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THE MAINE DISASTER

Rumors of Startling Discoveries Are Not Verified.

NO MORE DEVELOPMENTS.

The Bodies of Merritt and Jenkins Still Undiscovered.

DEAD CAN NOT BE BROUGHT HOME

The Bodies So Terribly Mutilated That Speedy Interment is Absolutely Necessary and Imperative—The Increase in Our Naval Strength.

Washington, Feb. 25.—Rumors of startling discoveries in the wreck of the Maine were less frequent, but there were enough of them still to float yesterday to warrant Secretary Long in making this statement to the newspaper men as he left his office: "Summing up the situation, I should say that the navy department knows today nothing more about the cause of the disaster than it did five minutes after the receipt of the first dispatch from Captain Sigbee."

The secretary's attention was drawn to the published statement that Captain Croninshield, chief of the bureau of navigation, had just arrived at Tampa, Fla., on the Montgomery from a trip to Cuba, where he had been inspecting prospective coaling stations near Matanzas. The secretary's comment was simply this: "Captain Croninshield has not been in Cuba. He has been off with his boy on matters not in any way connected with the business of the navy."

Until the conclusion of the investigation of the court of inquiry at Havana the principal business of the navy department in connection with the Maine will relate to the conduct of the wrecking operations. Captain Long, the judge advocate general, who has this branch of the work immediately in charge, received telegrams from the Merritt & Chapman Wrecking company, at New York, stating that the steamer Merritt and the wrecking lighter Sharpe had sailed for Havana, and that the tug Underwriter, with the chief, would leave New York tomorrow for the same place. The assistant wrecking master is going to Havana on the Ward line steamer tomorrow.

The only exact information received by the navy department from Havana during the day was conveyed in Captain Sigbee's telegram, as follows:

"Wrecking tug Right Arm arrived yesterday. Begins work today. Much encumbering material must be blasted away in detail. Navy divers down after seven days, forward four days. Bodies of Merritt and Jenkins not found. Two unidentified bodies of crew found yesterday. After compartment filled with detached, broken and buoyant furniture and fittings, much confusion. Spanish authorities continue offers of assistance and care for wounded and dead. Everything that goes from the wreck to the United States should be disinfected. Wrecking company should provide for this."

"Surgeon of the Maine, after consulting with others, recommended that all bedding and clothing should be abandoned. Might go to acclimated poor. Useless fittings and equipments might be taken to sea and thrown overboard. Will take all immediate responsibility. Don't invite department's wishes. Shall old metal of superstructure and like be saved? Friends of dead should understand that we are in the tropics. Chaplain Chidwick charged with all matters relative to the dead. His conduct beyond praise. Don't know what reports are being printed, but the intensely active representatives of the press here have been very considerate of me and my position."

Secretary Long immediately answered Captain Sigbee, approving all his recommendations. His statement that much blasting will be required to clear away encumbering material indicates that it is essential further to destroy the upper portions of the wreck in order to get at what is more valuable beneath. Captain Sigbee's statement that the divers have been down after seven days and forward four days gave the navy department the first information of the time that the divers had been in the vicinity of the "zone of explosion," as he has termed it. This is a confined space in the forward part of the ship, and while the divers have been down after for the last week their work forward in the vicinity of the lower magazine has been in progress only four days.

The statement in the Sigbee dispatch that "friends of the dead should understand that we are in the tropics" is understood at the navy department to refer to the urgent pleas of relatives of the dead that they be brought to the United States. These appeals continue to be received here, and while they excite the deepest sympathy of officials, no hope can be held out that the dead can be brought back. One of these appeals makes a pitiful plea against the burying of the dead "by alien hands in an alien country."

There are circumstances which, if they could be made known, would excite such appeals and would show that the department has not been wanting in a desire to bring the remains to this country. These circumstances have been withheld, mainly through a desire to save friends and relatives from the pain which would be caused by a full disclosure of the effect of the explosion. The press reports have given in part the terrible mutilation of the bodies, but it is feared this has not been fully realized by friends and relatives. The men were sleeping on the berth deck, with many of the ceiling, which, by the force of the terrific explosion, were ground together into a confused mass. Knowing this, there is little hope that many of the

bodies still missing will be found, or, if found, that they will be in a condition to be brought to the United States. The navy department yesterday gave out the figures showing the strength of the naval militia up to date. This shows a total force of 4,465 officers and enlisted men, which is a gratifying increase from the 3,703 by the last report. Aside from the above, new brigades are in process of formation, which promises to swell the total to much larger figures at an early date. The organization of this auxiliary arm of the naval service is under the immediate direction of Lieutenant-Governor, U. S. N., whose energy has accomplished much in securing state organization and in the harmonizing of the bodies into one compact force, capable in emergency of co-operating with the regular navy. In his last report Mr. Roosevelt said that the state naval militia, in the event of a sudden emergency, could be utilized at once for manning the smaller national cruisers. The appropriation of \$50,000 made by congress to aid the work of the naval militia was approved among the states in a few days.

Thanks to the promptness and efficiency of the chief of engineers and the chief of ordnance of the army, the city of Washington is now regarded as being well safe and secure from attack by water. The fortifications at Fort Washington and Sheridan Point, on the opposite side of the Potomac, are sufficiently advanced to be able to repel an ordinary fleet of invaders, and in case of necessity they could be strengthened in a comparatively short time. These defenses are considered sufficient to keep all hostile vessels beyond the range of gunshot of the national capital.

Moreover, the river has been blocked off and prepared for mines and torpedoes at a point below the fortifications already mentioned, so that it is probable some of the ships of an enemy would be blown out of the water before it would be necessary to use the guns at the forts.

Late last night the navy department received two brief telegrams from Captain Sigbee. One related to some trifling matter of expenditures in connection with the work on the Maine and the other is as follows: "Divers report more bodies in the wreck, some in hammocks, and some in debris. Probably not recognizable."

This dispatch indicates that the divers have finally secured at least a partial entrance to the quarters in the forward part of the vessel, where the crew were asleep when the explosion occurred, and where the divers were unable to extricate the bodies shows the fearful obstacles against which they are laboring, and bears out the belief that the work of submarine investigation will necessarily proceed slowly.

THE COURT OF INQUIRY.

Witnesses Still Forbidden to Refer to Their Testimony. Havana, Feb. 25.—The court of inquiry held its final sessions yesterday. Captain Sampson reports that Charles Chidwick was examined as to his personal experiences at the time of the disaster to the Maine, and that the testimony was taken of the captain of a British bark in the harbor and the superintendent of the West Indian Oil works, across the bay at Regia, both of whom witnessed the explosion. Mr. Rolf, the British engineer of the floating dock in the harbor, wrote a letter to the court, but it is said, did not add anything material to what was known.

At the afternoon session the divers were examined more fully than before. Their testimony is taken from day to day. The court expects to sail today for the Mangrove for Key West, where the other officers and men will be examined.

The wrecking tug Right Arm did not go north, as was expected yesterday. She is now moored beside the poop of the wreck, and will save the smaller portions, as far as possible, in advance of the arrival of other tugs with better facilities for heavy work. The hoisting apparatus must be capable of raising stores of tons in the effective work to be accomplished.

Chaplain Chidwick reports that all the wounded here are doing well except Frederick C. Holzer, of New York, who may die at any moment. Neither the officers of the court of inquiry nor the witnesses will give the slightest indication of the testimony or the conclusions deducible from it, and all say that the men employed on the wreck have been warned to observe an equally strict reticence. The course is regarded as eminently wise by the American and all intelligent Spanish officials, as there is no telling what passions might be aroused or what evil results might be brought about by talking freely on official matters in the present state of public feeling in Havana. Thus far Americans are treated with the utmost courtesy and kindness, and it seems the special care of the residents of Havana to show friendliness.

Constable General Lee says there is no truth in the report that he had asked Captain General Blanco to dismiss from Cuba certain newspaper men for sending sensational stories to the United States. On the contrary, General Lee has never interfered with the American newspaper men in any way.

General Solano, the second chief of staff, yesterday returned on board the Mangrove the visit of the court of inquiry, acting as the representative of the governor general. Admiral Mantoloking personally returned the visit paid to him by the court. The Thursday receptions of General Blanco were resumed last evening.

Activity at Fort McPherson. Atlanta, Feb. 25.—Activity has never been so great at Fort McPherson as at the present time. The stir is attributed to General Merritt's arrival. Everything is in readiness to move the regiment within a few hours to any point that may be designated. At a consultation between Colonel Cook, commandant of the fort, and railroad officials, Colonel Cook was assured that the men could be transported to Florida within a night. The munitions of war have been greatly increased during the last few days. General Merritt was sent last night and asked if his arrival in the city was an indication of immediate action on the part of the regiment. "No," said he, "it is a part of my duty to inspect each post in my division every year, and I have come here merely as a part of my routine work. It is not a warlike move at all."

THE MINE FIRE OUT!

Work at the Girard Colliery, Mt. Carmel, Successful.

GRIFITHS' REMAINS WERE FOUND

The Fire Boss Was Evidently Smothered by Black Damp While He Was Resting—Four of Five Mules Met a Similar Fate.

Mt. Carmel, Feb. 25.—The fire in the Girard colliery has been extinguished and the body of John Griffiths, the fire boss, recovered. These satisfactory results were attained at about four o'clock yesterday afternoon. Griffiths' body was found on the gangway about four hundred feet east of the slope. The deceased's safety lamp was found beside the body, locked. His end was evidently a painful one and was caused by suffocation due to smoke precipitated into black damp. The body was lying upon its back on a plank with the arms crossed over the chest. The body was very much like that of a person asleep.

There is a belief that Griffiths made his way to the place where he was found and, becoming exhausted, decided to take a rest before trying to reach and cross the bottom of the slope to get to the traveling way on the west side and then reach the surface. The point at which he stopped was opposite the stable. He evidently went into the stable, procured a plank and a resting place on the gangway very close to the ditch. There were five mules in the stable. Four were smothered to death. The stable is on a pitch and the fifth mule was at the highest point, which accounted for its escape from death. Its winnowing was heard as the rescuing party approached the stable in search of Griffiths' body. After removing the body of the fire boss some of the men returned and gave food and water to the almost famished mule. The animal could not be removed from the mine on account of the slope being blocked with debris of the fire.

Experts declared last night that the fire was completely extinguished and a gang of men was put to work at once to clear away the debris and put new timbers in the place of those that were burned. This work will take about four days and it is believed the colliery will be put in operation again next Tuesday or Wednesday.

At Kepchinski's Arcade Cafe. Noodle soup will be served free, during and between the acts to-night. Hot lunch to-morrow morning.

Train Service Unsatisfactory. The new arrangement of trains on the Lehigh Valley Railroad are far from satisfactory to the public in some of the towns which have suffered the loss of trains, and petitions are being circulated to present to the management asking for the restoration of the service. In one of the towns the company's agent is said to be circulating the petition. It is rather inconsistent for the people who patronize the trolley lines to ask for trains to be run when they did not use them when they were running.

Metairie Cafe. Clam soup, free, to-night. Hot lunch to-morrow morning.

Killed in New Mexico. News has been received of the death of Andrew Tolan, a former resident of Mahanoy City and who recently paid a visit to that town. He alighted from a train at his home when another train bore down upon him, injuring him so badly that he died a few hours afterwards. He was connected with the United States regulars in New Mexico, and was well known in Shenandoah.

Kendrick House Free Lunch. Oyster soup will be served, free, to all patrons to-night.

Wait for Waldron's Big Horse Sale. Waldron, the great Canadian horse shipper, will hold the largest sale at one o'clock, Thursday, March 3rd, at O'Hara's livery, Shenandoah, that has ever been held in this part of the country. Horses of all sizes, shapes and colors will be sold at the highest bidder without reserve, so that anyone wanting any kind of a horse, or team, can be suited. Remember the time and place, at one o'clock, O'Hara's livery, Shenandoah, Thursday, March 3rd. Sale rain or shine.

How's Your Cough? Pan-Tina cures it, 25c. At Gruller Bros., drug store.

Candidate for Coroner. The many friends of Dr. H. E. Bricker, of Mahanoy City, are urging him to allow his name to be presented at the Republican county convention for Coroner. They believe he will be a strong candidate.

Latest spring styles and hats just received, in stiff and velvet shapes. At Samuel Block's.

Miss Houck to Wed. The engagement of Miss Grace, daughter of Rev. W. A. Houck, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church at Mt. Carmel, to R. C. Warriner, who is at present located in South Africa, is announced.

Hickert's Cafe. Pea soup, free, to-night. Boston baked beans and pork to-morrow morning.

Mr. Megargle's Latest Purchase. Councilman F. E. Magargle of town, while in Philadelphia yesterday became the owner of two horses which he purchased at the Bull's Head barn. The one is a black gelding trotter, sired by "Harro Wilkes" and bears a remarkable record. The other is a bay saddle horse. They arrived last evening and to-day his stable was the Mecca of our local horsemen.



THE WEATHER.

The forecast for Saturday: Clear, slightly colder weather and fresh northwesterly to northerly winds.

P. & R. CHANGES.

A New Schedule to go Into Effect on the Local Branch.

Following close after the Lehigh Valley and Pennsylvania Railroad changes in time of trains, comes the announcement that a new time table will go into effect on the P. & R. Railroad on Sunday next and some of the changes made will better the train service considerably.

It is stated that the train now leaving Shenandoah at 7:05 a. m. is to be changed to 7:30, making closer connections at Mahanoy City for Philadelphia and Pottsville, arriving at the latter place about 8:50 a. m. The train which now arrives at Shenandoah at 9:47 a. m. and which leaves Philadelphia at 4:30 a. m. will, under the new arrangement, leave Philadelphia at 3:30 a. m. and arrive in Shenandoah about 8:40 a. m. As this train carries mail and express makes an earlier delivery of both may be expected.

The 11:30 p. m. train from Philadelphia for Pottsville, Shenandoah, and Williamsport, will leave at 12 o'clock, midnight, and the running time will be quickened so that the train will arrive here at the same time as at present.

Under the new arrangement a good connection for Mt. Carmel and Shamokin will be made by the train which is to leave at 7:50 a. m. This will meet along with a train from an earlier train to these points, as under present arrangements the earliest train for the points which was discontinued in 1892, was the train running on the main line now are much more numerous and convenient than they were at that time, having good connections to Pottsville and points south as well as to Shamokin, Sunbury and Williamsport. Whether this idea will be carried out or not, it is stated, not yet decided, but it is evident that the pioneer line to town is waking up to an endeavor to win back business lost to its competitors some time ago.

Scalp Treatment. Katharine H. Hickey, 120 N. Main St. If

A BIG DEMAND. Something of the Greatest Importance to Every Consumer.

What is one price? This is a simple question, yet few people grasp the full meaning of it. One price means a value placed upon an article with due consideration of the quality of that article a fair profit to the dealer and full value to the purchaser. One Price Clothing means full value to the customer and a fair profit to the clothing merchant. The Mammoth Clothing House, 9 and 11 South Main street, L. Golden, proprietor, has adopted the One Price system and every customer who patronizes the store can buy goods at the prices offered with confidence that each article is fully worth the price asked. Our motto is One Price—no more, no less. We ask but one favor: After March 3rd, 1893, pay a visit to our store before going elsewhere. Each piece of clothing will be marked with the price at which it will be sold. Examine carefully and note the prices. You will be convinced that we offer better clothing at cheaper prices than any other dealer in the county can offer. All our new stock will arrive on and before March 1st and an increased force of clerks will be put to work marking each piece of suit at its selling price—its real value to the consumer—One Price.

See our new line of piece goods. We make suits to order for \$7.50 and up to \$30. We have received so many orders for custom made suits that we are compelled to bring our tailors from Philadelphia to Shenandoah and next week they will be located in our own building here. This will give our customers better satisfaction.

MAMMOTH CLOTHING HOUSE. L. Golden, Prop., 9 and 11 South Main street, Shenandoah, Pa.

Energy all gone? Headache? Stomach out of order? Simply a case of torpid liver; Burdock Blood Bitters will make a new man or woman of you.

Another Sale Shortly. Everyman Newsdealer has seldom been favored with as good fortune as he had yesterday at his regular public sale of horses. His entire lot of thirty-five head were disposed of in a very short time. The attendance was the largest of any of his previous sales. Horses were sold very cheap, the heavy draught team being sold at below their value. Mr. Newsdealer announces that he will conduct another sale on or about the 11th of March.

At Samuel Block's for 10 days overcost worth \$10.00 can be bought for \$4.00. If

A Good Investment. A brick building, centrally located, with all the latest improvements, is offered for sale. Terms to suit purchaser. Possession given April 1st, or present leases to continue at option of purchaser. For full terms and particulars write or call at S. G. M. Hollenpeter's law office, Titman building. 2-25-93

25c. is the price of the Daylight lamp mantle. 35c. is the price of the best mantle in the market, at Brumm's Jewelry store.

Funeral. The funeral of Owen, 16-year-old son of Michael Conville, of Brownsville, to place this morning. The members of the Annunciation Cadet Society formed a part of the cortege. Mass was celebrated in the Annunciation church and the remains were interred in the parish cemetery.

Up to Date for Pains and Aches. Everybody says Red Flag Oil, 25c. At Gruller Bros., drug store.

Pensions Granted. Pensions have been granted to the following persons: John Meybuehner, Lansford, \$6 per month; John N. Eckert, Crossons, \$5; Patrick Mitten, Shenandoah, \$10; David M. Snyder, Mahanoy, \$6; Dennis Brennan, of Lost Creek, \$8 per month dating from August 9, 1897.

A Sure Cure for Coughs and Colds. That's what Pan-Tina is, 25c. At Gruller Bros., drug store.

Fire! Fire! Fire! Insure your property from loss in the oldest and strongest cash companies: Philadelphia Underwriters Insurance Co. of North America and Fire Association, Hartford Fire Ins. Co., American Fire Insurance Co., West Chester Fire Ins. Co., United Firemen's Ins. Co. T. T. WILLIAMS, 123 S. Jardin St., Shenandoah.

HAIR HINTS

It is much easier to keep the hair when you have it than it is to restore it when it's lost. If your hair is "coming out" it needs instant attention. The use of AYER'S HAIR VIGOR will promptly stop the hair from falling, and stimulate it to new growth. "Some years ago my hair began to fall out and I became quite bald. I was advised to try



Operations Upon the Eye. Dr. J. P. Brown has opened offices at 233 East Centre street, Mahanoy City, and will practice medicine and surgery in all its branches, including eye, ear, nose and throat. Spectacles and eye-glasses adjusted, artificial eyes inserted and operations upon eyes performed. 11-30-92 J. P. BROWN, M. D.

Samuel Block will offer for the next 10 days, men's and boys' odd suits that cost from \$8 to \$10, at \$4.

Going Out of Business. Owing to the death of my wife, I will sell out my entire stock of gents' furnishings, dry goods and notions. Here is an opportunity for rare bargains. Have also a parlor suite and other house furniture left for sale. Intend to leave town. Louis Mann, 17 West Centre street. 2-17-93

Don't annoy others by your coughing, and risk your life by neglecting a cold. One Little Cough Cure cures coughs, colds, croup, grippe and all throat and lung troubles. H. H. Hagenbuch. 11-30-92

Two Dollars for a Carcase. Telephone or telegraph to M. Ulrich & Son, Ashland, Pa., when you have a dead horse, mule or cow. They will pay you \$2.00 and remove it promptly. 11-30-92

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Six-foot Extension Table, nicely carved, \$3.50.

Bedsteads from \$1.50 up.

Chairs from 35 cents up.

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