

PESTILENCE IS FEARED

Stricken Galveston Has Not Yet Drunk Her Cup of Horrors to the Dregs.

ONE THOUSAND BODIES UNBURIED.

Besides Hundreds of Carcasses of Animals Lying Everywhere.

People Dying by Scores of Lack of Food and Attention—Men Are Forced to Work—Fate of Eighty-Five Railway Passengers.

Galveston, Sept. 14.—Last Saturday morning the City of Galveston, according to the federal census, and 37,750 people within the limits of the municipality; today hardly 30,000 remain, and 25 per cent. of these will depart as soon as the boats and railroads can afford facilities for leaving. In spite of everything that has been done for the wounded, their wants have not been attended to, and deaths among the injured are of hourly occurrence. Medical supplies are coming in, but the number of wounded is so large that further deaths will necessarily ensue before need is sent in.

Fears Are Now of Pestilence.

The conditions of affairs has never had a parallel in this country. In spite of everything that has been done by the civic authorities in removing the dead, hundreds of bodies still remain in the debris, and the effluvia arising in consequence has brought about the much dreaded and anticipated pestilence. Up to the present time the real story as to the situation here has not been written. When the fact is taken into consideration that on Galveston Island at least 2,000 people lost their lives, while the highest estimate made by those in a position to know is that not more than 2,000 bodies have been disposed of, it can readily be seen that the 1,000 corpses that have been buried, together with the hundreds of carcasses of animals lying in all parts of the city, has laid the foundation for the epidemic that promises to sweep away hundreds of the survivors of the flood.

People Are Starving to Death.

Since Wednesday night, according to the reports received at the city hall, at least 150 persons have died in consequence of lack of food, and necessary clothing and medical attention, a large majority of the victims being women. How many persons have been driven insane because of fright and privation cannot be estimated.

Labor Performance Under Compulsion.

The people of this wrecked and desolated city are in no humor now for conservative measures. Men assigned to the work of cleaning away the debris and gathering up the bodies of the dead for burial at sea or for cremation who refuse to do as ordered are promptly shot.

INCIDENT OF THE CATASTROPHE

John H. Poe Says That Eighty-Five Passengers on a Train Were Lost.

New Orleans, Sept. 14.—The States has received a telegram from Hon. John H. Poe, member of the state board of education and residing at Lake Charles, stating that eighty-five lives were lost on the Gulf and Intracoastal train which left Beaumont early Saturday morning from Bolivar Point, after having made connections with the Southern Pacific train which left this city Friday night. Poe was one of the passengers on the train, and unfortunately, together with a few others, he sought safety in the lighthouse at Bolivar Point and was saved. The train reached Bolivar about noon, and the preparations were made for the train on the ferry boat preparatory to crossing the bay.

Caused a Bridge's Collapse.

St. Cloud, Minn., Sept. 14.—The projecting arm of a Great Northern steam shovel caused an expensive accident. As the train pulled across the Cold Spring bridge the projecting arm caught on the overhead brace work of the structure, and much of the timber work was torn out and the bridge collapsed, dropping the steam shovel and three flat cars into the river below.

President at His Canton Home.

Canton, O., Sept. 14.—President and Mrs. McKinley are again in their Canton home. They arrived shortly before 6 p. m. yesterday from Somerset. He has no definite plans, but expects to remain here for some time. Both seem to be in excellent health and spirits. The president is especially showing that he has kept up well under the strain of the five weeks of almost incessant hard work since he left here for Washington.

Water Works Power Too Weak.

Racine, Wis., Sept. 14.—At a meeting of the special committee appointed by Mayor Higgins to consider propositions from the Racine Water company relative to the city buying the plant received a report last evening from George H. Benzow, of Milwaukee, and Thomas Johnson and E. Ericson, of Chicago, experts called in to examine the system. The experts decided that the company could not furnish direct pressure of 125 pounds without damage to the system.

TWELVE LOSE THEIR LIVES.

Eleven of Whom Went to Their Fate in the Doomed Lyon.

Chicago, Sept. 14.—Twelve persons are known to have lost their lives in the great storm that swept over the lakes from the southwest Tuesday night. The loss to shipping interests has not yet been accurately estimated, but will reach high into the thousands. Eleven of the twelve fatalities were the result of the foundering of the steamer John B. Lyon. The death of this vessel was: Alastair, steward; Brown, of Cleveland, second engineer; Michael Nestor, watchman; Oscar Olson, first mate; Capt. A. H. Senghas, of Marine City, Mich., master; George Tyler, second mate; Tyler, watchman; father of the second mate; Charles Willows, of Cleveland, chief engineer; two deckhands, names unknown; fireman, name unknown.

THEY HAD NO CREDENTIALS.

They Attended the Convention and the Others Bailed. Evansville, Ind., Sept. 14.—Bumblebees broke up the Democratic county convention here Wednesday afternoon at the Tri-State fair grounds. In the midst of the convention several colored boys stirred up a nest of bees and scattered bromide over the delegates who were seated in the amphitheater. People rushed in all directions, and there was a panic which required all the police officials on the ground to quell it.

HAD HIS ARM TORN OFF.

Bleeding to Death He Disposes of His Effects in a Few Minutes. Fond du Lac, Wis., Sept. 14.—Frank Christ, formerly an employe of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway company, whose home is at Theis, Wis., bled to death at the Elmer Hotel, Fond du Lac, on Monday night, yesterday morning, after having his arm torn off in the flywheel of a threshing machine engine.

Scores on the Ball Field.

Chicago, Sept. 14.—Following are yesterday's League ball scores: National League—At Philadelphia: Pittsburgh 6, Philadelphia 11; at New York: Chicago 6, Boston 4; at Brooklyn: Cincinnati 2, Brooklyn 7. (second game) Cincinnati 9, Brooklyn 13. American League: At Minneapolis: Cleveland 5, Minneapolis 3—twelve innings; at Kansas City: Detroit 4, Kansas City 13; at Chicago: Buffalo 3, Chicago 1.

Hold-Ups Attack a Raganan.

LaCrosse, Wis., Sept. 14.—Two hold-up artists tackled a raganan in the south end of the town late Wednesday afternoon and after assaulting him ran away with his horse and trunk. He headed for the east with a squad of police in hot pursuit. The horse has not yet been recovered. The raganan says they are men from this city, for several years ago they were in LaCrosse, they did not touch his money. All they seemed to want was his horse.

Wanted Twenty Years for Her.

Cobden, Ill., Sept. 14.—A romantic marriage has just come to light here. Frank Wangle, a soldier of the civil war, and Mary Vancell are united after twenty years of waiting. Parental objections were the cause of the delay. Recently the bride's only parent, the mother, having died, the only barrier was removed. They were quietly married Sunday.

Presbyterian Revision.

Terre Haute, Sept. 14.—At the meeting of the Vincennes presbytery the committee on the questions submitted by the general assembly in regard to the revision of the confession of faith reported recommending that it was desirable to return loyalty to the confession, but that the confession be made simpler in expression.

Fell Beneath a Moving Train.

Princeton, Ind., Sept. 14.—William Pierce, 22 years old, and a resident here, was killed at Owensville, near here, by a freight train on the Mt. Vernon branch of the Evansville and Terre Haute railroad. Pierce was a brakeman, and fell beneath the moving train. He leaves a widowed mother.

Both Preacher and Veteran.

Ethingham, Ill., Sept. 14.—Rev. Herbert Reed, aged 59 years, died at his home in this city Wednesday of rheumatism. He had been a minister of the Methodist church for twenty-five years and was a veteran of the civil war, having served in company A, Twenty-sixth Illinois volunteers.

Jeal in Elevators.

New Richmond, Wis., Sept. 14.—The New Richmond Roller Mills company has bought the Northern Grain company's line of elevators on the Chicago & St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha in Wisconsin, Nebraska, Iowa and Minnesota. Possession has already been given and the elevators will be operated by the new owners this season.

Reputation for a Negro Woman.

Springfield, Ill., Sept. 14.—Governor Tanner has honored a requisition from Governor Shaw of Iowa, for the extradition of Alice M. Hamilton, charged with entering the room of F. M. Millard, of Creston, Ia., June 25, forcing open a valise, securing \$2,200 cash, and getting away.

Salior's Name Is "Tascott."

Houghton, Mich., Sept. 14.—A salior named Tascott, giving his residence as Portage Entry, is in jail accused of a serious crime. Tascott had escaped in a small boat, but Sheriff Leach, chartered a tug and overhauled him on Portage lake.

CASE OF THE STRIKERS

Presented by a Statement From the President of the Miners' Union.

WAGES OF LESS THAN \$250 YEARLY

That the Average Worker Worked For—Impositions on the Men Stated in Detail.

Indianapolis, Sept. 14.—In order to place before the public the conditions existing in the anthracite fields of Pennsylvania, President John Mitchell and Secretary-Treasurer W. B. Wilson, of the United Mine Workers, yesterday issued to the public a statement giving in detail the conditions that have led up to the strike. After the statement had been given out for publication President Mitchell said: "At this time I do not believe anything will transpire between now and Monday that will prevent the strike. All information coming to my office today indicates that the struggle is practically on. I have been receiving messages all day from the anthracite region which indicate clearly that the indorsement of the strike and the coal just ordered has met with the approval of the miners. There are a few details to be arranged, but the men are prepared for the fight. I have not received today any information from the operators to show that the operators have receded from their position."

Why the Strike Was Ordered.

In presenting the reasons for ordering a strike with such far-reaching consequences as the one just ordered will have the statement says: "The average wages of the anthracite miner for many years has been less than \$250 annually. During that period of time the cost of many of the necessities of life have been increased over 20 per cent. An increase in the cost of living, without a corresponding increase of wages is equivalent to a reduction in wages. The laws of the Pennsylvania make 2,400 pounds a ton of anthracite coal, yet anthracite coal miners are compelled to mine from 2,700 to 4,000 pounds for a ton, and in addition to that are docked—except in the case of open-pit mines—12 per cent. of their daily earnings for any impurities which may be sent out with their coal.

Required to Give Heaped Measure.

"Where they are paid by the car, instead of being required to furnish a well rounded heap on the car at the breakers—as was originally agreed to—they have gradually been compelled to increase the amount of coal in each car by building the same perpendicular from six to eighteen inches above the edge. They are compelled to purchase the powder used in mining from their employers, paying \$2.75 per keg for 80 pounds, and are compelled to purchase elsewhere for \$1.50 per keg, and which wholesales for about \$1 per keg. They are required by many of the companies to deal in phreatic coal, and to leave their employments if they must pay for a doctor, whether they need him or not, and have no voice in saying who the doctor shall be.

NO REDRESS OF GRIEVANCES.

Companies Would Listen to Nothing from Their Employes. "The smallness of their earnings, together with the great cost of living, has compelled them to take their children from school before they have reached the age prescribed by law and to leave their employments. They must pay for a doctor, whether they need him or not, and have no voice in saying who the doctor shall be.

Heavy Rain in Wisconsin.

LaCrosse, Wis., Sept. 12.—A terrific rain fell here almost continuously from an early hour yesterday morning. A great volume of water has fallen on the crops and on the roads, etc., will be much greater than that incurred in the city. The rain appears to have been a quite general one.

Killed in the Texas Storm.

Kalamazoo, Mich., Sept. 14.—Levi Perrin, formerly of this city, and a brother of J. J. Perrin, a prominent local capitalist, was killed in the Texas storm.

Boers and British in Battle.

London, Sept. 14.—Lord Roberts reports from Machelodind, under date of Wednesday, Sept. 12, that General French was heavily engaged that day with the Boers in the hills west of Barberton, and that General Hutton had gone to General French's support.

NEWS FACTS IN OUTLINE.

The population of the city of East St. Louis, Ill., is 29,655; in 1890 it was 15,169. Philippine commission has appropriated \$100,000 for highways and bridges. Uah Snel, 2 years old, drank a bottle of rheumatism liniment and died, at Chicago. The Carnegie Steel company has donated \$10,000 to the Pittsburgh fund for Galveston relief. Premier Bostrom, of the Swedish cabinet, has resigned and Admiral Van Ottow succeeds him. London papers do not believe Chas. T. Yerkes has acquired control of the underground railway during the fair at Maunston, Wis., which he was attending, and foul play is suspected. Ruysdael's famous painting, "Silenus Somnolens," was stolen en route from New York to St. Louis. It had been purchased for \$3,000 for a naval officer, supposed to be Admiral Dewey.

So-Called Wild Man Identified.

New London, Wis., Sept. 14.—It is reported that the so-called wild man, who has been frightening people on the outskirts of this city, is William Kelle, formerly of the town of Liberty. He is 25 years old and disappeared two years ago. He was documented at that time.

BRYAN IN INDIANA AGAIN.

Talks to Veterans at Fort Wayne—Greeted by Crowds En Route.

Fort Wayne, Ind., Sept. 14.—The people of Fort Wayne turned out in large numbers to welcome William J. Bryan, who arrived here at 1:30 p. m. yesterday, and was escorted to the residence of State Senator Bell. The route of the procession lay through the principal streets of the city, which were well lined with people anxious to greet the national candidate. The city was entertaining the Union Veterans Legion and was in holiday attire. The houses were covered with bunting and immense banners swung to the breeze across many streets. Bryan is greeted by crowds in Warsaw, Pierceton and Columbia City. The people of the city dedicated to the memory of General Henry W. Lawton, a monument crowned by a cannon captured by him and inscribed the principal city park in honor of the dead hero. The ceremony occurred under the auspices of the Union Veterans Legion, and Colonel Bryan was the giving in detail the conditions that have led up to the strike. After the statement had been given out for publication President Mitchell said: "At this time I do not believe anything will transpire between now and Monday that will prevent the strike. All information coming to my office today indicates that the struggle is practically on. I have been receiving messages all day from the anthracite region which indicate clearly that the indorsement of the strike and the coal just ordered has met with the approval of the miners. There are a few details to be arranged, but the men are prepared for the fight. I have not received today any information from the operators to show that the operators have receded from their position."

LAST PINE TREE IS GONE.

Incident of the Progress of Destruction of Forests in Michigan.

Cadillac, Mich., Sept. 14.—The last pine tree in Wexford county was cut Saturday forenoon at Cummer & Digby's camp northwest of the city. What has for so many years been the chief industry of Cadillac and vicinity will soon be only a remembrance. This one tree was left standing for several days in order that photographs of it might be taken. There was a large crowd in attendance upon the ceremonies incident to its destruction. It is said there are three or four large pine trees near Harrietta, but they are on the Ann Arbor right of way and are therefore not available for lumber. Without a doubt during the past thirty years Wexford county has produced as much, if not more, pine lumber than all the rest of the state. It has been the principal source of employment to the residents of Cadillac and the camps have furnished labor to many of the farmers of the county during the winter months. It will be a long time before the lumber industry in Michigan is again what it once was.

Scores on the Diamond.

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Horrible Tragedy at Fort Scott.

Fort Scott, Kas., Sept. 12.—A most horrible tragedy occurred here yesterday. Acting under the impulse of a momentary fit of jealousy, a man buried a hatchet five times in the brain of his 70-year-old grandmother, Mrs. M. J. Wickersham, killing her instantly. He had just been brought back from a military tour in the Philippines, and it was not thought that he was dangerous. He did not try to escape and is now in jail.

Special for Government Aid.

Washington, Sept. 12.—Acting Secretary Melkeljohn has authorized the issue of a special train from St. Louis to carry quartermasters' and commissary supplies to the relief of the destitute at Galveston.

STORY OF THE CATASTROPHE.

Chicago, Sept. 12.—The Post's special from Houston, Tex., says: It is hardly possible that the true story of the frightful catastrophe will ever be written. The terror, despair and desperation of the population when at last they realized, Saturday evening last, that they were face to face with death cannot be pictured by those who were not there. No aid was near; escape was impossible; it was as though the 40,000 people of Galveston were on a vessel which was sinking at sea, the captain having informed them that the ship could survive but a few moments longer. For nearly thirty-six hours the situation was appalling and the inhabitants of the town were compelled to face conditions the like of which have rarely been known. The hurricane, before it reached the city, had lashed the waves of the bay into utmost fury. It was about 2 o'clock last Saturday morning when the storm began to be felt in the city. It had been raging in the gulf for some hours, and although warnings had been sent from Washington to Galveston the day before by the officials of the United States weather bureau no attention was paid to them. Saturday about noon the inhabitants realized that disaster was at hand, and the beggars from the beach and lower parts of the town began to be seen on the streets. The night was black, the plants of electric light and gas companies having been swept away, and as the people covered in their houses or places where they had sought refuge the swiftness of the wind did not begin to subside until nearly 1 o'clock Sunday morning, and it was about that time that the flood reached its height. In the course of six or eight hours the waters had gone down sufficiently to enable men to navigate some of the thoroughfares, while the

FIGURES THAT APPALL

Dead at Galveston Now Estimated as High in Number as Five Thousand.

RELIEF COMMITTEE SAYS 3,000.

Corpses Being Rapidly Buried in Trenches and Debris Buried.

NO TIME TO SEND THEM TO SEA.

Vessel Arrives in Port With Food and Water and the Water Works Are Being Repaired—Instant Aid Still Needed.

Houston, Tex., Sept. 12.—The Post correspondent was instructed to forward the following address to the people of the United States. It is dated Galveston, Sept. 11, and signed by Walter C. Jones, mayor Galveston: "It is my opinion, based on personal information, that 5,000 people have lost their lives here. Approximately one-third of the residence portion of the city has been swept away. There are several thousand people who are homeless and destitute. We appeal to you for immediate aid."

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