

# RED CLOUD CHIEF

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## CURRENT COMMENT.

**THE venerable Nelson Dewey, the first Governor of Wisconsin, was reported lying at the point of death at his home in Casaville.**

**JAMES BEGGS, a well known mechanical engineer of New York, committed suicide recently. He showed symptoms of insanity.**

**DUBUQUE, Iowa, was recently invaded by swarms of "Mormon" or sand flies. The insects had possession of the town for several days.**

**JUDGE GARDENSHIRE, of the circuit court at Lafayette, Tenn., has charged the grand jury that a man is indictable for talking infidelity in public.**

**C. P. HUNTINGTON and the directors of the Brazil Mail Steamship Company have filed at New York a certificate stating that the \$1,000,000 of stock is fully paid.**

**THE Chicago Board of Trade has adopted a resolution declaring against the recent decision of the court, but resolving to restore the market quotations withdrawn May 31.**

**THE New York Graphic says that the National Democratic Committee still owes over \$300,000 for campaign expenses, and that Messrs. Brice, Gorman and Scott have made up \$120,000 of that sum.**

**CHAIRMAN ABBOTT, of Carnegie, Phipps & Co., emphatically denied that his firm had reduced the price of steel plates \$6 a ton or made any other cut whatever in the selling price of their products.**

**THE Cologne Gazette publishes a dispatch from St. Petersburg stating that the Czar has expressed the intention of meeting Emperor William on the German frontier. The Czar is averse to going to Berlin.**

**ANITA and Miriam Boggs, maiden sisters living in Jackson County, Va., committed suicide the other day by taking arsenic. They left a letter signed jointly saying that there was nothing in life for old maids and that they were tired of it. They were in fair circumstances, but had no relatives living.**

**THE Civil-Service Commission has submitted its report in the case of Postmaster Blair, of the Grand Rapids (Mich.) post-office, who, it was charged, exacted political favors from his subordinates. The Commission finds the charges not sustained and says that it had no authority to examine witnesses and make a thorough examination.**

**THE Massachusetts State police, on board the steamer Nellie, recently overhauled the steamers Astoral and Sea Comet, of Newport, R. I., whose crews were fishing near West Island, in violation of Massachusetts law. The crews, numbering twenty-nine men, were arrested. The penalty is confiscation of the vessels and \$200 fine for each man.**

**JOSIE FRIEDMAN was grinding sausage at his meat market in Carbon, W. T., the other day, when William Miller, an employe of a rival establishment, entered. The visitor hinted that deceased canine entered largely into the mixture. Friedman became crazy mad at once and without any warning rushed upon Miller, and with both hands sank a cleaver into his skull.**

**THE board of review and equalization, of Minneapolis, Minn., came to the conclusion at a recent session that under the decision of Judge Seagrave Smith they could not assess the wheat in store in the elevators. Under this decision, which was delivered in the Eugene Wilson case, it was necessary for them to locate the ownership of the wheat on May 1. This they could not do.**

**THE following is a statement of total gross postal receipts in the chief Western cities for the quarter ended June 30, 1889: Chicago, \$696,623; St. Louis, \$255,139; Cincinnati, \$190,740; San Francisco, \$169,672; Pittsburgh, \$121,638; Cleveland, \$104,133; Detroit, \$90,743; Kansas City, \$98,805; New Orleans, \$86,123; Milwaukee, \$87,043; Minneapolis, \$73,065; St. Paul, \$73,298; Louisville, \$72,060; Indianapolis, \$49,749; Toledo, \$36,547. The total of thirty leading cities in which the above are included are \$5,402,706, and the average rate per cent. of increase over the same quarter of 1888 is 8.5.**

**A DELEGATION of Creek Indians recently called on Secretary Noble and argued for a per capita payment among the Creeks from their fund of about \$3,000,000 to meet the present needs of their people, who now number about 14,000. The Secretary expressed himself as favoring the payment provided it could be done by executive authority, but said it was doubtful whether any portion of the principal could be so paid without legislative action. The delegation, anticipating a decision that legislative action would be necessary, asked the Secretary for such indorsement as would enable them to borrow the money from capitalists, pending such action. This proposition, however, did not meet with the Secretary's approval.**

## NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Gleaned by Telegraph and Mail.

### PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.

**JUDGE TYNER, formerly Postmaster-General and now Assistant Attorney-General of the Post-office Department, was reported critically ill with congestion of the liver.**

**By some hocus pocus or another Newport, Ky., finds itself with four mayors.**

**MISS ANNA KELLY, daughter of Anthony Kelly, and James F. Blaine, of St. Paul, nephew of J. G. Blaine, were married at the Immaculate Conception Church at Minneapolis, Minn., recently.**

**JOHN L. STONE has been nominated by the Democrats for Governor of Mississippi.**

**CHARLES H. BOLLMAK, of the National Fish Commission, died recently in the swamps of Southern Georgia while at work for the Government.**

**The captain of the steamer Caroline Miller, which arrived at New York recently, declared that when he left all was quiet in Northern Hayti. He denied that Legitime had enlisted female troops.**

**A CRANK recently shot at the Emperor of Brazil at Rio de Janeiro without effect.**

**The New York Express states that Archbishop Corrigan has been summoned to Rome to give an account of his administration of the New York diocese.**

**The report of the Civil-Service Commission on Postmaster Paul, of Milwaukee, Wis., recommends his removal.**

**SECRETARY NOBLE has issued a pre-emptory order to the agent at the Quapaw Indian agency in the northeastern part of the Territory to immediately remove from the reservation all the cattle unlawfully herded thereon.**

**The Prohibitionists of Virginia have nominated a full State ticket, headed by Thomas E. Taylor, of Loudoun County.**

**The Egyptian Government has notified the French Government that the latter's refusal to accept the conversion scheme will cost Egypt £200,000 yearly.**

**The anniversary of the death of ex-President Juarez was celebrated throughout Mexico on the 18th by imposing demonstrations of the Liberal party. In the capital there was an immense procession and considerable excitement among the people. A bitter factional feeling prevailed and yells, "Death to Conservatism and Death to the clergy," were heard everywhere. There was no serious disorder.**

**The Government printing office will issue a publication entitled "State Papers of Grover Cleveland," edited by Lamont. It will consist of all Cleveland's messages to Congress, vetoes and otherwise.**

**MRS. JOHN A. LOGAN returned from Europe recently on the steamer Trave.**

**M. ROUVIER, the French Minister of Finance, has dismissed five treasurers general (collectors of inland revenue) for being active members of the Boulangierist party.**

**The Tory candidate was elected in Marylebone, London, on the 19th, receiving 2,570 votes to his opponent's 2,086.**

**R. G. HERR, of Michigan, has declined his appointment as Consul to Valparaiso, Chile.**

**MR. PARSELL addressed 20,000 of his followers at Edinburgh, on the 19th, and was received with great enthusiasm.**

**EAST GUTHRIE, Ok., had its first election on the 19th, 638 votes being registered. T. H. Stockslager was elected mayor.**

**REMOVALS were prevalent in Europe that the widow of the late Emperor William of Germany had joined the Catholic Church.**

**A WASHINGTON correspondent of the Baltimore Sun says that the Government is disputing with France the possession of Great Inagua, an island near Hayti.**

**MISCELLANEOUS.**

**THE Rush House at Fresno, Cal., was burned the other morning. Several people were seriously burned, but no lives were lost. The stables were burned including a number of horses. The loss was estimated at \$40,000.**

**SERIOUS difficulties continue to be reported from several towns in Oklahoma, caused by lot jumping, ejections and efforts to change the local governments. The troubles have their origin in the doubt prevalent that the authorities have no legality for any of their acts—in fact, that there is no legal government for the Territory except the coercion of Federal troops.**

**The demands of the engineers of the Pittsburgh & Western railroad for an advance in wages were abandoned and the threatened strike was abandoned.**

**SHELLOCK, Iowa, has been destroyed by fire.**

**A WIDE area of country in Prince George County, Va., sunk the other day, creating much alarm. A lake formed, and as no stream existed in the vicinity, the subsidence was credited to the action of a subterranean river.**

**An epidemic of typhoid fever is reported at Path Valley, near Chambersburg, Pa.**

**The three-year-old child of Italian steamboat passengers and Henry Shelton, colored, who tried to save it, were drowned near Paducah, Ky., recently.**

**The great Illinois Steel Company has decided to go into the building of steel vessels for the lake commerce.**

**The first seven clauses of the Grace-British bondholders' contract with Peru have been approved by the Chamber of Deputies of that country and the acceptance of the entire contract is now thought to be assured.**

**Several persons were killed and several fatally or seriously injured by an accident on the Lehigh Valley road near Shamokin, Pa., recently. Two runaway cars colliding with a passenger train was the cause.**

**FIFTEEN persons were more or less injured by an accident on the Cairo & Vincennes road near Mount Carmel, Ill., recently. The train was demolished. A car jumping the track caused the accident.**

**The Chicago Herald recently published a report that the Chicago & Alton railroad was in the market for sale and that it would probably pass into the hands of the Missouri Pacific or the Northwestern.**

**The stable of the Lowell (Mass.) Horse Railroad Company was burned the other night with 120 horses. Thirty cars and other contents were destroyed. The Hotel Belmont was damaged. The loss was \$100,000.**

**MCDONOUGH's cigar-shaped boat has been launched at Duluth, Minn. It will carry 100,000 bushels of grain.**

**FIRE in Columbus, O., the other morning did \$75,000 damage to the Breyfogle building and the stock of occupants. Three firemen were injured.**

**THE rumor that Jay Gould was preparing to buy the Chicago & Alton was declared to be a Wall Street fake.**

**THE New York Times recently published the outline of a scheme to consolidate on an immense scale several trunk railroad lines with a capital of \$700,000,000. The objective point would be Boston, which the promoters intended to make the great metropolis of the continent, with steamship lines, etc.**

## NEBRASKA STATE NEWS.

**M. G. MAUPIN, a squaw man and desperado, was recently arrested at Springfield and jailed for many crimes committed in that vicinity. The news of his arrest soon spread, and at night a mob assembled, broke into the jail and shot Maupin to death. His body was completely riddled with bullets.**

**A STORM on the 13th was unusually severe and destructive in various parts of the State. At Loup City the rainfall was very heavy and the wind did considerable damage. In the vicinity of Palmer considerable damage was done by hail and wind. At Greely Center the rain was very heavy. Crops were damaged in the vicinity of Clark and the residence of R. R. Douglas struck by lightning. Two inches of water fell at Platt Center and crops were damaged. At Ogalala the wind was very heavy and a young man and several horses were killed by lightning. At Ainsworth a number of buildings were struck by lightning. At Nebraska City it was "almost a cyclone" and much injury was done to buildings, and at Chapman lightning struck the house of Oscar May, killing his little daughter, who was bed at the time.**

**On a farm near Aurora the other day William Barrett was shot and killed by Henry Thornhill, a tough character. Thornhill was evidently a favorite of Mrs. Barrett and when the husband returned home and found his wife and Thornhill making love with his house he was naturally indignant. A quarrel and the murder was the result. It was with difficulty that the people could be kept from lynching the murderer.**

**It is stated that the Attorney-General has ordered the prosecution of John Calhoun, late deputy collector at Omaha, upon the charge of criminal embezzlement. The special agent's report showed that for months prior to the turning over of the collector's office to Mr. Peters, the deputy collector had been systematically pocketing money forwarded for stamps, making no returns for the same. The amount of the defalcation so far as footed up amounts to between \$6,000 and \$7,000. Collector Calhoun made good to the Government the amount of his son's defalcation, but it was said this would not save him from prosecution.**

**A VALUABLE watch was accidentally dropped into an old water closet vault at Lincoln the other day and workmen were employed to dig a pit adjacent in order to drain it off and secure the watch. The work was nearly completed when the pick broke into an old unknown sewer. A volume of sewer gas rushed out into the face of the workman who was nearest, and he was overcome almost at once. A companion sprang to his assistance and was quickly overcome by the fatal gas. Others followed until seven in all were affected, and four of them died from the effects of the gas. The victims were Frank Maloney, A. Kinsley, John Cleary and James Crawford. The two latter left families.**

**THE recent discovery of several cases of small-pox in Dodge County created much excitement.**

**"KID" HAWKINS, the gambler who killed Frank Fausler at Hastings, has been acquitted on a technicality, has been warned by letter to leave the city.**

**The roller mills at Fullerton were completely wrecked by the recent storm, the loss being about \$15,000.**

**DURING a late heavy rain and thunder storm at Chapman the six-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar May was struck by lightning while in bed and killed. A little brother, three years old, lay in the same bed and was unharmed. While the storm was in progress Mrs. May went into the chamber where the children were, and supporting them asleep did not discover the little girl's death until morning.**

**The barn of Jared Horrick, a farmer residing near Harvard, was recently struck by lightning and destroyed, together with seven head of horses. Loss, \$1,700. During the same storm the farm buildings of Robert Patterson, near Crete, were struck and his house, barn, crib and 1,500 bushels of corn destroyed.**

**IMPERIAL suffered from its first fire the other morning, the store of Thomas Mercer being destroyed, entailing a loss of \$6,500. The records of the county judge and sheriff were in the building and were lost.**

**WILLIAM CARSON, colored, recently convicted of murder in the first degree for killing Chancery West, white, at a dance in Beatrice on May 1, was taken into custody on the other day and sentenced to be hanged on November 1. His attorneys filed a motion for a stay of execution, and will appeal to the Supreme Court.**

**The dead body of an unknown man was found in the bushes near the railroad track a mile east of Grafton about two o'clock the other afternoon. There was a bullet hole in the side of his head, and the indications were he had committed suicide. There were no papers on the body by which he could be identified.**

**MRS. JOHN E. GORDON, of Grant township, Cuming County, has tried her hand at silk culture with a large degree of success. She has 10,000 cocoons ready for shipment as the result of her season's work.**

**ACCORDING to the Atkinson Graphic a wild animal of some kind, that has been described as about the size of a large wolf, with head and tail like a cat, has lately been worrying the folks down in Green Valley township, Holt County. Not long ago a boy was attacked and severely bitten by the animal, while several persons, who were unharmed, have been chased and had narrow escapes from its terrible claws and teeth. The monster has been shot at several times, but with no apparent effect.**

**THE supervisors of Seward County have offered a reward of \$500 each for the arrest and conviction of the murderers of the Leavitt children.**

**It is said that a Hastings man lost some money on the defeat of Jake Kilrain and has become crazy in consequence.**

**The trustees of the Plattsmouth Presbyterian Church have adopted plans for a new structure to cost \$15,000.**

**NINE cars of the finest cattle ever fed in Hall County were shipped from Dorchester the other day. They averaged about 1,500 pounds per head.**

**THE report was recently current that Jeff Wagner, a wealthy young cattleman, had been lynched by vigilantes in Northwestern Nebraska.**

**An eight-year-old son of Frank Lucas, of Covington, while playing near the railroad track at that place the other day, was struck by an engine and fatally injured.**

**F. P. ALEXANDER, of Tecumseh, has a saddle which has been in his family 103 years and is still in active use, the only thing new about it being a girth.**

**H. W. SHELTON, an old soldier residing three miles from Plattsmouth, died recently while sitting in his chair, of heart failure. He leaves a wife and large family of children.**

## RIVER DISASTER.

**An Excursion Steamer Strikes a Bridge on the Savannah River.**

**Several Persons Killed and Injured—Worse Report From the Kanawha Valley—Bursting of Another Dam—Etc.**

**CHARLESTON, S. C., July 22.—Information has reached here of the partial destruction of the excursion steamer St. Nicholas Saturday night on the Savannah River, killing several persons and seriously injuring many others. The St. Nicholas was carrying five hundred colored passengers, and when passing the Tybee railway bridge the boat was driven by the current against the bridge with great force. The forward deck was crushed and torn to splinters. Two men were killed instantly and thirty other persons were seriously wounded. A panic ensued among those on board and a scene of wild excitement followed. During the confusion several persons were knocked overboard and one woman was drowned. Several of the persons injured will die. The coroner's jury holds the railroad company responsible for the disaster as the draw had not been raised and there was no signal displayed as required by law.**

**THE KANAWHA VALLEY.**

**PARKERSBURG, W. Va., July 22.—News has been received from all parts of Wood and Wirt Counties and the affliction proves to be far worse than was at first dreamed of. The county commissioners estimate that the loss in this county alone will reach \$500,000.**

**A telephone message from Elizabeth says that the village of Westport is entirely destroyed. Eight dwelling houses, two stores, the Baptist Church, the tobacco packing house and other buildings are gone.**

**Seven lives were lost on Tucker creek. They are: Orville West, wife and two children; John Baily, Roy Kiger, his wife, and one unknown person.**

**Orville West, whose family were drowned, made a heroic effort to save them. He floated with them four miles down Tucker creek trying to get them to shore, but they were carried away from him.**

**James Roberts, whose mother was drowned, tried to save her by carrying her from a floating house to shore, but he fell and she was swept away. He had already saved two small children.**

**Navigation will be suspended for a good while, because of the break in lock No. 1 on Little Kanawha, and up the river people will have no communication with the outside world.**

**The following is a complete list of the drowned so far as known, though it is thought that the death list will be much larger when the districts now cut off from the outside world are heard from: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Black, Mrs. Thomas Hughes and four children, Ed Cox, Mrs. Isaac Roberts, Mrs. Orville West and two children, John Bailey, Roy Kiger, Mrs. Roy Kiger, Mrs. Isaac Tucker and a man whose name can not be ascertained.**

**A DAM BREAKS.**

**LANCASTER, O., July 22.—One of the most disastrous storms ever known in Hocking valley culminated yesterday in the breaking of Sharp's dam at Sugar Grove, on the Hocking canal, which held in store a large body of water that supplied the lower levels of the canal. The heavy rains had filled the reservoir to the banks, when suddenly the dam gave way and with a mighty roar the sea of water went out through the valley, taking with it every movable object. For twenty miles the soil was plowed up and trees, fences, crops and hundreds of head of live stock were swept away. No lives were lost because the people had taken warning and because the houses are situated on the bluff; that overlook the valley. But the canal for miles is a wreck, and thousands of feet of railroad tracks are washed away. Roads and bridges are annihilated, and the whole valley for miles looks like a dry water course. Competent judges place the loss in the hundreds of thousands.**

**TWO VICTIMS OF FOUL AIR.**

**HOBART, Ind., July 22.—About seven o'clock yesterday morning on the farm of Henry Hermann, about three miles west of here, a farm hand descended into a well to take on some meat which had fallen in, but was overcome by foul air and fell in the water. Michael Hefner, a neighbor who was present, descended on a rope to help him out and he was overcome and fell to the bottom of the well, which was forty-two feet deep. The bodies were not taken out until two o'clock in the afternoon.**

**A STEAMSHIP'S WARM VOYAGE.**

**NEW YORK, July 21.—The steamship Hawkward, Captain Robinson, arrived here yesterday from a Brazilian port. On her outward trip from New York she had a terrible experience. Her cargo consisting of 200 barrels of oil and a quantity of tow, caught fire and her crew tried to desert. The captain, however, compelled them to remain on the vessel and successfully made the run of 2,300 miles with the fire smoldering in her hold. The Emperor of Brazil presented the captain with a number of tokens of his esteem because of his bravery.**

**HORRIBLE DEATH OF A TRAVELER.**

**HARTFORD, Conn., July 22.—At Southington last night Charles Deegan tried to board a freight train while in motion, but his feet caught in the step of the caboose and he fell backward, his foot wedging so as to hold him, and he was dragged in this way a quarter of a mile before he was discovered. His head was mashed to a jelly, one arm torn to shreds and brains and blood splattered along the track for a considerable distance.**

**Earthquake in Tennessee.**

**MEMPHIS, Tenn., July 21.—At 6:32 o'clock Friday evening a slight shock of earthquake rattled crockery and glassware on shelves. Two severe shocks were felt at Covington, Tenn., thirty-five miles north of Memphis, each shock lasting several seconds. The wildest confusion prevailed. Houses were abandoned and the streets filled with frightened people. A third but lighter shock was felt there about 7:15.**

**Boulanger's Latest Boulanger.**

**LONDON, July 21.—General Boulanger has issued a manifesto in which he declares that the law against multiple candidacies in France is a blow against universal suffrage. The measure, however, he says, will not prevent the nation making known its sovereign will. He continues: "As a protest against this odious violation of law the national committee has decided that I shall present myself as candidate for the Councils-General in eighty cantons. The verdict of the people of those cantons will be the prelude to the grander triumph that is near at hand. Before long the 'gang' that now dishonors the country will be pitilessly put away and internal peace restored."**

## THE TRUST ANACONDA.

**Less Sweetness and More Money to Be Squeezed Out of Sugar—A Combine to Advance the Price of Salt.**

**New York, July 22.—A belief that the vast quantities of refined sugar that have been piled up in the big storage warehouses along the Brooklyn water front during the past two years has been corroborated with the view of a squeeze by the managers of the sugar trust has found many supporters in financial circles. Though for some time past the piling up of the commodity was generally known, it was supposed to be owing to a scarcity of room in the refining buildings. The Havemeyer & Elder, Havemeyer & Matheson and Weeber companies, the apparent controlling spirits of the trust, were the most extensive storers.**

**On the Stock Exchange the opinion prevailed that the trust had been engineering a corner in sugar and that are long the price of refined articles would be sent up like rockets. The wholesale grocery houses and other consumers of the article in this city evidently anticipated this movement on the part of the trust, and for months past every available inch of storeroom in the big grocery houses on the West side has been utilized for storing sugar, and many of the public warehouses heretofore at this season of the year filled with the winter supply of canned goods have been engaged by the wholesalers for sugar storage.**

**On the other hand Wall street sugar brokers—those who will talk on the subject—hold that the trust has stored the sugar because there is no market for it. The prices have struck bottom and refiners can realize no profit on their manufacture.**

**It has been suggested that possibly the sugar has been accumulated to undermine Claus Spreckels when he got his Philadelphia beet product refinery in operation; that it was the intention to swamp the market with the genuine article at a low price as soon as Spreckels should turn out his first cargo. In answer to this theory a member of one of the most prominent sugar concerns in Wall street, but with no affiliation with the trust, said: "Whatever the object of storing this sugar is it is almost certain that Spreckels has a hand in it. His alleged enmity to the sugar trust is all moonshine. No one on the inside supposes for an instant that he is going to fight a corporation with \$50,000,000. He is with the trust hand and glove. He's too smart a business man to fight against it."**

**THE SALT TRUST.**

**ALBANY, N. Y., July 21.—The North American Salt Company filed articles of incorporation in the Secretary of State's office yesterday. Franklin Woodruff, Horace K. Barber, W. A. Hazari and Charles F. Barber, are the incorporators, with a capital of \$1,000,000, divided into 25,000 shares of \$50 each. They state that they are to manufacture and sell salt and its products. The principal part of their business will be in Warsaw, N. Y., but they will also carry on their business in the following places: Meigs and Tuscarawas Counties, Ohio; Mason County, W. Va.; Reno and Rice Counties, Tex.; St. Clair, Huron, Saginaw, Bay and Isoco Counties, Mich.**

**The following thirteen trustees, who shall manage the concerns of the company for the first year, are named: Wellington Burr, Franklin Woodruff, H. K. Barber, William A. Hazari, John Canfield, William S. Conklin, Albert Boardman, Jay Morton, Richard L. Wilson, Henry W. Cannon, Charles F. Burger, Right Hon. Lord Taulrow and Joseph Vordin.**

**A FURIOUS FLOOD.**

**Destruction in the Little Kanawha Valley—Lives Lost at Norristown, W. Va.**

**PARKERSBURG, W. Va., July 22.—The greatest disaster which has ever befallen the Little Kanawha valley came Thursday night in the shape of a terrible cloudburst, which completely flooded the country, destroying many lives, carrying off thousands of dollars in property and ruining crops for miles.**

**The deluge fell here about dusk and continued to fall in torrents, doing much damage in the city. The worst of the storm struck the lower side of the Kanawha, filling the small tributaries from bank to bank and ending in the worst flood in the recollection of the oldest inhabitants. In three hours the Kanawha rose six feet and ran out with such velocity that it carried every thing before it.**

**At this point thousands of logs and a number of boats went out or were sunk, and Mrs. Isaac Tucker, Martin Luwies and an unknown man were drowned.**

**Above the destruction was still greater. Big Tygart valley is ruined. A big mill near its mouth went out and took Tygart bridge with it. Fences and crops and much live stock were lost.**

**At East-ville, fifteen miles above, half a dozen residences were carried off bodily and left in corn fields.**

**In Clay the fine church and three dwellings were wrecked. Several steamers on the river were wrecked.**

**The worst story of all comes from Norristown, a small village near the head of Tucker creek, where the cloudburst concentrated, coming down about midnight and totally destroying it with many of its people. The first report fixed the loss at eleven, but later news seems to fix the loss at a greater number. Houses are said to have been picked up and hurled against each other in such short space of time that no chance of escape was given the people. Among those dead at Norristown are: Jake Kiger, his brothers, Joseph and Thomas, a man named Bailey, Orville West and child.**

**At Fill Brush all the bridges and culverts are washed away and it is impossible to reach or communicate with that point or any other upon the upper waters. It is impossible now to enumerate the loss even here, as the river is still rising. A family boat containing three or four persons went out during the night and it is believed all are lost.**

**War on President Corbin.**

**READING, Pa., July 20.—The Trade and Labor Council has declared war on President Corbin, of the Reading Company, on account of his recent order excluding members of labor organizations from employment. The council appeals to all labor organizations to fight the company.**

**Racing in Chicago.**

**KANSAS CITY, Mo., July 20.—The new rate schedules of the Western Freight Association and Chicago & Alton railway, reducing the rate on cattle from this point to Chicago to 23 cents a hundred pounds, went into effect at twelve o'clock Thursday night. At just 12:01 o'clock the employes at the stock yards began loading the first cattle that were to be shipped under the new rates. There were twenty cattle in all, divided among the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, Santa Fe, Hannibal & St. Joseph, Chicago & Alton and Wash racing hard to make the Saturday morning market at Chicago.**