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Paducah, Ky. (Special).—The steamer City of Golconda plying between this city and Elizabethtown, Ill., was struck by a squall during a storm about 7 p. m. as she was enroute to Paducah.

Sixteen persons are reported drowned. Their names are: Miss Lucy Barnett, of Smithland. Miss Lizzie Graham and Miss Trixie Adams, of Greenville.

The disaster occurred as supper was served, and many of the 75 passengers were in the cabin. The wind struck the boat without warning and there was no time for those on the inside to escape.

Capt. Jesse Bauer and Pilot E. E. Peck were the last to leave the boat and swam to shore. They saved several persons struggling in the water and left the survivors in a house near the bank and came to the city.

The boat was getting ready to land when the squall struck her and she listed. Several passengers, who were inside, jumped overboard and were caught by the boat. The women, all of whom were in the cabin, could not be reached.

United States is the greatest producing country of the world. Although this country represents but one-fifth of the total civilized population of the world, it produces more than one-fourth of all foodstuffs.

Domestic. A syndicate composed of Drexel & Co., Brown Bros. & Co. and Harey Fisk & Sons Co. has bid \$9,022,500 for the bonds of Philadelphia, and the city will accept the bid.

Two men were rescued from the networks tunnel and, 2000 ft. under Lake Erie. They were there for five days.

The Russian bark Neptune is thought to have been wrecked off the Florida Coast in the recent storm.

The plant of the American Cigar factory in Richmond, Va., was burned; loss, \$150,000, partly insured.

Wm. E. Douglass, formerly assistant teller of the Guarantee Trust and Savings Company of Philadelphia, who was arrested in Boston, decided to return to Philadelphia without a requisition.

A plan is on foot to have a fine bridge across the Missouri river at Kansas City.

The removal of tobacco tariff has revived business in Porto Rico.

Reports received in San Francisco state that the ship Manchester, which sailed nearly a year ago from New York for Yokohama, and which has been reported missing, was wrecked on the desert island of Pikar, in the Pacific Ocean.

Mr. Charles H. P. Sharrett, member of the board of appraisers at New York, will be the American representative in China in connection with the adjustment of the tariff of that country.

Men Dead in Many Hurts in Philadelphia. BENZINE TANK EXPLODES. Strikes a Tank and Starts a Fire at Point Breeze-In a Short Time Four or Five Big Tanks of Oil Are Blazed-Many Were Injured by Flying Debris.

Philadelphia (Special).—During a severe electrical storm lightning struck a benzine tank at the Atlantic Oil Refining Company's works, at Point Breeze, in the southwestern section of the city.

While a large force of firemen were endeavoring to check the fire in a nest of burning oil tanks at 12.30 a. m. an immense tank of benzine exploded.

Many firemen were in proximity to the tank and fell victims to the blazing oil and flying pieces of iron.

A general call was telegraphed for ambulances and patrol wagons, and the injured were hurried to the hospitals in the lower end of the city.

The bodies were hardly recognizable when brought to the morgue. Some of the injured will die.

Following his usual custom, John Chapman, an auditor in the Chicago office of the company, came to this city to make an inspection of the accounts.

London (By Cable).—Prior to his departure for New York on the American Line steamer St. Paul, Congressman Grosvenor, of Ohio, referred to the wide-spread interest taken in Great Britain in the American steel strike.

London (By Cable).—The Sun says it hears that the concentration of General Botha's forces at Hondweni, on the borders of Zululand, announced in a dispatch from Durban, does not foreshadow a fight with Botha, but his surrender.

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