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TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

AFTER THE CATASROPHE.

The Dead and Wounded by the Candy Factory Disaster---Considerable Destruction of Property.

NEW YORK, Dec 21.—A morning paper says that a defective boiler and a drunken engineer are understood to have been the cause of the disaster at Greenfield's candy factory. A little after 3 o'clock this morning one body was found, that of a well dressed man, with delicate hands -probably a person passing who was crushed by the falling walls. His head was under a heavy block of stone, which had pressed it into a shapeless mass. It is stated that there were about twenty customers in the store at the time, and the thoroughfare, on which the building faced, was crowded with people. Twenty one were reported to the police last night as missing.

LATER.—It is with the greatest difficulty that the debris can be removed, on account of the crowd surrounding the ruins. Horse car lines in that vicinity are blocked. Moyer & Knapp's engraving, manufacturing and lithographing company's building, directly opposite Greenfield & Son's, escaped with the loss of windows and doors, which were shattered by the explosion. The upper part of the Grocers' Bank was completely gutted, and the marble front building, adjoining to Rogers, Peet & Co, had the appearance of old ruins, the marble looking as if it had been melted. The five-story marble front building, occupied by Rucket & Hendel and Josiah Quincy, dealers in earthenware, also by Day, Hoogland & Sliger, dealers in drugs, was injured by the explosion in having the front windows of the first, third and fourth floors blown in. The force of the explosion was so great that the iron frame work protecting the windows on the first floor was bent inwards. The crockery establishment of James Hineman, 66 Barclay street, was injured in like manner, as well as some of his stock. The front of the store of W H Montague & Co, coffee dealers, on Barclay street, was also damaged in like manner, and the pavement in front was torn away so that the engine room underneath was visible. Tompkins & Co, paper dealers, 65 Barclay street, were entirely burned out. Nos 67, 69 and 71, Barclay street, were badly damaged by fire and water, and several houses in Greenwich street were also badly damaged. Greenfield's loss is estimated at about $175,000—partly insured. The rear walls were taken down so that laborers could dig out the ruins with safety, and look for the bodies.

According to the records of the boiler inspector, two boilers of Greenfield & Son were examined in Nov 1876. Both were locomotive boilers and were tested to 105 pounds pressure, and were allowed 70 pounds. Engineer Phillip Herzebarger was last examined on the 13th of this month and was regarded as competent. A good boiler inspector visited the ruins to-day and found both boilers intact. The sidewalk under which the boilers were situated was not torn up nor destroyed. One boiler was found half full of water and the other nearly so. The inspector said one of the copper tanks, fitted with material for making candy, must have exploded and broke all the lamps—the building being lighted with kerosene—and these added much to the rapidity with which the flames spread.

SPARKS FROM THE WIRES.

Gleanings from the Old and New Worlds—News in a Nutshell.

SOUTH BRAINTREE, MASS, Dec 21.—Last night the large three-story shoe factory of P & N Copeland & Co was burned with its contents, including $10,000 worth of machinery, 3,500 sides of sole leather, a large quantity of finished and partly made goods, patterns, lasts, etc. Loss, from $50 000 to $60,000 One hundred hands thrown out of employment.

BALTIMORE, Dec 21.—Wm Bassey, colored, an escaped murderer from Plymouth, N C, is held here for requisition. He is under sentence of death, January 18th. 1878.

LATER.—Subsequently discharged—a case of mistaken identity.

NEW YORK, Dec 21.—Counterfeit fives of the First National Bank of Hanover, Pennsylvania, are circulating.

PARIS, Dec 21.—The *Evenment* states that in court, yesterday, Cassadon, the Advocate Genl, announced an adjournment, *sine die*, of the consideration of all cases arising from the prosecutions of book-sellers, news dealers and hawkers, instituted subsequent to the 16th of May.

WASHINGTON, Dec 21.—Mr Jefferson, after performing "Rip Van Winkle" all the week to crowded houses, is playing "The Rivals" to-night to a fashionable jam at the National Theatre.

MONTREAL, Dec 21.—Henry and Julius Davis, importing dry good merchants, who swindled banks and general creditors out of a million and a half of dollars, have absconded. Warrants are out for them.

BALTIMORE, Dec 21.—The grand jury found a true bill against Michael Kelley, the murderer of Capt Thos G Whitney, of the American ship, "Marcainea Nottebahm," on the high seas.

ANNAPOLIS, Dec 21.—Henry Norfolk was hanged to-day for wife murder. Four thousand persons, mostly colored, witnessed the execution.

MONTGOMERY, ALA, Dec 21.—J W Moses, a prominent citizen and lawyer, and one of the editors of the *Advertiser*, died here yesterday.

A Murderer Hanged—His Last Words.

CANTON, N Y. Dec 21.—The murderer, Vandyke, was hanged to day. He said on the scaffold: "I will speak a few words to these gentlemen, one and all, old and young. Beware of bad company and liquor. Beware of bad company, for it leads to something worse. May God have mercy on my dear soul. I am not guilty and I am not afraid to meet God this afternoon."

THE GREAT WAR.

Suleiman Pasha Arrives in Constantinople With 10,000 Men—Todleben to be Commander-in-Chief of the Rustchuk Army—Prospects for a Direct Negotiation Decreasing—Possibility of a Conspiracy at Constantinople.

The Excitement in England—The Leading Newspapers Attempt to Allay it.

LONDON, Dec 21.—The *Times'* Vienna correspondent reports that Suleiman Pasha with 10,000 men has arrived at Constantinople from Varna. He goes to Adrianople to take command of the army of Roumelia. Suleiman's circuitous route is explained by the fact that consequence of ice and snow in the Balkan passes, the heavy material is more easily transported by railway to Varna, and thence by sea to Constantinople, than by the more direct route. It is thought at Solfat that a portion of the troops from the quadrilateral have gone to Roumelia by land direct, as the Czarowitch reports the Turkish forces outside of Rustchuk and on the Lower Lom withdrawn.

The *Times'* correspondent at Bucharest says the Czarowitch will probably return to Russia, when Gen Todleben will assume command in chief.

The correspondent of the *Daily News* at Orsova, sends the report that Gen Todleben has arrived at Orsova to arrange the bombardment of Abakalach. This report seems doubtful.

The Vienna correspondent of the *Times* telegraphs the following: "Since the failure of the Turkish note to the powers, the idea of direct negotiations between Turkey and Russia appears to find more advocates. It is supposed that even Great Britain has somewhat abated her objections to such a course, and advised the Porte to try, if possible, to ascertain the Russian conditions. The Porte, however, seems to have little inclination for such a course. All its energies seem bent on the defense of Roumelia. It is thought also that the Turkish Parliament, to which the Porte declared its intention of submitting the question, will approve the negotiations."

A dispatch to the *Times* from Pera, says: "The Russian concentration for an attack upon Erzeroum on the north has failed and the attack is now improbable. The Russians are suffering for provisions and forage."

LONDON, Dec 21.—The Vienna correspondent of the *Times* telegraphs: "Although all apprehensions of the Seraglio conspiracies and *coups d'etat* at Constantinople seem to have disappeared, the least thing is sufficient to revive them. Thus the unexpected appearance of Suleiman Pasha at Constantinople with 10,000 men has given rise to fear that something of the kind is impending. In these circumstances it is not surprising that the Sultan and his government should seek support in Parliament, and make it share in the responsibilty for the course to be followed."

A previous dispatch said: "The Turkish Parliament to whom the Porte declared its intention of submitting the question will oppose negotiations with Russia."

The *Times'* correspondent continues: "This movement of Suleiman Pasha and other reports of the withdrawal of the Turkish field forces from about Rasgrad seem to indicate that in the quadrilateral necessary garrisons have been left to make the best defense they can. It appears, moreover, that their energies will soon be taxed for it is officially announced that Gen Todleben has been appointed commander-in-chief of the Rustchuk army. This looks as if the siege of Rustchuk were imminent Likewise Gen Zimmerman will probably sieze the opportunity of advancing against Silistria. There is nothing as yet to indicate the destination of of the bulk of the army of the Czarewitch. It is to advance on Shumla or to join the force at Tirnova, and thence advance across the Balkans. It will take some time before operations on a large scale will be possible, although the movement of troops from Plevna in various directions has begun. Some days must pass before the influence at the front is felt. It is not sufficient merely to send the troops necessary to organize the whole supply service for many miles. This is not so easy as catering to the same troops when at Plevna, where stores had been amassed sufficient to last for months. According to the latest accounts, the successive appearance of snow, rain, frost and thaw had very much broken up the roads in the Balkans. There is snow several inches deep at Bucharest, and the weather is exceedingly trying."

LONDON, Dec 21.—The *Times'* leading article is carefully directed to allaying excitement on eastern matters and counteracting the effect of the wild rumors. It concludes: "No course can be more reasonable and obvious than that at this juncture the government should desire to consult with Parliament as soon as it can without unnecessary inconvenience, whether they contemplate interference or mediation or simply the means of securing a good position in the final settlement of the questions. They cannot but feel the need of Parliamentary support. As soon as Parliament is called together we shall have the main considerations on all sides of the great issue forcibly stated and clearly argued. The nation will have an opportunity of weighing the various courses recommended to it. The ministry will see whether they can honorably assume, as they have on the whole had a right to assume hitherto, that they are carrying into effect the wishes of the country at large; and both at home and abroad we shall see our way more clearly. It does not seem necessary to look beyond these plain considerations in order to understand why the ministers have decided to summon Parliament at the earliest convenient date."

ST PETERSBURG, Dec 21.—The *Galos* publishes an article upon the early meeting of the British Parliament, and the possible measures of the English cabinet. The article declares that Russia may await without anxiety the issue of this political episode, and may quietly continue the work which she began in the firm conviction that British intrigue will in no way hinder the triumph of Russia.

WASHINGTON NEWS AND GOSSIP.

Senator Patterson Dangerously Ill---All Quiet in Texas---A Jackson Celebration to be Held.

WASHINGTON, Dec 21.—A dispatch has been sent for Senator Patterson's friends. His dissolution is imminent.

The War Department has received the following:

CHICAGO, Dec 21.—Gen E D Townsend: The following dispatch has just been received from Gen Pope. He has been directed to send troops to San Elizario without any further elady.

P H SHERIDAN

"Everything is reported quiet at El Paso. San Elizario will be occupied the moment troops enough arrive at El Paso. POPE"

A dispatch to the Commissioner General of the Land Office, reports E McB Tinoney honorably acquitted of charging illegal fees as register of the land office at Boise City, Idaho.

The Democratic Jackson Association has made arrangements for the celebration of the anniversary of the battle of New Orleans. Representative Stephens, of Georgia, Senator Voorhees, of Indiana, and Senator Jones, of Florida, have consented to speak on the occasion if time and opportunity permit.

Ministerial Troubles at Rome.

LONDON, Dec 21.—A dispatch from Rome to the *Times* says: "The ministerial crisis continues. The Chamber of Deputies adjourned, yesterday, indefinitely. The government meets with fresh opposition in the Senate. There are increasing difficulties in the formation of the ministry. There is little chance of Signors Depretes and Crispi succeeding."