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CLARA BARTON'S WORK

HER CAMP A FLOWER IN THE JOHNSTOWN DESERT.

A Revised List of the Dead Brings the Number of Victims Down to Not More Than 9,000—A Conflict of Opinions Started.

JOHNSTOWN, June 8.—Clara Barton, the world-famed nurse and organizer of relief camps, is here with the entire field corps of the Red Cross. Miss Barton is a very plain-looking woman, dark complexioned, and with a face full of tenderness, mingled with determination. This morning she wore a simple gray gown. On her left arm was the red cross that is the badge of her organization. Over her gray gown was a white apron. Her bonnet was a little one, partly a nurse's cap and partly the hood of a Sister of Charity. She said:

"It seemed as if we were a long time getting here. We started on Sunday morning, and only got here on Tuesday evening, and then, I think, by the special favor of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. I have here my staff, consisting of N. J. B. Hubbell, field agent; Gustav Augenstein, messenger; Miss U. L. White, stenographer and typewriter, and a corps of fifteen physicians, under the direction of Dr. O'Neil of Philadelphia. With the physicians are six trained nurses. We have a complete quartermaster's and kitchen department, and have all the stores necessary for a long campaign in the field. We have one large hospital tent capable of accommodating forty persons; four smaller tents which will hold twenty persons each and four still smaller tents which will hold ten each. We expect more tents from Washington and then we shall establish branch hospitals in Johnstown proper and in Kernville. On the farm of Colonel Hamilton at Kernville, so I am told, an epidemic of diphtheria is feared. We have organized a system of house canvassing for the sick and injured. We have already ten people sick on account of the flood at Kernville and fifteen sick people in Johnstown near our tent. Some of these are seriously ill, most of them are suffering from shock from what they have suffered.

"I shall remain here until there is absolutely no need of my remaining longer, either through the epidemic, if there is one, or until all danger of wholesale disease is past. We shall have an extra force of physicians here by Saturday or Monday. Dr. Gardner of Bedford, Ind., and his wife, who have had a great deal of experience in the Western floods, and who are both members of the Red Cross Association, are with us."

Miss Barton was in her tent sewing when the reporter found her. She was sewing curtains for the women's apartments in the tents. The scrupulous order and neatness about the camp makes it a flower in the Johnstown desert.

There is a conflict of opinion between Generals Wylie Hastings and Sheriff Stineman over the question of calling out more troops to act as a relief to the Fourteenth Regiment, now doing guard duty. The soldiers here are greatly fatigued and in need of rest. A private telegram was sent to an officer of the Eighteenth Regiment in Pittsburg last night, instructing him to hold his men in readiness to move on short notice. Generals Wylie and Hastings think that the sheriff will remove his prejudice soon, in which event the Eighteenth Regiment and probably Battery B will be ordered out.

The bodies recovered this morning and taken to the morgue were as follows: Twelve-year-old girl, supposed to be Myrtle Strayer; Wm. Marshall, Indiana, Pa.; three unknown women—one slender old lady had $775 in pocket; unknown man, head and body burned to a crisp. The remains of Mrs. J. J. Llewellyn were taken to Bangor, Pa., this morning.

THE ENTIRE BLAME OF THE CALAMITY has been placed upon the South Fork Hunting and Fishing Club. The coroner's jury that has been in session at Nineveh terminated its labors yesterday afternoon, and the verdict has been fully prepared, only lacking the signatures of the jurors before being given publicity. It is understood the jury declares the executive committee of the South Fork Fishing Club guilty of gross, if not criminal, negligence. Some of the people in the vicinity are so much incensed that apprehension is expressed for the safety of W. S. Boyer, superintendent of the cottages on the lake. Already some of the villas have been broken into and the furniture demolished. The boats have been taken in broad daylight and reduced to kindling wood by infuriated crowds.

The Death List Revised.

PITTSBURG, June 8.—The *Times* presents to-day the first accurate list of the identified dead of the Johnstown Valley—or those virtually known to be dead—published. This list was prepared by a careful comparison with the roster of the living, as compared by the bureau of registration. By this it is learned that fully fifty persons heretofore accounted as dead are really alive. The number of the discovered dead is constantly increasing, but the estimate of 9,500 as published is the highest possible limit, according to all reports, and the decreasing death list of Johnstown proper may possibly reduce the total to nearer 8,000. The number of bodies unidentified to date is 3,344; and there are hundreds of victims yet whose bodies will never be recovered. The *Times'* list fills three and a-half columns double, that is, two or more names to the line.

Gubernatorial Proclamations.

HARRISBURG, PA., June 8.—Governor Hill of New York has been invited by Governor Beaver to join him in a proclamation inviting the people of New York and Pennsylvania to make special contributions through the churches to-morrow for the relief of the sufferers by the disastrous fire at Seattle and has suggested that George W. Childs of Philadelphia and ex-President Cleveland and Jay Gould be appointed a central committee to receive such contributions for transmission to the appropriate authorities in Washington Territory for the relief of the Seattle sufferers. Governor Hill's answer has not yet been received, but Governor Beaver is hourly expecting his assent to this proposition.

The Pennsylvania's Loss

NEW YORK, June 8.—The *Times* this morning, upon the authority of a high official of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, states that the company's loss in property that was destroyed by the flood and by the suspension of traffic will reach $13,000,000. The first train over the road for Chicago left the Jersey City station last evening.

Nearly Two Millions Subscribed.

The Philadelphia *Press* figures up a total of $1,910,063 contributed for the relief of the Conemaugh Valley sufferers. Philadelphia leads with $637,872; Pennsylvania, outside Philadelphia, $494,037; New York, $294,607; Hudson, N. Y., $100,000; Ohio, $90,000; Washington, $25,000; Massachusetts Legislature, $50,000, and other cities smaller amounts, ending with Warsaw, N. Y., $50.

Thought to be Lost.

BANGOR, ME., June 8.—Much anxiety is felt here concerning the safety of Volney B. Cushing, the last prohibition candidate for Governor of Maine. He was in Pennsylvania at the time of the Johnstown disaster, since which time nothing has been heard from him, and it is feared that he is among the victims.

Boston's Relief Fund.

BOSTON, June 8.—Up to 10:30 this morning Kidder, Peabody & Company reported the amount of subscriptions received to the relief fund at $100,012.

Another Dam Overflows.

OAKDALE, L. I., June 8.—One of the dams leased by the Southside Club here overflowed its banks Thursday night and flooded the main road to a considerable depth. Travel was stopped on the road yesterday, but the water has receded.

Taking Time by the Forelock.

CUBA, N. Y., June 8.—The reservoir at this place is leaking and the water is being drawn off through the outlets to prevent a break in the dam.

LATE DEPARTMENT NEWS.

War Department Changes.

The following War Department changes have been made: Roswell P. Logan of South Carolina, appointed copyist, Signal Office, $600; Charles P. Ellice of Iowa, Harvey P. Alger of Michigan and Samuel P. Caldwell of Pennsylvania, appointed temporary copyists at $480, Signal Office; Joseph B. Wilson of Texas declined appointment as temporary copyist at $600, Signal Office; George W. Koonce, clerk $1,400, promoted to $1,600, office Chief of Engineers; Frederick A. Cooley, promoted from clerk $1,000 to class 1, Surgeon-General's office; Silas P. Dewey, promoted from class 1 to class 2, and Stephen F. Hamilton, from $1,000 to class 1, Paymaster-General's office; Will N. Calhoun, clerk $1,000, Winder C. Davis, Helmer E. Bornsteen and William M. Smith, clerks class 1, permanently appointed in Adjutant-General's office; Edward H. Booth, permanently appointed clerk $1,000, Surgeon-General's office, John C. Parcel, clerk $1,000, Surgeon-General's office, resigned.

Signal Corps Transfers.

A number of changes in the stations of Signal Corps officers have been ordered, to take effect October 1, as follows: Second Lieutenant F. M. M. Beall, from Washington to Chicago; Second Lieutenant F. R. Day, from Washington to St. Louis; Second Lieutenant R. B. Watkins, from St. Louis to Cincinnati; Second Lieutenant J. C. Walshe, from Cincinnati to St. Paul, Minn., to assume charge of the military telegraph line in Montana, Dakota, Wyoming and Utah, relieving Second Lieutenant F. W. Ellis from these duties; Second Lieutenant J. P. Finley, from Washington to Boston, to assume charge of the military telegraph lines in Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Virginia, North Carolina and Florida, relieving Second Lieutenant W. D. Wright of these duties; Second Lieutenant Wright, from Boston to Washington; Second Lieutenant Frank Greene, from Washington to Prescott, Ariz., to take charge of the telegraph lines in that Territory, relieving Second Lieutenant W. A. Glassford, who is ordered to Washington.

Naval Cadets Assigned.

The Navy Department has completed the work of assigning the graduates of the Naval Academy class of 1889 for the two years' cruise prior to final examination. Cadets N. C. Twining, C. N. Obbley, L. McCoy Nalton, S. H. Rook, A. B. Hoff, S. E. Kitteller and R. P. Hodson are assigned to the Chicago; Cadets R. E. Carney, L. A. Kaiser, B. H. Fuller, W. C. Cole, W. W. Phelps and T. B. Magruder to the Iroquois; Cadets C. G. Long, G. G. Mitchell, B. S. Newman and B. F. Hutchinson to the Boston; Cadets G. W. Danforth, G. B. Bradshaw, W. V. Pratt, L. C. Lewis and L. R. De Steiger, to the Atlanta; Cadets W. D. McDougall, G. R. Marvell, J. B. Patton and Philip Williams, to the Pensacola; Cadets R. McMichel Dutton, Warren J. Terhune, G. W. Kirk and W. K. Harrison, to the Kearsage; Cadets G. A. Brand and E. R. Lawndes, to the Yorktown; Cadets Julius Prochazka and E. B. Anderson, to the Galena; Cadets W. B. Franklin, M. L. Miller and J. H. Reed, from the Atlanta to the Kearsarge. All the assignments will take place July 1.

Treasury Department Changes.

The following-named persons having served a satisfactory probationary term of six months each have received absolute appointments, viz: Milton E. Miles of Ohio, to the $1,600 class in the office of the Secretary; M. P. Jackson of North Carolina, to $900 in the Office of the Superintendent of the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey.

Promotions: H. F. Robinson of the District of Columbia, from $3 to $4.50 per diem, and Miss M. H. Carroll of Maryland, from $3.50 to $4 per diem in the office of the Supervising Architect, and Miss M. M. Butler of Maryland, from $1,600 to class 1 in the office of the Secretary.

Minister Egan Not Recalled.

Secretary Blaine was too busy to-day to say anything about the report that Patrick Egan had been recalled from Chili, but his private secretary, Mr. Dent, vouchsafed the information that Mr. Blaine had made up his mind neither to deny or affirm newspaper statements of this kind. Mr. Walker Blaine, however, made a positive denial that the cablegram had been sent.

Mr. Post the Champion.

The Southern Lawn Tennis Association's tournament was finished on the Leagation courts on Connecticut avenue last evening. Stevens and Herbert beat McLane and Pennington by 6-1, 3-6, 6-2. Beach and McCawley then beat these winners by a score of 6-2, 6-1, winning the second prize in the doubles, a silver flask and a pair of silver-backed clothes brushes. Post, the present champion, won the championship from McCawley by a score of 6-3, 6-3, 9-7.

City and Suburban.

Pastor E. Hez Swem baptizes Sunday night.

Austin Herr returns from his European tour to-day.

Alexandria's new municipal officers have all filed their bonds.

The Misses Dorsey's final soiree of the season last night was a pleasant affair.

Steve Cross' trial for the murder of Nancy Lee in Fairfax County, Va., will begin Monday.

The eighth grade Georgetown school children had a picnic in the woods at Carlin's Spring yesterday.

The trustees of the Georgetown Linthicum Institute gave a strawberry festival to the students last night.

The Froebel Normal Institute holds its twelfth annual commencement at the Church of Our Father to-night.

William Hall, J. Frank Carlin and Eugene B. Taylor of Alexandria are to start for an European tour on the 27th instant.

Louis Schmid and sons released a basket of homing pigeons for the Oxford Homing Club, Brooklyn, N. Y., at 8 o'clock this morning.

The city of Alexandria's offer to compromise for $15,630 the debt of $25,000 owed it by the canal company has been refused by General Wells.

W. C. Selden, Mr. Vandeventer and Mr. Athey, living on the Virginia side of the river, report losses of $7,000, $4,000 and $3,500 respectively, by the flood.

The assignment made by Jas. F. Loftus of furniture, &c., at 911 Seventh street some months ago, has been released by Mr. W. P. Williamson, the assignee.

The Rev. Charles F. Sontag, late of Grace Reformed Church, this city, has been admitted by Bishop Paret as a candidate for priests' orders in the Episcopal Church.

At the meeting of the Michigan State Association last night, final arrangements were made for an excursion to Gettysburg on Tuesday. They will participate in the ceremony of unveiling the monuments erected by the State on the battlefield.

The National University has filed a certificate of incorporation, with the following board of regents: Samuel F. Miller, Arthur MacArthur, Matthew G. Emery, William H. Chase, Sidney S. Baker, W. B. Webb, Thomas Wilson, Howard B. Baker, H. O. Claughton, William C. Whittmore, G. Wythe Cook, Eugene Carusi and Henry Strong.

A voluminous bulletin, supposed to have been inspired by Senator Riddleberger's friends, was placed against a tree in front of the Metropolitan Hotel yesterday. The bulletin commented on the Hong Kong appointment and Virginia postmasterships very sarcastically, and excited much laughter from the crowds of people who read it.

The Homestead Land and Improvement Company last night effected a permanent organization by electing as president, D. W. Landvoight; vice-president, E. S. Fletcher; secretary, Charles S. Willis; treasurer, H. J. Penrod; board of directors, B. Lunnemeyer, James S. Gibbs, Charles S. Montague, G. Warfield Simpson, M. L. York, James S. Gibbs, G. F. Page, Jacob Jones and William A. Hungerford.

An Observant Newspaper.

(Boston Herald.)

It is rare that a Lieutenant-Governor is made ill from overwork.

GIVEN WITH FREE HAND

MORE AID FOR THE SUFFERERS BY THE FLOOD.

What Is Being Done by the Relief Committee—The Destitute on the Upper Potomac to Be Cared For—Entertainments for the Good Cause.

A handsome doll baby with long yellow hair, a pretty blue bathing suit of the female sex and of most fashionable scantiness, and two pairs of crutches were among the contributions received at Willard Hall this morning. But these were not all. There were hats and shoes, and garments of all sorts and the pairs of crutches will lighten the weight of two crippled sufferers until their bruised limbs heal. And they may make walking possible for two people who could not walk otherwise. And some little Washington girl's doll baby will gladden the heart of some little Johnstown girl and distract her attention from the scenes of death all about her.

And in all the motley collection of contributions there has not yet been a single cooking utensil of any sort. Somebody ought to send some. The ladies who are doing such noble work—and hard work it is, too, packing goods for the Johnstown sufferers—united this morning in asking THE CRITIC to request the public to send some cooking utensils. It matters not if the saucepans and teakettles are dented, nor if the china has little bits knocked off the edges. They will all be very acceptable to the people in Johnstown who have food, but nothing to cook it in or eat it from. Hospital supplies, bandages and such things are also much needed.

And the Johnstown people are soapless and a few hundred cakes of soap could be sent there to great advantage. Clothing and provisions are pouring in at such a rate that the worst cases of destitution are relieved. The hall has not been busier or fuller of clothing or charity's work more briskly progressing since the work of aid began than to-day. The wagons are bringing in contributions almost as fast as the corps of big-hearted ladies can sort and pack them into boxes. All the chairs have been piled into one big heap in one corner and every available foot of the floor is utilized in the good work. As fast as the big boxes are packed and marked they are carried outside to make room for more.

This activity continues all day long, and to-day's work will start seventy-five or eighty big boxes full of clothes on their errand of mercy. Over in one corner under the balcony that crosses one end of the hall is a little pile of boxes that are to be sent to the flood sufferers along the Upper Potomac, in Maryland and Virginia. This is the result of a letter received this morning from General Lee's brother, and also of the newspaper reports of destitution nearer home than Johnstown. Mr. Lee's letter said that there was great need of assistance at the town of Falmouth, on the Virginia side of the river, and some clothing and provisions were sent there to-day.

All these contributions of clothes and other necessaries are being sent by rail as fast as they can be packed and put on board the cars, and contributions made this morning will arrive at their destination to-morrow morning early. The telegraph companies are lending a helping hand in the noble work of succor. Each message offering or asking assistance for the flood sufferers, or in anyway pertaining to or facilitating the work of relief, bears the cabalistic letters "D. H." These mean "deadhead" and the messages all go free. This contribution of the telegraph companies is by no means an insignificant one and the work of relief has been much expedited by the free use of the wires.

Last night Treasurer Johnson asked Governor Beaver about the most advantageous way to forward contributions, and this morning he received the following answer:

"HARRISBURG, June 7.

"Please forward all contributions of supplies to James B. Scott, chairman Relief Committee, Johnstown. Good night and many thanks. JAMES A. BEAVER,
"Governor."

Secretary Emery of the Associated Charities of this city, who went to Johnstown yesterday to look after the contributions from this city and see that they were dispensed where they would do the most good, has been heard from. Treasurer Johnson received the following dispatch from him this morning:

"JOHNSTOWN, June 7.

"I arrived at 5 o'clock p. m. One carload groceries and clothes received. Groceries distributed. Debris not one-tenth cleared away. Bodies continue to be found. About 3,000 men are employed. Money will be needed here next week. The calamity in destruction of property has not been exaggerated nor the horrible picture overdrawn. I will write or wire in the morning again. L. S. EMERY."

Treasurer Johnson has formed a schedule of the hours when he will be in the relief committee's room, parlor 10, at Willard's. He cannot be there all the time, but people who wish to see him will find him in parlor 10 from 9 to 10 o'clock in the morning and from 4 till 5:30 in the afternoon. Major of Police Moore was one of his callers this morning. He brought his men's contribution, and as he laid it on the desk he said he was only sorry that it was not much more than it was.

Dr. Standiford is going to give the receipts of his soda-water fountain at Ninth and F streets Monday to the flood sufferers' fund, and it is to be hoped the day will be warm enough to make soda water popular.

Colonel G. B. Church of the Independent Ice Company is going to load one of their big two-horse ice wagons full of clothing and provisions and send it up along the canal above Georgetown to the people there who suffered by the flood. The Independent Ice Company is a flood sufferer to no small extent itself.

The solicitors of aid who have been canvassing the city with their papers, bearing the authorization of President Harrison's signature, are beginning to bring in the contributions they have solicited, and the fund is being rapidly swelled to a noble figure, that shows that Washington is far from being behind sister cities in works of practical charity.

The committee will meet at 7:30 this evening, and there are many things of importance to be decided. No money is being sent to Johnstown to-day, and one of the things the committee will consider is the method of using the large sum now in Treasurer Johnson's hands. The condition of things along the upper river will also be considered, and measures of assistance will be considered and decided upon. It is not improbable that the committee will decide to send the entire fund collected to Chairman Scott at Johnstown. It is not probable, though, that any more money will be forwarded till Monday.

Contributions by the following-named have been handed to Treasurer Johnson: George F. Harbin, $20; Dr. E. A. Adams, $20; Mrs. T. S. Tulloch, $18; Mrs. Robert Wilson, $7.85; Rev. Dr. Chester, $25; Mrs. J. H. Beatty, $4.78; Mrs. Depue, $6.09; Mrs. D. W. Brown, $48.50; Mrs. F. A. Wood, $14.50; Mrs. A. T. Stuarts, $19.83; Mrs. Frank Aldrich, $5.75; Mrs. A. F. Clark, $44.63; Mrs. J. A. Swope, $62.75; Mrs. J. H. Wilkinson, $8; Mrs. Quaiffe, $18; Mrs. Sarah E. Loyd, $43.25 and a wagonload of clothing; employes of Willard's Hotel, $40.75; C. H. Parker, $105.50; Miss Julia Strong, $10; additional collections by Mrs. J. D. Hyer and Mrs. C. E. Persons, $51.12; by A. Frost, $15; employes W. B. Moses, $76.25; officers Department Justice, $301.50; Warner Children's Concert, $37.25; collections by committee from boot and shoe dealers, $70; contributions in shoes amounting to $875.75; additional collections by B. H. Warner, $140; employes of Executive greenhouse, $17; miscellaneous, $53.

The Police Department has contributed $271.25 for the relief of the flood sufferers. It has been deposited by Colonel Moore with Treasurer Johnson to be sent to Johnstown and used there at the discretion of the committee.

The *Star's* fund is now $3,496.50, the *Post's* $4,276.04, and $23.83 for the canal sufferers.

The Washington *Post*, in conjunction with Mr. Harris, proprietor of the Bijou Opera-House, purpose giving an entertainment next Wednesday night for the benefit of the flood sufferers at Johnstown. The best dramatic and musical talent of Washington will contribute to make up an entertainment of a most enjoyable character. Remember the poor and destitute, and attend Harris' Theatre Monday night. Usual prices will prevail.

Among the attractions will be the beautiful drama of the "Colleen Bawn" by the Lyceum Dramatic Company; a fencing bout by Professor Hall; a male quartet in numerous selections. Miss Annie Lewis, the little favorite, has kindly volunteered her services in the worthy cause and will render character songs and dances, and no doubt she will meet with the enthusiastic welcome she deserves. The National Fencibles, through Captain C. S. Domer, have volunteered to give a drill in full-dress uniform, and the evening will be altogether a brilliant one. Every lady in attendance is to receive a handsome bouquet of flowers contributed by the florists of the city.

The benefit for the Johnstown sufferers, given at the National Theatre last night by the Frederick Warde Dramatic Club, was very well attended and the audience was in thorough spirit with the players. "Time and the Hour" was presented, and it was given with almost professional skill. Mrs. Jean B. Lockwood as *Mrs. J. Montgomery Brown* received the enthusiastic approbation of the house and deserved it, and next to her success was that of Mr. Dickerman as *Mr. Brown*. In the cast were also Miss Anita Hendrie, Miss Lilly Porter, Messrs. Bond, Barnwell, Buckler, Boyer, Carter and Baum, and each did very well indeed. It was an interesting performance and as all service was rendered free the sum netted the sufferers was very comfortable.

The Johnstown relief committee, with headquarters at No. 6 Pacific building, has collected and forwarded by Baltimore and Ohio Express to the Mayor at Johnstown $507.78 in cash and thirty large boxes of clothing and bedding. On account of the illness of Mr. Armet Stoddart, who has been an active worker in this connection, the committee finds it necessary to ask that any further contributions intended to be forwarded through this channel may be sent to the general committee at Willard Hall. The members of the committee desire to express their thanks for the liberal contributions that have been made to it, and especially to the Baltimore and Ohio Express Company; to Mr. John H. Gheen, J. H. Gray & Co. and others who have materially aided in the collection and shipment of supplies. This committee was the first to organize, and sent out the first shipment, both of money and clothing, that was made from Washington.

The War Department employes have contributed $2,660 to the Johnstown fund, each person in the Department contributing one day's pay.

Chief Clerk Dawson has turned over to the local committee $2,279, the amount collected in the various bureaus of the Interior Department for the benefit of the Johnstown sufferers.

Tax Collector E. G. Davis this afternoon turned over to Treasurer Johnson $579.05, collected for the most part in his office.

OUR SUFFERING NEIGHBORS.

Aid to Be Given to the Destitute on the Upper Potomac.

The relief committee have telegraphed to the upper Potomac region to learn particulars of the suffering there. At the suggestion of F. L. Moore and John T. Mitchell of Georgetown, the following query has been telegraphed to E. W. Mercer, at Point of Rocks, Md.; Upton C. Darby, Weaverton, Md.; Dr. S. J. Knott, Sheperdstown, Va.; Keedy & Snyder, Sharpsburg, Md; Jordon, Crampton & Co., Berlin, Md.; C. R. Rice, Knoxville, Md.; and A. Spencer & Co., Harper's Ferry, W. Va:

"What assistance do the sufferers by the flood in your vicinity need? Telegraph how to render aid.

"E. KURTZ JOHNSON,
"Treasurer Relief Committee."

It has been decided that this method was the best to systematize and facilitate the work of relief in the flood-devastated region above Washington. As the answers come in money or food and clothing will be sent, as the persons to whom the telegrams were addressed direct, and Monday will probably see the suffering at these places much alleviated.

The good work will not be allowed to stop over Sunday. A few people will be quietly at work at Willard Hall, and there will be some one there all day to receive any contributions that may be brought there. A very serious condition of things was reported from Williamsport, Md., but a telegram received this morning shows that things there are in better shape than was expected. The telegram was as follows:

"WILLIAMSPORT, MD., June 8.

"Our sufferers' immediate wants are supplied in shape of provisions and clothing. Money is needed and any contribution should be sent to Casper Shunk, which will be carefully dispensed. Money is much needed. (Signed) DARBY & EMBRY."

At a meeting of the Mysterious Club last evening arrangements were made for a trip to Bay Ridge on June 29. But while anticipating pleasure for themselves the members did not forget the sufferings of others and made up a purse of $101 to be turned over to Health Officer Townshend to be spent for the relief of the flood sufferers on the upper Potomac. The Club holds that true charity begins at home.

Shot During a Quarrel.

NEW ORLEANS, June 8.—Gus Black shot and killed Reese W. Perkins, the son of a prominent merchant of West Lake Charles, during an altercation at that place Thursday night. Black fled and has not yet been captured.

A Strange Bird Disappearing.

(New York Sun.)

A strange bird, thought by the Yale naturalists to be a variety of the Noddy, has been bagged in Connecticut. It is described as having no head to speak of, wears flippers instead of toes, carries its flippers in its mouth, and when taken was hotly pursued by flies. Wherefrom it appears that it is not the common Noddy (*Anolis Stolidus*), but Mugwump or Fool Bird (*Anser Mugwumpiensis*). This is just about its time for migrating. The Massachusetts variety to the bay and the Connecticut variety to Long Island Sound to escape the flies, but seldom reach the destination. So rare have these birds become that they ought to be protected by the game laws as a curiosity. It is gratifying to ornithologists to know that the specimen secured in Connecticut is to be preserved in a museum. It will be a novel sight, especially to visitors from the West.

She of the Ruddy Locks.

(New York World.)

White Horse, chief of the Otoes, says that the Government has driven him from place to place, and he will not put up with the injustice any longer. White Horse may be right, but is he wise? Many a big Indian has rued the day he defied the drift of civilization. Perhaps White Horse would feel more contented if he could find a red-headed girl who would marry him.

To Examine Bar Candidates.

The Court in General Term has appointed the following committee to examine students for admission to the Bar: A. S. Worthington, Reginald Fendall, R. Byrd Lewis, Frank W. Hackett and William A. McKinney.

Personal Mention.

Mr. Stilson Hutchins will return to Washington on Monday.

Dr. E. H. Heaton of Loudoun County, Va., is spending a few days in the city with friends.

Mr. R. L. Britton, resident manager of Harris' Bijou, leaves to-morrow for Bay Shore, Long Island, for a visit of two months.

The college men of Tacoma, W. T., gave a banquet in that town recently and made a fine showing of brains and brilliance. The toast, "The Ladies," was gallantly responded to by Mr. Clinton A. Snowden, while Major Clarence M. Barton took care of "The Press" in his own felicitous style. Washington was well represented.

VICTORIA'S SYMPATHY.

International Courtesies at the White House This Morning.

Queen Victoria, by her representative, Sir Julian Pauncefote, this morning formally tendered her regret for the Johnstown horror, the President meeting the British Minister in the Red Parlor of the White House. Sir Julian presented a telegram from Her Majesty, in which she expressed her deepest sympathy with the flood sufferers. In reply the President said:

"Mr. Minister: This message of sympathy from Her Majesty the Queen will be accepted by our people as another expression of her own generous character, as well as of the friendliness and good will of her people. The disasters which have fallen upon several communities in the State of Pennsylvania, while extensive and full of the most tragic and horrifying incidents, have fortunately been limited in territorial extent. The generosity of our own citizens will promptly lessen to these stricken people every loss that is not wholly irretrievable, and these the sympathy of the Queen and the English people will help to assuage. Will you, Mr. Minister, be pleased to convey to the Queen the sincere thanks of the American people."

A subject of the Queen was also among the callers at the public reception this afternoon, for after scrutinizing the President as closely as possible, he made a profound bow, saying as he did: "Good day, My Lord: I trust you are enjoying good health."

There was a break in the President's hitherto impassive face, and those in the vicinity also smiled pretty broadly.

It was a pretty busy day for the President so far as visitors are concerned, and he did not have a moment to himself until lunch time afforded a temporary respite. Among those who passed into the library were Adjutant-General Kelton, who came to thank the President for his promotion; General Schenck, Senators Teller and Plumb, Judge Brodhead, St. Louis; Representatives Cheatham and Turton, the latter being accompanied by Miss Snell and Miss Jennie Walros of San Francisco; L. P. Featherstone, contestant First Arkansas district; Mrs. E. L. Eaton, who came on business connected with the flood sufferers; W. B. Gurley of this city, Editor Lewis of Petersburg, Va., and Mrs. L. W. Knowlton, Washington, D. C.

AT WILLIAMSPORT.

The Work of Clearing Away the Ruins Continues.

WILLIAMSPORT, PA., June 8.—The situation here has not materially changed. The work of cleaning up and relieving the sufferers goes steadily on. It is now raining quite hard here again. Mayor Foreman has issued a proclamation recommending special thanksgiving services in all our churches to-morrow. Nearly all the church buildings were flooded, and much damage done to them and the furniture. Services will, however, be held in the major portion of them to-morrow for the first time in two weeks. A number of linemen who returned yesterday from up the river report that they found the house of the Converse family badly wrecked at the McElhattan Creek. The family consisted of seven person. Six of them were drowned, and a 9 months old babe was found alive, having been lying in a bed forty-eight hours unattended. The little one was nearly dead when rescued. The men also found two members of the Harrison family drowned. Everything in that section was badly washed out.

Burial Permits Issued.

Burial permits have been issued by the Health Officer for the past twenty-four hours as follows: S. K. Rook, 46 years; Charles Banes, 84 years; Matilda Richards, 58 years; Elizabeth Somerville, 76 years; William Campbell, 9 months; Bertha Belle Babson, 14 years; F. Holmes Taylor, 55 years; George W. Taylor, 3 years; Robert W. Taylor, 6 years; Sidney L. Faxon, 1 year; and colored, Florence Washington, 2 months; Charles Brown, 2 months; Harry Mitchell, 48 years; Martha Coates, 23 years; Jefferson Montague, 21 years; Frederick Thomas, 54 years; Ella Gales, 46 years; Mary J. Fox, 24 years.

Homing Pigeons Sent Away.

Three baskets of homing pigeons were shipped South on the 11 o'clock train last night, to return on Sunday. The birds of the Washington Homing Club go to Greer's Depot, S. C., about 400 miles, and will be liberated at 5 a. m., and are expected to reach this city before night. The lofts of W. J. Fry, E. B. Caverly, Vincent Petrola and Burr Edwards are flying in competition. The Potomac Club's birds will fly from Charlotte, N. C., 328 miles, the lofts of W. S. Colburn and B. Ringgold competing. The birds of Louis Schmid will also fly from Charlotte, N. C.

John Gilbert Dying.

NEW YORK, June 8.—A special from Boston to the *Herald* says John Gilbert, the veteran actor, is in a very critical condition and his life is despaired of.

Indiana's Great Year.

(Cincinnati Enquirer.)

WINAMAC, IND., May 27.—Mrs. William A. Hale, a lady living near this place, who has passed her 52d birthday, recently gave birth to a healthy baby boy.

As to Mr. Tucker.

(St. Louis Globe-Democrat.)

Beverly Tucker is in a position to appreciate the force of that familiar rule of the philosophy of marble-playing which says, "Nears don't count."

What Jockey's Know.

A discussion upon how much can a jockey know during a race of what his competitors are doing tends to the conclusion that they can really know very little. A knowledge of the pace of their own mount is about as far as they can go. The late Admiral Rous esteemed a jockey's judgment as of very little value. "I have often made matches," he once testified, "on the representation of the jockey that, if he had not done so and so, he could have won, and in nineteen out of twenty cases I have found the jockey wrong. Any man who follows the advice of his jockey is sure to be ruined.

Some English Sentences.

The haul of noble lords and ordinary sports made recently at a gambling house in London has led to this result: Cohen, the owner, was fined £300, or in default three months' imprisonment; De la Croix, the secretary, £200, or two months' imprisonment; one employe, who had shown his clenched fist to the officers on their first entry, and another, who sounded a warning whistle to those inside and who had "clearly taken an active part in keeping this club from invasion by the police," £25 each, or one month's imprisonment. The other defendants were discharged.

A Lucky Town.

Demyssville, Me., a town of 522 people, has no debt and has $1,000 to her credit. There has not been a fire for eighty years. One Peter E. Voss has been first selectman twenty-nine years, treasurer twenty three years, assessor thirty-one years, overseer twenty-four years and town agent twenty years.

A Remarkable Railroad.

Some Swiss engineers are planning an aerial railray by which they propose to connect two of the peaks of Mount Pilatus with wire ropes about 2,000 feet long, and to send tourists from summit to summit in cars sliding along the wires.

She Loved Him.

A young lady named Break, who died recently at her home near Freehold, N. J., left a goodly portion of her property to the gentleman to whom she was engaged to be married.

ARMES' CASE DECIDED.

DEPRIVED OF HIS UNIFORM FOR FIVE YEARS.

The Court-Martial Recommended Dismissal, But the President Was Inclined to Clemency on Account of the Good Services of the Officer.

The President this morning announced his action in the court-martial case of Captain George A. Armes, who was tried before a general court-martial in last April.

The charge against Captain Armes was "conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman, in violation of the sixty-first article of war." There were four specifications to the charge. The first specification set forth that Captain George A. Armes, retired, did on the 5th day of March, 1889, at Washington, make an affidavit before Thomas F. Miller, Judge of the Police Court of the District of Columbia, in which affidavit said Armes did under oath declare that Captain John G. Bourke did make an assault and battery upon him, which affidavit was malicious and false to the knowledge of Armes, and by which false affidavit Armes maliciously caused the false arrest of Captain Bourke and his appearance in the Police Court on the 8th day of March to answer the charge, Armes, however, failing to appear, well knowing it to be false.

The second specification charged Captain Armes with writing a letter to the Adjutant-General of the Army, charging Captain Bourke and Colonel Gibson with assaulting him and being in a drunken and boisterous condition, "which said accusations of drunkenness and of boisterous and disorderly conduct thus made against the said Colonel Gibson and Captain Bourke were malicious and false, and known by the said Armes to be false, and were made with the dishonorable intent of injuring said officers by false representations."

The third specification charged Captain Armes with publishing in THE CRITIC the letter mentioned above, "and which said publication was made with the dishonorable intent of defaming said officers by false representations."

The fourth specification set forth as follows: "In that Captain George A. Armes, United States Army (retired), did, without provocation or justification, make a cowardly and disgraceful violent public assault upon the person of His Excellency James A. Beaver, Governor of Pennsylvania, this at Washington, D. C., on the 27th day of March, 1889."

The court found Captain Armes guilty of the charge, not guilty of the first specification and guilty of the other three specifications. The sentence of the court was dismissal from the service of the United States. The President, after carefully reviewing the case, commuted the sentence as follows:

"In the case of Captain George A. Armes, U. S. A., retired, sentenced by a general court-martial to be dismissed from the service, the President has commuted the sentence, in consideration of the good service which the officer has rendered, and of mitigating circumstances connected with the offenses of which found guilty, to confinement within such limits as the Secretary of War may prescribe, and to deprivation of right to wear the uniform and insignia of his rank in the army for a period of five years."

WHAT PEOPLE SAY.

General W. H. F. Lee: "I think Virginia will go Democratic by a large majority in the coming fall elections.

Keeper of the Animals: "Yes, our little menagerie is not very large just now, but we'll get more bye and bye."

Mr. Agnew, coal dealer: "Every one of us along the river are feeling the effects of the freshet. I've just had 900 tons of coal washed away."

Professor Mason of the Smithsonian: "Yes, we have very comfortable offices up here. This little wing is a great addition to the building."

Dr. Irving C. Rosse: "If people would keep themselves in proper condition, the hottest weather would not hurt them any more than a Turkish bath."

Manager Britton of the Bijou: "We are going to pump the water out of the house and have a benefit for the flood sufferers—no, not ourselves, but the Johnstown sufferers."

Mr. Frost, at Willard's: "This decoration business in the rotunda is getting to be a nuisance. I have to yell at everybody to get out of the way, unless they want to get spattered with paint."

Sid H. Neely: "The prospects for the Johnstown sufferers' benefit at Harris' are very flattering. If I succeed in getting the ladies I am trying to, it will, aside from its charitable purpose, be an exceptionally attractive bill that we offer."

Postman on Twenty-first Street: "We have had rather an easy time of it during the washout, as the mails from several cities were cut off. Now, oh, Lord! Everybody is writing to everybody else to find out if they are alive or drowned."

W. H. Rapley: "Our benefit was not the success it deserved last night, though we did clear $260 for the flood sufferers. We give another on Sunday night, on which occasion the United States Marine Band have volunteered their services. It will be a sacred concert, and Mr. Bernays will aid us."

Lew Newmeyer: "Yes, I am a flood sufferer, too. Mr. Britton came in Saturday with a telegram saying that the water was going to be four feet higher. I said 'yes, you're always guying, I'm onto you,' and I paid no attention to it. The next morning the water was above the ceiling and everything I had in the place was under water."

Trainmaster McKeever, B. & P. Railroad: "Why wouldn't a trestle bridge on piles like the temporary span of Long Bridge be just as good and cheaper? Well, such a bridge could hardly stand the ordinary spring freshets, the piles being so close together that the drift would lodge against it. But such a bridge would