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ANOTHER JOHNSTOWN.

THE FLOODS IN SPAIN CLAIM 2,000 VICTIMS.

Two Kentucky Murderers Lynched—Clearing Up the Musgrave Mystery—New York Rivals Chicago in Her Fires—Workmen Injured by a Falling Staircase.

He is Short \$64,000.

An examination of the books of Major J. S. O'Brien, of Chattanooga, embedding Treasurer of the Catholic Knights of America, develops the fact that he is short \$64,000 and possibly \$75,000. It is thought O'Brien is in hiding in the vicinity of Chattanooga.

HUNDREDS DEAD.

Terrible Results of the Recent Floods in Spain.

The overflowing of the Consuegra in Spain threatens to cause further damage. Two-thirds of the houses practically destroyed are still standing, but their foundations are sapped, and they threaten to fall at any moment. The families saved from drowning are camped near the dwellings formerly occupied by them, and are in the greatest distress from want of food. An estimate classed as a moderate one, and which is within rather than over the actual number, places the total of the death list at 2,000. Large numbers of corpses still rest where they were found. Unless they are soon interred an epidemic of fever is feared.

TWO MURDERERS LYNCHED.

The Gilliland Brothers Hanged at Somersett, Kentucky.

James H. and Josiah Gilliland were lynched at Somersett, Ky., by a mob for the murder of Sheriff McCarge, of Pulaski County. The lynchers commenced gathering during the evening, and by 1 o'clock there was a large crowd in front of the court house. Jailer Shepherd was called to the door, where he was overpowered by the mob and forced to give up the keys to the jail, when the prisoners were taken out and hanged. The Gilliland boys were game to the last and no confession could be procured, they only asking to kneel and pray and protest their innocence. Their groans were only answered by angry curses from the mob. The authorities did all in their power to suppress and quell the angry mob. McCarge was one of the most popular men in the county.

ON THE DIAMOND.

How the Clubs Engaged in the National Game Stand.

Following is a showing of the standing of each of the teams of the different associations:

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

W. L. Pct.	W. L. Pct.
Chicago.....70 44 .56	Brooklyn.....51 66 .58
Boston.....69 53 .63	Cleveland.....53 69 .43
New York.....62 49 .54	Pittsburg.....52 67 .47
Philadelphia.....61 55 .52	Cincinnati.....47 72 .35

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION.

W. L. Pct.	W. L. Pct.
Boston.....82 37 .69	Columbus.....59 68 .45
St. Louis.....77 45 .63	Milwaukee.....53 68 .48
Baltimore.....68 53 .55	St. Louis.....42 70 .37
Philadelphia.....61 55 .52	Washington.....40 77 .32

WESTERN ASSOCIATION.

W. L. Pct.	W. L. Pct.
St. Louis City.....64 55 .58	Omaha.....51 60 .49
Kansas City.....51 55 .52	Dever.....53 63 .47

CLINCHING THE EVIDENCE.

Where Musgrave's Partner Purchased the Skeleton.

The firm of Parson & Co., St. Louis, dealers in secret society paraphernalia, have just furnished documentary evidence damaging in the extreme to B. R. Musgrave, who tried to swindle certain insurance companies not long ago by leaving a skeleton to burn in a log cabin near Terre Haute. This firm sold the skeleton to Musgrave, and the letters constitute the strongest evidence yet brought against him, completely substantiating Charles H. Trout's confession.

BURNED TO THE GROUND.

Sherman, Wyo., the Highest Point on the Union Pacific, Destroyed.

The old frame block composing the town of Sherman, the summit of the Black Hills range of the Rockies, the highest point on the Union Pacific Road, and the location of the Oakes Ames monument, has been burned. The loss will be about \$40,000. Most of the block has been standing since 1886. The Union Pacific station, containing the postoffice, was saved.

TERrible FALL FROM A SCAFFOLD.

Nine Workmen on a Railway Bridge Drop Fifty Feet—Four Fatally Injured.

A terrible accident occurred at Salt Lake, Pa. A swinging scaffold under the railroad bridge was crowded with nine workmen when the ropes broke, precipitating the entire party into the river bed fifty feet below. The river is low and the men fell in on the sharp stones, four of them being fatally injured, while the rest were more or less bruised.

MILLION DOLLAR FIRE.

New York Visited by a Disastrous Conflagration.

In New York, a fire broke out on the second floor of 128 Fulton street, where Douglas Taylor's bookbinding and printing office is located. The building was the old office of the Commercial Advertiser, and in ten minutes the flames filled the whole of its six floors. The loss is estimated to be \$1,000,000, partly covered by insurance.

Concerning the Chinese.

Judge Beatty, in the United States Circuit Court at San Francisco, held that Chinese merchants could not be permitted to land in the United States without the certificates provided for in the Chinese restriction act of 1884.

Rescued by a Mob.

At Harrodsburg, Ky., a mob rescued a prisoner from the jail. The authorities attempted to recapture him, when a battle ensued. The Governor ordered out the militia.

Terrible Result of a Quarrel.

John and William Ronan, father and son, had a fatal quarrel with Shelby Jett, a Madison County farmer, near Richmond, Ky., the younger Ronan being killed and the senior Ronan seriously injured. Jett was shot in the head, but the wound is not fatal. He has been arrested.

Held to Court.

The five mercantile appraisers of Philadelphia, Messrs. Patton, Houseman, Crawford, Bell, and Hunter, charged with dereliction in office, have been held for appearance at court in bonds of \$2,500 each.

POSTAL GROWTH.

Mr. Wanamaker Thinks It Calls for Reduced Charges, Etc.

Three of the subjects which the Postmaster General will discuss in his forthcoming annual report are 1-cent postage, free delivery in small towns, and postal telegraphy. Upon the first subject the Postmaster General will refer to the large number of petitions that he has received during the past year asking for the establishment of the 1-cent rate. Mr. Wanamaker will not recommend such a change in the postal laws, but will lay all the facts in his possession before Congress for the law to act upon. He will say that 1-cent postage would be a good thing and should be brought about as early as possible, but he is convinced that its inauguration would necessitate the employment of a much larger force of men, the increase in the size of postal cars and the enlargement of the postoffices among other things. Whether the disadvantage growing out of a decreased postage rate would not more than offset the conveniences which that rate would induce is a matter which will be left to Congress to determine. In that part of the report which will treat of the extension of free delivery to small towns Mr. Wanamaker will speak very positively. He expects to show that the recent extension of that system on the present limited scale has paid for itself. From that he will argue in substance that, as it is a good and inexpensive convenience, the country ought to have more of it.

DOWN AN EMBANKMENT.

Frightful Wreck on the Union Pacific Railway in Colorado.

A Denver (Col.) special says: Passenger train No. 34, bound toward Denver on the Graymont Division of the Union Pacific Railway, was wrecked near Beaver Brook Station, and twenty-six passengers were injured, five of whom will probably die. The train was late and running rapidly, and when rounding a sharp curve the express car left the track and rolled down a fifteen-foot embankment. It was followed by the mail and two passenger coaches, one of which turned over twice before reaching the bottom. The train was loaded with passengers, many of whom were Knights of Pythias who were returning from the Knights of Pythias State convention which was held at Aspen last week. When the news reached Golden, Col., a wrecking train was ordered out and was starting when Robert Pruin, an employee of the road, attempted to board the engine. In doing so his revolver fell from his hip pocket, the hammer striking a stone, and the weapon was discharged, the ball taking effect in the man's neck, making a wound which will result fatally.

TIES ON THE TRACK.

Robbers Make a Bold Attempt to Wreck an Express Train.

Train robbers tried to wreck the fast express on the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne & Chicago Railroad. The train is due in Chicago at 9:25 p.m. The desperate attempt to hurl it from the rails was made about twenty miles out of Chicago. Charles Howard, an employee of the Standard Oil Company, at Whiting, Ind., has been arrested on suspicion of being one of the wreckers. He was brought to the city and locked up at the Desplaines Street Station. A score of officers from South Chicago hunted all night through the Indiana marshes after the five men who, Howard says, tried to ditch the train. Ties were placed on the track by the desperadoes, but the engineer of the train saw the obstruction in the glare of his headlight, and reversing the engine came to a stop just as the pilot pushed its nose against the pile of heavy timbers.

IT MAY MEAN WAR.

Great Britain Takes Vigorous Action in China.

China has finally succeeded in rousing the British Government to vigorous action. The unsatisfactory reply of the Chinese Government to the protest of Sir John Watson, the British Minister, has been followed by what is almost equivalent to an open declaration of war by Great Britain. News comes from Shanghai that a steamer has been chartered by the British Government to at once proceed to Ichang with men, ammunition and arms. Ichang is in the province of Hupeh, on the Yellow River, and is in the center of the disturbed district. England's action will doubtless be the signal for the adoption of more aggressive measures by the other foreign powers represented in China.

TRADE STILL BRISK.

Reports from Many Cities Are Encouraging—The Failures.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says:

All returns of the condition of business are encouraging. From nearly every city reporting there comes the same cheering information that business is better and prospects brighter. The Government crop report is one of the most favorable and most important for the ultimate trade and for the prosperity of the entire country.

The business failures occurring throughout the country during the past seven years for the United States 187, and for Canada 27, or a total of 214, as compared with a total of 217 last week and 214 the week previous to the last. For the corresponding week of last year the figures were 183, representing 167 failures in the United States and 26 in Canada.

MANY DEATHS BY FLOODS.

Reports of Loss of Life and Destruction of Property Throughout Spain.

Reports are constantly arriving from Spain of loss of life and destruction of property by reason of the great floods. Near Castile a train was derailed, one person being killed and three others injured. At Toledo a number of houses collapsed and six persons were crushed to death. From various points come reports of great loss of life by drowning. Official advice from the province of Toledo report that the floods have inflicted enormous damage and caused the loss of 2,000 lives. Communication is almost entirely cut off in many directions and it is believed when the full returns are received a still greater calamity will be revealed.

GEORGE M. LORING DEAD.

Sudden Demise of the Ex-Minister to Portugal at His Home in Salem, Mass.

George Bailey Loring, ex-minister to Portugal and formerly Commissioner of Agriculture, died at Salem, Mass., from heart trouble.

Improving His Time in Jail.

Rev. John Van Wagoner, of Cedar Springs, is repeating an error in judgment in the Grand Rapids, Mich., jail. Van Wagoner caused the arrest of a young man for disturbing a revival meeting. The young man was not convicted and brought suit for damages by capias and secured a verdict of \$35 with \$67 costs. The pastor refused to pay and was put in jail. He has his prayer book and hymnal with him and is getting up a revival in the county jail until his tormentors get weary of paying his board.

MURDERED A Sheriff and May Be Lynched.

Sheriff John H. McCague, of Somerset, Ky., was assassinated by two brothers named Gilliland. They are in jail. The Sheriff was working up a larceny case against the Gilliland and they killed him. There is much excitement and the murderers may be lynched.

SUNK IN A COLLISION.

The Italian Steamer Taormina Sent to the Bottom of Cape Sunium.

News has reached Rome of a terribly disastrous collision off Cape Sunium. The Italian messenger steamer Taormina collided with the Greek steamer Thessalia. The former vessel almost immediately sank.

The captain, several of the crew and forty cabin passengers who were standing on the bridge of the Taormina at the moment of the collision were rescued by the boats of the Thessalia. Cape Sunium is on the southeastern coast of Greece.

SKINNED HIM ALIVE.

Horrible Punishment of a Colored Brute in Louisiana.

News has been received of a heinous affair near Arcadia, La. A school-teacher was going home the other afternoon when when she was set upon by a burly negro. The

who dragged her into the woods near by and tied her to a tree, where she was kept for two days. A searching party found her there the evening of the second day, when she told them her story, with the request to hide near, as the negro would soon return. This they did, and in a short while the negro made his appearance and was captured. He was fearfully tortured, being skinned alive and literally cut to pieces. His body was left in the woods for the buzzards to dispose of.

MILK WITHOUT COWS.

A Stock Company in Michigan to Make the Fluid Out of Corn and Water.

At Kalamazoo, Mich., a stock company is to be formed for the purpose of supplying Chicago and Kalamazoo permanently with milk, and especially during the World's Fair. Mr. Parker, of Grand Rapids, has succeeded in making a preparation from corn, a pint of which added to four gallons of water and four gallons of milk makes a mixture impossible to be distinguished from pure milk. It is thought to be nutritious and can be delivered at Chicago at 7 cents per gallon. The difference in taste cannot be detected.

ON THE FIRST BALLOT.

J. Sloat Fassett Heads the New York Republican Ticket.

At a largely attended State convention at Rochester the New York Republicans nominated, on the first ballot, J. Sloat Fassett, present collector of the port of New York, for Governor. Following is the complete ticket:

Three Men Killed by an Explosion.

Locomotive 113, of the Long Island Railroad, exploded at Oyster Bay Station, L. I., just as it was about to haul out. Several cars, containing a few passengers, were attached to the locomotive. Engineer Madison, son, Fireman Dickerson and Brakeman Mahoney were killed.

A Crackman Escapes.

At Springfield, Ohio, about three weeks ago a crackman, supposed to be Jimmy Mulligan, was injured by an explosion while breaking open a safe. The next day he entered the City Hospital for treatment. An intercepted letter to a sister disclosed his identity, but he made good his escape.

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Forced to the Wall.

Alexander & Son, corn brokers, of Threadneedle street, London, have failed. Their liabilities amount to £1,970,800 and their assets to £27,379. The failure is attributed by the members of the firm to losses incurred in grain speculation since May last.

Children Buried in a Sand Pile.

At Bridgetown, N. J., Sadie Shaw, aged 5 years, and Johnnie Souders, about the same age, were playing on a pile of sand, when it caved in, completely burying them. Sadie was killed, and the boy was so badly injured that his recovery is doubtful.

Shortage of \$30,000.

President Coleman, of the Catholic Knights of America, is at Chattanooga, Tenn., investigating the accounts of M. J. O'Brien, Treasurer of the order. Thus far in the investigation of the accounts there is a deficit of about \$30,000.

A Life Sentence.

The sentence of the Rev. Howard McQuerry, of Canton, Ohio, suspended for six months for alleged heterodox utterances, has been changed by Bishop Leonard, of the Episcopal Church, to perpetual suspension.

Lost His Life Through Fright.

John Carey, an old citizen of Logansport, Ind., while crossing the railroad track, heard the engine whistle, stopped in the middle of the track as if struck helpless, and was run over and killed.

Do Not Want Fassett's Place.

Friends of Senator Hendricks, who has just been mentioned as the probable successor of J. Sloat Fassett as Collector of the Port of New York, say that the Senator will not accept the place.

Commemorating a Bloody Event.

The corner stone of a monument to the memory of the White League who were killed in the riot of 1874 was laid at the head of Canal street, New Orleans, where the battle was fought.

Interstate Commission's Loss.

Judge Thomas M. Cooley, of Michigan, one of the most able jurists of the country, and President of the Interstate Commerce Commission, has resigned his position on account of ill health.