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THREATENED BY FIRE.

People of Potter County are on the Verge of a Panic.

A Train Load of Men Sent out to Fight the Fire.

A NUMBER MISSING.

COUDERSPORT, Pa., May 14.—The towns of Austin, Castello, Galston and Moore's Run, in Potter, are on the verge of a panic, two especially being threatened with annihilation from fires that seem to form an impenetrable wall on every side.

At Moore's Run a train load of seventy-five willing men sent out from Austin Sunday night, had been fighting back the fires, but were finally obliged to retreat. The men boarded the train, but too late. They were hemmed in by the forest fire on one side and a huge 'skidway' of logs on the other.

Just opposite the millions of feet of burning logs, where the heat and smoke and flame were the greatest, a terrible thing occurred. The engineer had forgotten that such great heat would surely spread the rails and he pulled the throttle wider in the hopes of sooner escaping from a torrent of heat and smoke.

Seven others of the party are missing and their fate is not known, though they are likely in the charred wood of the logs on the train.

Relief parties started for the scene as soon as the fearful news spread. Owing to the great devastation done everything in the way of fire communication is badly interrupted, and it is impossible to learn the names of the men burned to death or those still missing.

People are praying for rain, as it seems that nothing but a drenching will quench the flames. A million beacon lights seem to be burning from every mountain and hill. Despair is so impressive that many workers faint from exhaustion and are dragged away from a scene that has done nothing as yet but steadily burn.

WRECK ON THE SANTA FE ROAD. TRINIDAD, COL., May 12.—A serious wreck occurred on the Santa Fe road several miles west of here. A freight train of twenty cars loaded with cattle started down the Raton mountains and became unmanageable because the air brakes failed to work.

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CHICAGO, May 12.—Fire was discovered in a basement on North Clark street. A dozen flames went into the room to extinguish it. A can of gasoline exploded, throwing the men to the floor and against the wall with great force. Two of them are believed to be badly injured and the others are badly cut and burned.

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Killed on the Road to Meet His Bride.

ALBANY, N. Y., May 12.—The mangled body of a young man was found on Saturday on the Central railroad tracks a few miles west of Schoenectady. The following letter found in one of his pockets indicates a romance in connection with his life.

HERMAN, Mo., March 21.—(MR. SAMUEL BRIGHT)—Dear Friend: I got your letter in which you ask the hand of my daughter. All right. If you are the respectable young man I take you for I shall be glad to have you for a son-in-law. I don't care if you are poor. I have enough for us all. All I want is a good fellow to manage my money and other affairs, as I am getting too old for that.

Nothing was found on the body to tell where the victim lived. He was well dressed and in the same pocket with the letter was a new testament. It is thought he fell from a freight train on which he was trying to make his way to the object of his affection.

The Lestane Bank.

LANSING, May 12.—The Lestane bank of this city, which was reported to be in difficulty, has long been known to be in a doubtful condition. The bank did a highly speculative business in underwriting loans. The government has declined to allow the bank a delay of six months to liquidate, but has referred it to the tribunal of commerce.

A Grocery Store Burned.

NEW YORK, May 11.—A fire visited P. H. Leggett & Co., wholesale grocers, at the junction of Varick and Franklin streets and west Broadway, at 3:10 o'clock. Before the flames were gotten under control \$400,000 damage had been done to the stock and \$3,000 to the building. The stock was insured for \$500,000, but the insurance on the building could not be ascertained.

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CLEARING THE MYSTERY.

The Death of Mrs. Barnaby May Szon be Explained.

Dr. Graves Will Testify.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., May 13.—There is no longer any mystery about the identity of the person who sent the bottle of poisoned whiskey to Denver, out of which the late Mrs. Josephine A. Barnaby drank the draught which is thought to have caused her death.

The next morning he was pulled out of bed by two newspaper men who put him through a course of questions, and the result was the assertion on his part that he had received the information before he left Providence that Mrs. Barnaby was dead and that he had decided that it was a duty he owed to his dead friend to go to Denver and look out for her body and her diamonds, which were worth thousands of dollars.

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350 Men Discharged.

CHICAGO, May 13.—The trouble between the Chicago & Northwestern railroad and its switchmen, growing out of the discharge of a yardmaster, culminated in the discharge of the entire force, numbering 350 men. The company has been anticipating this necessity for some time and prepared for it.

The Northwestern officers state that for more than two years the situation regarding the switchmen has been constantly growing worse. The men not only struck frequently for trivial causes but they had a number of times demanded the discharge of men who performed satisfactory work and whose only fault was that they were not members of the Switchmen's union.

General Manager Whitman says: "The management is fully determined that the state of affairs has gone far enough, and while it proposes to deal fairly and justly with its employees and give fair and just consideration to any grievance properly presented, it also proposes to manage its own property and its own business in its own way and place itself in a position where the public which it serves can be properly accommodated without being put to inconvenience and annoyance."

All the other railroad companies are applauding the action of the Northwestern and will come to its support if necessary. The discharged employees are only those on the Northwestern system proper, which does not include the lines west of the Missouri river.

Reports from all points are to the effect that trains are moving pretty generally on time and the interruption of business is very slight. At points where new switchmen have not been provided the trainmen are doing the switching.

Dispatches from Milwaukee and Madison, Wis., Clinton, Ia., and other places on the road say the switchmen at those points were discharged and paid yesterday morning.

Yesterday afternoon the discharged men here held a secret meeting to settle the course of action. It is known that some of them favor taking the company to court to resort to violence if necessary.

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NEBRASKA STATE NEWS.

Fairfield will have a base ball club. Nebraska City's new opera house is now assured.

Fishing parties are now the rage in Nebraska City. The Clay county Sabbath school convention will be held at Clay Center, May 25 and 27.

The Wilber lodges, G. A. R. and S. of V. will conduct jointly a Fourth of July celebration.

Sol C. Stump and wife are reported as "rejoicing" over the birth of their twentieth child.

The O'Neil Sun says that Holt county exported products of that county to the amount of over \$1,000,000 last year.

The Ponca mills have supplied the Reasud Indian agency with 51,200 pounds of flour, and 4,000 bushels of corn.

I. D. Whipple of Ira, Boone county, lost 21 hogs which are supposed to have eaten poisoned meat placed out for wolves.

May 5 was the time set for the convening of the district court in Logan county, but it has been adjourned until October.

A Fremont man will go to New York on a bicycle, from there to Hamburg by steamer; from Hamburg he will go to his home in Hungary on his wheel.

A little Bohemian boy who was herding cattle in Hayes county was frightened by a larger boy who came along where he was and threatened to kill him, he ran away over the prairie, got lost and died of fright and exposure. His body was found the next day.

A man and woman who were strangers in Plattsmouth were married by County Judge Ramey, giving their names as John Birmingham and Miss Terry. After getting married they went to the Hotel Perkins and registered as J. S. Gordon and wife, Red Oak, Ia. After dinner they proceeded to get drunk together, after which they walked across the river on the bridge and failed to return.

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The Antelope county alliance has decided to open a purchasing agency, to be conducted by four members in different parts of the county. No alliance will be opened.

A little child of Lee Warther's near Neigh swallowed a safety pin and was nearly choked to death, but the obstruction was finally removed by a doctor in time to save the little one's life.

Three men who have been stealing corn, wheat and other articles from the people of Overton for the last two months have been captured and taken to the Lexington jail. A mob of about thirty men met the prisoners when they were being taken to the jail with the intention of lynching them. They succeeded in getting the rope over the neck of one of the thieves and were about to pull him up when the constable arrived and finally succeeded in getting the prisoner out of the mob's hands and escaped.

The new brick observatory for the normal school at Peru is about finished. The city council of Beatrice are sitting as a court of inquiry in the Grimes saloon case.

George H. Boggs, of Omaha, has been elected president of the Omaha real estate owners association.

Members of company C. N. N. G., a Beatrice, are agitating the question of building an armory.

Bishop Seamel administered the rites of confirmation to 140 at the Holy Trinity church at Omaha.

The traveling men's club at Fremont has decided upon the evening of May 16 as the date of giving their projected entertainment.

S. A. Lester of Florence has been arrested for selling liquor without a license, and has given bonds for his appearance at court for trial.

Company D of Fairbury received their pay for service in the Indian campaign, on the 4th. Colonel Harry Hotobius also inspected them on that day.

It is claimed that a fourteen inch vein of coal has been discovered at a depth of 300 feet in Trenton. Trenton and McCook parties are preparing to sink a shaft to the vein.

Lyon Brothers, of Lyons, shipped seventeen cars of cattle and three cars of hogs from that station in one day. The cattle sold for \$6.85, the hogs for \$4.00.

A Mrs. Metcalf, of Omaha, whose well was lately poisoned by some one having thrown in it a quantity of rough or raw kerosene, called on the door by some one and she opened it, and as she appeared a cup of hot coffee was thrown in her face, and she fell. A physician was called and although her eyes were badly blinded she will not lose her sight.

A Rival of the...

The most serious prohibition in the country connected with the Lutheran church in Nebraska City.

The timepieces in parts—geographical and numerical—strikes every minute of the hour representing the end, youth, the fourth, old strikes the hour a number of apostles from one to ten stands Jesus blessing.

The twelve signs represented. At ten rings a bell, an prayer, the clock strikes the hour, the side of the clock, the me side and the other.

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