

FLOOD STILL RAGES

Turbulent Old Missouri Continues to Go Outside Its Bounds.

WATER ALMOST REACHES THE

Rise of a Few More Inches Will Endanger Valuable Plant.

CUT OFF LAKE IS ONCE MORE BRIMFUL

Water Laps the Planking on the Bridge to Courtland Beach.

MANY ACRES SUBMERGED ON THE BOTTOMS

Hundreds of People Driven from Their Homes by the Remorseless River—Wander About at a Standstill.

Sherman avenue assumed the familiar aspect it wore during the exposition Sunday afternoon when it was lined with pedestrians, crowded with vehicles and heavily laden cars...

The movement commenced early in the morning, daylight being the signal for the earlier risers to don their Sunday best and prepare to visit the river banks.

Under the bridge the banks were crowded with pedestrians, who preferred to watch the muddy stream from its very edge.

Along Sherman avenue the cars were crowded with passengers bound for Cut Off lake to see the great spread of water.

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From Ames street to Des Moines street the bottoms are covered with water, with the exception of a limited territory in the vicinity of the Omaha Bridge and Terminal company's track.

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HONORS FOR PEASANT MAIDEN

Ireland May Take Occasion to Explain "Americanism" at Joan of Arc Celebration.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—The presence of Archbishop Ireland in Europe at this time led to efforts among leading members of the diplomatic corps here to have the eminent American prelate attend at some suitable church occasion.

It was thought at first that Archbishop Ireland would take this occasion to correct the misapprehensions which have arisen through Europe as to "Americanism."

Quite recently, however, the leading church authorities in this country have made known that Archbishop Ireland's discourse would be confined strictly to religious themes dealing with the inspired character of Joan of Arc.

Catholic church affairs also have been attracting the attention of diplomatic circles of late, in connection with the attitude of Italy in refusing to take part in the czar's disarmament congress.

Because of this controversy the invitations issued by the government at The Hague were delayed some weeks and in consequence the British foreign office withheld the official announcement of Sir Julian Paucot's selection as one of the British delegates.

It was finally determined that the pope would not be represented, this decision, it is understood, being acquiesced in by the vatican.

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TALKING THROUGH THE AIR

Chicago Scientists Make Successful Test of Marconi's Plan to Abolish Wires.

CHICAGO, April 23.—Prof. Jerome J. Green, the new disciple of Marconi, sat at his receiving instrument placed on the eighth floor of the Marquette building last night and received ideographic signals sent via the air line from the Tribune building, two blocks away.

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GOES UP IN FLAMES

Kingman Implement Company's Big Warehouse is Destroyed.

Biggest Blaze in This City for Years

Brilliant Spectacle Witnessed by Thousands All Over the Town.

Walls Fall But Do Not Injure Any One

Firemen Keep the Fire Within the Limits of the Building.

SHOOTS UP ELEVATOR FROM BASEMENT

Burned for Over Two Hours and a Half, Causing Total Loss of Building and Contents—Origin is a Mystery as Yet.

The six-story brick and stone warehouse of the Kingman Implement company, located at Ninth and Pacific streets, was totally destroyed by fire last night, together with all its contents, causing a loss estimated at \$170,000—\$9,000 on building and \$161,000 on contents.

The fire originated in a mystery. It was not discovered until a few moments before the flames shot up through the roof, which was the last thing to burn.

The insurance on the building and contents is placed at 75 per cent of the estimated value, but just what the amount is is not known in this city, as it was the custom of the Kingman company to have what is termed "overhead" insurance written, the policies being handled from the head house at Peoria, Ill.

James Mayers, the watchman, who first discovered the fire, in speaking of it, said: "I was about the building all day and am certain that the fire was started by a boiler in the furnace. I went to my quarters at the usual hour and returned about 7 o'clock, after which I went through the different floors to see that everything was all right. I had made the tour and was standing on the outside, when I happened to turn toward the building and saw a bright light shining through the window at the northeast corner. I hastened to the door and the whole interior of the elevator shaft seemed to be burning.

The contents of the building consisted of agricultural implements, bugles, wagons, twine and bicycles. As the flames went from floor to floor they spread out among the machinery and in a few minutes every floor seemed to be a seething mass of flame.

James A. Shea, bookkeeper, describing the contents, said: "The basement was used as the shipping department, the first floor with samples, the second with plows and harrows, the third with wagons and the fourth with stock, such as mules, horses, harvesters, bicycles and a general stock of implements. While the stock was heavy, it was nothing to what it would have been a few weeks later, when we would have had in our full stock. During the last few weeks the stock had been very heavy and had reduced the stock to its present condition.

The Kingman building was erected in 1886 by the Walter A. Wood Harvester company and sold to Kingman in 1892. While it was not fireproof, it was considered one of the best in the city.

Other Buildings Saved. While none of the surrounding buildings were damaged, many of them were threatened. The heat for a distance of a block away was intense and those near by were only saved from destruction by the firemen throwing streams of water upon them.

Half an hour after the fire broke out the interior went down with a crash, sending flames, sparks and burning brands high into the air. Being no wind, they settled down at almost the point from which they started. A few moments later a portion of the west wall fell out, crushing a small engine house built against the main building. Soon after a section of the east wall toppled and fell, throwing brick and mortar 100 feet out onto a vacant lot and producing a concussion that sounded like the booming of a siege gun.

The Kingman was cut in two places, which have been towed to the harbor here.

EXTRADITION TREATY VALID

Final Ceremony in Ratification of Document Takes Place in City of Mexico.

CITY OF MEXICO, April 23.—Ratification of the new extradition treaty between Mexico and the United States were exchanged yesterday at the foreign office, Minister Mariscal acting on the part of the government and Charge d'Affaires McCrorey for the United States.

Financial Minister Lamantour starts for the United States and Europe on Monday, instead of today. He is accompanied by his wife and a small party, which will travel with him to New York in the presidential train.

Mrs. George's Quiet Sunday. CANTON, O., April 23.—Mrs. George had an unsuccessful trial of her case. The officials limited the visitors who were admitted to her to the relatives who have been with her in court. The jail routine was not even interrupted by religious services today, such services being held only on alternate Sundays.

The arguments which are to begin at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning are expected to continue all day Monday and Tuesday and probably will extend into Wednesday morning. The judge's charge will be delivered at or near noon Wednesday.

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CONDITION OF THE WEATHER

Forecast for Nebraska—Fair and Warmer.

Table with columns: Hour, Temperature at Omaha yesterday, and Forecast for Nebraska.

TOBACCO AND PALMS IN CUBA

Large Districts Used by Florist Syndicate to Promote Useful and Ornamental Growths.

(Copyright, 1899, by Press Publishing Co.) HAVANA, April 23.—(New York World Cablegram—Special Telegram.)—Thomas F. Galvin, a Boston florist, and George Howard Wood of that city are here in the interest of two Boston syndicates controlling a capital of \$600,000.

The same men who are interested in the palm growing scheme have organized a company with a capital of \$300,000 for the cultivation of tobacco in Santa Clara province under the name of the Nicaragua Tobacco company.

The Standard says: "While Aguinaldo defies the United States it is not for an individual American to offer insult to other nationalities."

DISAPPROVAL OF COGHLAN

British Press Considers That His Story of Disrespectful Rebuke Was an Indiscretion.

(Copyright, 1899, by Press Publishing Co.) LONDON, April 23.—(New York World Cablegram—Special Telegram.)—The morning edition of the Standard contains the cables of the utterances of Captain Coghlan of the United States cruiser, Raleigh, regarding the relations between Admiral Dewey and the German naval commander at Manila, as "indiscretions" and "violations of good manners."

The Standard says: "The promptitude and severity of the rebuke administered to Captain Coghlan and the approval it meets from public opinion are remarkable signs of the great changes wrought in America by the events of the last year.

COGHLAN SPEECH COMMENT

British Press Seems to Think Raleigh's Commander's Words Will Embarrass the Diplomats.

(Copyright, 1899, by Press Publishing Co.) LONDON, April 23.—(New York World Cablegram—Special Telegram.)—Several papers here comment on Coghlan's speech and express regret at the incident. The Standard says: "If there were many Captain Coghlan in the navies of the world the efforts of diplomats to keep the peace between nations would soon become useless."

Two Military Inventions. VIENNA, April 23.—(New York World Cablegram—Special Telegram.)—Two remarkable military inventions have been announced here. An Austrian colonel has designed a quick-firing gun surpassing all previous inventions. Its advantages are not only great range and rapidity of fire, but there is no smoke, flash or report.

JOACHIM'S NATL DAY HONORED.

(Copyright, 1899, by Press Publishing Co.) BERLIN, April 23.—(New York World Cablegram—Special Telegram.)—A grand festival concert was given tonight at the Philharmonic hall in honor of the sixtieth anniversary of Joachim's first public appearance.

Election Favors Government. MADRID, April 23.—The senatorial elections for the new cortes were held today and passed off tranquilly throughout the country. They have resulted in giving the government a large majority in the Senate.

Option on Nicaragua Railroad. MANAGUA, Nicaragua (via Galveston), April 23.—President Zelaya has granted an option to force until January 1, 1900, to Charles Nicoll, British consul at Managua, or to any company he may organize, to purchase the railroads and steamboats of Nicaragua with the workshops appertaining to them for the sum of \$5,500,000 pesos (silver).

COLONEL STOTSENBERG DEAD

Gallant Leader of the First Nebraska Slain by the Filipinos.

SHOT IN THE BREAST WHILE LEADING ATTACK

Lieutenant Sisson and Three Men of Fourth Cavalry Also Killed.

FORTY-FOUR MEN ARE REPORTED WOUNDED

First Nebraska Has a Terrible Baptism of Fire at Quengua in Which the Americans Suffer, but the Insurgents Are Driven from Their Trenches with Considerable Loss.

Killed: COLONEL JOHN M. STOTSENBERG, First Nebraska, LIEUTENANT LESTER E. SISSON, Company K, First Nebraska, Columbus.

TWO PRIVATES, First Nebraska volunteers, THREE PRIVATES, Fourth cavalry.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—The following message regarding the fight at Quengua was received at the War department today:

"MANILA, April 23.—Adjutant General, Washington: A reconnaissance on Quengua place, six miles northeast of Malolos, made by Major Bell and a troop of cavalry this morning, resulted in contact and battle, in which four battalions of infantry and four pieces of artillery became engaged. Enemy driven from entrenchments with considerable loss. Our casualties quite severe. Colonel Stotsenberg and Lieutenant Sisson, First Nebraska, killed; also several enlisted men. Considerable number wounded; not yet reported. OTIS."

WASHINGTON, April 23.—The following dispatch was received at the War department late this evening:

"MANILA, April 23.—Adjutant General: Casualties at Quengua today—First Nebraska, two officers and two enlisted killed; two officers and two privates wounded. Fourth cavalry: Two men killed and five wounded. Fifty-first Iowa: Seven enlisted men wounded. Utah light artillery: One officer and two enlisted men wounded. Total, 49. Names in morning. OTIS."

DETAILS OF THE ENGAGEMENT

and a battalion of the Nebraska regiment, under Major Mulford, arrived and advanced until checked by volleys from the enemy's trenches. The Americans lay about 800 yards from the trenches, behind rice furrows, under fire for two hours.

Several men were unstruck, one dying from the effects of the heat, as they lay there waiting for the artillery to come up.

Finally the Second battalion arrived, and then Colonel Stotsenberg, who had spent the night with his father at Manila, came upon the field. The men immediately recognized him and raised a cheer.

Stotsenberg instantly killed. Colonel Stotsenberg, deciding to charge as the cheapest way out of the difficulty, led the attack at the head of his regiment. He fell with a bullet in the breast, dying instantly, about 200 yards from the breastworks.

Lieutenant Sisson fell with a bullet in his heart, the bullet striking him near the picture of a girl suspended by a ribbon from his neck.

In the meantime the artillery had arrived and shelled the trenches. The Filipinos stood until the Nebraska troops were right on the trenches and then they bolted to the second line of intrenchments, a mile back.

The Nebraska regiment lost two privates and had many wounded, including two lieutenants. The Iowa regiment had several wounded.

The Utah regiment had one officer and three men wounded.

Thirteen dead Filipinos were found in the trenches. Their loss was comparatively small on account of their safe shelter.

The Americans carried the second trench with small loss and are holding the town tonight.

Colonel Stotsenberg has won a reputation as one of the bravest fighters in the army. He always led his regiment and had achieved remarkable popularity with his men since the war began, although, during his first coloncy the volunteers, who were not used to the rigid discipline of the regular troops, thought him a hard officer.

The loss of the Nebraska regiment in the campaign is the greatest sustained by any regiment and today's disaster has greatly saddened officers and men, who promise to take fierce vengeance in the next fight.

Native of Indiana. WASHINGTON, April 23.—Colonel John Miller Stotsenberg of the First Nebraska infantry, who held the rank