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\$1.50 Per Year.

THAT BIG FLOOD.

Damage Greater Than at First Expected.

SEVEN AND A HALF INCHES OF WATER.

That is the Quantity that Fell in Two Hours Wednesday Night—Sewers Could Not Carry it Off—List of Losses Sustained.

The destruction wrought in this city by the terrible rain of Wednesday night was even greater than was supposed Thursday morning. Between the hours of ten and twelve o'clock, the precipitation of water was seven and one-half inches, and of course the sewers, which are supposed to drain a large area, were wholly inadequate to carry this vast body of water off.

The flood at the gas plant reached to the roof of the building, and part of the wall was caved in. The damage to this institution will probably reach \$2,000, and those who depend on gas for illumination will be compelled to use coal oil lamps for a week or ten days, or put in electricity.

The basement of the Kinzer residence on Chicago avenue was flooded, the family barely getting up stairs before the water reached the ceiling.

It seems that Jim Sage only had ten horses of his own in his barn, instead of twelve, so his loss is that much less. His magnificent jack valued at \$1,000, was rescued.

Straight & Sattler had a large quantity of furniture in their basement in the Beck block, and as it was flooded, their damage will be about \$150.

The residence of S. P. Holloway, at Sixth and Vine streets, was right in the path of the torrent that swept down from Washington avenue, and it sustained a great deal of damage. The basement of his bakery, in the Fitzgerald block, was also filled, and a large quantity of flour and other merchandise as well as some bedding and clothing stored there were ruined. Damage, \$400.

I. Pearlman's basement was packed full of furniture, stoves, etc. Part of his rear wall was caved in and a good deal of the stock ruined. The loss will be over \$2,000.

The water rushed right through the basement of Broback & Nitka's saloon, and damaged their stock of liquors to the amount of \$600.

Julius Pepperberg's tobacco house was deluged, and he lost \$1,000 worth of tobacco. Ed. Stamm lost about \$300 worth of tobacco and Herman Spies \$200 worth.

The two-story residence on Washington avenue and Seventh St., occupied by Frank Vermilyea, had plenty of water on the first floor, and the damage to the household goods, fences and grounds, \$75.

Robert Sherwood had just finished excavating and putting in foundation walls for a new building between the Leonard and Weber buildings, but the work will all have to be done over again, as the wall was washed out and the cellar is full of mud.

While walking among the debris, on the night of the flood, Henry Beck and James Sage each stepped on a nail and sustained painful injuries. Will Heckle while attempting to open a his uncle's barn door, was struck by a piece of iron and knocked senseless.

The Department store and W. W. Coates & Co. each sustained damage to the amount of \$500. The fire engine was returned to Omaha yesterday afternoon and the work of emptying the basements of water is now being done by siphons. These are T shaped, one point of the T being one-seventh the size of the other two points, and connected with a water hydrant. One of the other points is inserted in the water to be siphoned, and the other is used as a discharge pipe. When the time comes for operating, the end of the discharge pipe is plugged up and the water turned on at the hydrant. This creates a vacuum and when the plug is removed the water begins to flow—seven times as much from the basement as from the hydrant. A number of these are in use and are doing excellent work.

Among the losers not mentioned above are:

- C. Coffey, \$50. E. Fitzgerald \$75. Perkins House \$100. Hotel Plattsmouth \$50. News office building \$150. August Gorder \$50. Eckberger & Troop \$50. Asher Clark \$25. L. B. Egenberger \$200. J. C. Peterson \$500. A. Bach \$30. City Steam Laundry \$600. Baunett & Tutt \$400. Patterson & Kunsman \$50. Kunsman \$50. Donnelly \$100. G. Fricke \$300. Bookmeyer \$50. Union Block \$200. Cottage House \$200.

HOBSON IS FREE.

He and His Gallant Comrades are Exchanged.

FOURTEEN SPANIARDS FOR HOBSON.

The Merrimac Heroes are Lined by the Army and Navy and are Greeted Within the American Lines With Loud Cheers.

Off Juragua, July 6. Evening, via Kingston, July 7.—The Spanish authorities consented this morning to exchange Hobson and his men and a truce was established for this purpose. The place selected for the exchange was under a tree between the Spanish and American lines, two-thirds of a mile beyond the intrenchments occupied by Colonel Wood's rough riders.

The prisoners were conducted to the meeting place on foot, but were not blindfolded.

Colonel John Jacob Astor and Lieutenant Miloy, accompanied by Interpreter Maester were in charge of the Spanish prisoners. These consisted of Lieutenants Amelio-Volez and Aurelius, a German belonging to the Twenty-ninth regular infantry who was captured at El Caney Friday, and Lieutenant Adolph Aries of the First Provisional regiment of Barcelona.

The meeting between Colonel Astor and Major Irls was extremely courteous but very formal and no attempt was made by either of them to discuss anything but the matter in hand.

Major Irls was given his choice of three Spanish lieutenants in exchange for Hobson and was also informed that he could have all the fourteen men in exchange for the American sailors. The Spanish officers selected Lieutenant Areluis.

Hobson and his men were escorted through the American lines by Captain Chadwick of the New York, who was waiting them. Every step of their journey was marked by the wildest demonstrations on the part of the American soldiers, who threw aside all semblance of order, scrambled over the intrenchments, knocked over tent guys and other camp paraphernalia in their eagerness to see the returning heroes and sent up cheer after cheer for the men who had passed safely through the jaws of death to serve their country. The same scenes of enthusiasm were repeated upon the arrival of the men at the hospital station and at our base at Juragua.

Hobson who reached there in advance of his companions was taken on board the New York immediately. The flag-ship's decks were lined with officers and men, and as Hobson clambered up her side and stepped on board his vessel the harbor rang with the shouts and cheers of his comrades, which were re-echoed by the crews of a dozen transports lying nearby. Hobson had little to say in regard to his experiences except that he and his companions had been well treated by the Spaniards and that they were all in excellent health.

The men whose return to their companions has been secured by the negotiations are:

- Richmond P. Hobson, lieutenant United States navy; Osborne Deignan, coxswain; George F. Phillips, machinist; John Kelly, water tender; George Charette, a gunner's mate; Daniel Montague, seaman; J. C. Murphy, Randolph Clausen, coxswains.

COPPING ORDERED TO MOVE. WASHINGTON, July 8.—A significant indication of the immediate invasion of Porto Rico is the sailing of Copping's army from Tampa 12,000 strong tomorrow or the next day. The war department received official advices from Tampa this evening saying that twenty-four of the transports which took Shafter's army to Santiago are expected back in Tampa this evening.

The embarkation of the army will begin as soon as the vessels are tied to the dock. It is believed that the entire force with its equipments can be put aboard ship in forty-eight hours. As soon as a vessel is loaded it will drop down the Florida coast to the rendezvous at Dry Tortugas. When the last transport reaches that point the fleet will sail. The destruction of Cervera's

TERMS OF PEACE.

Conditions on Which we will Settle With Spain.

THEY MUST FIRST EVACUATE CUBA.

Must Also Surrender Porto Rico to Us and Allow us a Coaling Station in the Canaries—The Philippines to be Held till Indemnity is Paid.

WASHINGTON, July 7.—Spain is beginning her prospective negotiations for peace. Two weeks ago her friends cast out hints as to the desirability of the cessation of hostilities. The hints were repeated today with slightly more emphasis.

'Prompt reply was made that the United States, provided that Spain made her overtures at once would accept peace on these conditions:

First—The prompt evacuation of Cuba by the Spanish army so that Cubans may have the opportunity of establishing a stable government.

Second—The permanent possession of Porto Rico by the United States.

Third—A coaling station in the Canary islands.

Fourth—The indefinite retention of the Philippines to insure the payment of the indemnity the United States will decide upon.

PANDO NOT AT SANTIAGO. Before Santiago, July 6.—General Toral, the Spanish commander at Santiago has been officially informed by General Shafter of the complete destruction of the Spanish fleet, and that the American warships are now free to co-operate with the army in the reduction of Santiago. He has been given such time as he may deem proper to decide the advisability of capitulating with his garrison.

Though General Toral is apparently utter hopelessness of holding out against land and sea forces must be forcing itself upon him. The reinforcements have not arrived. General Pando has left him in the lurch and it is understood is making his way to Havana.

SPANISH SOLDIERS SURRENDER. MANILA, June 30.—Via Hong Kong and Paris July 7.—General Moret's troops, numbering some eight hundred, have surrendered, giving up their arms to the rebels. The captives were taken to Cavite.

ASSAULT SANTIAGO TODAY. WASHINGTON, D. C. July 7.—General Shafter is said to have wired the war department that an assault will be made on Santiago Saturday noon.

Rings from 50 cents up at Coleman's guaranteed solid gold.

Congressional Conventions Here. The congressional conventions of the democrats, populists and silver republicans of the First congressional district will be held in this city on August 11th. Messrs. H. D. Travis, Frank J. Morgan and Mathew Gering were in Lincoln, Thursday, in attendance at the committee meetings of these parties and succeeded in having the conventions called for Plattsmouth.

Lincoln, Falls City and Tecumseh were after the prize but their representatives were unable to overcome the arguments advanced by the contingent from this place.

Plattsmouth should do herself proud on this occasion and show by her hospitality to the representatives of the reform parties that no mistake was made in the selection of a place of meeting.

If you want good toilet soap cheap come to GERING & CO.

He Wears a Smile. Matt Gering came over from Plattsmouth last week to get a drink of pure water and incidentally to find out if anyone was insisting that he represent the First district in congress, says the Lincoln Independent. He didn't say what he heard but he was seen trawling Congressman Strode around and taking the measure of his footprints with a yard stick. The result must have been satisfactory as he left town with a cheerful smile on his face.

Watch chains and charms at Coleman's, second door south of post office.

Read the new advertisement of W. K. Fox in today's paper. Mr. Fox is a genial gentleman and a good business man who merits, as he possesses, the confidence of the public.

ESCAPES IN WOMAN'S ATTIRE.

MANILA, July 4.—The water supply of the city is nearly exhausted. The pumps have not been working for three days.

General Monet, as I cabled, escaped with Augusti's family, who had a passport from General Aguinaldo. He was disguised as a woman, leaving his troops starving. An indignation meeting was held by the Spaniards, who went to the governor general to obtain an explanation why General Monet came here without his troops and demanding that he should be sent back. Owing to the fact that Spaniards are excitable, Monet's position is dangerous.

WET GOODS SALE.

In Hedbloom's old stand, opposite Herold's, by Wm. Herold & Son.

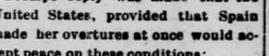
\$5,000 WORTH OF WATER-SOAKED DRY GOODS, CARPETS, MATTING, TRUNKS, SHOES, ETC., THAT WERE SPOILED BY THE LATE FLOOD IN OUR BASEMENT DEPARTMENT.

Sale will begin Monday, July 11, and continue until goods are sold.

Herold & Son,

Plattsmouth, - - Neb.

BUY BOSS Watch Cases



Watches and Jewels

We have them for sale, and can fit them with any movement you may desire. Call and get our prices.

SNYDER & CO., Jewelers and Opticians.

PLATTSMOUTH, - - - - - Nebraska

New Store!

New Goods!

I take pleasure in announcing to my friends and the public generally that I have just opened a large and well-chosen stock of

BOOKS, STATIONERY,

And such articles as generally go with them, at

No. 418 Main St.,

And I invite everybody to call and take a look through my goods. My stock also includes all the latest Newspapers and Periodicals, Cigars, Tobaccos, and a line of High Grade Candies.

Come and see for yourself. I will sell at prices to suit the times.

W. K. FOX,

Plattsmouth, - - - - - Nebraska.

COMING WEDNESDAY

Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, July 13, 14, 15, and 16.

Wait and Come to Plattsmouth to the Large Store Room Second Door East of Court House.

Shoes and clothing. Great manufacturer's closing out sale. The Empire Clothing and Shoe Company \$175,000, Cincinnati Ohio, quit business, and have sent out agents to country towns with their stock, to be sold out quick for cash, less profit of manufacture, less profit of wholesaler, less profit of retailer, and without cost of freight. Read these prices for new stylish goods, first-class workmanship, up-to-date in every respect.

SHOE BARGAINS.

Gents' Heavy Working Shoes, worth \$1 25, at 75c; Ladies' Oxfords, worth \$1 50, at 95c; Ladies' Oxfords, worth \$2 50, at \$1 24; Ladies' Oxfords, worth \$3 00 at \$1 48; Ladies' Dress Shoes, Lace and Button, worth \$1 50 at 95c; Ladies' and Gents' Dress Shoes, worth \$2 50, at \$1 24; Ladies' and Gents' Fine Shoes, worth \$3 00, at \$1 48; Ladies' and Gents' Custom-Made Shoes, worth \$4 50, at \$1 98; Ladies' and Gents' Hand-Sewed Shoes, worth \$6 00 at \$2 48; Children's School Shoes, sizes 8 to 11, worth \$1 25, at 74c; Misses' and Youths' School Shoes worth \$1 50, at 95c.

We also carry a full line of Ladies' and Gents' Fine Dress Shoes.

CLOTHING BARGAINS.

Men's Pants, worth \$1 25 at 85c; Men's Business Pants, worth \$2, at 95c; Men's Fine Pants, worth \$5, at \$1 24; Men's Tailor-made Pants, worth \$5 at \$2 48; Men's Suits, worth \$8, at \$3 25; Men's Cassimere Suits, worth \$12, at \$4 75; Men's Fine Cassimere Suits, worth \$15, at \$6 78; Fine Custom made Suits, worth \$18, at \$5 68; Men's Fine Tailor-made Suits, worth \$22, at \$9 83; Boys' Long Pants, worth \$1 25, at 78c; Children's School Suits, worth \$2, at 95c; Children's Fine Suits, worth \$2 50 at \$1 24; Children's Dress Suits, worth \$5, at \$2 48. \$3000 worth of Ladies' Capes at your prices.

And so on through the line you will find bargain after bargain. Nothing reserved. Everything must be sold in four days. Goods exchanged if not satisfactory. Honest, honorable square dealing to all.

Remember Wednesday July 13th is the day, and is for Four Days Only. Look for the Big, Red Sign.

L. M. MATHEWS, Agent.

Two Car Loads of Shoes and Clothing.

Cheap Rate To Omaha

On account of the Trans-Mississippi Turnfest, the B. & M. will sell round trip tickets for 60 cents for trains arriving in Omaha on the morning of June 30th.

W. L. PICKETT.

W. K. FOX,

Plattsmouth, - - - - - Nebraska.

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Anyone honest and willing to bustle, we will pay good wages and give steady employment. With our facilities and personal help any man fully alive and willing to work can win a paying position with us. Apply quick, stating age.

L. L. MAY & CO., Nurserymen, Seedsmen and Florists.