

A CAR RUNS WILD

Motorman Loses Control of Trolley Car at Chicago.

COLLIDES WITH A PASSENGER TRAIN

Five People Killed Outright and Many Injured More or Less Severely—Collision Comes Without Warning and No Chance for Escape.

A Chicago dispatch says: By the collision of a trolley car on the Forty-seventh street line with a rapidly moving passenger train on the Pennsylvania road five people were killed and ten injured. The dead: Frederick O. Edwards, Harriet Sutcliffe, Ida B. Osler, Willis Homan, unidentified woman. The injured: Luther Jackson, Mary O'Malley, Kate Greenfield, Marian Brannard, James Gillette, V. J. Fulton, Margaret Dwyer, Mrs. Lizzie Coale, Dr. Charissa Biglow, J. Brodewitz.

The accident occurred at Forty-seventh street and Stewart avenue, where a large number of railroad tracks run north and south at the street level and across the street car line runs at right angles. It is the custom of the conductors to run ahead of their cars and standing up the tracks to signal the motorman to advance or remain stationary. The car which was filled with passengers, came up to the tracks at night from the west. The gates across the street car line were down, as a passenger train was moving rapidly south.

Whether the motorman, Willis Bowman, was unable to control his car or whether he became confused and turned on the current is a matter of doubt. The car paused a moment as it approached the tracks, but before Conductor Fulton could alight to run ahead of the car, according to the usual custom, there came a violent lurch, the car shot forward, passed rapidly across the two intervening tracks and crashed heavily into the passenger train.

The car was caught up, whirled around, turned bottomside up and carried fifty feet south of the crossing. None of the passengers had the slightest warning of the accident and had no chance whatever to escape. The noise of the collision and the screams of the passengers pinned down in the wreckage quickly brought a large crowd to the scene and ambulances and patrol wagons were soon on hand. The car was so badly smashed that it took but a short time to remove the dead and dying.

Motorman Bowman, upon whom the responsibility of the collision rests, was unconscious when taken out. He rallied slightly several times but could not give any account of the accident.

Towerman Albert Haas of the railroad declared that he saw Bowman tugging at the brakes and heard him shout that he could not stop the car.

CUPID BUSY IN MID OCEAN

Sixty Teachers En Route to the Philippines Get Married.

A dispatch from Carbondale, Ill. says that among the four hundred teachers who sailed on the transport Thomas from San Francisco to Manila, sixty, on reaching Honolulu, were married. The teachers had been chosen from the many normal universities of the country, and were all strangers to each other. Their acquaintanceship and courtship extended over a period of less than ten days. The captain of the Thomas refused to permit their weddings while en route, and the thirty pairs, upon the arrival of the transport at Honolulu, sought out a clergyman and were all married. The information reached Carbondale in a letter from one of the men appointed from the normal university there.

Man Killed by Horse.

At Geneva, Neb., Emil Kohler's big farm team ran down Court street and ran into the fine buggy team belonging to I. J. Gutches, turning the buggy over and throwing out Mr. and Mrs. Gutches and two children, fortunately injuring no one, wrecking the buggy and disemboweling one of Mr. Gutches' fine mares. In the mix-up in getting the horses out of the wreck Mr. Kohler was kicked by one of the horses and seriously hurt.

Straton Buys Machinery.

W. S. Straton has just placed an order for \$40,000 worth of electrical machinery with which to extend the suburban system of his Colorado Springs tramway line. He will also build and equip a large power house for which the general electric company was given the contract.

Walderssee is Optimistic.

The Echo de Paris publishes an alleged interview with Count Von Walderssee in the course of which he highly praised the French soldiers and expressed a belief that war between France and Germany was an impossibility.

Recovering from the Storm.

The Louisville & Nashville railroad, which was badly damaged between Mobile and New Orleans by the Gulf storm, has been put in condition. The first train from New Orleans arrived in Mobile last Sunday. Telegraphic communication with New Orleans was obtained Sunday for the first time since the storm. Information Sunday from the American steamer Evelyn, ashore on the south coast near the entrance to Pensacola harbor, is to the effect that she lies in an easy position and can probably be pulled off.

WILL NOT TALK OF HIS CASE

Admiral Schley Hastily Preparing for Coming Trial.

Admiral Schley, who arrived at Washington with his wife August 15, will remain until the court of inquiry which is to investigate the Santiago campaign completes its work. The interim between now and the opening will be devoted to his side of the case. He had his first consultation with Judge Jere Wilson of Washington City, former Representative Raynor of Baltimore, and Captain James Parker of New Jersey. Admiral Schley will go over everything relating to the matter with his counsel and place them in possession of every fact pertaining to a thorough and complete understanding of the events of the campaign which are in controversy. Admiral Schley declines to talk about the case. He considers that the order of Secretary Long prohibiting officers of the navy from discussing any phase of it applies to him as well as others and he is obeying it literally.

TALK WITH INCOMING SHIP

Wireless Telegraphy Utilized 287 Miles Out at Sea.

The Cunard line steamship Lucania, Captain McKay, which sailed from Liverpool for New York August 10, was spoken through the medium of wireless telegraphy by the Nantucket lightship about 6 o'clock Friday evening, August 16. From that time until 9:40 messages were sent in a stream from the Lucania. From the lightship to the Lucania was also sent a summary of the news events of the world that had happened since the steamship left the other side.

Captain McKay, in command of the Lucania, telegraphed:

"All well on board. We are 287 miles from Sandy Hook and with clear weather expect to reach New York harbor Saturday. Please inform Cunard agents."

While messages by the wireless system of telegraphy were successfully received at New York from Lucania it was said on board the steamer at quarantine that nothing transmitted from the shore could be understood on board the Lucania.

Buncoed a Farmer.

An Omaha dispatch says: George Robinson, a farmer, came to Omaha recently with a load of apples. Near Fifteenth and Howard he met a genial stranger, who told him he knew a place where he could sell a bushel of apples for him. The stranger got into the wagon and conducted Mr. Robinson to a house several blocks south, where he left the farmer in the wagon while he went to the back door. Returning he said that the woman wanted a bushel of apples and had but a ten-dollar bill. Robinson gave him a bushel of apples and \$9.40 cents in change, to give to the woman for her ten dollars, and the stranger slowly walked away in the direction of the back door. Robinson awaited his return until he got weary, whereupon he carried the tale of sorrow to the police.

New Rural Route.

Charles E. Llewellyn, inspector of rural routes was in Cresco, Neb., last Friday looking over a proposed route west of Cresco, that to be the starting point. It is probable that the report will be favorable and in the near future a free mail route will be in operation, much to the satisfaction of the farming class which it will serve. There will be 120 families on the route.

Office Made Appointive.

The national council of the Knights of Columbus, in session at Chicago, says a Plattsburg, N. Y., dispatch, has changed the method of selection of state and national chaplains, making the office appointive instead of elective. The appointment by the directors of a finance committee was empowered, the committee to have charge of all investments of less than \$100,000. An adjournment was soon reached.

Vote to Strike.

The men employed at the Bay View plant of the Illinois Steel company at Milwaukee will strike. At a meeting held by the men a very large majority voted to obey President Shaffer's call, and the vote was made unanimous. Fourteen hundred men will be idle. The action caused joy at Pittsburg. It may have an influence with the men in the South Chicago mills.

Bursting Cannon Injures Boy.

Several small boys manufactured a cannon out of gas pipe at West Point and took it to the river, where they loaded it with slugs and shot it off. The cannon burst open and pieces of iron and shot filled the face of one of the youngsters. At first his eyesight was endangered, but he seems to be improving.

An Honor for Archibald.

James F. Archibald of San Francisco the war correspondent, has received word from England that he has been granted an honorary fellowship in the geographical society of London, for papers and writings on South Africa and Cuba. There are less than twenty of these fellowships held in the United States.

Shoots Himself Fatally.

From Fullerton comes the information that Walter Sherman, an Englishman living fourteen miles west of there, had committed suicide by shooting with a shotgun. It is stated that several years ago he had been an inmate of the asylum at Lincoln, his mental trouble being a brooding over the sins of the world and too much study over religious topics. He was about 27 years old, was unmarried, and held in high esteem by those who knew him.

SIXTEEN GO DOWN

Big River Steamer is Overturned Near Paducah, Ky.

SQUALL STRIKES WITHOUT WARNING

City of Golconda Was Just Ready to Land When Accident Occurred—Full List of Victims Cannot Yet Be Told—Other News of Importance.

A Paducah, Ky., dispatch of August 20th says the steamer City of Golconda plying between Paducah and Elizabethtown, Ill., was struck by a squall early last night as she was entering Crowell's landing, and turned over in ten feet of water.

Sixteen persons are reported drowned. The disaster occurred as supper was served, and many of the seventy-five passengers were in the cabin. The wind struck the boat without warning and there was no time for those on the inside to escape. Capt. Jesse Bauer and Pilot E. E. Peck, who swam ashore, were the last to leave the boat.

They saved several struggling in the water and left the survivors in a house near the bank and went to Paducah, arriving two hours after the catastrophe occurred.

THE ISLANDER SINKS.

Pacific Coast Passenger Boat Crushed by an Iceberg.

A Victoria B. C., dispatch says: The steamer Islander, the flag ship of the Canadian Pacific Navigation fleet, and the largest and fastest steamer on the Victoria-Skaguay route, collided with an iceberg off Douglas island, Alaska, while on its way south with the largest number of passengers that it has carried, since it was replaced on the run, a few months ago, and sank soon after striking. Captain Foote, its master, and about sixty-five persons including passengers and members of the crew, were drowned. To add to the horror of the terrible disaster the boilers exploded as it went down, causing the death of many of those who were struggling in the water. The steamer left Skaguay in the evening and was proceeding out of Lynn canal when the collision occurred. Most of the passengers and members of the crew who were in bed were rudely awakened by the shock. The majority got out on deck in time to be saved by the boats, which were quickly manned, but a large number went down in their staterooms. Some of the survivors arrived here by the steamer which passed over the scene of the disaster the following evening and picked them up at Juneau, to which city they had been taken.

It is known that sixty-seven lives were lost in the disaster, but it will be some time before their names can be learned, as the purser has lost his passenger list. The survivors tell of terrible experiences and thrilling escapes. One man whose name could not be learned, seized his satchel, containing \$40,000, and made a leap for the life boat. He missed it and man and treasure sank.

A WONDERFUL CHANGE.

Fair Managers Provide Palatial Facilities for Housing Stock.

The sum of \$18,000 is being expended in new buildings and improvements at the state fair grounds. It will add to the beauty of the grounds and the comfort of visitors and exhibitors. The new quarters for stock are close together and easily accessible. Speed barns have been repaired and repainted. Everything promises a very satisfactory fair and indications point to a large attendance. Let loyal Nebraska make the first fair of the 20th century a lummer. Aug. 30 to Sept. 6.

Talbot Endorsed for Head Consul.

State of Nebraska Camp, M. W. A., at a recent meeting, passed resolutions endorsing Hon. A. R. Talbot for Head Consul to succeed Hon. W. A. Northcott, who was recently re-elected Head Consul at St. Paul Head Camp. Mr. Northcott signified his intention of retiring at the close of this term, in 1903. Mr. Talbot is a member of the board of directors, and stands high among the membership of the order everywhere.

Team and Wagon Stolen.

A team belonging to Phillip Zimmerman and a spring wagon and two sets of double harness, the property of Charles Haeffly, were stolen eight miles northeast of Falls City, Neb. There was a picnic in the neighborhood during the day, at which many visitors and strangers were present. No trace of the team has been found.

Begin Work on Auditorium.

Five car loads of brick have been received at Columbus, Neb., from David City for the \$20,000 auditorium for which the excavating is completed and on which the masons will begin work at once.

Kills Wife and Himself.

Julius Schumkecht, an aged German, living on a farm nine miles north of Charles City, Ia., went to the house where his wife was sewing and dealt her several blows on the head, leaving her unconscious. He then took a butcher knife and cut his own throat from ear to ear. Neither can live. Schumkecht is believed to have been insane.

E. W. Carleton, editor of the Joplin, Mo., Daily Globe, shot and killed himself. He was forty-two years of age.

PLANNING FOR PRESIDENT

Gomez Calls a Conference in the Interest of Palma.

A meeting was held at Havana, attended by a number of revolutionary generals and politicians representing all parties, to ascertain the practicability of agreeing upon Senor Estrada Palma as a candidate for the presidency of the republic. It was convened at the request of General Maximo Gomez. Gen. Sanguilly and Juan Gusiberto contended that, before they could give their support to any candidate, they must know his political program.

It was decided to appoint a committee empowered to address a communication to Senor Palma asking him to state fully his intentions and purpose if elected president. General Gomez was appointed chairman of the committee.

FIRE IGNITES DYNAMITE.

Six Men Killed While Trying to Subdue Flames.

The Mohawk & Malone roundhouse at Herkimer, N. Y., was discovered on fire. Watchman Gilbert and an engine tender named John Deck, assisted by residents of the vicinity and members of the bridge building gang, attempted to extinguish the flames. While they were battling with the fire a large quantity of dynamite stored in the building exploded with terrific force, killing Gilbert, Deck and four others. The bodies of the four last mentioned are unrecognizable.

The round house was wrecked and burned. It is feared there are other bodies in the ruins. The round house is owned by the New York Central & Hudson River railroad.

LOOKS METROPOLITAN

Armstrong of Lincoln Has Handsome Electric Sign.

Since the Armstrong Clothing company has taken possession of its new and commodious quarters at 1221-27 O street, Lincoln, that vicinity has assumed a metropolitan appearance and is quite a contrast in comparison with what it was when the site was occupied by one and two-story frame buildings. Mr. Armstrong has had erected in the upper front of his elegant store a perpendicular electric sign "Armstrong's," and its brilliancy is ready to dazzle the visitor to the capital city. A few more enterprising merchants of the Armstrong type and Lincoln will look metropolitan in truth.

HAD TOO MANY FAVORITES

Women Conductors on Street Cars Cause Jealousies.

Why the Madison Light and Railway company got rid of women conductors was explained to the state tax board at Indianapolis, Ind., in an appeal from the assessment presented by C. J. Roberts, attorney, and C. B. Johnson, superintendent. The women conductors soon showed marked preferences for particular male passengers. Roberts, said and talked to them almost exclusively. This aroused the jealousy of other men, who showed their feelings by refusing to ride on the cars. The result was, said Roberts, that it was common to see a car with one passenger and that one talking to the conductor.

THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

General rains over the state have broken the drought in Illinois.

An explosion of gasoline in the office of the Wymore, Neb., Arbor State, caused a loss to Editor Dadds of about \$150.

Four employees of the Prairie State Paper Co., Taylorville, Ill., were badly scalded by a large vat of liquid boiling over.

Twenty-nine deep water ships, all chartered to carry grain to European ports, are all tied up at San Francisco because of the strike.

A great fire is raging on North Pine and Fish creeks, near Baker City, Ore., and the destruction of a vast amount of timber is threatened.

United States Senator Fairbanks of Indiana and District Attorney R. G. Evans were slightly injured in a runaway at Minneapolis, Minn.

C. M. Hays has resigned the presidency of the Southern Pacific railroad, and it is stated the road will in the future be operated from Omaha.

Mrs. Rena Nesbitt, wife of Dr. J. P. Nesbitt, at one time a leading dentist of Nebraska City, has sued several of the saloon men for \$10,000 for damages sustained by reason of their having sold him intoxicants.

A dispatch from Constantinople says 400 Kurds are raiding the Damizera district of Armenia. Villages were destroyed and inhabitants, with the exception of young girls, killed. The girls were carried off to the harems.

It is said that a bridge, finer than the Eads structure at St. Louis, or any other structure that spans the Mississippi river, will be built across the Missouri river at Kansas City. In connection with the bridge a magnificent union passenger station will be erected.

Ernest G. Miller, a civil engineer of Gering, Neb., has asked to be declared a bankrupt. He says he owes \$16,923 and has assets aggregating \$13,816.

Mrs. Solomon Odell of Missouri, who is separated from her husband, went to Alliance, Neb., and at a favorable moment secured her little daughter and made her escape.

At Ashland, Wis., William McFarland, a well known citizen, was slugged and robbed in broad daylight and may not recover from the blow. The robber secured \$1,600.

OIL TANKS BURN

Cause Very Destructive Fire at Philadelphia.

FLAMES RAGE ALL THE DAY LONG

Entire Plant Threatened—Hope Abandoned of Saving Property—Eating up Oil at the Rate of \$100,000 a Day.

A Philadelphia dispatch dated August 21, says: A fire which began at the works of the Atlantic Refining company at West Breeze in the southwestern section of Philadelphia, is still burning fiercely, and Chief Baxter of the fire department has given up hope of saving any of the company's property. The one hope of the company's officials and the firemen was in their ability to pump the oil from the tanks not yet reached by the flames into reserve tanks in an isolated section of the yard. An explosion in the afternoon carried away the pumping machinery and nothing remains now, apparently, but to permit the conflagration to burn until all the oil is consumed.

It is believed that the five lives lost in the explosion of the big gasoline tank completes the list of casualties.

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LATE CORN EARING WELL

Crop Needs Rain and Absence of Frost to Mature in Good Order.

The weather report for the week ending Wednesday is as follows: The past week has been warm and dry. The daily mean temperature averaged three degrees above normal in northern counties and one degree in western. The maximum temperatures for the week have been slightly above 90 degrees.

Rain has fallen only in scattered showers, generally so light as to be of little benefit. The rainfall has exceeded an inch, however, in parts of Cass, Thayer, Hamilton, and Merrick counties.

Late corn has improved in condition in the southeastern counties, but more rain is now needed in most of the state. Late corn is earing better than was expected, but will need moisture and absence of frost until the last of September to mature. Haying has progressed well in northern counties, where the crop is generally abundant. Considerable plowing has been done in southern counties, and all indications are that a large acreage will be sown to winter wheat this fall and that it will be sown farther north and west than has been customary. Very little plowing has been done in central and northern counties so the ground is still too dry to plow to advantage. Pastures have improved slightly, but are still dry. Early peaches are small in size; late peaches have been improved some by the recent rains.

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MOB IN A FRENZY.

Missouri Lynch Negro in Old Fashioned Way.

At Pierce City, Mo., Will Godley, a negro, was lynched by a mob composed of 1,000 armed citizens, for the murder of Miss Caselle Wild, whose dead body was found in the woods near her home. The mob went to the jail, battered down the doors, and threw ropes around the necks of Godley and Jean Carter, another suspect. Godley was hanged in front of the Lawrence hotel and his body riddled with bullets. Carter's guilt was not clearly established and he was taken back to jail.

Cuts Gash to the Bone.

At Table Rock, Nebraska, while A. A. Widdiefield was engaged in grinding feed in a mill at his residence, a mile north of town, the machinery was broken and a piece struck him above the eye, cutting a gash an inch and one-half in length, bare to the bone. He was rendered unconscious for quite a time, but after he recovered the wound was stitched up and unless hurt worse than now seems probable he will recover.

Evict Strikers' Families.

Evictions by renting agents are causing great excitement among members of the Resistencia cigar makers' union at Tampa, Fla. It is said that more than one hundred women and children slept in the streets Tuesday night. A proclamation was issued "in the name of the people of Tampa," urging that immediate steps be taken by all parties concerned to have the cigar factories opened.

Frank Purell of Washington, Ind.,

has been arrested on the charge of murdering his wife on an affidavit sworn out by his son. Mrs. Nettie Southert, the daughter, who was married on the evening of the crime, bears out her brother's charges of brutality. Assistant Postmaster John G. Pole and his family, while attempting to cross a mountain stream about six miles from Lexington, Va., were swept down by the waters of a cloudburst and his wife and three daughters aged from one to eight years, drowned. Mr. Pole and a daughter three years old escaped.