

## THE NEWS.

The Colbrookdale Creamery Association, of Reading, Pa., has failed. In a freight train wreck on the Reading Railroad, near Shamokin, Pa., the locomotive and twenty cars were wrecked, and several trainmen injured. Alexander Boyd, a milkman, near Wilmington, Del., was shot and severely wounded by horse thieves. The first train to go over the new Knoxville, Cumberland Gap and Louisville Railroad was wrecked near Knoxville, Tenn., and three prominent men killed and many injured. A lover's quarrel led to Edward Knowles fatally shooting Maud Bortel, near Oneida, N. Y. Chemists of the California University have discovered a preparation which will render leather impervious to water. L. Gardner, of Chicago has been arrested at Cheyenne, Wyo., for using the mails to defraud the public. While hunting, L. F. Wisner, of Marshalltown, Iowa, was accidentally shot and killed by his son. A free trade picnic was held at Plattsburg, Ia., at which a letter on the tariff from ex-President Cleveland was read. Christopher W. Luca, a store-keeper of Brooklyn, N. Y., had a hand-to-hand bloody encounter with thieves, in which he was killed. A fire in Colfax, Ill., destroyed property to the value of \$75,000. The New England tobacco outlook indicates a fair yield and a good average quality. The Pennsylvania crop will be fully up to the standard. By an explosion of fire damp in a colliery of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company, near Scranton, Pa., five men were seriously burned. The town of Durham, Me., which was incorporated as Royalboro, for Col. Royal, of Medford, Mass., and which takes its present name from Durham county, England, where Col. Royal was born, celebrated the one hundredth anniversary of its incorporation. Emanuel Brooks, of Shawneetown, Ill., shot and fatally wounded his wife, then shot himself twice in the head, ran one hundred yards and leaped into the Ohio river. The state treasurer of New Hampshire has received for redemption a certificate for \$150,000, the last outstanding war obligations of that state. It was announced at the florists' convention at Buffalo, N. Y., that Mrs. Harrison would give a prize at the coming national chrysanthemum exhibition. A collision is feared between some Ute Indians who have left their reservation and the whites. A counterfeit two dollar United States silver certificate is making the rounds.

The forest fires in Montana have been checked by heavy rains, but millions of feet of valuable timber has been destroyed. The Cherokee strip will likely be opened next spring, and the probability is that the rush to it will be as great as that to Oklahoma. Miss Lillie Feiman, of Chicago, lost her life in trying to save a woman and her child from drowning. An autopsy reveals the fact that the death of Congressman Laird of Michigan, was caused by an unnecessary surgical operation. After two months of drouth in South Dakota, a furious rainstorm did almost as much damage as the dry weather had. The Johnstown Fishing Club talk of re-establishing the lake the bursting of the dam of which caused such terrible destruction to life and property. Alfred Porter, aged nineteen years, a student of Dartmouth College, was accidentally shot and killed in a hunting camp on Kennington Island, New Hampshire. Gilman A. Kimball, of Middletown, Mass. died of hydrophobia from a scratch on the lip by his dog several weeks ago. The Chicago and St. Louis meat packers are now doing a big business in Mexico. By the explosion of a boiler in a brewery in Allegheny City, Pa., Henry Snyder was killed and two other persons injured. The moulders of two agricultural implement factories of Norfolk Va., have gone out on strike. Carolina Maroons, of Chicago, struck James Rose a fatal blow with an axe for making an insulting proposal to her daughter. Eighteen New York financiers held a meeting in New York to consider plans for raising funds for the world's fair, in 1892. Jesse Seligman submitted a plan estimating the cost of the exposition at \$15,000,000, stock to be issued at \$10 a share. Austin Wyatt, serving a ten year term in the New Jersey state prison at Trenton, committed suicide by cutting his throat. A. S. Hooper, a letter-carrier in the postoffice at Richmond, Va., has been arrested on a charge of robbing the mails. Several miners were killed by a fall of slate in the Cannelton Company's mine, Fayette county, W. Va. Robert Marvied died at Indianapolis, Ind., after fasting sixty-seven days. The wife of Millionaire Mike McDonald, the ex-gambler and politician of Chicago, is missing, and is reported to have eloped with a Catholic priest. Four big ocean steamers, the Teutonic, City of New York, the Saale, and City of Rome, sailed from New York, all bent on trying to beat all previous sailing records. Colonel Adolph Brandt, a lawyer, of Atlanta, Ga., while debating a resolution in the Grand Lodge of Oddfellows, in session at Rome, Ga., dropped dead from apoplexy. H. B. Kenyon, a wealthy young banker of Newton, N. C., while in a fit fell out of a window and killed himself. Dr. E. Parsons, the oldest dentist in the country, died in Savannah, Ga. John Seltz, of Philadelphia, who had secretly married his cousin in opposition to his parents' wishes, committed suicide. John T. Natcher, a prominent painting contractor of Pittsburgh, was fatally shot by Benjamin Lee, one of his employees. A bold attempt was made to assassinate Deputy United States Marshal Samuel Hughes by unlicensed liquor-sellers in Tennessee. The Southern Interstate Farmers' Association at Montgomery, Ala., adopted resolutions denouncing the late bagging trust. Jacksonville has established a cotton exchange, and will hereafter handle the product of that state, instead of sending it to Savannah.

## BURNED IN A TENEMENT.

### Nine Persons Meet Horrible Deaths in New York.

#### Fire-Escapes That Were Death Traps. Frantic Appeals for Help That Could Not Be Given.

The most disastrous tenement-house fire, so far as loss of life is concerned, since over twenty Hungarians were burned to death in the Bowery about a year ago, occurred in the morning at 335 Seventh avenue, New York. Nine charred bodies are now lying at the Thirtieth Street Station, some of them burned almost beyond recognition. At the New York Hospital are two more victims, one of whom will probably die from the effects of burns received. The scene of the fire was on the east side of Seventh avenue, a few doors above Twenty-seventh street. The house burned is 335, and it was one of a dozen brown stone, five-story buildings. The lower floors of these buildings were used as stores and the apartments were tenements. They are all double tenements, and contain from twelve to fourteen families in each. The fire originated on the first floor of 335, which is an all-night restaurant kept by John J. Snyder. It started in Snyder's kitchen at the rear of the restaurant, and it took no very much time as it was the work of an incendiary, although, possibly, it may have been the result of culpable carelessness. So far as the police have investigated they seem satisfied it was not an accidental fire.

The building has on both front and rear what are supposed to be fire-escapes on every floor, which now prove to have been fire traps. They were not connected with ladders as the law requires, while the frail iron balconies, which took the place of fire escapes, had wood floorings, which were burned away before the tenants in the rear of the house were fairly awake. The flames broke out at 4:45 o'clock, which was quickly responded to, but before the firemen arrived the flames had done their work. All the firemen had to do was to save adjoining buildings and assist the police in carrying out the victims. The scenes were heartrending in the extreme. All the inmates were in their night clothing and rushed frantically about, trying to escape from a frightful death. Many were successful by fleeing to the attic and escaping through the skylight and roof to the adjoining buildings, where they were taken in and cared for. The flames quickly worked their way through the ceiling of the restaurant, continuing their flight upward until every floor had been gutted. The greatest mystery is that every inmate was not burned to death. How a single soul escaped in this death trap is almost miraculous. About twenty persons, however, were rescued, and the rescuers in some instances proved themselves veritable heroes.

## HIS LONG FAST ENDED.

### Death the Result of the Abstinence of Robert Marvel, the Octogenarian.

Robert Marvel, after fasting sixty-seven days died at his home in Indianapolis, Ind. His case is so extraordinary that it has attracted the attention not only of the curious public, but of the medical fraternity far and near. He was 85 years old. On June 13 Mr. Marvel ate his last square meal. For thirty-six days he took absolutely nothing into his stomach. On the thirty-eighth he bit off a piece of pie, but did not eat. On the thirty-ninth day he drank a small quantity of milk, and at irregular periods he has continued to do so. All told, he has drunk not to exceed one gallon of milk in the sixty-seven days that have elapsed since he began to fast.

The effect of this abstinence is such as would be expected. The faster had reduced himself to a "living shadow." The case is so far beyond the ordinary that incredulity has been excited. But there is no occasion for this, as Dr. George Hasty, a well-known physician of this city, has regularly attended him. The great difficulty in treating him has been his determination to resist all proffered aid. After fasting a full month he one day arose from his bed, and, seizing a pan of water that stood near, drank some of it. After that milk and water was left near him, and occasionally he would rise and drink a little. During the last week Marvel has been bedfast, except at times when he would spring up and wander about the house and porch. Sores came upon him by reason of his long confinement, and evidently Marvel has not only suffered long but severely, though everything possible was done to relieve him. His fast is the longest on record.

## WRECKED ON THE FIRST RUN.

### Prominent People Killed and Injured in a Railroad Accident.

A wreck occurred on the Knoxville, Cumberland Gap and Louisville Railroad, at Flat Gap Creek, twenty-two miles from Knoxville, Tenn. The train was the first to go over the new road and carried a select excursion of the City Councils, the Board of Public Works, representatives of the Chamber of Commerce, and the very flower of the business and professional men of Knoxville. The train of two cars left the track at a crossing, and the rear car went down a trestle. Only one man in the car was injured. It was impossible to obtain medical aid for a long time, and until 4:30 P. M., when the train reached Knoxville, scanty attention was rendered. Many had to be brought back on flat cars, and the last part of the journey was made in a driving rain. Three men died from their injuries, and others cannot live. The dead are Judge George Andrews, the most prominent lawyer in East Tennessee; S. T. Powers, the leading merchant and former president of the East Tennessee Fire Insurance Company, and Alex. Reeder, a leading politician, who has held many offices of trust. The injured are: Alexander A. Arthur, president of the Chamber of Commerce; John Young, president, and Peter Kerr, member of the Board of Public Works; John T. Hearn, editor of the *Sentinel*; W. W. Woodruff, a leading wholesale merchant; Charles Rimour, attorney, and Alexander Wilson, assistant chief engineer, Knoxville, Cumberland Gap and Louisville road; County Judge Maloney; Aldermen Berry and Hargis; General H. Schubert, of the Governor's staff; A. J. Alberts, a wholesale merchant; Rev. R. J. Cook, professor of U. S. Grant University; City Physician West, Judge H. H. Ingersoll, H. B. Watson, W. H. Samuels, C. Ables, Captain H. H. Taylor, S. McClellan, E. Barker, J. F. Kinsey, John B. Hall, Phillips Samuels, age ten; R. Schmidt, W. A. Park, one of the train crew. Out of fifty-six persons on the train, forty-one were injured.

## DISASTERS AND CASUALTIES.

James Connelly and Owen McDonald were struck and killed by an engine at the South Omaha, Nebraska, stock yards.

Gliders is prevalent among the horses in the stables of the London Ice Company, at Chicago, and 17 horses have been shot.

John and Michael Murphy, aged respectively 5 and 7 years, fell into the canal at Greenfield, New Jersey, and were drowned.

Carrie Simons was killed and Ono Sala was, it is feared, fatally injured by being struck by a freight train at Muscatine, Iowa.

The schooner M. Luella Wood, which sailed from Baltimore, for Boston, with a cargo of coal, returned to the former port, leaking.

The Stone Lake Ice Company's property and two 1-aded freight cars, at Plainville, Ohio, were destroyed by fire. Loss \$30,000.

James McLarkey was buried by a cave-in in the Hammond Colliery, at Girardville, Pa. Three other men narrowly escaped the same fate.

An epidemic of diphtheria has broken out at Auburn, New York, where, within three weeks, 21 cases and 12 deaths have been reported.

A disastrous flood is reported at Lincoln, Nebraska, serious damage being done to railroads, and 500 people driven from their homes.

J. H. Morgan, an employee of the Maumee Rolling Mill, at Toledo, Ohio, met his death by a bar of hot iron penetrating his groin and severing an artery.

A passenger train on the Boston and Albany Railroad, ran into a freight car at Renfrew, Mass., wrecking the engine. No one was hurt, but all trains were delayed.

The Arlington Hotel, at Blue Lick Springs, Kentucky, was burned. There were a hundred guests in the house, but all escaped. The loss is \$35,000, and the insurance \$17,000.

A Baltimore dispatch says that a small boat, containing two men, was run down by a schooner in the harbor of Baltimore, Md. The men, a stevedore named Jacob Rodinger was drowned.

The lifeless body of Frank Stevenson, colored, aged 17 years, was found standing in a hollow tree near Hagerstown, Maryland. He had taken refuge from the rain, and was struck by lightning.

The Mexican steamer *Aljandaro*, at San Francisco, on Guaymas, Mexico, reported the death of ten men through the burning of the Truifino mine in July last. Two of the victims were Americans.

A six-year-old child of Jacob Mann, a hotel keeper of Hicksville, Long Island, took a large drink of whisky, and died of its effects. She was permitted to go alone to a closet for some medicine for a cold.

The Williamsport express on the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad ran into a freight train on a curve near Hagerstown, seven cars of the latter train being completely wrecked. No one was seriously injured.

The Burton Building, at Chicago, which was damaged by fire some weeks ago, collapsed, burying a number of workmen in the ruins. Joseph Hopp was taken out dead and Nicholas Sever fatally injured.

Miss Alma Bender, of Chicago, was struck by a train and fatally injured at Wheaton, Ill., while attempting to drive across the tracks in the rain. Her companion, Michael Graf, of Wheaton, was seriously injured.

The schooner *Marion* Manson, at Baltimore from Bath, Maine, with ice, reported that during a severe gale on August 24, two of the crew, John Henderson, of Syracuse, N. Y., and Bernard McKinnon, of Philadelphia, were swept overboard and drowned.

Two sections of a freight train on the Cincinnati, St. Louis and Pittsburgh Railroad collided near Columbus, Ohio. James Wears, a stock dealer, of Steubenville, who was sleeping in the caboose, was fatally injured. Engineer Stalz and fireman Gardner were scalded and bruised.

The Arlington Hotel and a number of other buildings at Atchison, Kansas, were unroofed by a heavy wind storm, which was accompanied by torrents of rain. E. Wankler was fatally injured by a falling porch, and a young woman had a narrow escape from being carried into a sewer by the flood of water.

John Bloom and Louis Siff, two men who returned to Helena, Montana, from a trip to the *Coeur de Alene*, report that near Murray, Idaho, they were overtaken by forest fires, and, abandoning their horses and wagons, took refuge in a deserted tunnel, where they were imprisoned for five days without food.

Willie Hawkes, aged twelve years, of Boston, was shot and fatally wounded at St. John, New Brunswick, where he was visiting, by James Bennett, also twelve years old. Bennett found a loaded revolver, and was playing with it when the other boy appeared, whereupon he pointed the weapon at Hawkes and fired.

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## TRADE OF THE WEEK.

### Reports Show Encouraging Prospects in All Directions.

#### Increase in the Volume of Trade in Interior Cities—Government Crop Reports Sustained—Interior Banks Ample Supplied.

Special telegrams to *Bradstreet's* record a visible improvement in the distribution of staples at a majority of cities reporting. At almost all points it is noted that the outlook for the Fall trade is very good. While weather conditions West and Northwest remain very favorably, in Louisiana and Texas too much rain has damaged the crops, particularly cotton, and rendered interior roads so heavy as to materially check trading.

Mercantile collections West and North are generally more favorably. Cattle and hogs are lower. Powder and dynamite mills on Pacific coast have formed a pool. Nearly 61,000 bushels of barley have been shipped from San Francisco to New York.

Cotton and woolen dress fabrics are more active in jobbing circles at N. W. York and Boston, and an average distribution in all lines of domestic staple and department goods is reported. Agents note larger re-orders of reasonable fabrics and more interest is manifested in Spring goods. Prices, as a whole, are well controlled. Print cloths are 1/2% lower on the week, on lighter demand, and low grade Southern goods are weaker, but not notably lower. Foreign goods at New York are in light demand, and the season is unusually late.

The domestic woolen goods situation shows little change. Raw wool is unsettled. Sales are only moderate, and the outlook is uncertain. Sales at conventions are reported, but not notably lower. Cotton is only supplying immediate wants. Cotton is active and speculatively higher on small supplies, late movement of new crop and generally good demand. Liverpool reports an advance of 1/4.

The depression in the sugar market noted for three weeks past still continues. Raw sugar is off 1/2-1/4-1/8 under some pressure to realize. The disinclination of jobbers and others to take freely of refined is still noticeable, and prices were marked down another 1/2% on Wednesday, with only a moderate business resulting. The net consumption of sugar in the United States for six months ended June 30 last is estimated at 751,101 tons, against 710,408 tons in a like portion of 1888, and 693,792 tons in 1887. The profits of the Sugar Trust for six months are stated by Messrs. Willett & Mainin at \$8,433,000, by the non-trust at \$4,455,000. Transactions in coffee, both distributive and speculative, have been heavier than last week, with a gain of fifteen points on the former and about thirty on the latter.

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