est Catastrophe in the Country History-Fifteen Hundred Lives Lost By the Bursting of a Reserveir-Terrible Scones.

Pritsbungs, Pa., June 1-A sudden freshet in the North Fork river, east of Johnstown, Pa., in the Allegheny mountains resulted in an awful catastrop

Last evening, according to a reliable courier, 1,500 lives were lost. The reservoir broke about five o'clock and the immease volume of water rushed down to the city, carrying with it death and destruction. Houses with their occupants were swept away and hundreds of people were drowned.

Up to nine p. m. information received been counted floating down stream from Johnstown alone, while along the line many additional lives have been lost. It was asserted that there were but two

houses in Johnstown proper entirely above the water line.

A special train bearing Pennsylvania railway officials and a large number of newspaper men left this city for the scene. Telegraphic communication was entirely cut off.

W. H. Hays, superintendent of the section of the Pennsylvania railroad covered by the flood, te egraphed last night to Superintendent Pitcairn as follows: "The destruction is terrible. The dam at Johnstown is gone between the bridge and tower. West of Johnstown at some points the tracks are entirely carried away and road bed gone. The river for three-quarters of a mile above the bridge is filled with buildings and driftwood forty feet high, and is on fire, burning furiously, and is entirely beyond our control. I can not estimate the amount of damage. I walked over last night from Johnstown to Sang Hollow, four miles. Johnstown is literally wiped out."

Superintendent Pitcairn, who was at New Florence, sixty-five miles east of Pittsturgh, telegraphed that over one bundred men, women and children passed Sang Hollow clinging to debris. Seven were rescued at Sang Hollow, two at Conemaugh Furnace and two at New Florence. Only forty-seven of the hundred and over passed New Forence. The loss of life and property was terrible.

A special from Bairsville station on the Pennsylvania railroad says: "John Barton, a freight engineer, saw three men and a woman struggling for their lives in the Conemaugh river just below Johnstown. The Western Union office in and a number of lives have been lost at Johnstown was swept away at four that place. o'clock yesterday afternoon. The water in Cambria City, where are located the Cambria iron works, is thirty-five feet deep and rising."

The reservoir or dam at South Fork, which is said to have burst with such terrible results, is described by a gentleman acquainted with the locality in which it was situated to be an immense body of water formerly used as a water supply for the old Pennsylvania canal. has been owned for several years by a number of Pittsburgh gentlemen who used it as a fishing ground. The gentleman who gave this information said that if the report of the bursting of the fam was true, he had no doubt that the damage and loss of life was fully as great as indicated in he dispatches.

OTHER TOWNS PROBABLY GONE. PITTSBURGH, Pa., June 1.-The course of the torrent from the broken dam at the foot of the lake to Johnstown is almost eighteen miles, and with the exception of one point the water passed through a narrow V shaped valley. Four miles below the dam lay the town of South Fork where the South Fork itself empties into the Conemaugh river. The town contained about 2,000 inbabitants. It has not been heard from, but it is said that four-fifths of it has been swept away.

Four miles further down on the Come maugh river, which runs parallel with the main line of the Pennsylvania railroad. was the town of Mineral Point. It had 30) inhabitants, 90 per cent of the houses peing in a flat close to the river. It seems impossible at this time to hope that any of them have escaped.

Six miles further down was the town of Conemanch and here alone was there a topographical possibility of the spreading of the flood and the breaking of its force It contained 3,500 inhabitants and must be almost wholly devastated.

Woodville, with 200) people, lay a mile below Conemaugh in the flat, and one mile further down were Johnstown and its cluster of sister towns-Cambria City and Conemaugh borough, with a total population of 30,000. On made ground and stretched along right at the river verge were the immense iron works of the Cambria Iron and Steel Company, who had \$5,000,000 invested in their plant. Besides this there are many other large industrial establishments on the bank of the river, how badly damaged can not be estimated.

THE CAMBRIA CITY HORROR. DERRY, Pa., June 1.-At Cambra City there are probably a dozen houses in what was a thriving manufacturing town fortyeight hours ago. No estimate can be formed of the amount of damage, but the probable loss of life is terrible. There are at present 530 lives known to have been sacrificed and hundreds of people are homeless. The cold raw weather of this morning is particularly severe on those who are without shelter and no means of relief at hand as the trains can not reach here from either west or east. Every thing possible is being done for the sufferers. Communication with the outer world has been cut off and only temporary accommodation can be had. Some place the damage to property at from \$12,000,000 to \$15,000,000, but until the excitement calms fown it is impossible to form any correct estimata.

The latest man from Johnstown brings the information that scarcely a house re- from communication with the outside mains in the city. The upper portion above the bridge has been completely submerged. The water dammed up against the viaduct, the wreckage and debris ground. It stands near the river, and finishing the work that the torrent had many fear that is has been swept away or failed to accomplish. The bridge at greatly damaged. The loss of these works Johnstown proved too stanch for the fury alone will be in the millions. of the water. It is a heavy piece of masonry, and was used as a viaduct by road are filled with anxious g oups of the Pennsylvania canal. Some of the top

stones were displaced. mother and nine children were washed sway in a creek at Lock Haven. The mother managed to reach the shore, but the husband and children were carried the husband and children were carried swept away at Bolivar. The water rushed every cent that they had on deposit in the out into the Conemaugh to drown. The past with a roar, carrying with it parts of morning during banking hours. De woman is crazed over the terrible affair. | bouses, furniture and trees. The flood had Throof, who is worth \$3,000,000 and he

heard the piteous appeals from the unfortunates as they were carried by. To add also to the terror a brilliant illumina-tion lit up the sky. This illumination can

be plainly seen from this place. A message received from Bang Hollow a few moments age states that the light comes from a hundred burning wrecks of houses that are piled up on the Johnstown

At Lockport Edward Dick, a young railroader, rescued an old gentleman, a lady named Adams, of Cambria, and her two children by swimming out to the house in which they were imprisoned, cutting a hole in the roof and pulling them through. He then swam ashore with them, one at a time, until all were

saved. Then he fell exhausted. Patrick Madden was nearly dead when pulled from the river. He was in the house of Edward Garvey. All were caught. Ten minutes later the house was wrecked, Garvey and his son-in-law were drowned and Madden was thrown into the flood. "When I rose to the surface," he said, "I saw my wife hanging on to a about the Johnstown catastrophe came piece of scantling. She let it go and through Pennsylvania railway officials, was drowned, almost within reach who averred that over 20 dead bodies had of my arm, and I could not help or save her. I caught a log and floated with it for five or six miles, but it was knocked from under me when I went over the dam. I then caught a bale of hav and was taken out by Mr. Marener. My wife is certainly drowned, and six children all missing and I fear are drowned."

> There are without doubt fully a thousand people lost between Conemaugh borough and Cambria City.

OTHER DISTRESSED TOWNS. PITTSBURGH. Pa., June 1.—Reports from along the Kiskiminetas river into which the Conemaugh empties are most distressing. The river near Saltsburgh is filed with wreckage, and a number of persons were noticed clinging to such timber as would bear their weight. At Blairsville men are stationed on the bridges and banks in the hope of rescuing some of those who were being carried down the

The volume of water is unprecedented. The iron bridge connecting Blairsville with Bairsville Intersection has been ily loaded cars standing upon the bridge and strongest bridge on the West Penn- ally sought the mountainous country of sylvania road. It is thought that all of the West Pennsylvania railroad bridges such a man. Going to the mining counwill share a similar fate.

All the towns in the Kiskimenatas valley are expected to be submerged. Among capture of the missing man, who, if them are Livermore, Saltsburg, Apollo, Leechburg and Avonmore, having populations of from 8,000 to 10 000 each. The inhabitants along the river have been Miller run down every possible clew, warned, but are almost panic-stricken at many times disappointed, but never disthe idea of their great loss of property, couraged, and never changing his belief which is inevitable.

Later reports from Coketown is to the effect that the entire town is submerged

HARROWING SCENES. DERRY, Pa, June 1 .- A flood of death swept down the Allegheny mountains yesterday afternoon and last night almost the entire city of Johnstown was swimming about in the rushing, angry tide. Dead bodies were floating about in every direction and almost every piece of movable timber was carrying from the doomed city a corpse of humanity driftwhere.

At Derry a group of railway officials were gathered who had come from Bolivia, the end of the passable portion of the road westward. They had seen but a small portion of the awful flood, but enough to allow them to imagine the rest. Down through the pack-saddle came the rushing waters. The wooded heights of the Alleghanies looked down in solemn wonder at the scene of the most terrible destruction that ever struck the romantic valley of the Conemaugh. The water was rising when the men left at six o'clock at

the rate of five feet an hour. Clinging to improvised rafts, constructed in the death battle from floating boards and timbers, were agon zed men, women and children, their heartrending shricks for help striking horror to the breasts of the onlookers. Their cries were of no avail. Carriel along at a railway speed on the breast of this rushing torrent, no human ingenuity could devise a

With pallid cheeke and hair clinging wet and damp to her cheek, a mother was seen grasping a floating timber, while with her other arm she held her babe.

The tidal wave struck Bolivar just after dark and in five minutes the Conemaugh rose from six to forty feet, and the waters spread out over the whole country. Soon houses began floating down and clinging to the debris were men, women and chil-dren shricking for aid. A large number of citizens at once gathered on the county bridge and they were reinforced by a number from Garfield, a town on the opposite side. They brought a number of ropes and these were thrown over into the boiling waters as unfortunates drifted by.

Up the river there was a sudden crash and a section of the bridge was washed away and floated down the stream, striking the tree and washing it away. All three were thrown into the water and to fence it, when Major Theodore Wisewere drowned before the eyes of the bor- man and Mr. Tillinghast, insurance rified spectators just opposite the town of

Early in the evening a woman with her two children were seen to pass under the bridge at Bolivar clinging to the roof of a coal house. A rope was lowered to her but she shook her head and refused to desert the children. It was rumored that all three were saved at Cokeville, a few miles was and that it was not, while Alv below Bolivar.

A later report from Lockport says that the residents succeeded in rescuing five Hillman, has never appeared in court. people from the flood-two women and ticee men. One man succeeded in getting badly decomposed. Mrs. Hillman her out of the water unaided. They were tated as to whether she should go and so kindly taken care of by the people of the the body, but finally decided to do s

A little girl passed under the bridge just before dark. She was kneeling on part of a floor and had her hands clasped as if in prayer. Every effort was made to save

her, but they all proved futile. There is absolutely no news from Johnstown. The little city is entirely cut off world. The damage done is inestimable. No one can tell its extent. The Cambria Iron Company's works are built on made

road are filled with anxious groups of men who have friends and resatives in Johnstown. The smallest item of news is The story reached here a short time ago eagerly seized upon and circulated. If startling rumor is that all of the director that a family consisting of father and favorable they have a moment of relief, if with the exception of President Thro

After night settled down on the mount- evid-nily spent its force up the valley, as \$68.00 on deposit, alone of the director

HILLMAN FOUND.

Discovery of the Supposed Murdecod Man—An Insurance Verdict That Will Bo

Topeka Ken., May 28 -The long searc is over, a fugitive has been found and arrested, and an old crime partially rerealed, but leaves another mysterious disppearance and an unknown dead man to explained and accounted for. John W. Hil man, whose supposed re

mains were found on Crooked creek, Barber County, shot through the head, has just been arrested near Tomb A. T., where he had been working in a mine, and J. M. Miller, who had been on his track for eight long years, has earned his reward of \$10,000.

A dispatch was received last evening from H. J. Franklin, formerly special agent of the Santa Fe, requesting C. S. Gleed to secure requisition papers upon the Governor of Arisons for the body of to Kansas, where his name has become famous because of the three long trials in which his wife claimed from the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, the New York Life Insurance Company Insurance Company, the aggregate sum of \$25,000 which he had placed on his life a short time before his supposed death, and the bringing to Lawrence of his dead body, which was recognized by more than forty witnesses under oath as that of the dead John W. Hill-

The insurance companies refused to pay the policies, declaring that the body was not that of Hillman, but the body of some man murdered for the sole purpose of obtaining the \$25,000.

Pending the first suit a reward of \$10. 000 was offered by the companies for the arrest of Hillman, which reward they pledged the good faith of the companies to pay whenever the missing man was ar-

Eight years ago. J. M. Miller, then a resident of Lawrence, who, being well acquainted with Hillman and refusing to acknowledge the dead body as that of the carried away and with it a train of heav- man claimed, commenced his weary search. Knowing Hillman to have been to hold it in place. This was the largest a miner as well as a cattleman, he naturthe West as the most natural retreat of tries he worked first in one camp and then another always with one end in view, the found, would also be a murderer, working first at mining then at tie chopping for the Santa Fe, never long in one place. that the Rockies held the man wanted by justice, and whose revealment would

bring him \$10,000 Miller's face became a familiar one in all the camps of Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, Old Mexico and more Northern Territories. In this search he was aided at times by Mr. Franklin, who shared his

belief that Hillman was still alive. Two years ago Miller saw and identified his man, and immediately asked for a requisition to be sent to him. Tue necessary papers were issued and after some delay a man was sent with them, but Hillman had recognized his former neighbor

on for the papers. Franklin will arrive they had taken out altogether some start back for the man who so nearly wore of \$1,000,000. out three judges and three juries and numberless lawyers and witnesses, and whose wife has since remarried.

March 17, 1879, according to evidence. John Brown and John Hillman went into camp ing on their way to Texas. Brown went for a farmer named Briley, who returned tenth interest in the pocket. with Brown, who had notified him of the killing. He found a wagon and a camp fire about twelve feet gun had entered the skull one and a half inches above and one inch in front of the auditory meatus on the right side and had sixty days the nephew was "busted." passed out on the left side one inch above the ear. The feet of the body were toward the fire and the head was supported on a few fagets. The dead man's bat was burning in the flames Brown said the dead man was Hillman, caught the hammer on the wagon box or a blanket and the gun had been discharged. He heard a groan, be turned and saw Hillman stagger and start to fall, and running to him caught him and his San Francisco property. swung him around away from the fire. He then took a horse and went for the nearest fa mer.

The following morning Mr. Paddock the justice of the peace, held an inquest. after which the body was carried to Medicine Lodge, where another inquest was held. After the second inquest the body was buried and Brown and Levi Baldwin and Alva Baldwin had brought material agents, of Lawrence, arrived and insisted on exhuming the body for identification From the hour that disinterment to place Walker, Wiseman and Tillingha have been sure the body was not Hillma Levi Baldwin has said it was Hillman Brown, who is the only person who ca absolutely know, has sworn both that Baldwin, brother of Levi Baldwin, an one of the most intimate acquaintances

The dead body was taken to Lawren The body was buried at Oak Hill cem tery, but was again taken up and phot graphed, a front and side view beir taken, the face being disfigured. Son fifteen of the witnesses at the first exam ination swore positively that the bod was not that of Hillman, there being many discrepancies in a so as well as an pearance. Thirty-eight other witness gave points which they claimed belong Hillman, which did not appear in t body before them.

The Scranton Defalcation

SCRANTON, Pa., May 28.—The failure the Scranton City Bank and the arrest Vice-President and Cashier Jessu charged with the embersiement of ti bank funds amounting to not less the \$135,000 excited the citizens. The mo

DUVOLL'S LUCKY STRIKE.

in Six Months.

Sonora, Tuolumne County, Cal., was at one time the liveliest and richest mining camp in the Golden State. Gold was found in the very streets and the supply seemed inexhaustible. For the past few years, however, Sonora has been on the down grade. A few mines are worked in the vicinity. but the town itself is about as dead as a door nail

One of the best known characters of the town, and who may be seen any day leaning up against some post and gazing into space, as if he had no farther use for the scenes about him, is a Frenchman by the name of Duvoll. Duvoll is about fifty-six years old J. W. Hillman, who was now under arrest and is a very fair specimen of the awaiting proper authority to be returned | "busted miner" type so prevalent among the mining districts of the Pacific slope. No one would suppose by looking at him that only a tew years since he counted his gold by the and the Connecticut Mutual Life hundreds of thousands, yet such is really the case.

Duvoll sprang into wealth and prominence in the fall and winter of 1884-5. He made in those few months something like \$1,350,000. To-day he has not a cent to his name. It happened this way:

About four miles from Sonora some men were sinking a prospect shaft when they struck a rich "pocket." yielding some \$30,000 or more in gold. They "drifted" about after that in the hope of finding more, but concluded finally that there was no more in it.

Duvoll had been prospecting around and working in the mines, and had saved about \$400. He had heard of this pocket, and thinking it a good "spec," offered the men his \$400 for their claim, which offer they jumped at, thinking Duvoll crazy to want to work the claim any further. .

This didn't seem to "phase" Duvoll any, for he went to work steadily, and day after day for about a month he wielded his pick and shovel at the bottom of the shaft, until (the ground he was working in was a soft, decomposed quartz) he found a narrow thread of quartz showing a considerable quantity of free gold.

That night Duvoll procured some heavy timbers and some lumber and built a cabin over the shaft. A nephew of his was called to his assistance, and one of them was always at the cabin after that for a period of six months.

That narrow streak of quartz soon began to widen and the gold became more plentiful, until an ore chamber was reached, containing perhaps the greatest amount of gold in a given space that ever was discovered.

The gold was taken out in the bucketfuls. At every stroke of the In no wise discouraged Miller again pick great chunks of quartz that were commenced a search and last week again almost solid masses of gold would be found his man, this time securing him and loosened, and this was kept up until here to-day, and will immediately 9 000 pounds, which yielded upward

This sort of thing, of course, could not last always, and so when the "find" petered out Duvoll and his nephew went down to San Francisco on Crooked creek, in Barber County, be- to invest their money and enjoy themselves. The nephew had, I believe, a

A million dollars wasn't enough for Duvoll, and in order to increase his apart, and near the fire was a man who | pile he took a "flier" at stock specuhad been shot, the builet from a 44-caliber lation. He took several "fliers," in fact, and so did the nephew. In about and Duvoll's "pile" had been diminished to about \$300,000.

Duvoll's next step was to invest about \$150,000 in dwelling property on Haight street, San Francisco. and in taking his gun out of the wagon He then returned to Sonora. After in preparing for bed, he (Brewn) had several disastrous mining speculations, he was induced to go into a big irrigation scheme which almost broke him and compelled him to mortgage

After a number of other ventures the Haight street property went by the board, and Duvoll, without even his original \$400, found himself skirmishing about Sonora for a job at \$3 a day. -N. Y. Herald.

THE GENERAL MARKETS.

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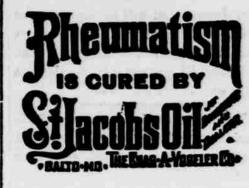
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