

THE COUNTRY IN GENERAL

A Summary of Happenings at Home and Abroad.

THE NEWS CONDENSED.

A Review of What Has Transpired of Public Interest.

Little Rock, Ark., June 9.—It is reported here that a landslide occurred at Ross Hollow and buried twenty-eight men, all of whom are supposed to have been killed.

New Brunswick, N. J., June 10.—Fredrick Schlatter, under sentence of two years in state prison, and John Miller serving thirty days, escaped from the hole in the roof.

New York, June 9.—Billy Barrett was knocked out by Terry McGovern in the tenth round of what was to have been a 25-round glove contest before the Broadway Athletic Club. Barrett was no match for the Brooklyn lad.

Rushville, Ind., June 9.—Rev. Joseph Angle has resigned as pastor of the Heavenly Recruit Church. He succeeded in getting only \$8.20 for four months' services, and he has come to the conclusion that preaching does not pay.

Waverly, Ia., June 9.—A well on the farm of Samuel Johnson three miles south of here caused by buying Mr. Johnson who was cleaning the bottom of it beneath several tons of earth and stone. His body has not been recovered.

Ashland, Ohio, June 9.—The Hayersville flouring mill, one of the largest in the county, was mysteriously destroyed by fire. One thousand two hundred dollars' worth of uninsured flour and wheat was burned. Insurance on mill, \$4,000.

Madison, Wis., June 9.—A severe wind and hail storm passed over this city doing great damage. Hail stones larger than hens' eggs fell in great quantities, knocking fruit off of the trees, ruining crops and shattering hundreds of windows.

New York, June 9.—Barrow, and his wife and Carrie Jones, the kidnapers of Marion Clark, were arraigned before Justice Fursman, and bound over for trial in the sum of \$10,000 each. The trials will commence next week. They were remanded to the Tombs.

Philadelphia, June 9.—Vincent McLaughlin, publisher and editor of the Philadelphia Times, died at his home here. Mr. McLaughlin was thirty-four years old and succeeded to the ownership of the Times upon the death of his father, Frank McLaughlin, about eighteen months ago.

Salina, Kan., June 9.—William Muir, one of the best known and wealthiest farmers of Salina County, was drowned in the Snoky River, near his home, eight miles south of Salina. While by the river watching the rising of the stream, the bank gave way, precipitating him into the water.

Washington, C. H., Ohio, June 9.—William T. Baird, of Colchester, Ill., private secretary of William R. White, the gate manufacturer, of Bloomington, Ill., who has been here on business for several weeks, was drowned at Culpepper. He could not swim.

Washington, June 9.—The President has approved an amendment to rule 6 of the civil service rules excepting from examination one assistant postmaster or chief assistant to the postmaster at each post office. This position had been excepted prior to the issue of the President's recent order, and was overlooked in the drafting of the order.

Detroit, Mich., June 11.—The body of Clifford Smith, son of Barton H. Smith, one of the best known citizens of Toledo, was found here by Harbor Master O'Neil under the dock at Belle Isle, where he was drowned.

Wetfield, N. J., June 11.—Percy Cox, a schoolboy of fourteen, hanged himself in the cellar of his father's little cottage here, and was found dead by his mother after she had sat up half the night for him.

Valparaiso, Ind., June 11.—The report sent out from Goshen that smallpox existed at the Normal School here resulted in an investigation by the State authorities and County Boards of Health, and nothing but four cases of chickenpox was found.

South Charleston, Ohio, June 11.—The City Council has gone into a contract with the natural gas people to light the town at \$22 per light per year. The Council hung out for some weeks between electric and gas light, but the gas people carried the day.

English, Ind., June 11.—Eimer Cox has been arrested charged with the burning of the Richard Sheehy barn last week. Young Cox was at Brandenburg, Ky., when arrested and declares his innocence and willingly returned home with the officers.

Wheeling, W. Va., June 11.—The Benwood authorities have arrested two men charged with being the persons who robbed the Coon Island Post-office. They were selling postage stamps at a discount. They were committed by United States Commissioner but refused to give their names.

Laporte, Ind., June 11.—The Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railroad grain elevators at Rolling Prairie, this county, were destroyed by fire. The elevators were leased by J. B. Ruppel & Co., of this city, and contained 4,000 bushels of corn and 300 bushels of wheat.

Richmond, Ind., June 11.—A storm struck this city that resembled a genuine Western tornado. The roof of the Quaker City Machine Works was lifted a hundred feet in the air and carried a half block. Several houses near at hand were damaged by flying timbers, but, strange to relate, no persons were injured. The residence of D. At-

wrecked. Hundreds of trees uprooted, kirkon, just nearing completion, was in various parts of the city and fences blown down. The telegraph and telephone companies suffered some loss.

Stockton, Cal., June 11.—A catamaran, with a party of twenty-one excursionists on board, sunk in the San Joaquin River near here last night. It is feared all on board were drowned.

Egg Harbor City, N. J., June 11.—Peter Weiss, who has been boarding in Kopf's Hotel, went to sleep on the roof of the hotel porch, and rolled off, falling to the ground, a distance of fifteen feet. His neck was broken.

Toledo, O., June 11.—Six people were precipitated into Lake Erie by the giving way of a portion of the dock at Put-in-Bay Island. Three of them were rescued by the life survey crew, and the other three were drowned.

Akron, Ohio, June 11.—The employees of the Akron and Cuyahoga Falls Rapid Transit Company here, refused to accept the offer of 15 cents an hour made them by the company. They asked for 18 cents, and a strike is threatened.

Montvale, N. J., June 11.—A swarm of bees caused great consternation in the Reformed Church while the Rev. Joseph H. Ware was conducting the prayer meeting services. The services were promptly closed in the church and continued in the grove near by.

Rochester, June 11.—Rochester paid homage to the memory of Frederick Douglas, the statesman of the colored race and the handsome monument to his memory was unveiled. Governor Roosevelt delivered an address in which he paid a glowing tribute to the deceased statesman.

Muncie, Ind., June 11.—The big elephant, Jolly, connected with the Hagenback Trained Animal Show, broke loose on the Midway of the street carnival and for a time had undisputed control of the place. His Turkish guide had gone up town, leaving him chained to a pole. Becoming tired of his confinement he uprooted the pole and proceeded to wander slowly about the grounds at his leisure. He would allow no one to come near him, and terror reigned until the keeper returned from town.

New York, June 12.—The American Federation of Labor has decided to have an exhibit at the Paris Exposition in 1900.

Washington, June 12.—John J. Lalor, who fell from the steps of the Treasury Department on Thursday, died from his injuries and shock at the Emergency Hospital.

Cleveland, O., June 13.—Fourteen lines of the Big Consolidated Street Railway are tied up by a strike, and serious trouble is anticipated before the differences are settled.

Paris, Ky., June 12.—The city of Paris has levied on 300 barrels of nineteen-year-old Bourbon whiskey stored here for \$30,000 back taxes. The whiskey is owned by Charles Graves & Son, of Boston.

South Norwalk, Conn., June 12.—John Kuhn, a Hungarian, 45 years old, who was taken to the town farm for examination as to her sanity, set fire to the small building in which he was confined and was burned to a crisp.

Milwaukee, June 12.—A "Sentinel" special from Menominee, Mich., says: "The Menominee and St. Paul Railway Company has been organized with a capital of \$2,000,000. It will build a road from this city to St. Paul, a distance of 300 miles."

Newburg, N. Y., June 12.—W. H. Kelley, a boiler-maker, about 50 years old, dropped dead at a fire here. He was thirty-five years a member of the Washington Steamer Company, and the excitement at the fire is supposed to have caused heart failure.

New York Markets.

GRAIN—Wheat: July ranged from 80 1/2c to 81 1/2c, closing 81 1/2c. Quotations of cash wheat, f. o. b. alfalfa basis, were as follows: No. 2 red, 82 1/2c; No. 1 North Duluth, 82 1/2c, spot and 83 1/2c; to arrive; No. 2 red, 80 1/2c, elevator.

Corn: The market derived whatever steadiness of undertone it showed from the wheat market. July ranged from 35 1/2c to 36 1/2c.

Oats: The market was dull, but fairly steady. No. 2 oats, 30 1/2c; No. 3 oats, 30c; No. 2 white, 32c; No. 3 white, 31c.

Barley: Market steady. No. 2 Western, 41 1/2c; and No. 1 Western, 45c, both f. o. b. alfalfa; State rye, 53c, e. i. f. New York, car lots.

Butter: Creamery, Western, per lb., 18 1/2c; do., firsts, 17 1/2c; do., thirds to seconds, 15 1/2c; do., State, extras, 18 1/2c; do., firsts, 17 1/2c; do., thirds to seconds, 15 1/2c; do., State dairy, half-irkin tubs, fancy, 17c; do., firsts, 16 1/2c.

Cheese: State, full cream, large, white, fancy, per lb., 7 1/2c; do., good to prime, 7 1/2c; do., large, colored, fancy, 7 1/2c; do., good to prime, 7 1/2c; do., common to fair, 6 1/2c.

Eggs: Jersey and nearby, white leg-horn, fancy, per dozen, 17 1/2c; do., mixed, fancy, selected, 16c; State, Pennsylvania and nearby, average prime, 15 1/2c; Western, selected, at mark, 14 1/2c; do., loss off, 14 1/2c.

DAMAGE FULLY A MILLION.

Claimed That Texas Floods Have Destroyed Property to This Amount.

THE WATERS RECEDING.

Great Amount of Damage Wrought Between Austin and the Mouth of Colorado River.

Crop Losses in the Valley of the Colorado and Its Tributaries Very Heavy—The Shores of Lake McDonald Piled High With Wrecked Buildings, Trunks of Trees and Dead Stock.

Austin, Tex., June 13.—The waters of the Colorado River here are receding slowly, but reports have been received that late heavy rains have caused another big rise along its upper course. Although the crop losses in the valley of the Colorado and its tributaries northwest of here are heavy, they are small compared with the damage wrought between this city and its mouth, where it empties into Matagorda Bay.

Lake McDonald, which is formed here by the great dam, is slowly getting back to its normal water level. Its shores are piled high with debris. Trunks of trees, cotton gin machinery, dead stock of all kinds, wrecks of houses and other kinds of wreckage cover the many miles of shore. Trustworthy calculations show that the number of miles covered by the flood in the Colorado River in its crooked course from the Pan Handle to Matagorda Bay is fully 2,000. The number of acres of cultivated land that was flooded cannot be estimated accurately. As nearly an accurate list as can be obtained shows that the loss of life along the flood district is considerably greater than was first reported. It is now known positively that eighty-six persons in all have been drowned. There has also been about 2,000 head of hogs, 4,000 cattle and 3,000 horses drowned.

Dallas, Tex., June 12.—Heavy rains have again fallen in the west and north west of Dallas, increasing the flood damage. It is estimated that the property loss in the valleys of Saba, Brazos, Llano and Colorado Rivers and their tributaries will reach fully \$1,000,000.

Issued Woman's Award to Obit.

Ottawa, Ontario, June 12.—Mrs. N. B. Allen, wife of the Township Assessor of Alton, Ontario, Saturday night with coal oil, applied a match to the bottom of her skirt and sustained injuries from which she died a few hours later. While her clothing was burning she stolidly bore the pain, keeping her face covered with her hands in order to prevent its disfigurement. The woman had been deranged for some time.

Fall River's Smallpox Scare Renewed.

Fall River, Mass., June 12.—The smallpox scare that agitated the city two weeks ago and that died out a few days ago has been renewed. Last Wednesday the last of the patients were removed from the North End to the pesthouse and the quarantine on the infected region was removed. On Friday night new cases were discovered in the same district. To-day two cases were found in Flint village, the thickly populated eastern district.

John Howard Set Free.

Sing Sing, June 12.—John Howard, who has proved himself one of the most valuable convicts ever incarcerated in Sing Sing Prison, has been released. His ten-year sentence having been commuted by the Governor to four years, which has now expired. Howard is the man who built the two fine organs for the Protestant and Roman Catholic chapels.

Eighty Days of Drought at Cape Cod.

Hyannis, Mass., June 12.—The wood fires on Cape Cod continue, although they are kept from doing serious damage by the fire fighters, who are constantly on the watch. This is the eightieth day since rain fell, and there is no sign of relief. It will be impossible to extinguish the fire until rain falls, and the residents of the cape are almost in despair.

Cubans Anxious for Money.

Havana, June 12.—Advises from Sagua says that Captain Balferry is paying the Cuban soldiers and great enthusiasm. Many of the troops are anxious to receive the money, as they are suffering for lack of implements to begin the cultivation of the land.

Say Mill Was Fired by Strikers.

Chicago, June 12.—The rolling mill of Norton Brothers' tin can factory in Maywood, where 1,300 workmen are on strike, was burned. Loss, \$10,000. The factory officials claim the fire was started by strikers.

Thirty Candidates for Judge.

Harrisburg, Pa., June 12.—The indications are that the State Democratic Convention, to be held in this city Wednesday, will be an unusual political event. There are no less than thirty candidates for Judge of the Supreme Court, and at least a dozen of the aspirants have hopes of securing the honor.

Light and Water Contract Let.

Louisville, Ill., June 12.—The City Council has voted to contract with Messrs. Reed and Burrows, of Chicago, to put in an electric light and water works plant for this city, the same to cost \$10,500.

Jerusalem is now nothing but a shadow of the magnificent city of ancient times. It is about three miles in circumference and is situated on a rocky mountain.

Death of Col. Geo. N. Terry.

Atlantic City, N. J., June 5.—Colonel George N. Terry, the first proprietor of the Hoffman House, New York, and who was prominent in financial circles of that city, died here at the home of a friend. He was sixty-one years old and unmarried.

THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Telegraphic Gleanings From All Parts of the World.

Fifty sheep were killed by lightning at Bernardsville, N. J.

Mrs. Russell Bradford, of Cambridge, Mass., is 106 years old.

Antonio Garcia, a bandit chief, has been lynched at Holquin, Cuba.

Increasing number of cases of the plague are reported from Egypt.

The new German steamer Brigavia has arrived at Queenstown disabled.

Bellamy Storer, United States Minister to Spain, has arrived at Madrid.

The body of an unidentified man was found on the tracks at Franklin Park, N. J.

Mark Twain added to his laurels at the banquet of the Savage Club in London.

Japan is the only country that has objected to the cessation of the Caroline Islands to Germany.

The Montreal Street Railway Company has given its employees accident insurance free of charge.

James Woods, of 238 Bergen street, Brooklyn, was run over and killed by a train at Monmouth Junction.

Henry Dawson, a convict at the Columbus, O., penitentiary, unsuccessfully tried to commit suicide by taking concentrated lye.

F. J. Myers, a switchman employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company at Toledo, O., was run over and fatally injured.

The Orville, O., Council has awarded the contract for the paving of Main street, one mile long. The amount of estimated cost will be \$29,734.24.

Otto Barker stole a bicycle at Anderson, Ind., and in 24 hours had been convicted, sentenced and placed in the Jeffersonville Reformatory.

An alienation suit has been filed at Princeton, Ind., in which Charles Colvin, a saloon keeper, asks \$10,000 from Samuel Anderson, a farmer.

At New Albany, Ind., John Reagon and Wm. Henry were squirrel hunting, when Reagon was shot in the right side, and it is feared that he will die.

David Davis, under indictment for the alleged robbing of cars on the Lake Division of the Pittsburg and Western Railroad has been captured by Warren, O., officers.

Alonzo Root, aged 19, employed to run the elevator at the Madison Hotel, Toledo, O., got his head caught between the elevator and the floor while ascending. He cannot live.

Joseph Tole at Madison, Ind., was sentenced to the State Reformatory for from 2 to 14 years for stealing a horse.

Five hundred chickens were stolen from three farmers at New Pittsburg, Ind., in one night.

Robert Fitzsimmons was dethroned from the heavyweight championship of the world by James J. Jeffries, of California, who knocked him out in the eleventh round of what was to have been a twenty-five-round contest before the Coney Island Athletic Club.

The fight was for the world's heavyweight championship and a side wager of \$10,000. Fitzsimmons's share of the gate receipts was \$25,000, while Jeffries, the winner, only received \$15,000. Jeffries has accepted Tom Sharkey's challenge, and these two will settle their differences in the ring some time in September of the present year.

Havana cabmen have gone on strike, demanding regular salaries.

The largest hole in the stranded liner Paris measures 16 by 12 feet.

Spain has offered to sell to Germany the island of Fernando Po, west of Africa.

Archbishop Riordan, of San Francisco, has been sued by a priest for \$30,000.

The large coal pockets of Kahrs & Co., at Mount Vernon, N. Y., were destroyed by fire.

A turtle weighing 1,200 pounds has been captured off Asbury Park, N. J. Ten thousand miners are on strike at Dubois, Pa.

No news has been received of the cruiser Newark, now some days overdue at Valparaiso. Secretary Long says he has no fear for her safety.

It was stated in Washington that tariff retaliation would be resorted to if Canada refused to agree to the modus vivendi on the Alaskan boundary.

The French Government has taken steps to extradite Esterhazy from England in order to prosecute him for the part he played in falsely convicting Capt. Dreyfus of treason.

At Spokane, Wash., Chaplain C. C. Bateman, U. S. A., is under arrest at the army post. Captain Batchelor, of Company N, Twenty-fourth infantry, ordered the Chaplain to his headquarters and put him under arrest. The nature of the charge is not made public.

At Hartsville, Mo., Jacob Fagley a farmer, formerly a justice of the peace, chairman of the Populist County Committee and minister of the gospel, was found guilty of complicity in the robbery of the Kansas City, Fort Scott and Memphis train at Macomb last January, and sentenced to twelve years in the penitentiary.

John J. Lalor, a translator, in the office of the Director of the Mint, lost his balance and fell from the second floor in the Treasury Department today down the shaft to the basement, probably receiving fatal injuries. Mr. Lalor is a well known writer on political economy and is the author of an encyclopedia on that subject.

The Mammoth Cave of Kentucky, which has held the record heretofore as the world's greatest cave, must hereafter, it is believed, give precedence to a cave in New Zealand, discovered by Horace Johnstone, near Fort Walkato and but ten or twelve miles from the city of Wellington. Johnstone explored the cave for miles but found no end.

Mrs. Mary Edgar is dead and Mrs. J. Ellenwood and Joseph Morrissey are dangerously ill from drinking beer in Silver City, a suburb of Milwaukee. It is believed that the beer was poisoned. A little girl was sent to a neighboring saloon with a pail for beer and it is said another pail of similar appearance was substituted by an acquaintance of the three.

AUSTRALIAN TRAMPS

AN IDEAL COUNTRY FOR "WEARY WILLIES."

The "Sundowner" and His Mode of Existence—As a Rule He Is Well Informed and Fairly Moral—He Will Work at Times But Loves His Rest.

Australia is an ideal country for tramps because of its universal hospitality and delightful climate. There are no hardships of weather, no dangerous wild beasts to contend with, very few clothes required, and there is seldom a night, up-country at least, that a man may not roll himself in his blanket and sleep in comfort.

The sundowner, so called because he invariably claims the hospitality of a "station" (ranch) at sundown—an hour when he knows he will not be turned away empty-handed—is the white tramp of Australia. He has so long been recognized as a necessary evil that at most stations a "traveler's hut" is now provided for his special accommodation; and a regular ration, usually a pannikin of flour and a pound of meat, is served out to every applicant.

In other places, more democratic, the sundowner takes his seat at the table in the men's quarters. He can always depend upon his supper, bed, and breakfast at any station; and he usually steals or begs from the cook sufficient to make a hearty midday meal. If the distances between stations are too far to be traveled in a single day, the swagsman rolls himself in his blanket and camps by the roadside. If the distance be but a few miles, he revels in a genuine holiday, picnics for the day, perhaps, under the shade of a giant gum tree and arrives at the station homestead, with all the appearance of a long day's walk, just as the sun is setting.

The Australian tramp is of a type wholly different from the ignorant, low-bred scum of humanity that one meets in some countries, and from the whining, professional beggar of Europe and America.

As a class these tramps are well informed, fairly moral, and, as the world goes, honest. The sundowner stands apart from the rest of his kind, inasmuch as he never begs for money.

He will ask for a pipeful of tobacco or a drink, a meal or a bunk, but for the coin of the realm he does not petition. He is a contented philosopher, with all the instincts of a nobleman; born, of course, under an unlucky star.

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