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MOUNTAIN'S TOP FELL.

Little Mining Town of Frank, Alberta, Overwhelmed.

World's Fair Dedication—Train Ran into a Crowd—Battle in Church. Emperor and King Visit the Pope. Death of Bishop Hurst and Stuart Robson.

By an unexpected and unprecedented disaster, for that part of the world the little mining town of Frank, Alberta, has been plunged into mourning.

About 4 o'clock in the morning, after the night shift was preparing to come from work, either an earthquake or a volcanic eruption occurred on the top of Turtle mountain, which overlooks the town of Frank.

There was a tremendous upheaval which awoke all sleepers, many of whom believed that the end of the world had come.

The entire side of the mountain was removed by the disturbance and millions of tons of rock scattered like chaff over the town.

The mine buildings and mine entrances were buried under a pile of debris hundreds of feet deep. Nine houses in the village are buried under the rocks. Their roofs were crushed in like egg shells and every one inside the houses perished.

All those working at the mine on outside jobs were instantly killed. It is supposed that 85 men were thus killed, although the exact number is not known.

The records of the office and the payrolls are buried under the immense pile of broken rock.

Of the men who were at work in the shaft, 17 in number, 15 worked their way out and two were suffocated.

World's Fair Dedication. Probably the largest crowd that ever listened to a president of the United States, certainly the largest that ever gathered beneath a roof to hear the words of any chief magistrate, packed the huge Liberal Arts building to attend the dedication exercises of the Louisiana Purchase World's fair at St. Louis.

Thirty thousand persons were in sight, if not sound, of the president when he made his speech accepting the half-completed structures in the name of the government; 19 governors of as many sovereign states, the general commanding the army, the general who manages the army, regiments of regulars, regiments of citizen soldiers, bands without number, representatives of 29 foreign powers and plain people to the number of a quarter of a million, attended the exercises as participants or witnesses.

The only living ex-president, Grover Cleveland, the only American prince of the church, Cardinal Gibbons, Bishops Potter and Hendricks, President Francis of the Exposition company and ex-Senator Carter, head of the government building, took part with the president in the program of dedication.

Several governors were obliged to stand or seat themselves on steps, ledges or even on the floor; one of the latter was Odell of New York who, after standing until his legs grew weak, plumped himself down in front of Senator Hanna.

The weather, which turned bitter cold over night, marred the pleasure of the parade for most of the people who stood shivering, blue-faced and wretched, while the bands and regiments went marching by.

Excursionists Killed by Train. The Grand Trunk Pan-American flyer from Chicago ran into a crowd of 1,000 people at the corner of Dequindre and Canfield streets, Detroit, at 8:30 Sunday evening, killing at least six persons and seriously injuring about 30 more.

The majority of the killed and wounded are from Toledo. Fifteen hundred Poles from Toledo came up to Detroit in the morning on a special Lake Shore train to celebrate a holiday.

Accompanied by hundreds of their local friends, waiting for the train, the excursionists jammed Canfield avenue some time before the train was due, in readiness for it. When the train was sighted the crowd pushed across the track and onto the Grand Trunk tracks, which adjoin those of the Lake Shore, just as the Grand Trunk Pan-American flyer came thundering from the West.

The people were thrown into the air and dashed to either side of the track. Many of them were ground under the wheels. The police department was notified and all ambulances in the city rushed to the scene. The victims were scattered along the tracks for a distance of two blocks.

No statement could be secured either from the engineer or fireman as to the assertions of bystanders that the whistle was not blown for the crossing.

Pitched Battle in a Church. A pitched battle in which prayers, books and broken furniture were used as missiles took place in the Slavonic Roman Catholic church at Joliet, Ill. Sunday, and when the police arrived to quell the disturbance the belligerents turned from each other and united their forces against the officers.

J. H. COSTELLO SHOT.

His Wife Fired Twice at Him in His Office.

Other Shot Went Wild—After Inflicting a Perhaps Fatal Wound Mrs. Costello Walked to Police Headquarters and Gave Herself Up—Result of Years of Domestic Infelicity.

Buffalo, May 5.—Years of domestic infelicity and open warfare between John H. Costello and his wife, Sarah, culminated in the hall on the fourth floor of the Prudential building at 1:30 yesterday afternoon, when Mrs. Costello drew a revolver and fired two shots at her husband.

One bullet took effect in his back just below the right shoulder blade and the other went wild, lodging in the ceiling of the hall.

Twenty minutes after the shooting Mrs. Costello walked into Superintendent Bull's office at police headquarters and gave herself up. She admitted shooting her husband and handed the revolver to Chief Detectives Cusack. The doctors seem to think Mr. Costello's chances for recovery are good.

The Costellos are well known in Buffalo society. They have been separated for several years during which time repeated litigation has been engaged in.

Mrs. Costello has made numerous attempts to gain possession of their children and has more than once attempted to kidnap them. Mr. Costello is one of Buffalo's wealthiest men. He is a mine owner and of operator and has offices at 420 Prudential building.

The story of the shooting is that Mrs. Costello opened the door to her husband's office at precisely 1:30. Mr. Costello was alone.

"I would like to speak to you," she is alleged to have said.

Mr. Costello arose from his chair and walked toward the door. As he neared his wife she drew a revolver. Whether any words were spoken after that is not known. At the sight of the revolver Mr. Costello brushed past his wife and started to run toward the west end of the hall.

Fired at Fleeing Man. Then Mrs. Costello fired the two shots. The first went wild. She evidently aimed quickly as her husband rushed down the hall.

Instantly there was a second report. Mr. Costello threw up his hands and fell in the doorway of Ting & Co's office at 426 Prudential building. Mrs. Costello disappeared as the occupants of other offices on the floor rushed from their places of business. One man who was in time to see Mr. Costello fall, says he saw nothing of the woman after that.

Mr. Costello was quickly carried to his own office. He was strong enough to stand up and talk.

"Who did it?" asked one of the men who had assisted him. "Mrs C.," was the answer.

At his own request he was removed to the general hospital. At a late hour the bullet had not been extracted.

John H. Costello and his wife have not lived together for about five years. They are not divorced, though they each have tried to get freedom from their matrimonial bonds. They have three children, the eldest is the 29s Mrs. Costello for some years has been living on an allowance of \$20 a week made to her by her husband, under order of the court.

When in middle life the Costellos disagreed so they could not be reconciled, which was about five years ago Mr. Costello started an action in Pennsylvania to get a divorce from his wife. She fought the suit and defeated him. Afterwards she had a number of his witnesses indicted on charges of giving false testimony against her.

Then Mrs. Costello went to Dakota and having established a residence she sued her husband for a decree of separation. He put in a defense and she was defeated. The justice allowed her \$500 for her expenses. She returned to this state.

Here another separation suit was begun almost immediately and pending its determination Mrs. Costello was allowed the \$20 a week alimony of which she has been living. The action never was pressed to trial and it still hangs fire.

Owing to Costello's wealth and wide business interests, their family troubles were given much publicity. At one time, it is said, Mrs. Costello went to the Hotel Niagara, where her husband was living, and created such a scene there that she was put out by force by hotel employees. She sued the hotel proprietor for damages, but failed to recover.

Litigation upon litigation has kept the two before the courts ever since their first disagreement. Their matrimonial troubles are known well locally.

SENSATIONAL TESTIMONY.

Dr. McKee Details Ethel Dingle's Own Story of Her Downfall.

Rochester, May 5.—A great deal of sensational testimony was heard yesterday afternoon in the Kent case. The most important witness was Dr. Thomas H. McKee of Buffalo, a practicing physician and surgeon.

Dr. McKee told on the stand in the presence of a crowded court room the tragic story of Ethel Dingle's downfall as related to the doctor by herself.

Dr. McKee was interne at the Riverside hospital during Miss Dingle's residence there.

Witness said Ethel was a bright child and was apt in her studies. She sometimes prepared patients for Dr. McKee before surgical operations. This preparation required the use of the razor. Miss Dingle, he said, when he first knew her was bright and vivacious, almost like a child, impulsive and affectionate, but a thoroughly good girl. This was during the Pan-American year. Later she lost much of this brightness and became despondent.

Witness described an excursion which he took with the nurses of the hospital in August. He went to the dock landing about 8:30 at night and saw Ethel there standing by the water's edge talking with a group of nurses. Jack McKay, Kent's friend, was with them. Dr. Grant joined the group in about five minutes, but Ethel would not speak to him. Miss Dingle asked witness to take her home, saying she was afraid of Grant.

Witness said Grant was about two-thirds drunk, in a very ugly mood. Grant followed Ethel and expostulated, pleaded, and threatened to make her go with him. Ethel said she would not return to the hospital after being made such an exhibition of and went home to her sister's.

Witness told Ethel Dingle's story as related to him by the girl the next morning after the excursion and upon her return to the hospital. She was very bitter against Dr. Grant, who she greatly feared would kill her.

The story of the girl's downfall as related by Dr. McKee laid all the blame on Dr. Grant. She related how, during the Pan-American exposition, got intoxicated and took her to a house where they spent the night together. Afterwards he detained her three days at Niagara Falls through intimidation. She accused Dr. Grant of slandering her with a pen knife. She threatened at that time to end all her misery. Witness advised her to finish her studies and then go out of town.

Cross-Examination by District Attorney Warren brought out no new evidence.

Bishop of Buffalo Not Yet Chosen. Rome, May 5.—While the Rev. C. H. Colton, rector of St. Stephen's church, New York, is favored by a majority of the cardinals of the congregation of the propaganda for the appointment as bishop of Buffalo, urgent pressure is being brought to bear from Buffalo not only upon the congregation but upon the Vatican also, in favor of the Very Rev. Michael P. Conroy, vicar general of the Buffalo diocese. Nothing is sure in the matter of this appointment until the pope gives his decision. It has been supposed up to the present time, however, that Father Colton will be chosen.

Dispute Over Recognition. Ogdenburg, May 5.—At conferences held between John Joy of Buffalo, vice president of the International Longshoremen's association, representing the striking local freight handlers, and officers of the Rutland Transit Steamboat company, propositions by both sides were rejected. There is no contention over wages. The union men refuse to work on docks with non-union men. The company refuses union recognition, will not discharge men now employed and will hire old employees individually only.

Rejects Carnegie Library. Montreal, Que., May 5.—The city council has rescinded a resolution adopted in April, 1902, accepting an offer of \$150,000 from Andrew Carnegie for a library building. The council could not decide upon a satisfactory site, and the dual language question presented a grave difficulty.

New Provisional Government. Washington, May 5.—An undated telegram from Minister Powell at Port au Prince reports that the Vasquez government has fallen and a new provisional government created which has the entire territory under its control with General Gill as president.

Sizes of the Planets. An ingenious way of comparing the sizes of planets with the sun is suggested by a writer in the bulletin of the French Astronomical society. Let the earth, he says, be represented by a 29 franc piece, then Venus is 15 francs; Mars, 2; Mercury, 7; Uranus, 280; Neptune, 320; Saturn, 1,840; Jupiter, 6,800, and the sun 6,780,000.

As Good as Broken. "We might as well consider our engagement as broken, Reginald." "I don't see why. Your father said postponed." "Postponed until you arrive at years of discretion, and, in your case, Reggy, dear, you know what that means."

The Bente's Retort. Mrs. Prissins—Oh, but I got taken in when I married you, I was wrecked! Mr. Prissins—Yes—out of the cold.—Newark News.

BRIEF NEWS, ITEMS.

Pointed Paragraphs Chronicling the Week's Doings.

Long Dispatches From Various Parts of the World Shorn of Their Padding and Only Facts Given in as Few Words as Possible For the Benefit of the Hurried Reader.

Albert J. Adams, the "policy king," began his term in Sing Sing, where he was taken handcuffed to another convicted felon.

United States supreme court, by decision in Alabama case, indirectly recognizes power of state to disfranchise negroes by constitutional provisions.

Agricultural department officials in Washington declared there was no excuse for the advance in prices of dressed beef, there being no scarcity of cattle.

The New York court of appeals unanimously sustains the special franchise tax law, reversing the decision of the appellate division handed down in January.

The provisional regiment of National Guard, acting as escort to Governor Odell at St. Louis exposition dedication, left Buffalo at 11 o'clock Tuesday 1,144 strong.

President Roosevelt and cabinet hold important conference in St. Louis. President Roosevelt and ex-President Cleveland arrived at St. Louis for world's fair dedication.

King Edward left the British embassy in Rome for the Vatican in a closed carriage to call upon the pope. Leland Dorr Kent took the stand in his own defense at Rochester. Mr. Raines' request that the jury retire was denied.

Seventy-five persons are reported killed by volcanic explosion near town of Frank, N. W. T., on line of Crow's Nest railway.

General James F. Bell, interviewed in London on General Miles' report on the Philippines, declared all the alleged cases have been investigated.

Great military parade the show spectacle of the dedication ceremonies of the Louisiana Purchase exposition at St. Louis. Addresses by President Roosevelt and ex-President Cleveland. The jury in the case of James Howard, on trial for the murder of Governor William Goebel of Kentucky, has found the defendant guilty and fixed the punishment at life imprisonment.

Mrs. Custer, in a letter to Charles Schreyvogel, stamps his portrayal of equipment and costume in the painting, "Custer's Demand," as true in detail, while she commends the artist's skill.

Russia has informed the state department at Washington that the published reports as to new Manchurian demands in China are altogether incorrect and that the ports now open will not be closed.

Forest fires are devastating miles of forest in the Adirondacks. There are 83 known dead, of whom 15 were women and 15 children, by the landslide at Frank, Alberta.

A dispatch from St. Petersburg contains the authoritative statement that Russia will close no door to American trade, and only insists on China ceding no territory to other nations.

With his skull crushed in and the marks of a cleaver on his neck and shoulders, James Edward McMahon was found murdered in the flat house where he lived in West 153rd street, New York.

According to Dr. St. Clair McKelway the nomination of Grover Cleveland for the presidency by the Democratic party is demanded by the influenza, public sentiment of the South, as well as by the rank and file of the party in the North.

Two men were killed and five seriously injured in a train wreck on the New Haven railroad at South Norwalk, Conn.

The Rev. Father Walzer's arrest in Lorain, O., for the murder of another priest's sister, followed a hunt with dogs leading to his door.

President Roosevelt is given enthusiastic greeting at Kansas City, Mo., and at Kansas City, Lawrence, Topeka and other Kansas cities. Turkish government proclaims Salonica in state of siege, extraordinary military precautions are taken to prevent outbreaks in all parts of empire and massacres are feared.

THREE FELL TO DEATH.

Philadelphians Instantly Killed While Working in Pittsburgh Train Shed.

Pittsburgh, May 4.—Three workmen were instantly killed and two had miraculous escapes from death in the Union station train shed Friday afternoon. The dead are Charles Carmen, 815 North Camac street; William Nelson Adam, 2527 A street, and Isadore Rosenberg, 217 Spruce street, all of Philadelphia.

John Ehret and David Moore, also of Philadelphia, were on a scaffold at the east end of the trainshed putting in glass. The men were employed by D. L. Upton & Sons. The scaffold on which they were standing broke, and the three dead men fell to the track, 75 feet below. They died almost instantly.

Ehret and Moore caught their arms in the lattice work and hung on. Ehret lost his hold and began dropping, when he threw out his other arm and hooked it into the steel girder. There they dangled 75 feet in their until ladders could be procured for them to descend. The bodies of the dead men were taken to the morgue.

All Residents Out to Save Town. Waterford, N. J., May 4.—A damaged roof at the Catholic church, slighter damages at the Simpkin, Curtis and Fitzharris buildings, one man burned about the hands, others scorched and terrified residents are results of the forest fire that has been burning three days between Catowissa and Louden for three days. Swept around by a hurricane the fire reached this place and only back firing saved many properties. The fire, which has burned over a territory 12 miles long and nearly five wide, destroying cedar swamps, timber and cranberry bogs at Goshen and Maple island, is now being desperately fought at Chewtown, three miles distant.

Schwab Sells Highmont Estate. Pittsburg, May 4.—The deed in the sale of Highmont, Charles M. Schwab's Pittsburg residence, to D. M. Clemons of this city has been registered. The consideration was \$298,500. The sale was made through the Commonwealth Real Estate and Trust company, the final papers being signed about three weeks ago. Mr. Schwab owned the property about four years ago, having bought it for \$250,000 from the heiress of the late Captain J. J. Vandergrift. The property consists of five acres. The house is a large mansionslike structure.

Change of Wind Alone Saved Town. Bloomsburg, Pa., May 4.—Disastrous forest fires are raging on the mountain between Catawissa and Maitaville and on the river hill opposite this place. High winds drove the flames to within a few hundred feet of Catawissa, causing great excitement among the residents, but a change of wind saved the town from destruction. Although the fire did not start until late Friday afternoon, already more than eight miles of valuable timber have been destroyed, causing a loss of many thousand dollars.

Kings Always Ruled Postoffice. Lancaster, May 4.—The postoffice at Kinbridge, which has been in the custody of one family ever since it was opened, has been closed by request of the postmaster. The office was established in 1873, with Vincent King as postmaster. At his death Albert King was appointed, and in 1885 Horace King was given the postmastership, he serving up until the present time.

Guns Tested by Ordnance Men. South Bethlehem, Pa., May 4.—General Crozier and Captain Wheeler of the government army ordnance department Saturday were the guests of the Bethlehem Steel company. In the afternoon they witnessed the satisfactory tests of several 6-pounders and 2-inch guns at the Redington proving grounds. The guns are part of an order the steel company is filling for the government.

Asylum Overcrowded. Norristown, Pa., May 4.—At the trustees' meeting at the state hospital for the insane here Dr. Richardson called attention to the overcrowded condition of the institution, 126 males and 192 females being compelled to sleep in the corridors. The population is 1922 males and 1,117 females. During the last month 27 males and 16 females were admitted, while only 12 were discharged.

Mechanicsburg Mountain Burning. Greensburg, Pa., May 4.—The mountain near Mechanicsburg and back of Ridgeview is on fire and burning fiercely. The fire, it is thought, started from Jacob Beyers' saw mill, near the former place, and already has burned up thousands of feet of lumber. The fire wardens, with large possets of men, are fighting the flames.

Found Money in Spring House. Lansdale, Pa., May 4.—While tearing down an old spring house near Blue Bell Samuel T. Bustard of Germantown, Philadelphia, found a tin box secreted behind a stone in the wall. When the box was opened it was found to contain \$600 in coin and various denominations of "shinplaster" currency.

Shot Grazed His Head. Curry, Pa., May 4.—An unknown person attempted to assassinate E. D. Foster at his home in Elgin. As he sat near a window a shot grazed his head.