years of age and had spent considerable time in Louisville. Her parents, named Gaynor, now live in New York City. She was widely known in the Catholic Church.

Attacked by a Maniac.

FREEPORT, Ill., August 27.—Charles Lashelle, who is confined in the Carroll county jail at Mt. Carroll, for the murder of Patrick Reddington, a night watchman at Shannon, a few months ago, was ferociously attacked yesterday by an insane man named Francis A. Moyer, and nearly killed. The two men were occupying the same cell in the jail, but Moyer's hands had been bound by iron shackles, which in some manner he slipped. Just before the attack Moyer was reading the Bible. He suddenly stopped before Lashelle, exclaiming: "You are a murderer and must die," struck him with a club, felling him to the floor, and followed the first up with several more blows. Lashelle's skull was fractured and several of his ribs and one arm were broken. The physicians say his case is critical, with the chances against recovery. He was to have been tried for Reddington's murder at the coming term of court.

A Lady Swims the Niagara River.

BUFFALO, August 24.—Miss Jeannette Larke, a handsome young lady of Youngstown, swam the Niagara river below the rapids near her home this afternoon. She was accompanied by William Wilkinson, and the distance was about a mile and a half. Miss Larke reached the Canada shore with very little exhaustion, and seemed perfectly fresh, although her companion was very tired. This is the first time a lady has accomplished the feat of swimming the river at this point.

Policeman Kendall, who swam the whirlpool on Sunday, was in Buffalo this afternoon. He is going to occupy Mrs. Captain Webb's reception rooms at Brundage's elevator on the Canada side for the next week. Kendall says he has refused several offers from dime museum proprietors, and that he did not go through for exhibition purposes.

Accident to Senator Evarts.

WINDSOR, VT., August 25.—A carriage containing Senator Evarts, of New York, Charles C. Perkins, of Boston, and Miss Matthews, daughter of Judge Stanley Matthews of Ohio, was overturned this evening. Mr. Perkins was instantly killed, and Senator Evarts and Miss Matthews were severely bruised, though not seriously injured.

Charles C. Perkins was one of the most prominent patrons of art and music in New England. He was born in Boston in 1823, and was a graduate of Harvard. He was himself an artist of acknowledged talent. He was President of the Boston Art Club foom 1871 to 1881, and for fifteen years has been President of the Handel and Haydn Society. Mr. Perkins was very wealthy, and a leader in the aristocratic society of Boston.

Gored by a Bull.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Aug. 28.—Advices from Boulder, Col., state that William Newland, a railroad contractor of that place and a former resident of Claysville, Pa., met with a horrible fate to-day. He was leading a valuable bull owned by him back to the stall after giving it water, when the animal attacked him and thrust a horn into his left breast. The upward movement tore the upper lobe of the left lung and loosened the collar-bone; four ribs were loosened and broken in two places.

Newland died three hours later in great agony. He owned a large tract of land North of Boulder, and was a highly respected citizen. He leaves a wife and several grown up children.

Down Into Crater Lake.

WASHINGTON, August 29.—A party sent out by the Geological Survey, under the command of Captain Clarence E. Dutton, U. S. A., has succeeded in making a complete survey of Crater Lake, in Oregon, whose shores, with the possible exception of one point on the south, had never before been touched by the feet of white men. The party's boats were hauled a hundred miles by mule teams, dragged by a detail of soldiers up the snow-clad sides of the ridge which surrounds the lake and lowered by ropes from the crest to the water, nine hundred feet below. One hundred and sixty soundings were made, the result of which gave the general character of the lake bottom. Two large submerged cinder cones were found, respectively eight hundred and twelve hundred feet high, the rest of the bottom being flat. Captain Dutton believes this to be the deepest body of fresh water on the continent. The greatest depth obtained by the sounding line was 2,005 feet.

"As regards the origin of the basin," he writes to Director Powell, "I now have a decided opinion. It has, I think, been formed in much the same way as the great calderas of the Hawaiian Islands, by the melting of the foundations of the original mountains and the blowing out of the molten material in the form of light pumice and fine tufa. It cannot have been formed by an explosion like Krakatoa and Tomboro, in the East Indies, for their is no trace of the fragments anywhere in the country roundabout. But the pumice and tufa, which surely emanated from the crater, are seen in vast quantities anywhere within a radius of twenty to sixty miles, and in quantities to fill the whole vast crater twice over. The age of the crater is wholly post-glacial. I have found at the extreme crest of the wall on the western side splendid examples of glacial striation, while the old moraines are half a mile to a mile below. As the age of the caldera cannot be great is evident from the fact that, though the walls are crumbling at a very rapid rate, the talus has not only not reached the water surface anywhere, but the sounding discloses but little of it at the bottom."

Destitution in Texas.

CHICAGO, Ill., August 25.—A special from Fort Worth, Texas, gives a graphic account of the deplorable condition of the people in the drought-stricken region. Starvation is certain unless help is obtained. The farmers are ready to plow for wheat, but have no seed. They want seed, breadstuffs and a little bacon on which to live while the crops are maturing. They are willing to return in kind of pay for everything they get. Help to be of any use must be sent at once, as the need is very pressing. Captain William Neal will visit St. Louis and Chicago with the view of obtaining assistance.

The citizens of Victoria held a meeting on Tuesday evening for the purpose of devising measures for the relief of the sufferers by the recent storms. A relief committee was appointed, which issued an address to the charitable inclined people of America detailing the suffering occasioned by the storms and asking for assistance to prevent further suffering among the unfortunates who lost everything by the war of the elements. Wood and clothing are imperatively needed. Contributions may be forwarded through A. L. Levy, or Brownson & Sibley, bankers of Victoria, to J. W. Brownson, Chairman; G. A. Levy, D. S. Rydan, C. C. Chaffee or A. Queedman, General Relief Committee.

Attempt to Wreck a Train.

JOLIET, August 26.—As an excursion train from Aurora, Ill., was nearing here yesterday with 300 passengers, the engineer noticed an obstruction and stopped just in time to miss it. The obstacle consisted of a pile of timber three feet high. After the train hands had cleared the track, the train started again. It was soon brought to a second stop, the engineer having discovered another obstruction ahead, which proved to be a fence post that had been firmly planted in an upright position between two ties and protruded from the ground about eighteen inches. Later on two more posts were encountered, sticking up between the ties, and the engineer ran upon one of them before he could stop the train. This delayed the train for some time. The obstructions were all found within a mile of each other. There is no clue to the person who placed them there.

The Grecian Earthquake.

ATHENS, August 29.—The area of the earth disturbance in Greece yesterday was phenomenally wide. At least six towns were entirely destroyed and a score of others were partially destroyed. On the mainland much damage was done, but there was little loss of life. On the islands it is estimated that 600 persons were killed outright and 1000 seriously injured.

The undulations were curiously regular. The actual shocks averaged twelve seconds in duration People everywhere are camping out in the fields. The breaking of the telegraph lines delays the reception of details. The Greek Cabinet is sitting at Athens almost continually considering relief measures. A transport with tents, food, doctors, medicines and company of pompiers started for the stricken district Saturday evening.

The Alaskan Seal Fisheries.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 28.—The report of Special agent Tingle on the seal fisheries of Alaska shows that during the past year the Alaska Seal Company under its contract took 99,980 seal skins, in return for which it paid the Government $262,437. Considerable improvement has been made in the method of capturing and killing the seals, resulting a diminutive of the percentage of loss formerly sustained in killing animals the skins of which were unmerchantable. Although the natives have generally submitted without opposition to the fines imposed by the Treasury agents, yet it is recommended that authority be conferred to erect a small lock-up or jail for the confinement of offenders.

Fire in a Mine.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., August 27.—A fire broke out in the Nottingham slope at Plymouth this morning and is still raging. Timbers and cars are burning in all directions. There were over three hundred men at work in the slope at the time of the breaking out of the fire, and great excitement prevailed at the surface concerning their possible fate. Fortunately, however, they all made their escape in safety through a second opening. The slope is owned and operated by the Lehigh and Wilkesbarre Coal Company. The fire was caused by the sparks from a donkey engine. A suspension of work in several gangways will be necessitated, and over 500 men will be thrown out of employment for some time to come.

He Married His Stepmother.

SEA GIRT, N. J., August 28.—Washington Perks, a furniture manufacturer at Twentieth street and Ridge avenue, Philadelphia, was married last night to his stepmother, Mrs. Perks. The bride was the widow of the late Richard Perks, who was engaged in the tassel business in Philadelphia but resided in Canaden. She is twenty six years of age and married her present husband's father about three years ago. He died leaving an estate of $12,000, which was divided between the widow and two children. Washington Perks, who is 26 years of age, was always fond of his young mother, and since his father's death has been much devoted to her. Their wedding was one of the social events of Manasquan.

Some Startling Figures for Workingmen.

From Mr. Blaine's Speech at Sebago.

"While the American workmen in nine states, working under a protective tariff, have over a thousand millions of dollars in savings banks, the vastly greater mass of working men in England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales, the whole United Kingdom, all working under free trade, have less than four hundred millions of dollars in the aggregate both in savings banks and postal banks. These figures and these dollars are the most persuasive of arguments, and the conclusion they teach is so plain that the running may read."

Refused to Save a Man From Drowning.

BEVERLY, Mass. Aug. 29.—Harry D. Smith, aged 27, of Chelsea, son of a merchant doing business on Broad street Boston, was drowned yesterday afternoon at Lake Islewisl, Wenham, under circumstances which forcibly illustrate the supreme idiocy which takes possession of many people in times of a crisis. Smith was spending his vacation at Hamilton. He went in swimming at the lake with some companions, was taken with cramps and called for aid. The boys thought he was trying to fool them and only laughed at him. Smith repeatedly shouted that he was not shamming and begged them for God's sake to save his life. Finally his mates realized his danger and endeavored to secure assistance.

Not far from the spot where Smith was struggling in the water was a boat containing two young men and two young women. The former started to row to Smith's assistance, but the young women were suddenly smitten with senseless modesty and refused to allow their escorts to row near to Smith. "You shall not, you shall not," they screamed; "take that naked man into this boat. The young men were compelled to row their female friends ashore before helping Smith, and subsequently reaching the spot Smith had sunk for the last time. His body was recovered in an hour, but all efforts at resuscitation were futile. While the body was being recovered Smith's mother was suffering violent hysterics on shore, requiring the attention of a physician and several helpers to hold her back from the water and stifle her screams. At the same time one of the over-modest young women was pacing the depot platform, biting her lips and occasionally dashing away a tear with her delicate jeweled hand.

Horsewhipped by his Wife.

NYACK, August 28.—While Mr. George Washington Tilt of South Nyack was seated at 8 o'clock last night in the Gentleman's parlor of the Nyack House playing dominoes with his friends, he was startled by the sudden appearance of his wife, two young sons, and his pet dog. Mrs. Tilt was evidently angry, and she exclaimed, as she entered the room, "Ah, now I've found you? So it is here you spend your nights gambling, is it? Well, I have brought your little boys and pet dog to witness your disgrace. Children look at him."

The astonished Mr. Tilt dropped his dominoes, stammered that he was glad to see his wife, and invited her to share a bottle of wine. She indignantly refused, and, after a few more hot words, the woman, with the children and dog, left the parlor. But a moment later she returned with a rawhide in her hand. Mr. Tilt saw it, arose and accompanied his wife to the street. As they reached the sidewalk Mrs. Tilt began striking him, and he evaded but few of the blows. Faster and faster the whip descended, while the dog barked and the children cried. Fin