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CAGE FALLS 750 FEET

ELEVEN MEN KILLED AND SEVEN FATALLY INJURED.

Bodies of Victims Piled on Top of Each Other at Bottom of Shaft Like So Many Pelts of Leather—Pitiful Scenes at Shaft.

Negaunee, Mich., Sept. 21.—By a cage plunging 750 feet down the shaft of the Jones & Laughlin Steel company's mine eleven men were killed and seven fatally injured. The cage, with its human freight, was being lowered on its first trip for the day when the brake on the hoisting drum suddenly failed to hold. Two other men sprang to the assistance of the one at the brake wheel, but their combined efforts did not avail, and the wire cable continued to unreel from the drum like thread from a bobbin. The cage shot down a couple of hundred feet before a kink in the too rapidly paying out cable caused it to part and from that point the cage had a sheer drop to the bottom of the shaft. The safety catcher, with which it was equipped, failed to operate. The surging of the cable in its mad flight tore out part of the side of the engine house, and ripped out several of the sheaves in and about the shaft houses.

Workmen at the bottom of the mine immediately set about the task of removing the dead. The bodies lay in one pile, a mass of lifeless flesh and blood. The bones of the bodies were so shattered that the men, when they fell, were piled on top of each other like so many pelts of leather. Seven men were found still alive. They are fatally hurt.

Thousands of people soon congregated about the mine shaft. In the crowd were the wives and children of the 200 men who are employed in the mine. Each thought that her husband or parent or a son was in the cage. There was no way of relieving the suspense and the fallen cage blocked the exit. It was fully two hours before the cable was adjusted so that the cage could be raised to the surface. During all this time, women with babies in their arms, cried hysterically or fainted. When all the miners came from under the ground,

and many anxious wives and others failed to find members of their families who worked in the mine, the scene was pitiful. The priests and ministers moved among the people, consoling them and begging them to be calm.

OWNS FOURTH OF OIL TRUST.
Rockefeller's Present Holdings Worth
Nearly \$109,000,000.

New York, Sept. 21.—Records of the stockholders of the Standard Oil company of New Jersey, laid bare at the hearing of the government's suit for the dissolution of the alleged oil combine, disclosed the fact that John D. Rockefeller, the shrinkage in the market value of the stock also affects the University of Chicago to the extent of about \$2,000,000.

LOWER FARE IN SOUTH DAKOTA.
State Board Reduces Passenger Rate
to Two and One-Half Cents.

SIOUX CITY, S. D., Sept. 21.—The state board of railroad commissioners adopted a resolution by unanimous vote reducing the maximum passenger fare on all standard gauge railroads in the state from 3 to 2½ cents per mile, the order to become effective Oct. 15.

Auto Collides With Trolley.
Denver, Sept. 21.—Seven persons were injured, three perhaps fatally, as the result of a collision between an automobile and an electric car. Mrs. William Ferris and son of Chicago and the chauffeur will probably die.

Dissraeli's Nuptial Joke.
There was a little joke between them (Dissraeli and his wife) which I heard from the late dean of Salisbury. "You know I married you for your money," Dissraeli would say to her. "Oh, yes, but if you were to marry me again you would marry me for love!" was the regular reply. "Oh, yes!" her husband would exclaim, and the little nuptial comedy ended.

But what Dissraeli said to Bernal Osborne once about his marriage is much better worth the telling. It was at a dinner party after dinner when the men were alone. "What did you marry her for?" Osborne asked in his characteristic way. Dissraeli twiddled his wineglass in the pause that followed this point blank inquiry. Then he lifted his head slowly and looked the other very expressively in the face. "For a reason," he said, "which you could never understand—gratitude."—From "Lord Beaconsfield and Other Tory Memories," by T. E. Kebbel.

Correct.

Teacher—What became of the children of Agamemnon? Pupil (after mature deliberation)—I think they're dead by this time.

The Smelts Were Biting.
John Quincy Adams of Massachusetts, third of that name, was very fond of fishing and not especially fond of his legal profession. One day, the story runs, a case in which he was counsel was down for trial in a Massachusetts court. Mr. Adams did not make his appearance, but sent a letter to the judge. That worthy gentleman read it and then postponed the case with the announcement:

"Mr. Adams is detained on important business."

It was afterward learned by a colleague of Adams that the letter read as follows:

"Dear Judge—For the sake of old Izaak Walton, please continue my case till Friday. The smelts are biting, and I can't leave."

Her Selection.

Blanche—The most difficult thing is to make up one's mind what to take and what to leave behind. Henriette—Oh, I don't think so. I take all my frocks and leave my husband.—Rire.

Fault of a Woman's Watch.

Miss Hibborn—It seems to run very well for about a day and a half, and then it will not go at all. Watchmaker—Yes; it should be wound occasionally.—Jewelers' Circular-Weekly.

CREAMERIES GO INTO COURT.

Attorney Hainer Announces He Will Appeal from Nebraska Schedule.

Lincoln, Sept. 25.—Ex-Congressman E. J. Hainer announced definitely that the centralized creameries will fight in the courts the new rates on cream promulgated by the state railway commission, alleging that they were made for the purpose of discriminating against the established plants. He is preparing a protest to file with the commission and will appeal to the courts against the new rates, which advance the cost of transporting cream long distances.

Beavers Released from Prison.

Pittsburg, Sept. 25.—George W. Beavers, formerly of the postal department, who was sentenced to imprisonment in connection with the postal frauds several years ago, was released from the penitentiary at Moundsville, W. Va.

Neander's "One Work."

Doctors, when they send away a busy man for several weeks of rest, do not consider that to one accustomed to work an enforced rest is both irritating and depressing.

Neander, the famous church historian, had promised his physician on being ordered to Carlsbad to drink its famous waters that he would take no books with him except one work, which the doctor with reluctance allowed. On the morning of the historian's departure the doctor, wishing to say goodbye to his patient, called at his door and saw a cart laden with heavy folios.

"But, dear professor," said the physician, with the emphasis of displeasure, "you promised me to take no books with you."

"Yes, doctor," replied the childlike professor, "but you allowed me one work, so I thought I might take the fathers with me to Carlsbad."

The "one work" included three or four score volumes.

Confidence.

Jackson—Heaven bless him! He showed confidence in me when the clouds were dark and threatening. Wilson—In what way? Jackson—He lent me an umbrella.—London Telegraph.

What It Proved.

Miss Youngthing—Boo-hoo-hoo! Charley's given me a ring set, with a mean little turquoise. Her Mother—That's an emblem of constancy. Miss Youngthing—It isn't! It's proof of stinginess!

Thousands Have Kidney Trouble and Never Suspect It.

Prevalence of Kidney Disease.
Most people do not realize the alarming increase and remarkable prevalence of kidney disease. While kidney disorders are the most common diseases that prevail, they are almost the last recognized by patient and physicians, who content themselves with doctoring the effects, while the original disease undermines the system.

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