

# MINES SHUT DOWN

## STRIKE ON IN PENNSYLVANIA DISTRICT.

### IT IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETE

Strike Presages a Struggle Between Men and Operators That Many Fear May Lead to Disturbance and Perhaps Worse—Other News.

The much talked-of strike of the anthracite mine-workers in the coal regions of Pennsylvania, under the auspices of the united mine workers, and affecting about 145,000 union and non-union workers, is practically inaugurated and reports received from the various sections indicate that when the strike officially begins according to the strike bulletin issued by the president of the mine-workers union, very few mines will be in operation. Just how many men will obey the strike order cannot be conjectured. The union officials steadfastly assert that all the union men will remain away from work and will be further strengthened by a large majority of non-union men. The operators on the other hand are confident that the proportion of striking miners will be greatly exaggerated.

Reports from Luzerne, Lackawanna, Schuylkill, Carbon and Northumberland counties, where the most important coal workings are, presage a struggle between the operators and their men that may lead to disturbance and perhaps worse.

## DORWARD DESTROYS TU LIU

Burns Boxer City After It Had Been Thoroughly Plundered.

A Tien Tsin dispatch says: The expedition under General Dorward, against the Boxers threatening the Tien Tsin region reached Tu Liu on the Grand canal without opposition and the city was occupied without a shot being fired. Three columns converged there yesterday after a two day's march and found that the place already surrendered to one officer and eight Bengal Lancers. General Dorward ordered the town burned after it had been thoroughly looted.

## HER SEARCH ENDS HAPPILY

Mother Thought Daughter Dead, But Finds Her Only Married.

Frances Smith, age 17, daughter of Mrs. William Smith, a widow living at 1807 Water street, St. Joseph, Mo., disappeared and after a thorough search had been made her mother concluded that she had fallen into the river. Several days later the girl was located by the police detectives. She had married Charles Herren, a grocery wagon driver. She was living quietly in another part of the city and seemed very indifferent regarding the trouble she had caused her mother. The marriage took place at Aetehison.

## MAY BE HEIR TO A MILLION

Fort Dodge Telephone Girl Goes to Indiana to Seek an Inheritance.

Mrs. Grace Porter, a telephone operator in the employ of the Iowa Telephone company at Des Moines, has probably fallen heir to \$1,000,000 through the death of her aunt, Mrs. Mary Adams of South Bend, Ind. Mrs. Adams was very wealthy and Mrs. Porter is her only near relative and was a great favorite with her. Mrs. Porter has left for Indiana to look after her interests. She is quite young. She separated from her husband a short time ago.

## TO STOP PRINTING BIBLES

Competition Forces the American Bible Society to Give Up Part of Its Business.

The old Bible house at Fourth avenue and Ninteth street, New York, home of the American Bible society for nearly fifty years, is to be sold and the great printing establishment of the society will be given up and the Bibles printed by contract. This step has been made necessary by the competition of the Oxford and International Bible companies of England.

Dakotans Must Hang. A special from Bismarck, S. D., says: Acting Governor Devine has refused to grant a reprieve for ninety days in the case of Ira Jenkins and Hans Thorpe, the convicted murderers. Thorpe's attorney claimed he could prove his client of unsound mind, while Jenkins appealed for a stay, claiming that he could establish his innocence. Jenkins will be hung here tomorrow and Thorpe at Minot.

Gets Victoria Cross. The London Gazette announces the Victoria cross has been bestowed on Sergeant Arthur Lindsay of Strathcona's Horse, for rescuing a wounded trooper in the face of a heavy Boer fire at North Standerton, August 5.

Recalls Old Bank Robbery. William McCoy, first mayor of Independence, Mo., and one of the organizers of the First National bank of that city, died the other day aged 87 years. As cashier of the bank he figured in a celebrated bank robbery in November, 1867. After banking hours he was forced to surrender the key of the vault to masked robbers, who secured \$20,000 in gold. The robbers locked McCoy in the vault, where he had to remain for five hours. The perpetrators of this robbery were never punished.

## EXODUS FROM GALVESTON

Is On in Earnest and Boats Leaving Regularly.

The exodus from Galveston grows in numbers as the facilities for getting away from the stricken city are increased. Boats leave frequently. Among those who departed were General McKibben and Lieutenants Ferguson and Perry. General McKibben will communicate with the war department on his arrival in Houston and then go to San Antonio to transact official business. He expects to return later. The newspapers have printed a personal note from H. E. Huntington of the Southern Pacific that that road is not to abandon Galveston. This has created intense satisfaction and has materially accelerated the movement for the speedy reconstruction of the city.

## REGARD IT AS A MISTAKE

Shanghai Strongly Opposed to Withdrawal of Troops.

A Shanghai dispatch says: The news of the contemplated withdrawal of the allies from Pekin has caused a great sensation and is regarded as a great mistake, which is likely to eventuate in disturbances in other parts of China, where the people are certain to attribute the evacuation to a defeat of the European forces. Even the Chinese as a whole do not believe that the allies ever reached Pekin. They think the story of a fabrication connected for the purpose of imposing on the officials.

Competent observers believe that a lesson must be brought home to China now, in order to prevent serious outbreaks in the future.

## SIX DROWNED IN THE RIVER

Boat Carrying Eighteen Men Capsized in Eau Claire River.

Eighteen men employed by the Northwestern Lumber company were crossing the pond above the mill dam on the Eau Claire river in a beateau near Eau Claire, Wis., when a heavy gale dashed the waves over the boat and capsized it. Eight men attempted to swim ashore and six of them were drowned. The other ten men clung to the overturned beateau and were rescued by another crew. The drowned are: John McQuestion, Andy McQuade, John Lier, Ab Parr, Thomas Cameron, William Braybrock. Their bodies have not been recovered.

## QUIET ON EVE OF ELECTION

The Demeanor of Cubans in Havana Placid.

At this moment, when the definite result of the most important election ever held in Cuba is in the balance, the demeanor of the public is placid, says a Havana dispatch. It seems a foregone conclusion that the national party will have a majority of the delegates in Havana provinces. Many of the districts will not be heard from until late Sept. 17. There is no telegraphic communication with some of the rural districts and the results would be brought in by the messengers.

Loans Money to Germany. The New York Life Insurance company has closed negotiations for taking \$5,000,000 of the imperial German government loan of \$20,000,000. The Evening Post says the deal thus closed insures the success of the loan in the United States and marks the ending of negotiations carried on with the utmost secrecy between leading financiers of both countries.

Safe in Port. Steamer F. and P. M. No. 4, of the Pere Marquette line, which left Holland, Mich., Tuesday afternoon for Milwaukee with over 300 passengers reached Milwaukee safely. The passengers had awful experiences and many sustained cuts and serious injuries from being thrown about the steamer as it was buffeted by the wind and waves.

Enter Plea of Not Guilty. Roslyn Ferrell, charged with the murder of Express Messenger Lane and the robbery of an express safe on a Pan Handle train near Columbus, O., was arraigned in court and pleaded not guilty to the indictment returned against him. Counsel was appointed for him and October 15 fixed as the date of his trial.

Coal Trains Collide. Two coal trains on the Esquimaux and Nanimo railway, on Vancouver island, collided on a trestle two miles from Ladysmith. Superintendent Robert Fisher, general manager of the Alexandrian mines was instantly killed, as were also Walters, engineer and two firemen.

Gold and Silver Exports. Exports of gold and silver from this port to all countries for the week aggregate \$869,055 in silver bars and coin and \$112,914 in gold. The imports of specie were \$17,687 gold and \$16,800 in silver.

Snow in the Hills. Snow and rain fell at Lead, S. D., September 15. There is a very cold wind. Two inches of snow fell at Bald mountain and it is cold there.

Child Run Over by Wagon. Little Eric Winberg, an 8-year-old son of Mrs. Jennie Winberg, living on a farm southeast of Lushton, Neb., was run over by a wagon loaded with wheat and suffered injuries that may prove fatal. Mr. Winberg is in Cape Nome.

Death of Twin Babies. The twin babies of James Rush of Nelson were both buried recently. They were about six months old. Their death, it is said, was caused by the cow from which they got their milk eating some kind of poisonous weeds.

# BURNING THE DEAD

## HERCULEAN TASK AHEAD OF GALVESTON WORKERS.

### BODIES MUST BE REDUCED TO ASHES

Cleaning Up Streets Being Prosecuted With Vigor—Exodus From Stricken City Continues Unabated—Fire in a Nursery.

The work goes on of recovering the dead from the mass of debris that lines the south side of what remains of the city. In one day 107 bodies were recovered and cremated. The number recovered and cremated today has not been reported as yet, but it will exceed one hundred or more. The task of recovering the bodies that are beneath or jammed into this-rick of debris, extending from the eastern to the western limits of the city, a distance of over three miles, is a herculean one, and the most expeditious way of removing the whole, from a sanitary point of view, is by fire. This, however, in the crippled condition of the fire department and waterworks would endanger the remaining portion of the city. As it now stands, this immense mass of debris, strewn with dead bodies, the carcasses of decaying animals, etc., is a serious menace to the health of the city and is the most difficult problem the board of health has to deal with.

The work of cleaning up the streets is being well executed. The debris and garbage is being removed and 250 vehicles of every description are carrying it out to a safe place where it is burned, and in a few days all the streets will be opened for vehicles. It was decided at a meeting of the central executive committee that all the laborers now engaged in burying the dead, cleaning the buildings and moving the debris from the streets and sidewalks shall receive \$1.50 per day and rations. Heretofore they have been working for nothing, and if they refused they were impressed by the military.

The work of relief of the sick and injured is well in hand and under the direction of skilled physicians and nurses it is improving daily.

Eleven hundred tents were received by the board of health. All except 300, retained for hospital purposes, will be distributed by the chairmen of the various sub-committees to shelter the homeless in their respective wards.

## ADMITTED KILLING GOEBEL

Sensational Testimony Given at the Trial of Howard.

The first really sensational testimony in the trial of James Howard, charged with having fired the shot that killed William Goebel, was given by Bowman Gaines, a Frankfort, Ky., liveryman and James Stubblefield, a former deputy sheriff of Clay county. The former identified Howard as the man who ran out from the rear of the state house grounds and jumped over the fence immediately after the shot was fired. Gaines is positive in his identification of the prisoner.

The most sensational witness, however, was James Stubblefield, a one-legged and one-armed ex-sheriff of Clay county. Stubblefield testified that Howard exultantly told him that he fired the shot that took Goebel's life. His testimony in detail was that Howard stopped at his house in February shortly after the shooting. Shortly after he came in Stubblefield says he remarked to him: "Jim, you all have been having trouble down at Frankfort."

"Yes," responded Howard, according to the witness, "we have raised hell and cleaned the platter," and added: "I never sight down my gun barrel but what I get meat or money and this time I got both."

## FIRE IN A NURSERY.

Salvation Army Home Destroyed by Fire at Cincinnati.

The branch nursery of the Salvation army at No. 403 East Fifth street burned and its occupants were imprisoned so that five were suffocated to death and others seriously injured. A bar-keeper in an adjoining saloon discovered the fire and sent in the alarm. The firemen rushed into the blazing mission to rescue the children, but most of those on the upper floors were beyond help. The patrol wagons dashed with all possible speed to the hospitals with those that were rescued and their cries were heard along the streets.

Von Ketteler Assassin Shot. The Pekin correspondence of the London Daily News says that the assassin of Baron von Ketteler has been shot. The Morning Post's representative there says that the question is being discussed of sending relief to a few British, French and American engineers who are besieged two hundred miles south of Pekin.

Chinese official estimated that 25,000 disbanded Chinese soldiers, by the simple expedient of turning their coats, managed to remain in Pekin.

Galveston Storm Victims. A special from York, Neb., says: Among the victims of the Texas flood disaster are J. Wickman, wife and seven children. The Wickmans were formerly residents of York county, where they were well known and much respected.

French Occupies Harberton. Lord Roberts has informed the British war office at London that General French occupied Harberton with cavalry on September 13. One hundred Boers and a quantity of ammunition were captured.

## SOME ORDER FROM CHAOS

City of Galveston Sorely Stricken, But Will Rise Again.

The keeper of the life saving station at the western extremity of the island has arrived in Galveston. He reports the station gone and that a frightful scene of desolation exists there. He says 180 bodies were buried there; that the prairie and marshes are strewn with carcasses of animals and reptiles and that the stench is stifling.

Hope and determination have seized the people of Galveston. They realize that the task before them is gigantic, yet with the generous aid that is flowing to them in a broad stream from all parts of the country and world, and their own indomitable purpose, the sick and wounded will be healed, the destitute relieved and the recuperation of Galveston will be speedy, and the city will be rebuilt and placed on a more enduring foundation and her commercial career started anew. Such is the spirit displayed by the previously stricken people.

Work is being pushed under a systematic plan of operation that is rapidly bringing order out of chaos. The search or burial or cremation of victims within the city limits is being rapidly prosecuted by a large force under military direction. Down the island and on the mainland the work of interring the dead is conducted with the same system. Looting and desecration of corpses have ceased since the military have assumed charge of affairs, and they are co-operating harmoniously with the civil authorities.

## FIGHT FOR WEALTH FATAL

Death Comes to Edward A. Davis After a Fruitless Quest.

Death came to Edward A. Davis in a ward in the county hospital in Chicago and ended a life made miserable by a fruitless quest for wealth that many times was all but in his grasp. Years of struggling for the fortune that he claimed unbalanced his mind and his wife and family were parted from him by a decree of the courts. Edward Davis was one of several sons of John A. Davis of Chicago. The latter was a brother Judge Andrew J. Davis of Montana, whose death precipitated one of the most bitter legal contests for millions ever fought in western courts.

John A. Davis was chosen as administrator of the estate, but died shortly after the appointment. It was then that Edward Davis began the fight in his own behalf which ended so disastrously.

## KRUGER GOING TO HOLLAND

Precautions Taken For His Safety En Route.

The Portuguese government has telegraphed to the governor of Mozambique authorizing the departure of Mr. Kruger for Europe. The governor, however, must satisfy himself that Mr. Kruger is really going to Europe. Meanwhile he is instructed to take all precautions to safeguard the personal security of Mr. Kruger. The Netherlands government will tender a Dutch war vessel to Kruger. Mrs. Kruger has arrived at Lourenzo Marquez, from whence President Kruger and wife will sail.

## CRUSHED BY THE WHEELS

Flagman Charles Sparks Killed at the Tenth Street Crossing.

Charles Sparks, the seventy-four-year-old flagman, employed at the Tenth street crossing of the Burlington road at Lincoln, was run down and killed by a string of cars being moved on to the Missouri Pacific transfer tracks on North Tenth street. Mr. Sharp was standing on the transfer track warning teams from attempting to cross the street in front of an outgoing stock train. He did not notice the approaching switching train and did not hear the warning.

Life Insurance Question. Agents of several of the life insurance companies are now in Galveston. They say there is certain to be much confusion, but they do not know what action will be taken by the companies concerning the payment of claims without proof of death, which, in many cases will be impossible.

Contributions of money continues to come in, as do supplies of all sorts.

Prince of Saxony Killed. Prince Albert of Saxony was killed in a carriage accident at Wolkau, a short distance from Dresden.

Prince Albert of Saxony was the fifth son of Prince Frederick George of Saxony, brother of the king. He was born in Dresden, February 25, 1857, was a captain in the First regiment of Uh-lans and was a chevalier of the order of the Black Eagle. He was unmarried.

De Wet Reported Killed. It is rumored in Johannesburg that General Christian De Wet, the Boer officer, was killed on the 7th inst, near Potchefstrom, says the London correspondent of the Tribune.

Alliance Is Lighted. The Electric Light company at Alliance, Neb., has started up its plant and everything is running smoothly. Hereafter Alliance will be well lighted.

## STATE NEWS.

The boiler explosion on the steamer Jacob Richtman resulted in the death of Ed Jones, a fifteen-year-old colored bootblack, who jumped into the river in the panic.

The Jewish church at Omaha is having a bitter quarrel, precipitated by the proposed expulsion of S. Ferer, a lower Farnam street junk dealer. Mr. Ferer's friends rallied to his support and as the other faction was determined that he must go a row resulted which the police had to suppress.

# WHOLE TRAIN LOST

## UNREPORTED DISASTER IN GULF TORNADO.

### EIGHTY-FIVE LIVES GO OUT FOREVER

#### DANGER SEEN TWO LATE TO SAVE PASSENGERS.

#### EITHER BLOWN AWAY OR DROWNED

Story Told by One of the Few Survivors—Spent Over Fifty Hours in Dismal Lighthouse Without Food—Other News of Great Importance.

A telegram from Hon. John H. Poe, residing at Lake Charles, stating that eighty-five lives were lost on the Gulf & Interstate train which left Beaumont early Saturday morning, September 8, for Bolivar Point. Mr. Poe was one of the passengers on this train, and, fortunately, together with a few others, he sought safety in the lighthouse at Bolivar Point and was saved.

The train reached Bolivar about noon, and preparations were made to run the train on the ferryboat preparatory to crossing the bay. But the wind blew so swiftly that the ferry could not make a landing, and the conductor of the train, after allowing it to stand on the tracks for a few minutes, started to back it toward Beaumont.

The wind increased so rapidly, coming in from the open sea, that soon the water reached a level with the bottom of the seats within the cars. It was then that some of the passengers sought safety in the nearby lighthouse.

But Mr. Poe said that in spite of all efforts eighty-five passengers were blown away or drowned. The train was entirely wrecked.

Those who were saved had to spend over fifty hours in the lighthouse on almost no rations.

Governor Sayers reports contributions and supplies coming in at a lively rate.

## HONOR GENERAL LAWTON

Monument to Dead Hero Dedicated at Ft. Wayne.

The people of Ft. Wayne, Ind., Sept. 13, dedicated to the memory of Gen. Henry W. Lawton a monument crowned by a cannon captured by him and so christened the principal park in honor of the dead hero. The ceremony occurred under the auspices of the union veteran legion, and Col. W. J. Bryan was the principal orator of the occasion. The address was non-partisan. A number of people were present to witness the ceremony, which was preceded by a parade.

## VON KETTELER'S SLAYER

Culprit Admits Crime, But Says He Was Ordered.

The Japanese at Pekin have arrested the assassin of Baron von Ketteler, the late German minister to China. The assassin has been handed over to the Germans by Japanese and has confessed his guilt. He was arrested for trying to sell a watch with initials, which he admitted taking from the body of Baron von Ketteler. He afterward admitted the crime, saying that the imperial government ordered the commission of the act.

## ATTEMPT TO WRECK TRAIN

Ties Placed on Track of Union Pacific Flyer.

A special from Abilene, Kas., says: Three attempts were made here to wreck Union Pacific trains. Ties were piled on the track in front of the local passenger train, and the "flyer" west-bound, and heavy iron on the track before the "flyer" east-bound. The obstructions were discovered and the trains stopped in time to prevent any damage.

Free Delivery Service. Rural free delivery service will be established in Nebraska on October 1 as follows: Auburn, Nemaha county, two carriers, Martin H. Welles and Clayton E. Blessing, who are to cover an area of forty-five square miles to serve a population of 1,820; York, York county, one carrier, David I. Hunter. He will serve a population of 725 and cover an area of thirty-five square miles.

Dr. F. E. McKeely has been appointed prison surgeon at Superior, Neb.

Order Held Back. Editor Scott of the Mine Workers' Journal is in charge at headquarters at Indianapolis. He said:

"The situation in the anthracite region is very serious, but if there is any change in the attitude of the national officials I do not know it."

Advised to Quit Work. The general committee of the master spinners' federation at Manchester, Eng., has issued a circular advising members of the local association to cease work for at least twelve days in October.

Trial of Howard Begins. A Frankfort, Ky., dispatch says: Both the commonwealth and the defense have announced they were ready and proceeded to secure a jury in the case of James Howard, indicted as the principal in the assassination of William Goebel.

Lord Roberts reports from Machadodorp, under date of Wednesday, September 12, that General French was heavily engaged that day with the Boers in the hills west of Harberton, and that General Hutton had gone to General French's support.

## CLEARING AWAY THE DEBRIS

First Real Work Begun on Galveston Wreckage.

A Galveston, September 14 dispatch says: The first real attempt to clear away the great mass of debris piled along the beach for a distance of several miles was begun today. Advertisements were printed in the News which appeared this morning, asking for hundreds of men and boys to do this work. A multitude responded. They were formed into squads and promptly put to work with the police and deputy sheriffs in charge. It is hoped that a vigorous prosecution of this work will lead to the early discovery of bodies still in the debris. That there are many of them there is no shadow of a doubt. It is difficult, indeed, to imagine how half the people that did escape got free from this fearful flossam and jetsam.

An Associated press representative traversed the beach for some distance and the stench at different points was absolutely sickening. Everywhere little groups of men, women and children, some of them poorly provided with raiment, were digging in their homes for what little household property they could save. In many cases these seekers of their former residences were utterly unable to find a single remnant of them so hopeless is the confusion of timbers and household furniture.

There is a determination among the citizens to rebuild the town in a much stronger manner than it was.

## THREE NEGROES STRUNG UP

Mississippi Mob Takes Them From Jail and Lynches Them.

A masked mob of between sixty and 100 men broke into jail at Hunica, Miss., and took out three negroes, whom they strung up to a tree within 100 yards of the jail. Not a shot was fired. The dead negroes are Frank Brown, who shot Frank Chesire, a prosperous planter at Oak Landing, six months ago; David Moore, who shot Dan Howell ten days ago, and William Brown, who with confederates, shot and cut to death a young white man at State Levee, one month previous. The lynching is a climax of intense feeling against desperate negroes which has been brewing in the neighborhood of Hunica for months.

## AN APPEAL TO DRUGGISTS

Relief Committee Tells What is Most Needed.

The following appeal has been issued from Houston: "To all druggists: The storm-stricken district is very much in need of the following drugs: Iodoform, chloride of lime, gum camphor, assafotida, crude carbolic acid, phenol, salicylic acid, quinine and iodoform gauze.

Contributions should be sent to the Houston relief committee. (Signed)

"HOUSTON RELIEF COMMITTEE. B. A. E. Keating.

Accident Causes Death.

Word was received at Columbus, Neb., of the sudden accidental death Wednesday afternoon near Hartington, Neb., of J. F. Schaffroth, for many years a resident of Platte county. The telegram stated that while he was in the act of coupling a threshing machine engine to a separator the engine started back without notice, crushing Mr. Schaffroth about the chest, causing instant death. Mr. Schaffroth was about forty-one years of age and leaves a wife and four children, two boys and two girls.

Conclude Session.

At the session of the international brotherhood of stationary firemen at Peoria, Ill., the report of the general secretary-treasurer indicated that the organization is in excellent condition financially. It was deemed inexpedient to consider the question of the initiative and referendum at this session. Toledo, Ohio is likely to secure the convention for next year.

Railroads Lose Millions.

The railroads will suffer the loss of millions of dollars in actual damage, to say nothing of the loss from stoppage of business by reason of the gulf storm. At Galveston their wharves, warehouses, depots and tracks are ruined. The costly bridges which connect the island with the mainland are in ruins and must be entirely rebuilt.

Insane Man Taken to Asylum.

Deputy Sheriff Sam Smith and Jerry Carring of Columbus, Neb., took Chris Nielson, who was adjudged insane about a week ago, to the asylum at Norfolk Wednesday. Nielson was constantly under the impression that he was wanted for the murder of Theodore Durrant in California and was very noisy while confined in the county jail here.

Survivors Series of Accidents.

Mrs. Mary Mooney accidentally fell and broke her arm and dislocated her wrist at Lexington, Neb. The accident at this time was indeed unfortunate for them, as Mrs. Mooney is just recovering from a broken leg which has been almost two years in healing.

Dry Goods House Falls.

The failure of the wholesale dry goods house of Hodges Bros. of Baltimore is announced. The receivers appointed gave bonds in \$150,000, indicating assets of half that amount. No statement of liabilities has been made. The firm is one of the oldest in Baltimore.

Fund for Food Sufferers.

Mayor Wilson of Geneva, Neb., the other day started a subscription and in a few hours had collected and forwarded to the aid committee at Galveston, Tex., over fifty dollars in cash.