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The Flood Damages.

It Appears Greater Than at First Reported.

EIGHT DAMS WASHED AWAY.

The Loss in the Vicinity of Plainfield Alone Will Reach One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars—The Town of Passaic Flooded—Extent of the Storm at Other Places.

PLAINFIELD, N. J., Aug. 1.—The damage by the floods appears to be greater than at first supposed, eight dams in all were washed away near here. The break of the Fenville dam carried away two smaller dams below. The damage in the business portion of the city will amount to not less than \$30,000. Fifteen large brick buildings are undermined, and are now in a dangerous condition. Some of the streets are impassable being washed away in great gaps.

Every bridge in Plainfield, Fairwood and Warren township were washed away. The loss to the county will reach \$40,000 for bridges alone. It is believed that the loss in and near Plainfield by the storm will reach \$150,000.

The Damage Done at Passaic.

PASSAIC, N. J., Aug. 1.—The flood that rushed down the avenues formed roaring mill races in the streets east of the railroad, and overflowed into basements and cellars all along its course. Foaming torrents ran down Bloomfield and Howe avenues. Park Place was turned into a destructive river, and the center of the street is washed out three and four feet.

The railroad at Pavillion avenue was buried under several feet of sand, and men were stationed at different places to keep the trucks clear. The drive through Depot park at the bridge and a large portion of the lawn are ruined, and it will cost several thousand dollars to repair the damage to the streets in this city. The Passaic river is very high, and the lumber yards and factories along its banks are in great peril.

Long Island Storm Swept.

NEW YORK, Aug. 1.—Long Island, from Brooklyn to Montauk Point, is storm swept. The fields in South Brooklyn are like lakes, and most of the lower ward cellars and in some places the first stories of houses are flooded.

Coney Island has escaped in a comparative easy way. The swamps at the track of the West End have overflowed in some places and have caused some damage to outlying buildings.

At Rockaway Beach some caravans near the beach were pretty nearly drowned out. Along the north shore no serious injury seems to have been done although the farmers have yet to be heard from. No loss of life is reported as yet.

The Damage in Essex County.

NEW YORK, Aug. 1.—Reports from all over Essex county indicate that the damage by the storm, which is still raging, was much greater than was thought. The water is subsiding and the people are returning to their homes. In the Oranges the water is subsiding. A confectioner, from this city, named Monchild, was driving across the bridge at Maplewood last night, when the structure was carried away. The horse, wagon and man were carried down with the torrent and were finally rescued by a crowd of men from South Orange.

Along the Jersey Coast.

LONG BRANCH, N. J., Aug. 1.—The rain yesterday on the Jersey coast was a perfect deluge. From Cape May up, all along the New Jersey coast, the downpour of water has been very heavy. The rain has done a great deal of damage in washing away walks and roadways. The downpour is one of the heaviest that the oldest inhabitants can remember.

Business Entirely Suspended.

EASTON, Pa., Aug. 1.—The Lehigh and Delaware rivers here are rapidly rising and navigation has been suspended. Mills are closed and trains on the Lehigh Valley, Jersey Central railroads are delayed, owing to the tracks being covered by water in many places.

A Dam Breaks.

NEWARK, N. J., Aug. 1.—The dam at VanSycke's mill pond, at Milburn, broke yesterday, and the escaping water drove hundreds of people from their homes. Household goods and other property were carried away. The thoroughfares are impassable.

BACK FROM ABROAD.

Murat Halstead Arrives in New York in Excellent Health.

NEW YORK, Aug. 1.—Mr. Murat Halstead was a passenger by the steamer City of Paris that arrived yesterday. He told a United Press reporter that his trip from Queenstown was uneventful. "Too uneventful, in fact," he added, "because the weather has been intensely disagreeable nearly all the time."

The rumor concerning Mr. Halstead's dangerous condition of health was hinted at, and it caused him to laugh outright.

"I don't see what such a rumor is based upon," said he. "I never felt better in my life than I have recently. The waters of Nowheim, where I spent the greater part of my time since I have been away, did me a great deal of good, and the rheumatism, which troubled me a great deal before going away, has almost entirely disappeared."

"Do you think I look like a very sick man?" inquired Mr. Halstead of his questioner, at the same time squaring his broad shoulders.

The reporter took in the glowing face and general sprightly appearance of the field marshal at a glance and answered decidedly in the negative. There was a

delegation of local political ligans at the wharf to greet Mr. Halstead. He left the steamer in company with his son Robert. He will stay at the Brevoort hotel in this city a few days before proceeding to Cincinnati.

GOVERNOR BEAVER AT JOHNSTOWN.

He Expresses Satisfaction at the Work of the Relief Committee.

JOHNSTOWN, Pa., Aug. 1.—Governor Beaver arrived here yesterday, and after making a tour of inspection expressed satisfaction at the extent of the work of restoration. He then met with the state relief commission. A number of private citizens were present by invitation. The statement from the commissary department showed that there are yet 800 people dependent upon the commissary for supplies of food and clothing.

The visiting citizens were invited to make any remarks they chose for consideration by the commission. Rev. D. J. Beal, D.D., caused the members of the commission to squirm visibly under his arraignment of the methods they have pursued. The members of the commission began a series of cross questions, trying to show that they had acted with all possible speed in the distribution of the funds, insisting that they had acted upon information furnished by the local finance committee. In explaining some actions, Mr. Cyrus Elder, secretary of the local finance committee, and Rev. Dr. Beale became involved in a war of words, during which the veracity of each was questioned in a lively manner. The remainder of the session was occupied in general discussion, but so far as is unknown no official action was taken.

The relief committee, at the close of the session, made public a report on the financial part of its work. It is in substance as follows: Received by the governor, \$894,414.46; received from Mayor Grant, \$100,000; received from the New York committee, \$400,000; received from the Philadelphia committee, \$500,000; received from the Pittsburgh committee, \$400,000. Grand total receipts, \$2,394,414.46. The commission expended in Johnstown, including the \$300,000 distributed, \$683,170.33. In other parts of the state, \$157,226.27. Total, \$840,396.60.

This amount taken from the total receipts leaves \$1,554,017.86. There was appropriated in other parts of the state and yet unpaid \$95,026.82. The contracts and bills in hand for Johnstown amount to \$68,189.22. The commission's estimate for 200 houses ordered yesterday is \$32,000, making a total of \$211,316.04 necessary for outstanding items. This would leave a balance on hand of \$1,342,801.82, but the commission figures on getting \$130,000 from the Pittsburgh committee and \$130,000 from the Philadelphia committee, making in all \$1,602,801.82. Mr. Miller thought the final distribution would not be made later than September 1.

A DOUBLE HANGING.

Two Murderers Pay the Death Penalty at Louisville, Kentucky.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Aug. 1.—Charles Dilger and Harry Smart were hanged here yesterday. The contrast, physically and morally, between the two men as they stood on the scaffold was striking. Dilger, of massive mold and herculean strength, trembled like an aspen as his feet rested on the trap, while Smart, slender and delicate as a woman, glanced smilingly at the noose, bade his gallow's companion a cheerful good-by, and waited complacently for the inevitable.

The execution proved to be a bunglesome job. Both bodies shot through the traps simultaneously, but when the ropes were straightened one of the nooses were found to be tenantless, and Dilger's body lay writhing on the ground. The knot had come undone. The miserable wretch was raised to the scaffold again pleading all the while with his executioners, "For God's sake make sure work of it this time." Five minutes later he was slipped, rather than dropped, through the trap again, and slowly struggled to death. Smart was also strangled.

Dilger's crime was a double murder, the stabbing to death of two officers, Joe Rosenberg and James Jones, on August 15 last. He was beating his "woman," and when the officers attempted to arrest him, he killed them both.

Smart's crime was also a double murder. On July 5, a year ago, Smart, his wife, Meisner Green and Belle Ward, the latter Green's mistress, started for Madison, the intention being to get a flat boat and float down the river. That was the last seen of the latter two until their bodies were fished out of the river about a week afterwards. Smart was tried for their murder and convicted on circumstantial evidence.

Miners' Troubles.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Aug. 1.—The miners along the Monongahela river have determined to resist the reduction to two and one-fourth cents per bushels, and will stand for the three cent rate. The diggers at Joseph Walton & Company's works, who went in at the reduced rate, struck again yesterday, and Capt. I. N. Bunton says that all their works are now idle.

Dynamiter Hronek Attempts Suicide.

JOLIET, Ill., Aug. 1.—John Hronek, sent here from Chicago to serve a twelve-year sentence for making dynamite, attempted to commit suicide yesterday by slashing a sharp knife across his right arm and severing the arteries. It was his intention to bleed to death. The convict was quickly disarmed, and is now under the doctor's care.

B. & O. Reducing Wages.

BALTIMORE, Aug. 1.—Commencing to-day the Baltimore and Ohio has reduced the working time of about half the force at Mount Clare shops from ten to eight hours a day. Skilled workman at Mount Clare now earn \$10.80 a week; the reduced working time will leave their income at about \$8.40 a week.

Distribution of Fish.

The Great Work Accomplished During the Past Year

BY THE FISH COMMISSIONERS.

Millions of the Different Species of the Finny Tribe Planted by the United States Government—Where They Were Obtained and Placed—The States and Territories Effected.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—The United States fish commission distributed in Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, Kentucky, Missouri and Nebraska during the past fiscal year 100,000 yearling fish of the indigenous species of the Mississippi valley, consisting of catfish, buffalo, crappie, white and black bass, sunfish, pickerel, white perch, wall eye pike and carp. Of brook trout eggs there were 207,000 sent to the different state fish commissions, and a deposit of 21,000 was made in the public waters of Pennsylvania, Maryland and West Virginia.

A plant of 12,000 one-year-old brook trout was made in the waters of Indiana, Kentucky, Ohio and Michigan, the bulk of them being put in the waters of the two states last named. During the season, 58,000 rainbow trout eggs were shipped from the Northville, Mich., station of the commission, and 110,000 from the Whiteville, Va. station, to the various state commissions for planting in suitable waters.

One year old fish to the number of 90,000 were distributed as follows: To Indiana, 9,000; Iowa, 15,000; Michigan, 11,200; Nebraska, 5,400; Ohio, 2,000; Kentucky, 4,000; Tennessee, 500; Georgia, 1,500; North Carolina, 3,300; Virginia, 23,000; West Virginia, 1,200; Maryland, 2,000; Pennsylvania, 12,000. Lake trout to the number of 3,000,000 were distributed during the season, 2,000,000 going to state commissions and 1,000,000 of fry to Lake Superior, near Duluth. Of the yearlings of this species, 14,000 were deposited in the waters of Indiana and 10,000 in Michigan. The distribution of Loch Leven trout eggs was as follows: Nebraska, 30,000; Wisconsin, 30,000; Pennsylvania, 50,000, and New Hampshire, 50,000.

Of the California salmon fry, 5,000,000 were deposited in the Clackamas river its tributaries; 4,000,000 in the Little Sacramento and its tributaries, and 1,500,000 in the McCloud river. In the disposition of Atlantic salmon, New York 750,000. Land looked salmon eggs numbering 600,000 were distributed to the several state commissions.

Of the German carp 136,000 were supplied for private pond culture to 3,000 applicants, representing thirty-eight states and ten territories. The usual number of carp furnished to individual applicants varies from twelve to twenty. There were also deposited in the public waters of the country about 35,000 of this species, as follows: Dakota, 3,000; Kansas, 1,000; Ohio, 12,000; Tennessee, 5,000; Florida, 1,000; Georgia, 2,500; North Carolina, 5,500; Virginia, 1,000; Maryland, 4,000.

During the year there were distributed 10,000 gold fish to 1,500 applicants in the several states and territories.

Red eye perch to the number of 5,000 were distributed during the year to apply in New York, Massachusetts, Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina and Georgia. Off the coast of Massachusetts 20,000,000 cod fish and 8,000,000 pollock were deposited during the year. The Sandusky, O., station of the commission elected during the year 150,000 white fish eggs, and the Alpena, Mich., station 45,000,000. Of these 30,000,000 were distributed in the north western bordering on the lakes. The distribution of the fry produced at the Sandusky, Alpena and Duluth stations was as follows: Lake Superior, 10,000,000; Lake Erie, 40,000,000; Lake Huron, 35,000,000 and 5,000,000 were deposited in the public waters of Idaho, Washington territory and Oregon.

Wall eye pike to the number of 50,000,000 were deposited principally in the public waters of Minnesota, Illinois, Ohio, New York and Pennsylvania.

During the season 101,768,000 shad fry were deposited as follows: Tributaries of Narragansett bay, 4,265,000; tributaries of north Atlantic coast, 1,603,000; Hudson river and tributaries, 6,200,000; Delaware bay and tributaries, 23,000,000; Chesapeake bay and tributaries, 54,000; tributaries of south Atlantic coast, 4,000,000; tributaries of Gulf of Mexico, 8,500,000.

John L. Sullivan Arrested.

NEW YORK, Aug. 1.—John L. Sullivan was arrested yesterday evening at the Vanderbilt hotel, on a requisition from the governor of Mississippi. Sullivan had heard of the intended arrest, and was preparing to go to police headquarters to surrender himself when the officers arrived with the warrant. He was detained at the police station during the night.

Lived Over Four Score Years.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., Aug. 1.—Edmund Driggs, one of the oldest, most prominent and wealthiest citizens of Brooklyn, died yesterday, aged 81 years. Mr. Driggs made a fortune in the shipping trade, and was largely interested in insurance and other business.

English Successful at Omaha.

OMAHA, Neb., Aug. 1.—Negotiations has been completed for the sale of all the breweries in Omaha to an European syndicate, for \$1,500,000. The purchasers are said to be the Rothschilds.

Burke's Extradition Signed.

OTTAWA, Ont., Aug. 1.—Sir John Thompson, minister of justice, has signed the warrant for the extradition of Martin Burke, the alleged murderer of Dr. Cronin.

FOREIGN DISPATCHES.

England's Policy Towards Egypt and Ireland—Other Cable News.

LONDON, Aug. 1.—The usual ministerial speeches were made at the lord mayor's banquet last night, but revealed but little of the governments policy. Lord Salisbury insisted that the military armaments throughout England meant continued peace rather than danger of war. England would continue to occupy Egypt until that country showed ability to govern itself. He saw no danger of trouble from the Creton question, and added that England does not desire to possess Crete. He maintained that the government's policy toward Ireland was rapidly bringing order and prosperity to the sister island.

Those Royal Grants.

LONDON, Aug. 1.—In the house of commons Wednesday the royal grants bill was taken up on the question of its second reading. The debate was uninteresting and uneventful and collapsed completely after a speech by Dr. Robert Wallace, Gladstonian member for East Edinburgh, city, when the speaker put the question. The speaker's action was unchallenged and he declared the second reading of the bill carried.

A Battle With the Dervishes.

CAIRO, Aug. 1.—Lieut. De Agular, with a detachment of Egyptian cavalry, and a company of the Eleventh Soudanese infantry regiment, came up with a strong force of the dervishes just south of Anafia and attacked them. The fight lasted several hours, the dervishes fighting desperately, and it ended in the route of the enemy. The Egyptians killed seventy of the dervishes and captured eighty. Their own loss was only two officers and three men.

France's Policy on the Creton Business.

LONDON, Aug. 1.—The Times correspondent at Constantinople asserts that M. Spuller, French minister of foreign affairs, intimated to M. Delyanni, Grecian minister to France, that France is disposed to support a settlement of the Creton crisis in favor of Greece. This attitude of the French government, the correspondent adds, was largely instrumental in deciding the King of Greece to visit the Paris exposition.

Boulanger Still Lives.

PARIS, Aug. 1.—Much excitement was caused here yesterday by the circulation of reports that Gen. Boulanger had committed suicide in London. The excitement allayed, however, when dispatches from London were received in reply to inquiries, stating that the rumors were unfounded.

Chamberlain's confidence.

LONDON, Aug. 1.—Mr. Chamberlain, in a speech at Greenwich last night, said the Radicals were now leading the Liberal party, and in connection with the Home Rulers they were carrying that party beyond Mr. Gladstone's control. The government, he claimed, was now stronger than ever before.

A Gun Bursts While Practicing.

PARIS, Aug. 1.—The training frigate Couronne, while off Hyeres, in the south of France, yesterday burst one of her machine guns, killing eight of her men and injuring seventeen others. The accident occurred in the course of practice firing.

Advice to the Pope.

MADRID, Aug. 1.—The government has advised the pope that in case he finds it necessary to leave Rome he should select an asylum in Portugal. It is understood here that the same advice has been given the pope by Austria.

CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTIONS.

Great Interest Being Taken in the Meeting at Olympia—Elsewhere.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Aug. 1.—The constitutional convention yesterday adopted a preamble, reciting that "We, the people of the state of Washington, thanking the Supreme Being of the universe for our liberties, do ordain the constitution." The military article passed its final reading after which the convention took up the report of the committee on state, county and municipal indebtedness.

A hard fight lasting until adjournment was made on the section, forbidding the granting of subsidies. Interest in the discussion was greater than in any subject yet before the convention, strong bodies of prominent citizens, from all over the territory being present to urge the striking out of the clause.

Cannot Change the State's Name.

SIOUX FALLS, S. Dak., Aug. 1.—The South Dakota constitutional convention entertained a communication from an Illinois Grand Army post, asking that the name of the state be called Lincoln. The names of the states are contained in the omnibus bill, and the conventions have no power to change them.

The Tax Article.

HELENA, Mont., Aug. 1.—In the constitutional convention yesterday the article bearing to the legislature the selection of the kind of property to be taxed, was adopted. Church, public and library property alone are exempted.

Nothing Final Accomplished.

BISMARCK, N. Dak., Aug. 1.—The convention put in its time debating over reports of the committee on elective franchise and the committee on judiciary. No final result was reached.

An Albany snow shoe club kept themselves in practice during the open winter by putting a lot of spring beds in a circle, covering them with canvas, and tramping over them to slow music.