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CRISIS IN BRITAIN

Position of the Salisbury Government Has Become Critical.

GLOOMIEST OUTLOOK IN SOUTH AFRICA

Drain of Dark Continent Daily Grows More Burdensome.

PUBLIC DISCONTENT AND DEPRESSION

Export Duty on Coal May Have to Be Abandoned.

TERRIFIC UPROAR IN CENTERS OF TRADE

Evidence of a Cabal in the Cabinet Against Chancellor Beach—Still Opposition Shows Responsibility.

(Copyright, 1901, by Press Publishing Co.) LONDON, April 20.—(New York World Cablegram—Special Telegram.)—The Salisbury government's position is becoming critical. The budget proposals have brought matters to a crisis and, coupled with the gloomy outlook in South Africa, whose financial drain upon Great Britain is daily heavier, while the prospects of re-opening are diminishing in a corresponding ratio, contribute to create great public discontent and depression, as well as party demoralization.

It is fully believed that the chancellor of the exchequer, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, will be compelled to abandon the shilling export duty on coal, as a terrific uproar is being raised in all the mining and shipping centers. Several unionists, members of Parliament, are interested in having it plainly stated that persistence in maintaining that duty means the loss of their votes. There are evidences of a cabal within the cabinet against Chancellor Hicks-Beach, for since his budget statement was made to the House of Commons the normal conservative majority of 138 has not been above 60, owing to the slackness of the ministerial whip, while it fell twice to 44.

A peculiarity of the situation is that imperialism has reduced the country to such a pass that the opposition is more anxious to keep the government steering in its flung juice than to assume responsibility.

KING MIXES HIS CORONETS

Titled Beauty in a Dilemma Because She Covets Jewels Worth Double the Limit.

(Copyright, 1901, by Press Publishing Co.) LONDON, April 20.—(New York World Cablegram—Special Telegram.)—Society has been hugely diverted over a recent demonstration of King Edward's "nearness."

Willing to make a handsome present on his accession to a beautiful lady of title, for whom he long has entertained an admiration, he instructed a jeweler to submit a number of diamond ornaments for her leadership to choose from.

The king fixed the limit of price at \$5,000, but the lady's eye was caught by a coronet of double that value. She arranged to take it, agreeing to pay the extra \$5,000 herself. The king was to be left to believe that it was only worth the amount he had paid.

FEAR FOR RUSSIAN ALLIANCE

French Officials Think Sympathy with Czar's Enemies May Result Seriously.

(Copyright, 1901, by Press Publishing Co.) PARIS, April 20.—(New York World Cablegram—Special Telegram.)—A protest against the sanguinary repression of the socialistic university students and workmen in Russia, who demand freedom, and signed by 200 Russian professors, artists, authors and physicians, representing the best thought in the czar's realm, was recently sent to the European press.

HAS TO BID WITH CLARK

Morgan Finds Montana Senator an Expensive Horn in Purchase of Picture.

(Copyright, 1901, by Press Publishing Co.) LONDON, April 20.—(New York World Cablegram—Special Telegram.)—Lockett Agnew of the firm of Thomas Agnew & Sons, states that Pierpont Morgan paid \$150,000 for the Gainsborough portrait of the duchess of Devonshire, which was recently recovered in the United States.

POPE PRAYS FOR PRESIDENT

Hopes United States Will Deal Fairly with Aguinaldo and Other Filipinos.

(Copyright, 1901, by Press Publishing Co.) ROME, April 20.—(New York World Cablegram—Special Telegram.)—The pope granted a special audience to Senator John W. Keane of New Jersey and Perry Heath, secretary of the republican national committee, this week. The interview, which was most cordial, lasted but a few minutes.

Addressing Mr. Heath, the pope asked several questions about President McKinley, for whom he entertains the greatest friendship and esteem. His holiness wished to be informed as to Mr. McKinley's personal sentiments toward Catholics, and appeared satisfied when told that the president was animated by the greatest impartiality and justice toward them.

His holiness expressed the hope that Aguinaldo's capture might mark the beginning of an era of peace and general contentment in the Philippines. He hoped the United States would deal fairly with the natives. The holy father brought the audience to a close by giving his apostolic blessing to his visitors and their families, likewise blessing the president and the United States, for whose greatness and prosperity, adding the pope, he often prays.

RUSSIANS STILL IN FERMENT

Disturbances Continue Among Many of the University Students, Including Theologians.

(Copyright, 1901, by Press Publishing Co.) ST. PETERSBURG, April 20.—(New York World Cablegram—Special Telegram.)—Disturbances among the Russian university students have by no means ended. The theological schools of Russia, at Irkutsk and Kiev, have been the scene of extraordinary demonstrations against Pobedyedostoff, the head of the synod which excommunicated Tolstoy.

During a lecture on church history in Irkutsk, a student, cried out: "Hurrah for Tolstoy!" and the young priest, who was to their feet and cheered wildly. The professor vainly tried to quell the disturbance. Next day the ringleaders were ordered off to monasteries for six months' confinement as a penance.

WOULD MARRY PRESIDENT

Deluded Countess Threatens to Sue Loubet for Breach of Promise.

(Copyright, 1901, by Press Publishing Co.) PARIS, April 20.—(New York World Cablegram—Special Telegram.)—President Loubet, on his return from the Franco-Italian festivities on the Mediterranean coast this week than he met with a disagreeable experience. In the afternoon fifty of the most familiar guests of the president, comprising most of the ambassadors, their wives and daughters, gathered informally in the palace garden to welcome back the executive. The weather was gorgeous and the party was full of the spirit of merriment, when suddenly a well dressed woman of 40, beautiful and so aristocratic in bearing that the guards and servants, finding she was a guest, had allowed her to pass without question, stepped across the lawn to where the president and Mme. Loubet sat in large rockers.

PRINCESS VICTORIA THROWN

Her Queen Grandmother's Orders Are Applied to Her with Emphasis.

(Copyright, 1901, by Press Publishing Co.) LONDON, April 20.—(New York World Cablegram—Special Telegram.)—Queen Victoria once prohibited bicyclists and automobiles from using the broad walk in Windsor park and his wedded her granddaughter, Princess Victoria, who is staying at Windsor castle, was stopped and thrown off her bicycle by the janitor, who failed to recognize her. The princess, who is an ardent cyclist, had just returned from a "winter weeks" tour in Wales and was riding with her lady-in-waiting, Lady Musgrave, Sergeant Green, the pensioner on duty, called to the women to stop. They disregarded his order and he caught the princess' handbars. She fell, hurting her ankle.

Lady Musgrave explained who they were. Green replied that he was sorry, but his orders to prevent cyclists from using the walk were unqualified. The princess, who was in much pain, said it was stupid of him not to recognize her. A carriage was sent to take her back to the castle.

SHAMROCK'S SUCCESS

Lady Dufferin's Cry as Smash Goes the Champagne Bottle.

CHALLENGER TAKES PLUNGE GRACEFULLY

Great Crowd of Spectators Hurrah and "Hope She'll Win!"

M'KINLEY'S HEALTH TOAST AT BANQUET

Sir Thomas Lipton Speaks Warmly of His American Friends.

HE HAS MANY DISTINGUISHED

Watson Forced to Make a Speech and Amid Much Good-Natured Interference He Expresses Hope in the Craft.

(Copyright, 1901, by Press Publishing Co.) GLASGOW, April 20.—(Success to Shamrock II) cried Lady Dufferin today, and the bottle of champagne crashed into fragments on the new challenger's boat as he between the big pontons was lowered into the Leven at 12:45 o'clock p. m. Then the dramatic silence was broken by cheer after cheer from the invited guests and the crowds that filled all the vantage ground in Denry's yards and vicinity.

Great crowds assembled upon both banks of the river, who saluted the new boat with cries of "Hope she'll win!" The fairway was crowded with steamers and small craft. There was a prodigious display of flags and bunting. The challenger was hoisted without a hitch, although the pontoon carried it in such a position that its bowsprit was only about two feet out of water. It was towed to Glasgow, where it will be taken out of the pontoon and rigged.

Sir Thomas Lipton's distinguished guests went from Glasgow to the launch in a special train. The party was made up of persons of distinction from England, Ireland and Scotland, and included: The marquis and marchioness of Dufferin and Ava, the marquis of Breadalbane, Viscount Clarendon, Lord Frederick Blackwood, Lord and Lady Blythwood, Sir James Musgrave, Lord Plunkett, Lord Provost Chalmers, Lord Advocate Hon. Charles Russell, the lord mayor of Belfast, Sir James and Lady Thompson, Sir David and Lady Richmond and Hon. W. J. Pirie and Mrs. Pirie.

Dr. McKimley. Sir Thomas entertained his guest at a large luncheon at Denry's offices after the launching. The health of President McKinley was drunk with great enthusiasm after that of the royal family. The lord provost of Glasgow proposed Sir Thomas Lipton's health, referring to the indomitable perseverance which had enabled him to reach the position he had achieved today. He paid a tribute to American industry.

Sir Thomas in replying, amid frequent cheers, expressed his entire satisfaction with the building and designing of the yacht. Mr. Watson declared, who accompanied him to the boat, which he had worked night and day for months to prepare a boat worthy of his skill and the contest.

"I think I may say," he said, "that apart from the technical excellence of the design, he has turned out a boat which has every confidence, will bring back the cup."

"To the Denrys," he said, "are due thanks for their enthusiasm and interest. They have constructed the most exquisite specimen of the shipbuilders' art that ever floated in British waters. Mr. Jameson and Captain Sycamore are men who will not be found wanting. Sycamore is undoubtedly head and top of the tree of his profession, while what Mr. Jameson does not know about sailing is hardly worth the trouble of learning."

PARIS CONFIRMS THE STORY

Duke and Duchess Are in French Capital at Different Hotels.

(Copyright, 1901, by Press Publishing Co.) PARIS, April 20.—(New York World Cablegram—Special Telegram.)—A rumor is spreading here that there is an estrangement between the duke of Marlborough and the duchess. This story was brought here from England by people moving in the most aristocratic circles of London, and the Anglo-American colonies of the continent have observed many things which are construed as a confirmation of the report.

SUSPECTED OF CANAL SCHEME

J. Pierpont Morgan Goes to Consult Carnegie, Maybe About Panama.

(Copyright, 1901, by Press Publishing Co.) LONDON, April 20.—(New York World Cablegram—Special Telegram.)—J. Pierpont Morgan went here to Paris on his way to Aix les Bains. He will confer there with Andrew Carnegie. Mr. Morgan, privately disclaimed any participation in an isthmian canal scheme, but it is believed that he is in connection with the Panama project as well as other big undertakings. Andrew Carnegie is to dine with the London Chamber of Commerce in June.

CASTELLANES ARE HONORED

Boni and His Wife Are Notable Guests at American Embassy in Paris.

UNHAPPY CONSUELO

She and the Duke Have Lived Apart Since Christmas.

SOCIETY FREELY CANVASSES SEPARATION

Faults Admitted on Both Sides, but Husband Blamed.

MARLBOROUGH UNPOPULAR EVERYWHERE

His Sense of His Own Importance Proves Overpowering.

OFFENSIVE ATTITUDE TOWARD AMERICANS

Even Her Relatives Cold-Shouldered by Her Husband, Who Owes Everything to Them—Developments Are Predicted.

(Copyright, 1901, by Press Publishing Co.) LONDON, April 20.—(New York World Cablegram—Special Telegram.)—The duke and duchess of Marlborough have not been living together since Christmas. This fact has for some time provoked a crop of rumors, as it is no longer possible to believe that the separation is otherwise than deliberate. The subject is now freely canvassed in society, and sensational developments are predicted.

At the height of the hunting season it was announced that they had taken Snyshon Lodge, Leicestershire, as usual, to hunt with the Quorn pack, but the duke went there alone. The duchess hunted with the Herthorpe hounds from Blenheim. It was on the run with these hounds that she was with her accident. Even after the accident the duke did not return to Blenheim, but the duchess came to London and went on for a couple of weeks to Paris, again alone.

For Christmas the duke and duchess were at Blenheim with a small family party for a few days, since which he has been dividing time between London and Leicestershire, while the duchess has been going and coming between London and Blenheim. She finally went to Monte Carlo to join her brother, W. K. Vanderbilt, with whom she has been ever since, and is now in Paris. The duke never appeared at Monte Carlo, but went on a tour in Spain, spending Easter at Seville.

OWN SONS CONDEMN HER

This Cuts Clara Ward More Deeply Than the Disgrace of the Civilized World.

(Copyright, 1901, by Press Publishing Co.) PARIS, April 20.—(New York World Cablegram—Special Telegram.)—Clara Ward, with her gipsy husband, Rigo, spent ten days here on their way to Egypt from London, where they now are. The princess de Chimay wept bitterly when the two boys by her first husband declined to see her, saying she was an unwelcome intruder. The Hungarian fiddler, when he was interviewed by the World correspondent, showed the most astounding indifference toward his American wife. He went so far as to say:

"She could be more tired of this cramped life than I am. If now she cloped with another man, that would be a solution, but a woman can't clope alone, and my wife is no longer very fresh or attractive."

In the presence of the princess Rigo confirmed her statements that they had been in British waters, and that the music hall next fall. In London they expected to sign immediately for an engagement for May and June, either at the Alhambra or the Empire. The management just now, she said, are trying to outbid the Rigo, who is really a remarkable violinist, will play solo and be accompanied by the whole orchestra. The princess, who can't sing or act, will appear conspicuously in a box. This being advertised is expected to prove a sufficient attraction. The princess won't appear under \$100 a night.

COUNCIL OF INTELLIGENCE

Twelve Nations Send Brainy Men to Universal Federation in Paris.

(Copyright, 1901, by Press Publishing Co.) PARIS, April 20.—(New York World Cablegram—Special Telegram.)—A most interesting congress is now being held here. It is composed of savants representing twelve nations, whose purpose is to establish a universal federation of men of learning and scientific investigators from all over the world in order to secure more systematic efforts in research and a more rapid interchange of results obtained.

FEMALE BLUEBEARD ESCAPES

Jeanne Volante Has Been Married Eight Times that the Police Know About.

(Copyright, 1901, by Press Publishing Co.) PARIS, April 20.—(New York World Cablegram—Special Telegram.)—A female Bluebeard has just eluded the French police, taking away all the records of her numerous marriages and her clever suppression of her husbands. Dissatisfied with her maiden name of Jeanne Volante, she has borne successively the names of eight men, whom she wedded. Recently the mysterious disappearance of the husband of the jolly buxom hostess of a small inn at Cligny caused the people to wonder, especially when three months later she married a lady of 18 years, who had been divorced, without getting a divorce. The authorities when notified of the case went to arrest them, but the couple got wind of it and escaped. Papers found showed that the little woman had been married eight times in different towns, but had never been divorced. The disappearance of her husband had never been explained before. Now, if the police succeed in discovering the woman inkeeper, it is thought that an astounding series of crimes will be unfolded.

FRÖHMAN BUYS A PLAY

Will Try It in New York Under the Title "His Unfailing Luck."

(Copyright, 1901, by Press Publishing Co.) PARIS, April 20.—(New York World Cablegram—Special Telegram.)—Charles Frohman and Paul Potter left today, after spending a week here. Mr. Frohman went to London and Mr. Potter to his charming Swiss home at Duchy, on the Lake of Geneva. Frohman found nothing suitable to buy among the plays now running here except "La Veine," by Alfred Capus, which will be done in New York next autumn under the name of "His Unfailing Luck." Mr. Frohman is busy with his many London productions and will not return to Paris until June.

THE BEE BULLETIN.

Forecast for Nebraska—Fair—Sunday. Warm; for Eastern Part—Monday. Fair; Southerly Winds.

Great Britain Faces a Crisis. Shamrock Successfully Launched. Separation of the Marlboroughs. Pierpont Morgan's Visit to Paris. Verdict in the Ripley Case. Nebraska Banks Are Prosperous. Carnegie's Name Hints at Capital Hill. Agawamut Not Anxious to Stay. Water Company in St. Louis's Cellar. Elks Ready for Charity Benefit. Victim of Tunnel Suffocation. Local Amateurs South America. Creed of Demolition Involved. Echoes of Local Antennoms. Last Week in Omaha Society. Woman in Club and Charity. "Farmer" Burns Wins the Match. Senator Landon Hires Bull Game. Doctor's Bill Staggered the Heirs. Highway Robbery in Connell Bluffs Iowa Company Ranks Perfection. Chess Honors for United States. Agawamut Not Anxious to Come. Some Talk of the Fighters. In the Wheeling World. Anxiety in Freight Circles. Omaha's Team Starts Out Well. What the Amateurs Are Doing. Clara Morris' Recollections. Nebraska Drummers Soon to Meet. Manager of Millions in Omaha. Home Rush at Auditorium Site. 14. 15. 16. 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31. 32. 33. 34. 35. 36. 37. 38. 39. 40. 41. 42. 43. 44. 45. 46. 47. 48. 49. 50. 51. 52. 53. 54. 55. 56. 57. 58. 59. 60. 61. 62. 63. 64. 65. 66. 67. 68. 69. 70. 71. 72. 73. 74. 75. 76. 77. 78. 79. 80. 81. 82. 83. 84. 85. 86. 87. 88. 89. 90. 91. 92. 93. 94. 95. 96. 97. 98. 99. 100.

Temperature at Omaha Yesterday:

Table with 4 columns: Hour, Deg., Hour, Deg. Rows include 5 a.m., 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m., 9 a.m., 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 12 m., 1 p.m., 2 p.m., 3 p.m., 4 p.m., 5 p.m., 6 p.m., 7 p.m., 8 p.m., 9 p.m., 10 p.m., 11 p.m., 12 m.

APPLAUDS MR. ROSEWATER

President McKinley Indorses His Devotion to Party and Discusses Nebraska's Future.

(Copyright, 1901, by Press Publishing Co.) WASHINGTON, April 20.—(Special Telegram.)—Mr. Edward Rosewater called on President McKinley today and was heartily received by the chief executive. The president congratulated Mr. Rosewater on the outcome of the senatorial election in Nebraska and thought the editor of The Bee had shown splendid devotion to the republic by withdrawing from the contest at the time he did, thereby asking the people to give their attention to Mr. Millard. The president and Mr. Rosewater discussed the future policy of the state and altogether had a real old-fashioned visit. Mr. Rosewater arranged to present Senators Millard and Dietrich to the president on Tuesday. Senator Millard being expected to arrive in Washington on Monday. Later in the day the editor of The Bee had an extended interview with Chairman Hanna of the national committee and afterward called at the State department.

CONTEST FOR DAKOTA DISTRICT.

The contest that was participated in between Senator Kyle and Senator Gamble and Representative Burke during the closing days of the last congress over the appointment of a collector for the new Dakota internal revenue district is to be renewed here next week. Messrs. Gamble and Burke left Washington several weeks ago with the impression that Herman Altemus of Yankton would be appointed. Later in the day the editor of The Bee had an extended interview with Chairman Hanna of the national committee and afterward called at the State department.

There are several matters here requiring attention of South Dakotans over which there are expected to be differences of opinion. The Sisseton agency and the dismissal of Agent Johnson is one matter that will be discussed with the officials of the interior department, as well as other pending Indian matters. There will be no objection to Johnson's dismissal, but the abolishment of the agency will no doubt bring about a protest from Gamble and Burke. The officials say that they contemplate making an extensive report on Sisseton matter which will be satisfactory to South Dakota republicans.

NEBRASKA INDIANS ARRIVE.

Delegations of Indians from the Omaha and Winnebago reservation in Nebraska have arrived here, accompanied by Agent Mathewson, and called on Indian Commissioner Towner today and arranged for a formal conference concerning grievances of tribes.

SAINTS FOR MANY FIELDS

Conference at Independence Closes with Assigning Ministers to Places Here and Abroad.

(Copyright, 1901, by Press Publishing Co.) KANSAS CITY, April 20.—The closing session of the forty-eighth conference of the Reorganized Church of Latter Day Saints was held today at Independence, Mo. A report was made relative to the case of Elder E. C. Briggs of the mission of Indiana, which virtually sustained the quorum of twelve.

MAD MULLAH IS BAD MAN

Has Forty Thousand Followers and Some Power that He's Willing to Burn.

(Copyright, 1901, by Press Publishing Co.) ADEN, Arabia, April 20.—The Mad Mullah is now at Lashid, four days' march down the Tugdayr river. It is understood he has 40,000 followers, including 8,000 horsemen, and quantities of ammunition obtained from an unknown source. A British force will shortly be concentrated at Burao, preparatory to a general advance in conjunction with the Abyssinians.

OHIO VALLEY FLOOD

Rain and Snow Combine to Swell It to Vast and Terrible Proportions.

WEATHER BUREAU SOUNDS AN ALARM

Gives General Warning, that Property and Life May Be Saved.

PITTSBURG SUFFERS MOST SEVERELY

City is Deluged and Its Workmen Forced into Idleness.

CINCINNATI AND CLEVELAND HARD HIT

Precipitation so Heavy that Telegraph and Telephone Wires Are Downed—Buffalo Fair Grounds Little Hurt.

(Copyright, 1901, by Press Publishing Co.) WASHINGTON, April 20.—The weather bureau tonight issued the following: "The excessive rains of the last twenty-four to thirty-six hours over the upper Ohio watershed have caused a very rapid and dangerous rise in the upper Ohio river and its tributaries. In anticipation of a flood of decided proportions warnings were issued this morning of a thirty-foot stage at Pittsburg during tonight and a danger line stage, or over, below Pittsburg as far as Portsmouth, O. At 7 p. m. the stage of water at Pittsburg was 24.6 feet, 2.6 feet above the danger line, a rise of 7.5 feet since 8 a. m. and rising half a foot an hour; at Parkersburg the stage was 34.8 feet, a rise of seven feet since 8 a. m. and 1.2 feet below the danger line; at Columbus, O., at Cincinnati the stage was 35.5 feet, a rise of 4.7 feet since 8 a. m. and rising, but still fifteen feet below the danger line. As it is still raining over the upper Ohio valley it is impossible tonight to venture a definite forecast across the flood wave. It will, however, move rapidly down the Ohio river and stages above the danger lines will no doubt be reached as far as Cincinnati by Sunday night or Monday."

Flood warnings have been widely distributed, particularly in the vicinity of Pittsburg, and reports received tonight indicate that a great amount of portable property has been removed to places of security. Special reports have been called for from the flooded district on Sunday morning, when further information will be given and additional warnings issued if necessary. The situation below Cincinnati will be carefully watched and prompt and timely warnings will be issued if necessary."

IS APPALLING AT PITTSBURG

City Flooded, Lives Lost, Mills Closed and Thousands of Workmen Idle.

(Copyright, 1901, by Press Publishing Co.) PITTSBURG, April 20.—The city is a center of a widespread and disastrous storm. For a radius of 150 miles in every direction, eastern Ohio and West Virginia rain or snow has been falling almost without intermission for three days. Mountain streams have become torrents. Creeks are swollen and out of their banks and the big rivers are in a dangerous water. Flood records, it is expected, will be broken before the water subsides. The financial loss cannot be estimated.

In addition to the hundreds of thousands, and perhaps millions of dollars it will cost to put large manufacturing plants in commission again, tens of thousands of skilled workmen are thrown out of employment and lose their wages just at a time when all the iron and steel mills are rushed with orders.

Tonight thousands of people are lying in the upper reaches of their water-soaked houses without heat, light or food. Where gas fuel is used the pipes are flooded and cut off and what coal there may be is under five to ten feet of water.

HUNGER PLAYS A PART.

Schenoville, the home of the Pressed Steel Car company, is completely surrounded by water. The workers and their families are in a desperate straits. Several thousand persons. If the flood does not quickly subside the company store will be unable to meet the demand for food of a multitude beleaguered by flood.

Wheeling, W. Va., fears the most disastrous flood in its history. The weather-wise say the river will make a new high record at that point. The mountain streams of the war-born state are gushing down the hillsides with resistless force. Behind this comes the floodtide of the Ohio, fed by the Monongahela, Allegheny, Beaver and other tributaries. From forty-five to fifty feet of water, feared at Wheeling, which means an immense loss of property, followed by destitution and sickness for those least able to bear it.

In many parts of Pennsylvania and Ohio probably the heaviest snow storm ever known at this season of the year has been raging for two days.

At Oil City the oil exchange went out of business temporarily because it was impossible to secure quotations from New York, Pittsburg and other points. Reports from other bridges have been washed away and where gas is the regular fuel dealers are making arrangements to deliver coal. One railroad in Ohio has passenger trains stalled and engines sent to their assistance are buried in the snow. Meantime the passengers must depend on nearby farmhouses for sufficient food to prevent starvation.

SEVERAL NARROW ESCAPES.

Several narrow escapes from death have been reported and it is sadly probable that when the yellow, sticky flood subsides it may reveal a number of ghastly scenes. To estimate the financial loss at this time is impossible and when it appears a reasonable guess is appalling in its immensity. Steam and electric road tracks are washed out and in some cases the tracks have been washed out. Where the snow and rain prevailed the telegraph and telephone wires went down and the costly railroad and street bridges have been washed away and their piers weakened. The big manufacturing plants in this, the industrial center of the world, have suffered severely. The cost of repairs is but a small item in comparison to the delay in filling the orders with which all the plants are crowded. Many merchants in the submerged districts are losers on stock in cellars and thousands have spent money to pay for help to remove their goods.

But the most serious item of all will follow the flood. This is the little homes that are almost ruined and the sickness that inevitably succeeds, and this falls upon the poorer class of people.

At midnight Frank Ridgeway, local official forecaster, issued a bulletin to the effect that the Allegheny and Monongahela rivers would probably reach the twenty-

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