

THE JOHNSTOWN HORROR.

WHY A HUNDRED REPORTERS SAW AND HEARD IN THE URBANITE CITY.

No imagination is able to conceive of the devastation of Johnstown, and once the wreck is viewed no pen will be able to describe the awful ruin caused by the waters. If any subject ever beggared description it is the wreck of Johnstown. Standing on any of the hills to the South, and looking up the narrow valley of the Conemaugh, a barren waste greets the eye, where once stood a busy, prosperous city. Where the great wire mills stood the day before, turning out ten thousand yards of wire, each day of the week, nothing is left to mark the spot. The lines of the many boroughs that go to make up Johnstown have never been drawn, except on paper, and it is impossible to tell where one ended and the other began.

As we stood on the hilltop above the steel works looking towards Conemaugh, not the sign of a house was to be seen in the valley, where forty-eight hours before three thousand had stood. Only a few cottages that dotted the hillsides above the river were left. Below our feet stood a Catholic Church, nothing left but the bare walls, while its lofty spire was lined with the victims of the waters, waiting to be shrouded. The clock in the tower was marking the minutes, and pealed forth nine mournful strokes as a newly discovered body was carried into the windowless house of God, to lay there until identified by friends and prepared for burial.

Several eye-witnesses related to the writer how from the upper windows of the Company Store they had seen the unfortunate victims in the telegraph office float out of the house to be swept away.

Mrs. Hurst, the Librarian, was seen by the same persons, floating out of her house with her little grand-daughter and nephew. They were still alive when last seen, but were rushing towards the slaughter pile at the rail road bridge, with the resistless current.

Russell Uhl was seen sitting by the B. & O. track, clad only in shirt and pants, waiting an opportunity to go to Somerset. He was a picture of utter misery.

The ladies of John Dibert, the banker and his daughter Mrs. Wearer were lying on the muddy floor of the German Lutheran church.

All of the Home family escaped, after a fearful struggle.

Griffin Cross, formerly of Lanesville, managed to get his wife and baby out of the flood.

The Democratic Primary was to be held Saturday. Frank J. O'Connor, Esq., was a candidate for District Attorney. When I saw him he was thinking of anything but politics. O'Connor saw the wall of water coming and ran for his life. He called to two young lady acquaintances to run for their lives. They laughed at his alarm.

James Davis, the photographer, said that his wife and children were lost.

Henry Statman, of Jeuners town, was among those who escaped with his family.

Frank Reulder, of the Hallert House, was seen anxiously looking for the bodies of his mother and two sisters.

Dr. Rauch had quite a perilous and fortunate escape with his wife and family, after floating around on a roof for several hours.

A special train carrying Pittsburg militia and provisions went through Somerset about 10 p. m. Sunday night.

The New York Times sent a special over the B. & O. Monday afternoon, carrying special correspondents.

A number of Johnstown sufferers have arrived in Somerset and are being taken care of.

The Herald has gratified its many friends and as a very rapid and contemporary to initiate during the past week. In its desire that the good people of the county should get all the news in their favorite paper it commenced in the beginning of the week to publish a daily giving full details of the important robbery, murder and other cases on trial in our county courts. The amount of original matter published has simply astonished our contemporaries. On the receipt of the first number of the Herald at Johnstown the Herald published a full page extra filled with the details of the horrible disaster. Scarcely a moment had elapsed before the Herald was in possession of the news, and it was the first to publish it.

"I was at the Club House, trying to carry my luggage from the 'annex,' where I roomed, to the main building, when I heard the awful roar of the approaching water. I took one of the negroes about the house with me, and got on the roof. Well, I thought my time had surely come, and said so to Daniel, the negro. All right, Mister Parker, I'll stick to you, Daniel replied. I saw thousands of people floating by but was powerless to help them. After the end was knocked off the Club House and the waters had subsided a little I got out on the wreckage and assisted in removing a number of bodies and persons who were only slightly injured. Among these was Mrs. John Dibert. Later in the evening all of the people in our house got across the street into the McMillan building and stayed there all night watching the fire burning below, fearing every minute that the fire would reach the town.

Mr. Parker was busily engaged in swearing in special officers to guard the town.

Mr. Will Encley made his escape by getting on top the

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God Save the Commonwealth.

SHERIFF'S PROCLAMATION.
SPECIAL ELECTION.

IN PROVISION FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE, the undersigned, Sheriff of the County of Somerset, Pa., do hereby proclaim a special election to be held on Tuesday, June 18, 1899, for the purpose of electing a member of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Somerset, Pa., to hold office for the term of one year, commencing on the 1st day of January, 1900.

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