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SEARCHING IN THE RUINS

Slow Progress in Recovering Bodies at the Scene of the New York Disaster.

Only Three Discovered Up to Midnight Last Night.

Number of Missing Reported by the Police is Twenty-Eight.

Mystery of the Cause of the Terrible Explosion.

OWNERS OF THE DRUG HOUSE DENY THAT ANY NITRO-GLYCERINE WAS IN THE ESTABLISHMENT - A THEORY OF CHEMICAL CHANGES.

New York, Oct. 30.—Up to midnight only three fragments of bodies had been found in the ruins of the buildings destroyed by the explosion at Tarrant's drug house. One body was seen protruding from a mass of debris in the building opposite Tarrant's establishment. The latest police returns reduce the number of missing to 28.

The search for bodies in the ruins of the building occupied by Tarrant & Co., which was kept up all night, was without result until after 8 o'clock this morning. Deputy Fire Chief Ahern reported that the body of a woman had been located under the wreckage in the rear of the Home Made restaurant and added that he feared about twenty bodies would be found at this point as he had been informed that many women were on the fire escapes of the restaurant a few minutes before the Tarrant building collapsed and that they ran into the building just before the big explosion. Some of those reported missing returned to their homes during the night.

Today about 1,000 men have been at work on the wreckage and the firemen were playing streams of water into the half burned buildings on Washington street below Warren. Seven fire engines were still on the ground.

Superintendent of Buildings Dooner aimed to get the debris cleared away so that the bodies might be reached before night. He declared that a dozen buildings would have to be torn down.

Sanitary Superintendent Roberts said that between 150 and 200 tons of fruit and vegetables were in the ruins. He said much of this had spoiled and some of the offensive odor ascribed to dead bodies was really caused by decaying vegetable matter.

Explaining his statement that a dozen buildings would have to be torn down Superintendent Dooner said:

"More important than finding the dead is the protection of the living. The force of the explosion has impaired many buildings in the vicinity. I cannot think of letting men work in them while there is a possibility that they may come down. I believe the buildings along the south side of Chambers street from Greenwich to Washington streets and on Washington street from Chambers to Warren have been made unfit for occupancy. They will be thoroughly examined immediately and until I am sure of them I will not allow the proprietors to open them for business.

"Forty buildings were damaged by the explosion. I place the property loss at \$2,000,000."

Dr. Feeny, chief inspector of the health department, was at the explosion today.

"This havoc was never wrought by benzine or naphtha," he said. "I believe it was nitro-glycerine. It is used very largely nowadays by physicians as a heart stimulant and Tarrant & Co., wholesale druggists, would have had to supply it. The stuff is used in a very weak solution. Usually it is from one-tenth of one per cent to one per cent. If Tarrant & Co. had 25 pounds of nitro-glycerine in their place it would have blown a building like theirs into fragments."

George F. Murray, inspector of com-

bustibles, gave out the following statement today:

"It is my opinion that the explosion was due to chemical action which took place during the compounding of drugs. Just what the exact cause was we cannot tell until we can get the formulas used in compounding, and can get the employees on the witness stand before the fire marshal.

"The company had a permit to store colodion, ether and phosphorus in small quantities, a barrel of alcohol, two gallons of benzine, one carboy of sulphuric acid and one carboy of nitric acid.

"If all these should blow up together, I don't think it would be heavy enough to make such a terrific explosion. This is why I am of the opinion that the explosion was due to chemical change."

President Main, of Tarrant & Co., said today:

"In our stock we had not more than a few pounds of ether, we had no benzine and no colodion. When we needed any of these articles to fill orders we bought it from dealers. We had very little alcohol in stock notwithstanding the fact that we use a considerable quantity in making our perfumes. We had absolutely no nitro-glycerine and gunpowder.

"All our employees but two have been accounted for."

SENATOR PRITCHARD SPEAKS AT RALEIGH

Addresses a Large and Appreciative Audience at Metropolitan Hall.

Raleigh, N. C., Oct. 30.—Senator Pritchard delivered a speech in Metropolitan hall to a large and appreciative audience tonight. The main floor of the hall was filled with whites, while the gallery was crowded with the colored people. Fully three-fourths of the whites were democrats. The senator, although suffering with a severe cold made a very effective address, which captivated the audience, judging from their attention and applause throughout the evening. The sincerity of his speech and manner was a strong feature in holding the attention, while the argument in favor of the present republican administration being continued four years longer was unanswerable. Raleigh was delighted with the senator.

CLEVELAND DENIES AN ALLEGED INTERVIEW

In Which He Was Quoted as Predicting a Landslide for Bryan.

Princeton, Oct. 30.—Cleveland brands as an absolute fake the interview in the Philadelphia Times in which he was quoted as saying that Bryan would have a landslide. He says he never uttered a word to any human being that affords the least pretext for such a mendacious statement. Cleveland is exceedingly worked up over the matter. He telegraphed a denial of the interview to the Times.

BIG RAILROAD SWINDLE.

Chicago Oct. 30.—A despatch to the Record from Vancouver, B. C., says that detectives have discovered a swindle whereby railway conductors, ticket agents, hotel runners, baggage men and others have swindled the Canadian Pacific out of between \$500,000 and \$1,000,000 by repeated re-use of regulation tickets, hat checks, etc.

PLAGUE INFECTED PORTS.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 30.—The Russian plague commission announces that Port Said, Beader Abbas and Bushir are now infected with the disease.

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DRUG STORE NEWS.

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PROGRESS OF PEACE NEGOTIATIONS

Li and Ching the Real Rulers in China - Question of Indemnity to Native Christians.

Washington, Oct. 30.—Advices received at the state department from Minister Conger show that satisfactory progress is being made by the foreign ministers at Peking in formulating propositions which they will submit to the Chinese peace envoys as a basis for the peace negotiations.

The department's advices indicate that Li Hung Chang and Prince Ching constitute the supreme authority in China. They make suggestions to the emperor in a perfunctory way, but are proceeding as they see fit without regard to the opinions which the throne may have.

Peking, Oct. 30.—A meeting of the diplomats was held this morning to consider the form of negotiations for a settlement of the China difficulty. The decision arrived at is kept secret in order to prevent any information reaching the Chinese.

AN ARMISTICE PROPOSED.

Peking, Oct. 29.—The ministers have discussed the advisability of the allied government declaring an armistice and suspending operations pending the peace negotiations. Some oppose this, saying that the country is not subdued, while others contend that expeditions like that of Paoting Fu are not consistent with a desire for peace, and they are calculated to defer the return of the court to Peking.

A question involving serious discussion to the payment of an indemnity to native Christians, for which, it is claimed, that China is responsible under treaties with the powers in which she agreed that converts should not be molested. If payment is insisted upon the question will assume tremendous proportions as a conservative estimate is that 40,000 converts were killed and 100,000 suffered personal injuries or damage to property.

All the ministers concur in demanding the punishment of General Tung Fu Hsiang, commander of the Imperial troops. There are frequent rows between the Germans and Chinese. The Imperial troops met a force of boxers at Chew Chow and killed seventy.

FRENCH NOTE DISCUSSED.

Peking, via Shanghai, Oct. 30.—At a meeting of the ministers the general terms of the French note were discussed but without action. The meeting adjourned to November 1. The differences between the ministers are not serious, and they hope to complete the work in six or seven meetings. The ministers are desirous of the return of the government to the capital to assert its authority and carry out the agreements made by its representatives. It is promised that the court will return as soon as peace negotiations are actually commenced.

Chaffee has been making an investigation of complaints of looting by visitors to the forbidden city. Visitors to the city are now pledged that they will take nothing from the place.

ROOSEVELT SPEAKS OF ORDERLY LIBERTY

Talk Inspired by the Disorder at Elmira - Bryanism and Violence.

Bath, N. Y., Oct. 30.—The first stop of the day of the Roosevelt train was made at Corning, the home of the club which had a mix-up last night during the parade at Elmira. It was raining quite hard when the train got to the station, but still there was a dense crowd awaiting it, and as the governor remarked: "More umbrellas than I have ever seen in my life before."

It was sometime before the governor could speak because of the cheering, but finally he said:

"It is perfectly evident that Corning has not been daunted by its reception at Elmira last night. It indicates this, that you have good stuff in you here."

"So have you," shouted one of his hearers.

"And I think," continued the gov-

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7 Room House, unfurnished, per mo. 25
8 Room House, unfurnished, per mo. 20
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error, "that sooner or later our opponents will grow to understand that mob violence is not the way to try to keep republicans back. We have a right to appeal not merely to republicans but to every citizen who believes in orderly liberty under the law, and who is against mob violence in all of its forms to stand with us and not merely next Tuesday overthrow Bryanism, but stamp it under foot so that it shall never come up.

"You may have noticed in this morning's papers that another mob yesterday broke up Senator Depew's meeting at Cobleskill. Mr. Bryan spoke there in the morning and was listened to with due respect, and then when Senator Depew came up there later in the day they broke up his meeting by violence and refused to listen to him.

"Your fellow townsmen who have come back today, they have not merely been maltreated scandalously by a mob which wished to break up the meeting and procession last night.

"Now, fundamentally, this contest is a contest against just that type of thing. It is absolutely impossible that the kind of canvass which our opponents have waged could be waged without exciting just the spirit that was manifested last night. When Mr. Bryan's supporters, his chief supporters, on the stump and in the press, appeal to the basest passion in mankind and seek to persuade some of our people that they are being cruelly wronged by others and must avenge themselves, when that is done, it is simply a provocative to violence. We can afford to differ on the questions of law and order, of the right of peaceable meeting, of peaceable gathering, of non-interruption of speech. Not only do our opponents, when they act as they did yesterday, cast shame upon themselves but they cast shame upon the country.

"It is an outrage," continued the governor, "that any party should conduct a campaign so as to inflame a spirit like that which was manifested last evening.

"I want to make an appeal also on the ground of our policies. You know whether or not in Corning you have prospered during the last four years. Mr. Bryan speaks about trusts and his proposed remedy is to take the tariff off any article in which the trust is in any way concerned. How would you like the tariff taken off of cut glass?"

"No, no, no," came from the crowd. "I ask you to support our cause," continued the governor, "because under it you have prospered."

THREE LIVES LOST IN MINE EXPLOSION

Caused by Accumulation of Gas During the Recent Strike.

Wilkesbarre, Oct. 30.—By an explosion of gas which accumulated during the strike in No. one mine of the Kingston Coal company, at Edwardsville, today three persons were killed and four injured. The latter were seriously burned and are not expected to recover. Twenty-five other miners are entombed and rescuers are working in an effort to reach them. The mine was badly wrecked. There is great excitement about the shaft of the mine, where crowds of women and children were gathered to learn if members of their families were among the victims. The explosion was caused by gas coming in contact with the naked lamps of the miners. Two bodies were taken out of the mine late tonight.

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THE CENSUS FOR 1900

Population of United States Has Increased 21 Per Cent. in 10 Years.

It is Now 76,295,220 Against 63,069,676, in 1890.

North Carolina Shows a Present Total of 1,891,992.

Official Announcement of the Figures for all States.

ALASKAN FIGURES DERIVED FROM PARTIAL RETURNS INDICATE A POPULATION OF 44,000—HAWAII 154,000.

Washington, Oct. 30.—The official announcement of the total population of the United States for 1900 is 76,295,220, of which 74,627,907 are contained in the forty-five states representing approximately the population to be used for apportionment purposes. There is a total of 134,158 Indians not taxed. The total population in 1890, with which the aggregate population of the present census should be compared, was 63,069,676. Taking the 1890 population as a basis there has been a gain in population of 13,225,444 during the past ten years representing an increase of nearly 21 per cent.

The population of North Carolina is 1,891,992. Following is the official announcement of the population of the United States in 1900 by states. In the figures in the first column is represented the census of 1900, and the second for 1890.

States.	1900.	1890.
Alabama.....	1,328,655	1,138,017
Arkansas.....	1,311,564	1,128,179
California.....	1,485,053	1,208,130
Colorado.....	599,700	412,198
Connecticut.....	908,335	746,258
Delaware.....	184,735	163,493
Florida.....	528,540	591,372
Georgia.....	2,281,627	1,837,587
Idaho.....	161,771	84,285
Illinois.....	4,821,560	3,826,251
Indiana.....	2,516,463	2,192,404
Iowa.....	2,251,829	1,911,896
Kansas.....	1,469,496	1,427,096
Kentucky.....	2,147,174	2,141,174
Louisiana.....	1,281,627	1,187,587
Maine.....	694,366	661,088
Maryland.....	1,189,946	1,042,890
Massachusetts.....	2,805,246	2,238,943
Michigan.....	2,419,732	2,093,880
Minnesota.....	1,761,395	1,301,826
Mississippi.....	1,511,372	1,299,600
Missouri.....	2,107,117	1,679,184
Montana.....	243,289	132,159
Nebraska.....	1,068,901	1,058,910
Nevada.....	42,334	45,761
New Hampshire.....	411,588	376,630
New Jersey.....	1,883,669	1,444,833
New York.....	7,268,909	5,997,853
North Carolina.....	1,891,992	1,617,947
North Dakota.....	319,040	182,719
Ohio.....	4,157,545	3,672,315
Oregon.....	413,532	313,767
Pennsylvania.....	6,301,865	5,258,014
Rhode Island.....	428,552	345,504
South Carolina.....	1,240,312	1,151,149
South Dakota.....	401,559	328,808
Tennessee.....	2,022,723	1,767,518
Texas.....	3,048,082	2,235,523
Utah.....	276,565	207,905
Vermont.....	345,641	332,422
Virginia.....	1,854,184	1,655,980
Washington.....	517,672	349,890
West Virginia.....	968,900	762,794
Wisconsin.....	2,068,963	1,686,880
Wyoming.....	92,531	60,765

Total for 45 states..... 74,627,907 62,116,811
Alaska (estimated)..... 44,000 32,052
Arizona..... 122,212 59,620
Dist. of Columbia..... 278,718 230,892
Hawaii..... 154,000 89,990
Indian territory..... 391,960 180,182
New Mexico..... 193,777 153,583
Oklahoma..... 398,245 61,534
Persons in the service of the United States abroad (est.) 84,400
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