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MANY ARE MISSING

Who V^{State Library} Guests or Employees at the Windsor Hotel.

Those Who Died Outside the Hotel Now Number Ten.

Careful Search of the Ruins Will Begin Today.

One Thousand Men will be Put to Work—Forty of the Guests Unaccounted For.

New York, March 18.—The number of those positively known to have lost their lives in the Windsor hotel fire was increased to ten today by the death in the hospital of two of the injured. All the dead have been identified. The hotel register has been found and shows 212 registered Friday. Of these forty have not yet reported themselves safe, though many doubtless are safe. Proprietor Leland says the employees numbered between 200 and 300, and that there were many St. Patrick's day sight-seers in the building when the fire occurred.

Many persons are reported to the police as missing or inquired for outside. Among the guests not accounted for is Joseph Haworth, the actor, who went to the hotel Friday and did not return to the Players' Club, where he lived. It was almost impossible to begin the search for bodies today, the fire engines being kept busy throwing water on the burning pile of debris. The real search will begin tomorrow, and Building Inspector Brady will employ one thousand men in clearing the ruins.

When the work started today there were several tall chimneys standing to which clung parts of the interior walls. All the chimneys but one were blown up by dynamite this afternoon. The only discovery today was a valise belonging to B. W. Jones, an Englishman, who was a guest at the hotel, but who was not there at the time of the fire. Precautions have been taken against thefts by the workmen of the large amount of jewelry and other valuables in the ruins. The names of the two additional persons who have died from injuries received in escaping from the hotel are Kate Flannigan, a chambermaid, and Mrs. M. P. Henry, a guest.

SALE OF THE H. AND B.

The Toxaway Company Invests in the Railroad and Will Develop It.

Brevard, N. C., March 18.—The Hendersonville and Brevard railroad was sold today to the Toxaway company for the amount of the indebtedness, about \$55,000.

Sometime ago the Toxaway company offered \$40,000 for the property but the offer was refused.

The Toxaway company, who own the Sapphire Inn and surrounding country with its pretty lakes, it is expected will develop the Brevard and Hendersonville road and extend it to a point near where they have built their great hotels and where it is expected they will eventually engage in mining enterprises. The company is composed of wealthy capitalists of Pittsburg, Pa.

MILLINERY

--- OPENING

My Spring Opening of Pattern Hats and Novelties will take place FRIDAY, MARCH 24th. Mrs. Lon Mitchell, 12 Church Street.

CUBAN ASSEMBLY HAS THE LISTS

Necessary to Have Them in Order to Distribute the \$3,000,000.

Havana, March 18.—Inspector-General Roboff, of the Cuban army, who has been helping Gomez, now says the rolls of the army have been delivered to the assembly, which is the superior power. Only the assembly has the complete lists, and it will be necessary, he says, to have an understanding with the assembly regarding the distribution of the \$3,000,000 to be paid the troops.

TROOPS LEAVE CUBA TODAY

Beginning the Movement of the Volunteers for Muster Out.

Washington, March 18.—The list of regiments to be brought home from Cuba was prepared today. The Second Louisiana leaves Havana tomorrow on the steamer Havana and will come to Savannah for muster out. Soon after the Logan will bring the Third Georgia from Nuevitas, and the First Texas will be brought to Savannah by the Kilpatrick and Florida. The Second South Carolina will come to Tampa on the Plant line steamers. Other regiments soon to follow are the First North Carolina, on the Vigilancia; the Fourth Virginia, on the Dixie; the Third Kentucky, on the Kentucky, and the Fourth Tennessee, on the Havana.

THE FIGHTING IN THE PHILIPPINES

Manila, March 19.—Three companies of the Twenty-second infantry had an engagement with a force of insurgents last night near Paterno. The American losses were two killed and fifteen wounded. The losses of the enemy are not known but are considerable.

THE OREGON AT MANILA.

Washington, March 18.—The following has been received today from Admiral Dewey: "Manila, March 18.—Secretary of the Navy, Washington: The Oregon and Iris arrived today. The Oregon is in fit condition for any duty. (Signed) DEWEY.

A CHILD DROWNED.

A sad drowning occurred in the headwaters of the south prong of Reems creek Friday evening. The two year old child of Thomas Jones, who lives in the neighborhood, was playing on the banks of the stream with some companions. The heavy rains had weakened the banks and as the infant ventured to the edge of the water, its weight caused the bank to give way. It tumbled into the stream, carrying the baby with it. Mr. Jones and some neighbors were informed of the accident by the children and hastened to the spot. It is said that they have recovered the body.

DEFENDS YANCEY COUNTY.

Burnsville, N. C., March 16, 1899. Editor of the Gazette: Please allow me to state through your paper that the report in the Gazette of the 11th, in regard to the killing near Bald Creek in Yancey county, is also largely false.

There has been but one killing in Yancey county in twelve months, and that was Dud Horton, who was shot by Woodfin Horton in Pines Creek town ship March 4. There was a drunken row on Indian Creek a few days ago, in which Green Austin stabbed Riley Blankenship. Blankenship is still living, and in all probability will recover. A tragedy did occur on Jack's creek last week, in which James Evans struck his brother, John Evans, with an axe, but the latter is improving and Dr. Austin says will be up in a few days. Neither party was under the influence of whiskey. A dispute over some timber caused the trouble. This is not the first instance in which the newspapers have overdrawn the picture of such affairs in Yancey county. It is to be hoped that those who report these things in the future will be more careful. T. W. ROLAND.

WOOD'S SEEDS.

Wood's seeds are peculiarly adapted to the soil and climate of the South. Sold at Grant's Pharmacy. Why pay two prices for a woman who bed spring when you can buy the best spring on the market direct from the factory from A. & M. at No. 10 Court Square for \$1.50. Also shuck and cotton matting from \$1.50 up. NEW SCREENS \$1.98 EACH. Just opened a new lot of eye and a half inch high, Oak and Silkaline. In a low price and the price is right. J. H. LAY, 35 Patton Avenue.

TORNADOES AND FLOODS

Tennessee Overflowing Its Banks at Chattanooga.

Bridges Washed Away and Railway Trains Annulled.

Reported Deaths in Alabama From Fierce Gales.

An Arkansas Town Swept Away, and Telegraphic Communication Cut Off From Many Places.

Chattanooga, Tenn., March 18.—Remarkably heavy storms prevailed over East Tennessee today, almost four inches of rain falling. The Tennessee river is again rising rapidly and will reach nearly forty-five feet here. The danger line is thirty-three feet. A terrific rain, hail and electric storm swept over the city at 7 o'clock tonight, doing great damage. The entire country is flooded, many bridges being already washed away. East bound trains on the Southern have been annulled.

TOWN WRECKED BY TORNADO

Fears That Other Arkansas Villages have Suffered.

Pine Bluff, Ark., March 18.—Robroy, a small town eight miles from here, was destroyed at noon today by a terrific wind storm. The Cotton Belt railway station is the only building left standing.

But one person was killed. It is feared that other towns have suffered, but communication has been cut off from most in almost every direction.

KILLED BY TORNADO.

Birmingham, Ala., March 18.—A frightful tornado occurred near Edwardsville today and seven persons are reported to have been killed.

SHERMAN MUCH BETTER.

Washington, March 18. Gen. Miles received a cablegram from Ponce tonight stating that ex-Secretary of State Sherman was decidedly better.

FIRE AT AMESBURY.

Amesbury, Mass., March 18.—Fire destroyed this morning three of the largest business blocks in the city and one church. Loss, \$250,000.

OAK STANDS FOR UMBRELLAS AND POTS from 45c up to \$2.00 each. New pattern. J. H. Law, 35 Patton Avenue.

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A Perfect Coffee

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Scientifically Blended and Roasted.

It makes a Delicious drink.

Snider's, On the Square

NO SENATOR IN CALIFORNIA

Grant and Burns in the Same Position as at the Beginning of the Contest.

Sacramento, Cal., March 18.—After nineteen ballots and great excitement for six hours the joint convention of the legislature adjourned this evening without having elected a senator to succeed White. It is unlikely that there will be any more balloting, though should the legislature not finish its business tonight and hold a Monday session, the joint convention would be forced to meet. The general opinion is, however, that the great struggle has ended, with Grant and Burns holding the same position as when the contest began.

THE STOCK MARKET.

Features of the Past Week—Haven and Stout's Review.

New York, March 18.—American Tobacco closed at 210; Sugar, 171 3-4; New York Central, 132 1-2; Union Pacific preferred, 78 1-2.

Special to the Gazette.

New York, March 18.—Haven & Stout in their review of the week today, say. Sensational developments in such a prominent speculative stock as American Sugar Refining have been the event of the week, and necessarily obscured everything else in the stock market. The sudden rise and violent fluctuations in Sugar resulted in rapid covering by the short interest which the professional traders had accumulated during the past fortnight, and thus interrupted the course which the market seems likely to pursue, in obedience to such general influences as money, the during February and the current month. The leaders of the market and the large interests in charge of active speculative properties had, it is true, betrayed no anxiety about the future of prices. Up to last Thursday, when the sudden developments in regard to Sugar changed the general character of the market, their attitude had been passive as regards the general list, although various specialties had been in receipt of support which demonstrated that a buying demand still exists and is attracted by movements in stocks, which present plausible reason for appreciation. It would have indeed seemed that the big people were not averse to the creation of a short interest in the railroad share list, and, on the other hand, the board room professionals and the outside operators who reason the same way, showed eagerness to sell, at least for a turn on the bear side. The thirty point rise in Sugar has not been the only sensational episode. The course of Tobacco stocks attracted great attention. American Tobacco's rise to 216 seemed to confirm the anticipated distribution of a 100 per cent. dividend and to give credit to the predictions that with the whole trade in its hands the company can pay large dividends on its increased stock. Continental Tobacco, its offshoot, was listed this week, though the increased market for it naturally brought realizing sales.

OPPORTUNITY.

FOR THE PEOPLE OF ASHEVILLE. I have made up my mind to go to Porto Rico. I will close out my entire stock at 25 per cent. less than cost. Clothing, gent's furnishing goods, hats and underwear, merchant tailor's cloth and cloth for ladies' tailor made suits, also store pictures. Entire stock must go. I. W. GLASER, 24 South Main street, Asheville.

STILL THE FIGURES

Testimony Continues on Dickerson's Accounts.

Richmond Witnesses Tell Where money on Checks Went To

Ex-Teller S. T. Dorsett Resumes His Evidence.

Adjournment Until Monday—Case Likely to Last Through the Present Week.

At the Dickerson trial yesterday morning Judge Bynum announced that the Richmond, Va., witnesses, who had been summoned here, were anxious to return home, and he wished to take their testimony and allow them to return home. The attorneys for the defense being entirely willing, the witnesses were immediately called.

F. W. Cunningham, city tax collector of Richmond, was sworn and testified that the check handed him was sent to him in Richmond for the purpose of paying the taxes of Mrs. C. B. Alvey, Mr. Dickerson's sister-in-law. The amount was \$63.36.

On cross examination witness was asked:

"What was the general character of J. E. Dickerson up to the time he left your city?"

"Excellent."

H. L. Hulce, of the Old Dominion Building and Loan association, Richmond, was sworn. He testified that the check handed him was sent him by J. E. Dickerson to cover his collections for the association during June.

Several reports to the association by Dickerson were handed the witness and he was asked:

"In whose handwriting are they?"

"J. E. Dickerson's; they show that he sent by check \$273 on June 14, 1897; May 17, \$273; April 19, \$273; March 15, \$273; February 23, \$273; January 20, \$273; December 14, \$279; November 27, \$279; October 26, \$279; September 30, \$273; August 21, \$273; June 30, \$267; June 22, 1896, \$252; June 18, \$70.56; May 16, \$264; April 16, \$264."

"What were the duties of Dickerson as local agent?"

"To receive the dues of the stockholders in the association and report them to the officers."

"How many shares did he own?"

"He owned ninety shares. His monthly dues were \$4. The par value of his shares was \$9,000. He withdrew his stock on November 15, 1897, and the association paid him \$1,293."

Cross examination: "The most convenient and business-like way would be to deposit the money in a bank and check it out?"

"Yes. Nine-tenths of our collectors do that."

"What was Dickerson's general reputation?"

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For Less Than It is Worth?

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THE BEST.

Is what we sell the most of We have to-day;

- Crystalized Cube Ginger,
- Crystalized Mandarin Ginger,
- Crystalized Oranges,
- Crystalized Cube Pine Apple,
- Japanese Rice Candy,
- Japanese Teiche Nuts,
- Stuffed Prunes,
- Stuffed Dates,
- Stuffed Figs,
- Shelled Pecans,
- Lowney's Candies.

You will not find such an elegant line of Table Confections South of Baltimore.

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WHOLESALE AND RETAIL FANCY GROCER, 53 Patton Avenue.

Hwyler's Candles

Received today (Saturday)

- Jordan Almonds,
- Burnt Chocolate Almonds,
- Salted Almonds.

Taffy, Assorted, Molasses Candy, Marshmallows, Caramels.

Chocolate Peppermint, Bonbons and Chocolates, Mixed Chocolates, Candied Fruits.

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