

AWFUL AND SAD THE SCENES.

Searching for Victims Among the Ruins of the New York Wreck.

UNCOVERING THE GHASTLY SEPULCHER.

Seventeen Bodies So Far Recovered—Many More Entangled in the Debris—Incidents of the Search.

New York, Aug. 23.—When it was 2 o'clock this morning the newspapers went to press with the details of the terrible explosion calamity in Park Place, and the story of the searching for the dead was cut off at that hour.

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List of the Dead Recovered.

- The complete list of the identified dead up to 10 o'clock tonight is as follows: LEONARD COLE, 40 years old, of Madison street, Brooklyn, employ of Luther & GIBBS, 40 years old, 237 Greenwich street, Brooklyn. JOHN ANN HEAGNEY, 6 years old, 65 Park place. JOHN A. SLATTERY, 55 years old, Eighty-ninth street and Park avenue. A. R. FLETCHER, 20 years old, proprietor of the restaurant on Fifth avenue. GEORGE L. NEW, 15 years old, 382 Wall street. GUSTAV ZEIGLER, 30 Washington street, Brooklyn. FREDERICK H. WESTING, 28 E. 8th street. CHARLES BREITNER, 15 years old, 1 Essex street. JOHN HACH, 33 years old, 71 First street. Late tonight identifications were made as follows: ABRAHAM WEISCHPOFF, 17 years old, 111 Delancey street. ISIDORE STEINER, 35 years old, 21 East 80th street and Seventeenth street. This makes thirteen identified out of seventeen bodies recovered. Four bodies are still in the morgue unidentified.

Whiskey Men in Trouble.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Aug. 23.—Six suits were brought by the United States marshal here for the condemnation of 300 barrels of whiskey, the fraudulent entry, Bartley, Johnson & Co., W. G. Coldway, the Louisville Public warehouse, David Bartley and Darwin Johnson, are made defendants.

Murdered His Uncle.

DENVER, Colo., Aug. 23.—[Special Telegram to THE BEER.]—The most phenomenal cold wave for years is prevailing over southern Iowa at present. It came unexpected and late garden truck had a narrow escape.

Friendly Frenchmen.

PORTSMOUTH, Aug. 23.—The visiting Frenchmen and entertainers passed a comparatively quiet day. Numbers of the naval officers, including the military review by the duke of Connaught and inspected the dock yards and various other places of interest, while others visited London.

Acted Like a Fiend.

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No Fears of Lyncing.

CLEVELAND, O., Aug. 23.—A special from New Washington, O., where the Columbus Grove robber and murderer is in jail, says that everything was quiet at 9 o'clock and that no fears of lynching are entertained.

NEBRASKA AND IOWA FROSTS

Severest Cold Wave Ever Known During the Month of August.

CROPS NOT GENERALLY DAMAGED.

Sudden Change in the Temperature More Pronounced Throughout the Uplands—Much Garden Truck Destroyed in Many Places.

FREMONT, Neb., Aug. 23.—[Special to THE BEER.]—The cold wave which has prevailed in this section yesterday and today has created a good deal of anxiety among the farmers as to the fate of the corn crop.

Estimate of the Damage.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Aug. 23.—The Tribune tonight has received a special covering Minnesota, North and South Dakota, Wisconsin and Iowa. In the districts particularly covered in the wheat fields of Minnesota, South and North Dakota the reports are most encouraging.

LOOKING FOR HUMANES.

Scenes on the Borders of the Cherokee Strip.

GUTHRIE, Okl., Aug. 23.—Recent information concerning the opening of Indian lands has caused an influx of people here that is surprising. The boomers arriving with wagons of every description headed for the Indian and Cherokee reservations.

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Slight at Beatrice.

BEATRICE, Neb., Aug. 23.—[Special Telegram to THE BEER.]—A light frost prevailed here last night. No damage was done to crops of any kind so far as can be learned up to this evening. The frost was almost wholly confined to the uplands and was very slight.

Garden Truck Damaged.

KEARNEY, Neb., Aug. 23.—[Special Telegram to THE BEER.]—A light frost fell in this vicinity last night which injured garden truck in several places along the Wood river track. It is especially noted in being a heavy frost is expected in the morning.

CONSCIENCE STRUCK.

STOLEN MONEY RETURNED AFTER FIFTEEN YEARS HAD ELAPSED. KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 23.—Traveling Passenger Agent Baxter of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad, today received in his mail \$60, which had been stolen from him at a time a Burlington train was held up and robbed by frontier bandits fifteen years ago.

Western People in Chicago.

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THEY FOUGHT.

Two Millionaires Engage in a Personal Encounter. KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 23.—The rotunda of the Coates house was the scene today of a sensational personal encounter between J. E. McElroy and T. H. Swope, two millionaire capitalists of this place.

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ROBBY BATTLE RAGING.

Decisive Engagement in Progress in Chili at Last Accounts.

LAST WEEK'S CLEARINGS.

Gross Exchanges of the Country as Reported by the Banks.

Boston, Mass., Aug. 23.—The following is copied from the dispatches to the Post, giving the clearing in the clearing house in the city for the week ending August 20th last week, with rates per cent of increase or decrease as against the amounts for the corresponding week in 1890:

Table with columns: CITIES, CLEARINGS, PERCENTAGE. Lists cities like New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, etc., with their respective clearing amounts and percentage changes.

TURBULENT WINE GROWERS.

French Wine Grows Unnecessarily Troubling Themselves. PARIS, Aug. 23.—The agitation of young Lamare, the educated lad of 19, who is leading the turbulent vine growers in the charge of the vineyards, is the outcome of endeavors upon the part of the large wine companies to unite the small vineyards with the object of localizing and stamping out phylloxera.

HIS BONES DISAPPEARING.

Ossuic Portion of an Ohio Man Gradually Absorbed by His Blood. SPRINGFIELD, O., Aug. 23.—A mysterious case of a man's bones gradually disappearing has attracted the attention of the medical fraternity here. William Green, a farm hand living near the city, became incapacitated from hard work fifteen years ago by a mysterious disease in which the bones are gradually disappearing and are slowly being absorbed by the blood.

A New Line.

Detroit, Mich., Aug. 23.—James F. Joy reports from London, Eng., with the English side of Wabash bonds and stocks resulted favorable to the proposed building of a new line between Montreal, O., and Chicago, and the line will probably be constructed at once.

Narrow Escape of a New York Yacht.

MARQUETTE, Mich., Aug. 23.—The Brainard yacht, from New York on yachts, were driven ashore Thursday night, fortunately striking Chapel beach. A man got through the woods to Muskegon at 2 o'clock yesterday and reported the whole party, three women and four men, on the beach without food. A heavy sea makes it impossible for the boats to venture into the water and the provisions were sent by guides through the woods last night.

FIGHTING OVER MILLIONS.

Drake for the Property of Old Mary Ann Drake Seaman.

CLAM MADE BY THE CONTESTANTS.

Lawrence Drake Charged With all Sorts of Crime—Host of Defendants and Swarm of Plaintiffs.

New York, Aug. 23.—Can Lawrence Drake hold the \$500,000 property left him by his distant kinswoman, Mary Ann Drake Seaman, or will the great heiress have the worst of it from him? It is a battle of the wits. Twenty millions against six. One hundred and forty-three plaintiffs against 154 defendants.

Every traveler on the Hudson River railroad has seen the great marine house standing sentinel on the heights above Fenwick as the train pulled into Kingsbridge Station. The present possessor of the title is Lawrence Drake, holds a newly-questioned title to it. He is accused of having got possession wrongfully, by direct and undue influence, by forged papers, by subornation and bribery—even blacker crimes are hinted at in connection with the \$500,000.

Lawrence Drake claims to have been the second cousin of Mrs. Seaman, and one of the contestants here, today says that his grandfather's mother was only a half great-grandmother to him. Benjamin Drake was the grandfather of Lawrence and the grandfather of Mary Ann Seaman. By his first wife he had three children; she was the third one of them. By his second wife he had thirteen, and Lawrence was the grandson of one of them, and through her more closely related by blood, so say nothing of a brother-in-law.

Mrs. Seaman, like Mrs. Hestry Green, was that rara avis, a business woman. Her mother before her was Mrs. Mary Meyer, who lived to be 90, by shrewd investment had turned a moderate fortune into a large one, and Mrs. A. H. Seaman inherited the same. She had been a noted beauty in her youth. She was proud of her descent from the famous family of the name of Drake. She married John P. Seaman at the age of 30, but never permitted him to touch her fortune. He died in 1872. Mrs. Seaman did not wish to put a never make a will, but would let her property be divided according to law. This is one of the legs on which the charge of forgery will be asked to stand.

It may not be strange, but it looked so, shortly after the death of her husband the old lady, now over 70 years of age, became a sealed book to the nearest of her kin. Relatives who longed to have her admitted to her presence. They say that her mind was studiously poisoned against them by the intriguers who were seeking to gain possession of her vast fortune. Lawrence Drake was installed in the great house as right-hand man, and it is said that he ruled it more with a rod of iron. He was king. His will was law and the old lady obeyed it. The marble palace was a prison, say the contesting heirs, or a madhouse for the aged.

They are going to show it all, they say—the life in the marble prison—and some of it will be appalling. They will not forego the evidence. They do not wish to put a munition in the hands of the adversary. Some witnesses, they say, have been told to keep their mouths shut, that they will not speak for years, but they have said around Mrs. Seaman's mind began to wander. She was widowed, and that she had been mentally incapacitated, the plaintiffs in the present suit will try to establish by voluminous testimony. In 1873 she fell of a gang way at Harlem bridge and was nearly drowned. She smelly said when brought ashore, "Why, I could have sailed around for years without my harm." She was taken after a time to reward the sailor who had rescued her and gave him 25 cents.

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