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Our Washington Letter.

[From our Regular Correspondent.]

Washington, May 27th 1887.

Since I last wrote you the much discussed National Draft has been formally opened and has passed through various vicissitudes, naturally...

Dispute all these discommodities the Draft is still progressing in a fairly creditable manner. Every morning the spectators come up staring for the programme of the day, as if there was nothing serious about a military and the spectacle proceeds...

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A Destructive Fire.

New York, May 27.—Flames broke out at 1:30 o'clock, this morning, in the south end of the Bell Telephone building...

The building was a five-story building and covered a square block, reaching back to Eleventh avenue. The upper stories were occupied by the repair shops and combustible material, which burned as soon as touched by the fire...

At 1:45 a. m. the flames, aided by the strong high wind which was prevailing, had leaped across the wide avenue and communicated to the whole block on the east side between Fifty-third and Fifty-fourth streets...

The streets in the vicinity for blocks away were filled with lighted rods, crying and wailing, tenants fleeing from the wreckage of the flames. The air attracted thousands of awe-struck spectators...

The treatment of the houses was timely prepared. Every door had from four to twelve families. All were poor people, who were losing all their property...

Elizabeth Walsh, 75 years old, one of the occupants of house No. 510 West Fifty-fourth street, which was burned, was sick in her bed. The patient recovered here and brought her to the hospital, where she expired from fright and shock...

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Explosion in a Coal Mine.

GLASGOW, SUPPLIES, May 28.—A terrible explosion has occurred in the Clifton coal pit at Blantyre, a village in Lanarkshire, eight miles from this city...

Two hundred and twenty miners are entombed in the pit, and it is feared that all have perished. The shaft is blocked with debris caused by the explosion...

Forty-five miners who were imprisoned in the upper part of the pit were rescued, but one of them died after being brought to the surface. The others are suffering, how ever, from the effects of the shock and fire-damp...

The Clifton pit is situated in the most lofty of the coal districts of Scotland. As soon as the fact of the explosion became known, miners from all the neighboring collieries hurried to the scene to help in the work of rescue...

The total number of lives lost by the explosion is believed to be seventy-five.

Weather and Crops.

Washington, May 29.—The following is the weather and crop bulletin issued today by the Signal Office, to the weathering May 28:

Temperature.—During the week ending May 28 the weather has been slightly warmer than usual in the Mississippi Valley and thence westward to the Pacific coast...

Baromet.—During the week the rainfall has been slightly in excess of the average for the season to date. The average for the season to date is 1.5 to 2.0 inches.

General Remarks.—Throughout the entire agricultural districts the weather has proved especially favorable for the growing crops, and the crops are showing a most promising outlook...

Teachers' Visit to Washington.

From the Washington Post.

The Teachers' Assembly visit to Washington, D. C., has been long and successful. The party has been in the city for several days, and has seen much of the city...

A Wonderful Jump.

Richmond, May 30.—Richard Williams of this city, in attempting to jump a wall, fell and broke his neck, and died a few minutes later.

Eating Contests.

Cincinnati, May 29.—The other day a young man named Spore ate a part of one of our thirteen steaks, and some time there has been much eating contests. Last night Harry W. Jackson disposed of twenty five large backbones in twenty five minutes...

Killed by an Orange Seed.

New York, May 27.—A young man named Spore, of No. 115 Henry street, Brooklyn, whose death took place at his home yesterday...

He ate a very remarkable way. He ate an orange some time ago and one of the seeds lodged in the appendix. The seed lodged in the appendix, and is about the size of a pea in diameter...

The patient died in a few hours. The doctor ordered him to bed. Last week, the patient became ill and Dr. Eveson called on Dr. Coffin and Dr. George K. Smith for consultation...

Communication was opened this afternoon with the battle scene. Numbers of the miners entombed therein were rescued alive, although many perished from the fire-damp...

Earthquake Shocks in Mexico.

CITY OF MEXICO, May 29.—Two or three shocks of earthquake were felt here at 2:50 o'clock this morning.

The shocks were much felt in high buildings in the city. Many streets, occupied by the U. S. Cavalry, were damaged.

A Mammoth Meteor.

A large meteor from Louisiana-New York, was seen by the general public at 10 o'clock this morning...

The meteor was a large, bright, white ball, which fell from the sky and landed in a field. The meteor was seen by many people, and was described as a most extraordinary sight...

A Shower of Blood.

CINCINNATI, May 27.—Yesterday a shower of blood fell from the sky over the city of Cincinnati...

The shower of blood was seen by many people, and was described as a most extraordinary sight. The blood was seen to fall from the sky in a steady stream, and was described as being as hot as iron...

A Book Agent Shot.

Cincinnati, May 29.—A G. H. H. book agent was shot to death by a man named Spore...

The man named Spore was a young man who had been in the city for some time. He was shot to death by the book agent, and was described as being a most extraordinary sight...

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O. L. C. W. L. LONDON has returned from the Northern Markets with the LARGEST, CHEAPEST and BEST STOCK OF GOODS ever brought to this county...

THE DURHAM MARBLE, GRANITE AND BROWN STONE WORKS, DURHAM, N. C. R. L. ROGERS, DEALER IN American, Italian and Granite Monuments, Tablets, Tombstones, Statuary, &c.

THE CHATHAM HOUSE! WYATT & TAYLOR, GROCERS AND General Commission Merchants, BALTIMORE, N. C.

CONDENSED TIME TABLE NO. 22. P. M. & V. V. RAILWAY. Condensed Time Table No. 22, to take effect Monday, May 16, 1887.

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