

THIS IN NEBRASKA

EVENTS OF INTEREST OF MORE OR LESS IMPORTANCE.

Preparations Making for the Legislature—Nebraska Wolf Bounty—Miscellaneous Matters.

Repeal of Wolf Bounty Urged.
Deputy Auditor Cook is in favor of repealing the law which provides a bounty for wolf scalps. The last legislature appropriated \$15,000 for this purpose and this has been used and there are now on file in the auditor's office claims amounting to \$20,000. A letter was received by the deputy auditor asking if the next legislature would appropriate any more money as a wolf bounty. One man sent in a voucher and explained that he was out hunting with a party which killed eight wolves.

Norfolk Interested in Road.
NORFOLK — Norfolk and northern Nebraska are intensely interested in the newly projected Yankton-Gulf line of railroad in which United States Senator Robert J. Gamble of South Dakota is interested. It is believed here that if the road is built it will pass through Norfolk on the old projected Yankton, Norfolk & Southwestern grade. This old grade was built ten years ago when the line between Yankton and Norfolk was first planned. It passes straight north from Norfolk, touching the edge of Pierce, and then goes to the Missouri river through a virgin territory.

Preparing for Legislature.
The state board have relocated a number of the offices to make room for the legislative committees, as follows: The state veterinarian moves to the office of the treasurer; food commissioner to retain one room on the third floor; game warden and the traveling library to the office of the secretary of state; charity board to the office of the governor; railway commission will be located permanently in the office of the secretary of state. Secretary of State Galusha was authorized to secure bids on repairing the legislative halls and for papering the house of representative room.

Seeks Pardon for Mrs. Lillie.
Mrs. Lillie, mother of Harvey Lillie, for whose murder Mrs. Harvey Lillie is serving a life sentence in the penitentiary, called upon Governor Mickey and asked for a pardon for her daughter-in-law. Mrs. Lillie furnished evidence to the governor which she believed was of sufficient importance to prove the convicted woman innocent of the murder. Inasmuch as the request for a pardon has not been advertised according to the statute, Governor Mickey will not look upon the request of Mrs. Lillie as official and will take no action until proceeding is taken according to law.

Child Burns to Death in Barn.
LOUP CITY—A 2-year-old daughter of Mrs. James Gray, who resides on a farm about eight miles and a half south of this village, was burned to death. She and her little brother were playing in the barn and evidently with matches, when the barn caught fire and was totally destroyed. The little boy escaped uninjured. The little girl ran out of the building with her clothing all on fire and was burned to a crisp. A cow also perished in the flames.

Run Over by Separator.
WILBER—On the farm of Frank Tichy, east of town, Joe Kodera, employed with a threshing outfit, was driving a traction engine drawing a separator when his pipe fell out of his mouth. Stepping off the engine to pick it up, he slipped and fell between the engine and separator the wheels of the latter passing over him breaking his right thigh and left cheek bone.

Four Horses Stolen.
NORFOLK — Four horses were stolen from the stable of John Dorsey during the night, near Creighton. There is no trace of the robbers. A reward of \$100 has been offered. Farmers all over northern Nebraska are organizing into the North Nebraska Live Stock Owners' Protective association, which is formed for the purpose of tracing horse thieves and bringing them to punishment.

Profit in Inspecting Oil.
State Oil Inspector Church put in the treasury \$1,131.38, the net receipts of his office for October. The total receipts amounted to \$2,237.80 and the expenses of the deputies and office amounted to \$1,106.42, and it was only a narrow month for oil, anyhow.

Alden Gets His Salary.
The State Board of Public Lands and Buildings, allowed Dr. Alden, former superintendent of the Norfolk asylum, \$625 salary from the time he was requested to resign by the governor until he actually got out of the institution.

Campaign Bills Filed.
Two of the successful republican candidates filed their statements of campaign expenses in the secretary of state's office. Auditor Seale makes affidavit to spending \$44.95 in railroad fare, \$10 for printed cards and \$20 for postage, besides donating \$125 to the state campaign fund, making a total of \$209.95. Attorney General-elect Thompson says he gave the state committee \$100 and went to the further expense of \$18.74 for miscellaneous items, including railroad fare, stamps and telephone tolls.

Winter Wheat Figures.
The total acreage of winter wheat in Nebraska for 1906, announced by the state labor bureau upon reports received from the various county assessors, is 1,852,085 acres, compared with 1,741,856 acres last year. The average yield per acre this year was 24.5 bushels and last year it was 21.02 bushels. The production this year is 45,283,263 bushels, against 36,630,219 bushels last year. The value of the crop this year was \$29,502,085.95, against a total valuation last year of \$25,641,223.30.

NEBRASKA BRIEFS.

Hon. Church Howe, consul general at Montreal, is visiting in Nebraska for two weeks.

Jesse Headley of Burt county plead guilty to killing his father and was sentenced to twenty-three years in the penitentiary.

The 7-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. William Tenschler of J. precinct, Seward county, was run over by the water tank of a traction engine and instantly killed.

Chancellor E. Benjamin Andrews will be the Nebraska representative at the Social Education congress in Boston November 29 and December 2, Nebraska headed.

Dennis Sullivan was killed in a run-away about six miles northwest of Columbus. His lifeless body was found on the doubletrack of his wagon. The only mark on the body was a bruise on the back of the head.

"Tice" Adams and Louis Fulton of Richardson county each husked 375 bushels of corn in five days, or 115 bushels per day. They received 2 cents per bushel for labor and were not racing. Corn is excellent all over and much of it runs from sixty to seventy-five bushels per acre.

The general merchandise store of F. H. Clark of Valley was broken into. The burglars effected an entrance through a door in the rear of the room used for the dry goods. Besides some clothing, the entire supply of razors and cutlery, just received for the Christmas trade was taken.

Mrs. Sarah McKnight of Auburn, who, on October 25 last, celebrated her 81st birthday, received word on Sunday that she was great, great grandmother to a little boy born on her birthday. Mrs. McKnight while at the head of the fifth generation is unusually active and intellectual. The new baby lives at Ypsilanti, Michigan.

Judge Walter H. Sanborn of the United States circuit court of appeals for the Eighth district has issued an order assigning United States District Judge Jacob Triebler of the eastern district of Arkansas to assist Judge Munger in holding the November term of the United States circuit and district courts for the federal district of Nebraska. Judge Triebler's assignment begins November 3 and will continue until March 1, 1907.

William Schroder of Alaska is visiting in Beatrice with his sister, Mrs. William Schultz. Mr. Schroder has spent a great many years in the north-west and brings back many rich specimens of the gold found in that region. Among other things, he has a nugget made into a charm for his nephew, Lieutenant Hugo Schultz, recently graduated from West Point, and at present in the service of the regular army in the Philippines.

John Warner, an employe at the crusher near Blue Springs, is another victim to road work. He and two companions were loading crushed rock ballast at the works when a train passing struck a swinging beam used in hoisting ballast to the cars, throwing it around and striking Warner on the head from the effects of which he died, and seriously injuring his companions. Warner leaves a wife and two children, the family living in Wyoming.

A. A. Duba, owner of a horse shoeing establishment in Waterloo, has located his brother, of whom all trace has been lost for nearly two score years. Duba and his brother were separated in childhood, the Waterloo man being adopted by a family named Duba, and he has carried this name since. Mr. Duba has been endeavoring to locate his brother for several years, and Sheriff Caldwell was successful in finding the missing relative. He bears the name of Peter LaForce and lives at Pueblo, Colo.

Merritt B. Otis, a farmer whose home is twelve miles from Newman Grove, was choked to death in a peculiar manner. He had gone up on his windmill to shut it off. There was no wind when he started and apparently no danger. Before he could turn off the wheel a breeze sprang up and set it in motion. A set screw caught in the collar of Otis' coat and began choking him. He managed to call to his wife for aid and she ran out of the house and climbed up on the frame and tried desperately to disentangle his coat from the screw, but failed. Before anything further could be done the man choked to death.

Considerable excitement prevailed at the Blakely school house, west of Beatrice, when a man entered the school and seized little May Richardson and took her away with him in a buggy. The girl has been living with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Vandegrift, who are employed at the Kilpatrick ranch. When her mother died, several months ago, she was given into their custody, and she has been living with them ever since. The man claimed to be the child's father, and after he had entered the school house and demanded the child Miss McDowell, the teacher, protested and attempted to prevent him from taking the girl, but her efforts were of no avail. He made good his escape.

B. W. Manville of Ullysses won \$150 in gold as the first of seven prizes given by the J. I. Case Threshing Machine company, which were awarded for the best advertisement written by dealers in the United States and Canada.

John E. Stevens, who lives north-east of North Platte, was arrested and fined \$50 for larceny of property belonging to the Union Pacific. The property consisted of a car door, cross arms for telegraph posts, lantern, hammer and enough other articles to fill a tray.

Peter E. Olsen of Omaha, a lineman, wants \$30,000 from the Omaha Electric Light and Power company for being badly shocked while in the employ of the company.

Mrs. Amanda Pfeiffer, wife of Charles Pfeiffer of Fremont, died at the Norfolk asylum, and her remains were brought to her home. She became violently insane about two weeks ago and was taken to Norfolk for treatment. Her husband, who was with her most of the time she was in Norfolk, and three daughters survive her.

A HARD WINTER AHEAD.



SEES CANAL IN HEAVY RAIN

PRESIDENT VIEWS WORK FROM A STEAM SHOVEL.

Piles Engineer with Details Regarding Work and Piles Into Every Corner.

Panama. — Squatting on a decorated steam shovel in a heavy rain, President Roosevelt Friday watched the giant engines digging tons of mud, and later saw dynamite blasts tear into the walls of the Culicra cut.

The president's energy took him in to every kind of corner, which the accompanying guards tried in vain to keep him out of. All the dynamite had been locked up to prevent the chance that an anarchistic workman might heave a stick of the explosive under the wheels of the president's train, but these orders were peremptorily countermanded by the executive, who wanted to see things in actual operation. He saw them.

At 8:30 o'clock the presidential train arrived at Pedro Miguel, where some steam shovels were at work. They were all decorated. The president had his train stopped for the purpose of making a personal examination.

At this point in the cut the peculiar soil conditions have resulted in more or less frequent landslides, and this fact was brought to the president's attention.

President Roosevelt descended from his train and climbed up on one of the steam shovels, taking a seat alongside Engineer Gray, whom he subjected to a searching fire of questions regarding the work. During his conversation Engineer Gray took the opportunity, on behalf of himself and the other engineers, to declare that unlike the railroad engineers, they were not paid for overtime. The president promised to look into this matter. He stayed on the steam shovel about 20 minutes. By this time it was raining hard.

President Roosevelt told Chief Engineer Stevens that he wanted to see all the works in connection with excavation to the temporary laying of tracks. With this in view he boarded a work train near Pedro Miguel and went on to the next point where steam shovels were at work. Here there was no danger of landslides.

The presidential train continued on the regular line toward Panama. The work of the second steam shovels was observed and the president made a detour to examine the site of the Pedro Miguel lock.

He shook hands with all the Americans he met while walking over the ground.

MOTHER AND CHILDREN PERISH

Four Burned to Death Despite Efforts of Husband and Father.

Coldwater, Mich.—Mrs. Charles Mowry, aged 21, and her three children, Homer, aged six years; Louise, aged three years, and a baby of six months were burned to death early Wednesday in their home on a farm near Batavia Station, six miles southwest of this city on the Lake Shore railroad.

Charles Mowry, the husband and father, rose early and built two fires in the house. He then went to the barn to do chores and while there discovered that his house was afire. He rushed back, but the flames had made such headway that he could not enter the house and his calls through the windows to his family brought no response.

Condemned Man Shows Fight.

Milledgeville, Ga.—With the fury of a tiger, Nims Devereaux, a negro, fought the sheriff and his deputy, who entered his cell to escort him to the scaffold. The negro was overpowered and later was hanged.

Noted Rabbi Passes Away.

New York.—Rev. Dr. Raphael Benjamin, rabbi of the Temple Beth Elohim, of Brooklyn, and formerly rabbi of the Mount street temple of Cincinnati, died in Brooklyn Thursday night. He was 60 years old.

Cincinnati Capitalist Dead.

Cincinnati.—A telegram was received from St. Louis Thursday announcing the death of Dwight Kinney, a capitalist and one of the best known club men in Cincinnati. Mr. Kinney was 40 years old.

Prominent Wisconsin Man Dead.

Oconomowoc, Wis.—George L. Wilsey, a prominent business man and vice president of the First National bank of Oconomowoc, dropped dead in the bank Thursday. Mr. Wilsey was 55 years old.

WRECK VICTIMS NUMBER 58.

Official List of Dead in B. & O. Disaster Given Out.

Chicago. — The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad company has given out an official list of the killed in the wreck at Woodville, Ind., last Monday and places the number at 58 persons. In all previous statements the dead were declared to number 47.

Much criticism was heard, because of the action of railroad-claim agents who visited Mercy hospital and settled claims of two of the victims for \$150 each. The claim agents declare they were requested to visit the hospital by friends of the two men who, they say, wished to leave the city and continue on their journey to the northwest. Both men, it is said, suffered only slight cuts about the face and hands and were satisfied with the settlement.

On account of the heavy death roll of the wreck the Indiana state railroad commission has decided to take action, and representatives will be sent to Woodville to make an investigation. The commission will probe the charges that the cars of the wrecked train were not up to the standard or equipped with air brakes. The railroad officials deny that the train was without air brakes.

POSSE KILLS NEGRO FUGITIVE

Black Who Murdered Five Men Dies Fighting to the Last.

Asheville, N. C. — Fighting with all the desperation of a man at bay, Will Harris, the five-times murderer, fell Thursday riddled with bullets from the rifles of officers and citizens in the woods near Fletcher.

He died giving shot for shot until his last cartridge was expended. At seven o'clock in the morning a report reached the city that bloodhounds had followed the scent to Buena Vista, eight miles from Asheville, and that the animals had lost it there. Three posses of citizens and officers immediately set for Buena Vista and the negro was sighted in a wood.

The posses quickly closed in and a fusillade of shots from the woods ten minutes later told the inhabitants that justice had been done and that the murder of two policemen and three innocent negroes had been avenged.

FIGHTER IS DEAD OF INJURIES

Mike Ward Expires from Effects of Blow by Harry Lewis.

Grand Rapids, Mich.—Harry Lewis, the Philadelphia prize fighter, whose battle Thursday night with Mike Ward, of Sarnia, Ont., resulted in an early hour Friday in Ward's death at a local hospital, is still under arrest, together with Referee D. C. Ryan, of Detroit, and Frank O'Brien, of Philadelphia, who acted as second for Lewis.

Prosecuting Attorney Brown said that warrants would be asked for charging Lewis with murder, and charging Ryan and O'Brien with aiding and abetting a prize fight.

Tunnel Blast Kills a Negro.

New York.—Following the explosion of a blast in the Manhattan end of the Pennsylvania railroad's East river tunnel late Friday, tons of sand and rock tumbled down, filling an excavation which had been hastily vacated by a gang of workmen. One man, a "heading boss," had missed his footing and falling to the bottom of the pit, was buried in the mass. It was hours afterwards that the body was recovered.

Earthquake Felt in New Mexico.

Tucumcari, N. M.—An earthquake shock at Mesquero Indian reservation at five o'clock Thursday morning set a few people and shook articles from shelves. A slight shock was felt at El Paso, Tex., also.

Three Burned to Death.

Goodland, Ind.—The country home of William Whitney, five miles south, was burned Thursday. Two children and a farm laborer were burned to death. The fire was caused by the explosion of a lamp.

Planing Mills Burned.

Peoria, Ill.—The planing mills of the Wahfield Manufacturing company burned to the ground here early Wednesday morning, incurring a loss of \$60,000, nearly covered by insurance. The plant will be rebuilt.

Scaffold Falls; Five Hurt.

Knoxville, Tenn.—Five men were injured, two seriously, by the collapse of a scaffolding Wednesday on the seven-story Arnshein building. The men were removing casing from concrete work when the scaffolding fell.

LIVES LOST IN FLOOD

PROPERTY LOSS ALSO HEAVY IN WASHINGTON.

SEATTLE WITHOUT MILK

Damage to Fields and Herds in Adjacent Territory Will Run into Hundreds of Thousands, According to Estimates.

Seattle, Wash. — A heavy rain-fall Wednesday, 2.45 in four hours, and a chinook wind which melted recent fresh snows in the Cascade mountains, coming simultaneously, are the causes of the most disastrous floods in the history of the Puget sound region.

The valleys of the White, Duwamish, Cedar, Green, Stuck, Black and Puyallup rivers are under water, flooding 300 square miles of territory.

This includes practically every acre of lowland lying back of the eastern shores of the sound and extending from Seattle to Tacoma.

The power plant at Electrine is submerged, and Seattle and Tacoma are dependent on their local auxiliary stations for power to move street cars and provide electric lights. The local plants, however, have fuel enough to operate several days.

Railroads Are Blocked.

All traffic over the Northern Pacific and Tacoma-Seattle interurban lines is at a standstill. A week will be required to repair the damage to the road after the water subsides. These lowlands are thickly occupied by small towns, hop fields and dairy farms.

Damage done to fields and herds will run into hundreds of thousands. The Seattle milk supply comes from them, so this city will be without milk for days.

Half a Dozen Drowned.

Six persons have been drowned. To the north the Skagit, the largest river in the state, is on the rampage and railroad traffic in that direction is at a standstill. The greatest loss by the streams to the north has been done to the lumbering interests, where millions of feet of logs and shingle bolts have been carried into the sound and out to sea.

High tides combined with the floods have converted all the river deltas, which are great tracts of fertile farms, into muddy torrents. Hundreds of farmhouses and villages are submerged to the second stories and many persons are homeless. The loss to the Northern Pacific alone will reach \$150,000, and the total loss on the district will run to a half a million.

Hope for Relief.

No rain has fallen in the flooded districts since an early hour Thursday morning, and while in some places the overflooded territory is as deeply covered with water as at any time since the freshets started, the feeling throughout the valleys in general is that the worst is over, and that if conditions which now prevail continue for another day, all further danger will have passed.

From up-river points, to the southward of Auburn, along Green and Stuck rivers, some reports that the streams are rapidly receding, but north of here in the lower country, adverse advices are still to be received.

HUNTING COSTS THIRTEEN LIVES

Record of Accidents in Wisconsin and Michigan Since Sept. 1.

Milwaukee. — Thirteen dead and 21 injured is the prelude to the season for hunting deer in Wisconsin, which opened Saturday. This is the record of hunting accidents in Wisconsin and upper Michigan since Sept. 1. Last year, during the hunting season in Wisconsin, 26 persons lost their lives and 51 were injured. Most of these accidents were the result of carelessness.

In Michigan a hunter is guilty of manslaughter if he kills any one, even by accident. This law has had the effect to greatly lessen hunting accidents in the peninsula, although it has also operated to cause hunters who have accidentally shot some one to desert the wounded party for fear of prosecution, and several corpses found in the woods are undoubtedly of those who were accidentally shot and left to die by cowardly hunters.

In Wisconsin there is no such law, but the next legislature will probably act.

Oklahoma Bank Robbed.

Guthrie, Okla.—Robbers early Friday dynamited the safe in the Bank of Lakoma, in Garfield county, and escaped with \$2,700 in cash. The bank had just received \$10,000 to pay farmers for their cotton, but the robbers overlooked it.

Indicts 'Frisco Mayor.

San Francisco.—The grand jury brought five indictments against Eugene Schmitz and Abraham Ruef on the charge of extortion. On each charge the bail was fixed at \$10,000 and bond at \$5,000.

Bishop Will Rest.

Jackson, Miss.—Bishop Charles E. Galloway, of the Southern Methodist church, has consented to relinquish all labor until he is completely restored to health. He will leave for Florida in a few days.

Man Killed by Fly Wheel.

Pittsburg, Pa.—Louis W. Kirkland, 33 years old, employed in a Penn avenue confectionery store, had his skull ground off by being caught in the spokes of a fly wheel Friday night, and died almost instantly.

Destructive Fire.

Stamford, Conn.—Fire which caused a loss of \$300,000 Thursday in the factory plant of T. B. Smart. The Atlantic Insulated Wire and Cable company places its loss upon machinery and stock at \$225,000.

Bishop Tipton Is Ill.

Tulsa, O. T.—Bishop John J. Tipton, of the Methodist Episcopal church, south, whose home is at Louisville, 1., is dangerously ill here with tonsillitis, and his family has been summoned to his bedside.

FAVOR A CANAL TO THE GULF

FRIENDS OF DEEP WATERWAY ORGANIZE AT ST. LOUIS.

Adopt Resolution to Congress Requesting Appropriation to Complete Channel.

St. Louis.—The Lakes to the Gulf Deep Waterways association became a fact Friday when the plan for permanent organization and the report of the nominating committee were adopted at the final session of the convention of the provisional association, organized by Congressman Lorimer, of Chicago, and several of his congressional associates, which has been in session at the Odéon for two days.

Following is the main portion of the address adopted by the convention:

"The proposed deep waterway is to extend from the Chicago drainage canal through the valleys of the Des Moines and Illinois rivers to the Mississippi river at Grafton, Ill., and thence down the Mississippi to St. Louis, and is to have a minimum depth of 14 feet throughout. We recommend that for the purpose of meeting the probable future needs of navigation that the minimum depth over the mitre sills of the locks should be 21 feet in the initial construction.

"The excessive cost of the project, as shown by the engineers' estimates, was due mainly to the existence of the prominent barrier between the great lakes and the Mississippi valley.

"The chief obstacle to the prosecution of this project has been removed by the drainage canal.

"According to the estimates based upon recent surveys by the United States engineers, the work remaining to be done in order to complete the deep waterway channel to St. Louis will cost \$1,000,000.

"Believing present transportation facilities of the United States to be inadequate and wholly unsatisfactory, we favor appropriations by the congress of the United States in sufficient amounts to create such additional transportation facilities as the growing needs of the nation demand and to the end that such appropriations shall be secured, this association recommends to its representatives in congress diligent, assiduous and untiring efforts to secure the necessary means with which to develop a deep waterway."

COUNTESS IS GIVEN DIVORCE.

Boni De Castellane Loses Wife and Fortune.

Paris.—The tribunal of first instance of the Seine, Judge Ditté presiding, at noon Wednesday granted a divorce to Countess De Castellane (formerly Anna Gould, of New York) and gave her the custody of her child drea, who, however, will not be allowed to be taken from France without the consent of their father, Count Boni De Castellane.

As soon as the court assembled Judge Ditté handed down the judgment, which is a sweeping victory for the countess. In granting her petition for divorce the court gave the countess the custody of her children, the count being allowed only the usual rights to see them and share in the control of their education which was not contested. The count was given the right to see the children at stated periods at the home of their grandmother, and keep them a month annually during the holidays. The count's demand for an "alimentary allowance" of \$50,000 annually was pronounced by the court to be without foundation in law, and was rejected. The only point decided in the count's favor was the imposition of the institution on the countess to take the children out of France without their father's consent. The court appointed the president of the chamber of notaries to liquidate the affairs of the husband and wife.

INDICTS JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER

Violation of Ohio Anti-Trust Law Basis of Bills.

Findlay, O. — The grand jury Wednesday found indictments against John D. Rockefeller and four other persons in connection with the Standard Oil inquiry which was reopened upon the reconvening of that body in adjourned session Tuesday.

What the indictments allege or what the four other defendants in addition to Mr. Rockefeller are was not given out by Prosecutor Deacid, who, however, admitted the indictments had been returned.

The bench warrants issued upon the indictments were placed in the hands of Sheriff Groves, who went to Cleveland, where it is supposed they are to be served.

It is understood the indictments charge the defendants with having continued to contract the oil production at a fix price on and after July 7, 1906, in violation of the Valentine anti-trust act, a state law under which the recent prosecution of the Standard Oil company in this county was conducted and in which a fine of \$5,000 was imposed by the probate court.

Killed in Auto Accident.

Birmingham, Ala.—John P. Martin, a prominent attorney, was instantly killed Friday and David J. Fox, president of a wholesale grocery company was badly injured by the overturning of an automobile.

Hearst's Election Expenses.

Albany, N. Y.—William Ralldolph Hearst, Independent League and Democratic candidate for governor, Friday certified to the secretary of state that he had spent \$258,870 in promoting his canvass.

Gen. Ely Dead.

Norwich, Conn.—Gen. William G. Ely died suddenly at his home from heart trouble. He commanded the Eighteenth Connecticut volunteers in their civil war, and was breveted brigadier general at its close.

Ohio Governor Is Ill.

Columbus, O.—The condition of Gov. Harris is exciting alarm among his friends. He was able to sit up Wednesday, but did not leave his room in the hotel. It is said that the doctors are afraid of pneumonia.

A BOMB EXPLODED

NEAR THE ALTAR AT THE CHURCH IN ROME.

EDFICE CROWD AT THE TIME

No Fatalities Occur, but a Panic Ensues—Explosion Near the High Altar, Which Stands Beneath the Great Dome.

ROME.—A bomb was exploded in St. Peter's Sunday. The edifice was crowded and an indescribable scene of confusion followed. There were no fatalities.

As soon as the echoes of the tremendous roar had ceased, a canon sought by reassuring words to quiet the people, but in vain. They fled in all directions and a number of women fainted. Women and children screamed and tried to protect their families in the crush. The church is so large however, that there was ample room for the crowd to scatter and no one was injured. No trace of the perpetrator of the deed has been found.

Since St. Anacletus, who was ordained by Peter himself, erected an oratory in 90 A. D., on the site of the present basilica to mark the spot where the remains of St. Peter are buried, no such dastardly occurrence is noted in the annals of the church.

Today was the anniversary of the dedication of the basilica to St. Peter and it was beautifully decorated for the occasion. Holy relics were exposed and a large number of the faithful attended the services. Cardinal Rampolla, formerly papal secretary of state, was among those present. He took part in the service in the choir chapel. The last mass had just been concluded when the explosion occurred and only one canon, who had not quite finished, remained at the altar of St. Petromella. It was near here where the bomb was placed. As the canon turned to bless the communicants there was a tremendous roar, which echoed through the lofty arches of the immense dome like a thunder clap. At the same time a dense smoke spread throughout this portion of the basilica and a strong odor of gunpowder filled the air. Confusion and panic at once seized the people. The canon at the altar tried to stem the tide of fear.

He shouted out: "Do not be afraid; it is nothing, merely the noonday gun."

His words had little effect. They were refuted by the smoke and the pungent smell of powder, and the people continued the headlong flight. Chairs were overturned, making the confusion more serious. Men and women fell, stumbling in all directions; the screams of children and cries of anguish were heard on all sides, and for a few minutes it seemed as though nothing could obviate a grave disaster. The vast size of the church, however, gave room for the crowd to scatter and at the end of a few moments the people were surging towards the doors, excited and nervous, but orderly.

PUBLIC WORKS ARE NEEDED.

Chinese Viceroy Appeals to Throne for Money for That Purpose.

PEKING.—In connection with the opening of Mukden, Antung and Tantung Kao, Yuan Shi Kai, governor of Chi Li and commander-in-chief of the forces, has memorialized the throne, asking for funds for the construction of needed public works, which, he declares, China ought to carry out in order to maintain its sovereignty. The board of revenue has recommended that the necessary money be raised in the provinces affected, and paid back from the revenue collected therein. It is pointed out that Mukden and Tantung are opened by treaty with the United States and that Mukden and Ta Tung Kao are opened by a treaty with Japan, and that these treaties stipulate, when setting aside areas for foreign settlement and determining regulations, that China determine these questions.

HEARST IS READY TO QUIT.