

# FATAL PICNIC PARTY

## A Disastrous Storm Visits Merry Makers.

### DEATH VISITS PICNIC GROVE.

Four Killed and Many Injured by Falling Trees During Terrific Storm. No. 3 Stockton.

A most disastrous storm, with loss of life and property, rained over central Chautauque county, New York. The very center of it was in the picnic grove, near the village of Stockton, where 5,000 persons were attending the annual town picnic. Lightning was incessant, rain fell in torrents, trees were blown down, houses were unroofed and in the picnic grove where men, women and children were huddled in an effort at protection, lightning struck many places. Two or three big trees were crushed to the ground by falling trees.

When the storm struck the grove and the trees began falling the utmost consternation prevailed; there was no place of safety. Women were screaming and children crying, while men were almost beside themselves with terror as they made repeated efforts to remove the dead and injured from among the fallen timbers. Several horses were killed outright, no effort being made to release the injured animals until the men and women who had been hurt were cared for. Physicians were on the ground and everything possible was done for the relief of the injured.

### GETS DIVORCE IN HOUR'S TIME.

Mrs. Fetzor Given Her Child and \$20,000 Cash.

In a suit which occupied less than an hour from the time of filing, Mrs. Mary E. Fetzor, of Chicago, was divorced by Judge Brentano from John C. Fetzor, financier and managing receiver for the Chicago Union Traction Company. The charge brought by Mrs. Fetzor was desertion. Mrs. Fetzor was given \$20,000 cash and the husband agreed to pay her \$15,000 more within five years. Mrs. Fetzor was given custody of her 10-year-old daughter, the couple was married 12 years ago in Ottumwa, Ia. They lived together until May, 1912, when they separated.

### STARVING IN THE FLOODS.

Five Thousand Persons Without Food in Western Districts.

Word from Reno, Nev., states that food boats and washouts in Tonopah and Carson and Colorado Railroads are the most disastrous in the history of these districts. People at Tonopah and Goldfields are on the verge of starvation. They are being temporarily relieved by the rushing in of supplies via Crocker Springs, Silver Peak and Candelaria by wagon trains.

### St. Petersburg Builds Hopes.

The latest information from the front is summed up in a dispatch from Cairo showing that the Japanese in the assaults on Port Arthur August 21 and 22 were again repulsed with heavy losses. The feeling grows here that the ferocity of the repeated attacks and the defeats must be gradually dissipating the energy of the besiegers, and that the Japanese may find that "they have broken their teeth on the stones of Port Arthur." It appears that the balance of sea power in the East is thoroughly upset pending the arrival there of the Baltic squadron, which, with the exception of the battleship Orel, left Kronstadt on a 10-day's cruise.

### General Beaver Seriously Ill.

General James A. Beaver, former Governor of Pennsylvania and at present a judge of the Superior Court, is dangerously ill at his home in Bellefonte, Pa. Last Saturday General Beaver fell downstairs and injured the stump of his amputated leg close to the body. Abscesses formed and General Beaver's condition grew worse. The family admit that serious results may ensue.

### Will Fight into Winter.

According to the correspondents of the London Daily Chronicle with General Kuroki's army, the Japanese are not likely to retire into winter quarters. Rather than to thus give the Russians a breathing space they will prosecute a vigorous winter campaign. The correspondent says that the Japanese are accumulating immense stores, ammunition and guns at Hailcheng.

### Another Steamer Stopped.

News has reached England that the Russian auxiliary cruiser Ural stopped and examined the British collier Pencalecik on August 12. The Pencalecik was bound from Cardiff for Malia with coal for the British navy.

### Explosion Injures Three.

An explosion at the blast furnace of the Riverside plant of the National Tube Company at Wheeling, W. Va., fatally injured one laborer and seriously burned two others. They are: Anton Scholekavic, a Slav, burned so that the flesh fell from his body. He cannot live longer than few hours. Mena Pulanski, a Pole, burned about head and body. Virgil Schubert, seriously burned about the face and body.

### REVIEW OF TRADE.

Better Crop Prospects Helps Trade, but Labor Controversies Is a Drawback.

R. G. Dan & Co.'s "Weekly Review of Trade" says: "Trade has improved somewhat, chiefly because of better crop prospects and the fact that net wheat variations in prices of steel products failed to demoralize that industry. The industrial atmosphere is still disturbed by labor controversies, however, and it will be impossible to fully restore national prosperity until the proportion of voluntarily unemployed wage earners is greatly reduced, but there is increasing confidence in the future. Prospects are considered bright on the Pacific coast because of the high prices paid for farm products. Foreign commerce at this point for the last week was unfavorable, exports showing a loss of \$1,991,252 as compared with the same week last year, while imports decreased \$2,247,773. Price uncertainty still dominates the iron and steel market. Various constructions are placed upon the recent reduction in net, whatever the highest may have been, the result has certainly militated against recovery at a most critical time, and the hope that still more attractive quotations may prevail causes postponement in placing contracts. While business is decidedly quiet, on the whole several contracts have been placed covering a large tonnage, which tends to avert the threatened depression. New business is reported in steel mills for both domestic and foreign orders. Structural steel feels the effect of labor controversies in the building trades, but there is encouragement in large purchases for railway bridges and elevated roads. The pig iron outlook has been brightened by the restoration of several blast furnaces to the active list, and Southern producers have been compelled to purchase large quantities of coke on account of the glutinous coal strike, which has proved more stubborn than expected. Instead of increased activity with the possibility for abundant raw material the manufacture of cotton goods has experienced a further curtailment. Activity has continued in jangling circles, but this business has had no appreciable effect on the primary market. Boot and shoe shops of New England have received sufficient additional fall contracts to give practical assurance of activity well into October. Sales of sole leather are of moderate proportions a firm tone prevailing because of small production.

### OUT OF THE FIGHT TILL THE END

Under International Law They Must Remain in Port Until the War is Over.

The correspondent of the London Times at Shanghai in a dispatch dated August 24, says that orders from Emperor Nicholas have been conveyed to Captain Rosenstein commanding the Uhl forthwith to disarm the cruiser Askold and the torpedo boat destroyer Grozovoi and that "the flags on both vessels were lowered at once."

### RUSSIAN FLAG LOWERED

Czar Orders Disarmament of Two Warships at Shanghai.

The principal corn states have experienced a week of favorable conditions, abundant rains having fallen throughout the corn belt, except in portions of Ohio and Nebraska, where the latter part of the week was too cool in the lake region and unseasonably low temperatures occurred in the Northern Rocky mountain districts and upper Missouri valley on August 21 and 22, but elsewhere east of the Rocky mountains the temperature has been favorable.

### PENSION OFFICE REPORT.

Appropriation Exceeds the Amount Paid Out During Year.

The annual report of Pension Commissioner Eugene F. Ware, covering the fiscal year ended June 30, 1914, shows that during the year the cost of maintaining the pension system of the government has been \$114,712,787. The appropriation for this purpose was \$146,419,296, leaving an unexpected balance of \$1,796,508. During the year 47,274 persons were added to the pension rolls, 325 by special act of Congress, and the balance by the pension bureau. During the same period 49,157 pensioners were dropped from the rolls. Of these deaths claimed 43,929. The total number of pensioners on the roll, as covered by the report, is 729,215 soldiers, 273,841 widows and dependents and 696 army nurses.

### ROB PAYMASTER OF \$5,000.

Daring Crime in Which Thieves Are Well Repaid.

Four masked men held up Paymaster White of the O'Rourke Construction Company on the Ridge road, near Paterson, N. J., and robbed him of \$5,000. The paymaster, accompanied by two other men, was on his way to the office of the company in a buggy when the four men, one an American and the other three Italians, came out of the woods. The American shot the horse. The robbers covered the three occupants of the buggy with guns and got away with the bag of money, which was in the bottom of the buggy. All of the robbers were masked and wore blue goggles.

### Want Wages Advanced.

The wage committee of the Amalgamated Window Glass Workers of America has decided to ask the manufacturers for an increase, which will bring the new wage scale up to where it was when a 28 per cent reduction was made in the middle of last year.

### BURY FILIPINOS ALIVE.

Bandits Ambush Constabulary, Killing Captain Barrett.

A detail of native constabulary of Manila, has been ambushed on the island of Leyte by a superior force of bandits. Captain H. Barrett, of the constabulary, was killed in the fighting. There has been trouble in the province of Misamis, island of Mindanao, where bandits have looted several towns. The native authorities were defied and Pablo Mercado and his family were kidnaped. Mercado was accused of being too friendly with the Americans.

### China Stops Repairs.

Consul-General Goodnow, at Shanghai, cabled the State Department at Washington, that the Chinese Taotai of Shanghai, through the British consul, had ordered that the repairs to the Russian cruiser Askold and the torpedo boat destroyer Grozovoi be stopped. The order was made through the British consul because of the fact that the repairs were being made by the British Dock Company at Shanghai.

### \$50,000 for Missions.

The will of Isaac Newton Topf, who died recently at Syracuse, N. Y., was probated in Cleveland, O. The estate is valued at \$250,000, of which sum \$50,000 is given for Christian missionary work to be carried on under the direction of at least three churches of different denominations.

### 350,000 for Missions.

For the first time in eight years the Populist party in Connecticut held a state convention. T. P. Ryncor, of Erie, Pa., member of the national committee, spoke.

### RAINS RELIEVE DROUGHT.

Potato Crop Threatened by Rot and Blight.

The weekly crop report, issued by the Weather Bureau is as follows: The drought prevailing in portions of the central valleys in the previous week has been relieved by abundant rains, but drought continues in Central and Western Tennessee, and is beginning to be felt in the Middle Gulf States and over a considerable part of Texas. The Central and Northern Rocky mountain districts and the North Pacific coast region are also suffering from drought, the prevalence of forest fires being reported from Idaho and Montana. The latter part of the week was too cool in the lake region and unseasonably low temperatures occurred in the Northern Rocky mountain districts and upper Missouri valley on August 21 and 22, but elsewhere east of the Rocky mountains the temperature has been favorable.

### SLOPES RAN WITH BLOOD

Frightful Slaughter of Japanese at Port Arthur.

13,000 MEN DRIVE BACK 60,000.

Assault of July 30 Said to Have Resulted in Loss of Ten Thousand Men.

The storming of Port Arthur by the Japanese is costing the Mikado's army thousands of men, according to a correspondent who sends in a vivid account of the fighting now going on at the fortress. The Russian forces, although greatly outnumbered by the Japanese, are holding out nobly and fighting against great odds. The correspondent writing of the recent fighting says:

With each additional report from Port Arthur wonder increases both at the persistence of the Japanese attack and the heroic stubbornness of the defenders of the fortress. The Japanese are literally throwing away thousands of lives in the hope of shaking the courage of the Russian troops. Major General Fock says he is confident the fortress cannot be taken, but if it is taken the whole Japanese army will have to evacuate it and the assault will be made at some other point of the coast. The Japanese are everywhere decimating streets and houses and erecting arches and flagstaffs in preparation for a national celebration of the expected victory.

### AT BOTTOM OF SEA.

Exciting Experience of Crew of New Government Submarine Boat.

While the submarine torpedo boat Shark was being prepared for a submerged run near Brentons reef light Monday afternoon, she sank to the bottom in 100 feet of water and remained there for some time before the crew could move her. The cause of the sinking is not known.

### Boston Wool Market.

The market for wool maintains a firm tone, but the demand rules quiet under a light demand from manufacturers. The strength from the market comes from its statistical position, hence the result of the sales of wools will have much to do in determining the future price of wools. Ohio deals hold firm at a cut 36 to 36½; unwashed Ohio dealines, 25½; to 26. Territory wools firm. The secured basis for fine is 55 to 57c, with fine medium at 53 to 55. One quarter blood unwashed firm, 28@29c for Ohio, three-eighths blood 27½@28c; one-half blood 27@27½c. Michigan and Missouri one-quarter bloods about 27@27½c.

### Negroes Repute Confirmed.

For the first time in the history of the iron business in the Mahoning valley, negroes have been imported into the valley to take the place of white men who have worked for years in the iron mills. The men were imported to take the place of the striking Amalgamated men at the Girard plant of the American Steel Hoop Company.

### Japanese Repute Confirmed.

According to the latest information from Port Arthur a furious Japanese attack throughout August 19 and August 20 was repulsed with terrific loss. There has been no serious fighting in this region, but there has been a small skirmish at Anshanshan, where Japanese troops attacked a Russian outpost and were driven off with a loss of six killed. The military inactivity is credited here to the fact that the Japanese are concentrating all their attention on Port Arthur.

### SEA WALL COMPLETED.

Great Engineering Feat to Protest City of Galveston.

The completion of the Galveston sea wall, the greatest structure of its kind in the world, was celebrated on the 22d. Governor Lanham was present and made an address. The sea wall was completed the last of July. Two granite monuments were erected at the foot of Tremont street to commemorate the completion of the wall. The wall represents one of the finest pieces of engineering work of any kind ever accomplished in America. It is 27,534 feet long, 16 feet wide at the base, five feet wide at the top, and stands 17 feet above mean low tide, with a granite riprap apron extending 27 feet out on the gulf side. The contract price of the wall was \$1,258,318. The actual construction of the wall proper consumed one year, four months and 17 days.

### NEWS NOTES.

Sheriff Bell, of Victor, Col., prevented the lynching of a man.

Bishop of Greek church at Chicago will refuse communion to strike breakers.

Edward Whitman, aged 19 years, was killed in an explosion of fireworks at Manhattan Beach.

Judge Martin J. Wade was renominated for Congress by the Democrats of the Second town district.

Democrats of the First Indiana district nominated Albert O. Holcomb, of Fort Branch, for Congress.

Dr. Edmund J. James, of Northwestern University, was elected president of the University of Illinois.

Albert Davis and Dave Fields, wife murderers, were hanged on the same scaffold at Rolling Fork, Miss.

In a hotel fire at Lima, O., George Butrage a travelling salesman, of Lawrenceburg, Ind., was suffocated.

### TWO KILLED; 30 INJURED.

Windstorm Leaves Death and Ruin in Its Wake.

A severe windstorm swept over a region in Hamilton county, South Dakota, killing Mr. Erickson and Mrs. B. Schilling, and injuring 30 persons. Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Smith, of Willow Lakes, and Mrs. Schilling's son and daughter were probably fatally injured.

At Willow Lakes every building was damaged. Three churches, a school house and all the elevators and livery barns are lying in heaps of ruins. The Great Northern depot was blown across the railroad track, and 17 box cars were turned bottom side up. The Methodist Church is upside down on the parsonage.

### Big Contract for Steel.

One of the largest individual contracts for iron and steel structural material placed in the United States in many years has been awarded to the American Bridge Company by the South Side Elevated Railroad Company of Chicago. It calls for the delivery of 44,000,000 pounds of material for use in the construction of the proposed stock yards and Englewood extensions of the overhead line, at a cost approximating \$5,000,000.

### REVOLUTIONISTS TAKE A TOWN.

Vice President Dominguez, of Paraguay, Has Resigned.

The Paraguayan revolutionists have seized the town of Villa Reyes and have captured the garrison, consisting of 200 men, 1,700 rifles and one cannon, in addition to a quantity of ammunition for rifles and cannon.

In a hand-to-hand fight between the Uruguayan revolutionists and the government forces at Santa Rosa, held by the government force, 35 men were killed and 85 were wounded. The town eventually surrendered and the government troops retired by water.

Manuel Dominguez, Vice President of Paraguay, has resigned. It is rumored in Formosa that Asuncion has surrendered, but the rumor cannot be confirmed. The revolutionists have seized another steamer loaded with cannon, rifles and munitions of war.

Six employees of the Buffalo, Rochester and Pittsburg Railroad were seriously injured near Rochester, N. Y., by a handcar, upon which they were riding, jumping the track.

### Strikers Lose Support.

The members of the Chicago Teamsters' Union who have been on strike for several weeks in the effort to aid the striking butchers at the stock yards held a meeting to determine whether or not they should withdraw from the strike. It was decided that the teamsters as a body would refuse to give any further assistance to the strike, and the question of remaining on strike, or of going back to work was left to the vote of the various locals.

Idle Men Reinstated.

All the men employed on the Panhandle division of the Pennsylvania Lines West of Pittsburg are at work again. Early in the summer fully one-half of the men employed on that division were laid off. They have all been reinstated and it is expected that more men will be employed in the near future because of the large amount of repair work to be done and the large amount of improvements that are to be made.

### HER OLD DAD POOLED 'EM.

When Mary Jane, last Tuesday night, Elopod with Jimmy Brewer, Dad threw a siddle on ole Prince, A-woo! he'd persons on. He learned they went to Fernville, Ah, all advice a-shunning, He started for the town at once, With that ole horse a-runnin'.

Dad reached the town by Peoperville, At ten on Wednesday mornin'; Though fired out he never stopped, All thoughts as a-larger account; He rid to every preacher's house Ah! for a minute tarried, Until at one he found the two, But they had just been married.

"Well, Dad," sez Mary, "me an' Jim Air one. What air you sayin'?" "I thank the Lord, Dad almost yelled, A smooth game he'd been playin'." "Ain't mad?" asked she. Dad answered, "No." "It's joy to be the loser, I chided you just to egg you on." "I wish Dad a sick old snoozer!" -St. Louis Mirror.



### JUST FOR FUN

Waiter—Will you have some Boston soap? Disconcerts Lover—No; but if you have any paris green soap bring it along.—Detroit Free Press.

"Has Jones as assured reputation as an author?" "Absolutely. Why, he says he can now turn out poor work all the rest of his life."—Life.

First Physician—Did you get much out of Stinkylogh? Second Physician (gloomily)—Nothing but an appendix.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

"Are you fond of music?" asked Miss Cayenne of her guest of honor. "Very." "Then I must ask Mr. Blighins to sing."—Washington Star.

"I wrote a little war poem and my wife burned it." "What was the trouble with it?" "She said it wasn't fiery enough."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Tommy Figgiam—Paw? Paw Figgiam—Yes, sonny. "Don't th' Bible say 'All flesh is grass'?" "I guess so, sonny." "Then is dried beef hay?"—Baltimore American.

Mrs. Caller—I understand your husband is troubled with rheumatism, Mrs. Groswell—Yes; but his rheumatism doesn't trouble him half as much as it does me.—Chicago News.

Bessie—By this time every one knows that he kissed Fieacie out in the conservatory. Tossie—Yes, a thing like that always passes from mouth to mouth so quickly.—Yale Record.

The Landlady—I'm afraid Mr. Slopoy has forgotten what a large bill he owes me. The Star Boarder—No, he hasn't; he said only yesterday that he wished he had money enough to move.—Judge.

Artist (at work)—"Now give me your honest opinion of this picture." Visitor (who fancies himself a critic)—"It's utterly worthless." Artist (dreamily)—"Yes—but give it, all the same."—Punch.

"Open your mouth a little wider, please," said the dentist. "My friend," replied the professor, with some impatience, "I can't open my mouth any wider. But I can extend it vertically a little more, if you insist upon it."

Farmer Jason—"So you want a job, eh? What can yer do?" Frolicsome Frisbie—"Nothin'." Farmer Jason—"Well, I can't give you a job of that kind, but it seems to me you might get a job somewhere as a war correspondent."—Puck.

Customer—"Why doesn't that spinster, Miss Brown, deal at your shop any more?" Draper—"One of my clerks insulted her." Customer—"How?" Draper—"She overheard him telling some one that she was our oldest customer."—Glasgow Evening Times.

"Do you encourage your daughter's literary ambitions?" "Decidedly," answered the matter-of-fact woman. "If she has the gossiping instinct it is bound to come out, and she'd better be making up stories about imaginary people than about the neighbors."—Washington Star.

"Did you hear the shot fired?" Inquired the lawyer of the peppy female witness. "You told me," replied the witness, "that you didn't want any hearsay evidence." "Answer my question, madam!" roared the lawyer. "Did you hear the shot fired?" "I heard the gun fired," said the witness, "if that's what you want to know."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Oystermen Bring Up Pirate's Gold.

Captain Lemuel Hordiker of the sloop Bessie W. Dronne brought into port at Baltimore a pot of gold. It came from Chesapeake bay. In it were an old cross of antique design, two finger rings of old English design, one neck chain, 17 gold coins, supposed to be Spanish doubloons; 38 silver coins, varying in size from a silver dollar to an old-time three-cent piece, and an endless variety of gold and silver trinkets. Capt. Hartler found his treasure while dredging for oysters off Kent Island. For generations residents of Kent Island have known that the pirates of old had buried treasure along the shore.

Reclaiming an Island.

The island of Nordstrand, the only portion of once fertile North Frisia-land which is as yet unreclaimed, is now to be saved from the sea by the construction of a large dyke. The island was first separated from the mainland by a terrific storm in 1634, during which over six thousand persons were drowned.