

UNDER WATER.

Thirteen Parishes Overflooded and Ruined. No Pen Can Paint the Picture of Destruction.

Reports Have Been Printed for Weeks of Broken Levees, but People have Hoped Against Hope—Homes and Friends are Swept Before the Rushing Waters—The Piteous Wallings of Starving, Drowning Animals—Awful Scenes.

NEW ORLEANS, April 25.—Point Pleasant levee, Tensas parish, has been swept away. Point Pleasant is twenty-three miles below Vicksburg, and is one of the most important levees on the Tensas front.

Ruin and destruction meets the eye on every side of Point Coupee parish. The destruction is complete. Not a plantation is left above water; not a levee unbroken, and hundreds of families are homeless. Thousands of stock have been drowned, and from the meager reports received from the interior it is quite probable that human life has been sacrificed to the flood.

Scenes of Grief and Sorrow. Grouped together in little knots between the broken levees, through which the water rushed with ungovernable fury, were scores of people—whites and blacks—some with babies in their arms, while others had dogs scented in coats. Many of them had nothing else in the world except the clothes they wore on their backs.

Had a Home Monday—Now Nothing. A family named Lurie, residing several miles above Bayou Sara, has just been rescued. There were fifteen people in the family. Monday they were prosperous, being owners of a large plantation, a well equipped store, and one hundred head of stock.

Saving People and Stock. The Daughters is a busy boat. After discharging her cargo at Grand Bay, she proceeded directly to Old River, where she rescued 200 head of cattle that had been in the swamp for days.

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the neighborhood of Watsonville, in some localities as many as a dozen distinct shocks were felt. At Mayfield the shock was very severe. A railroad bridge was rendered impassable, the ground in places settling six to twelve inches.

RUSSIA TOOK NO PART. Das Discusses the Questions of the Berlin Labor Conference.

LONDON, April 27.—Although the Russian government, for various reasons, chiefly because of the peculiar social and economic condition of the country, took no part in the labor conference recently held in Berlin, it is stated that some of the least of the questions there discussed have found consideration in the councils of the northern empire.

The action of the imperial council in refusing to attend the conference, the employment in factories and workshops of children under twelve years of age, is a concession to popular demand, and the dictates of humanity form its most surprising feature.

But it may be that the czar is following cautiously in the wake of his brother monarch of Germany in a re-organization of the labor system of the country, and if this be true, as it is hoped, it is a more important change will doubtless be made in the near future.

In any event the people of Russia may be thankful for the slight benefit conferred upon them by the Berlin conference that there are among them persons of too tender a heart to be subjected to confinement in close workshops and the exacting of brutal punishments, a fact which is also a source of pride to the Russian people.

PILLAGED BY A MOB. Jewish Shops and Dwellings in Hlala. Eleven Persons Killed.

WASSAU, April 26.—An riotous mob numbering 4,000 persons after invading the town of Hlala, in the government of Hlala, in the government of Swedlow, Galicia, sacked the shops and dwellings of the Jewish residents. The troops were called out and eleven persons were killed and many wounded.

The Duke of Orleans. PARIS, April 26.—It is stated that the Duke of Orleans has refused to accept his liberty on the terms proposed by the government. He is also reported to be that the young duke will, while yet in prison, marry his cousin, the Princess Marguerite de Clary.

DIVORCE LAWYERS AND DETECTIVES. A New York World Reporter Investigates Their Practices.

NEW YORK, April 26.—The World reporter who set out to investigate the practices of divorce detectives and divorce lawyers in this city, the reporter found that in every case of women who had regular employment in holding their own, these women were often can be led to quit their jobs and to accept of a large sum of money for their divorce.

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FALLING WALLS.

Fatally Injure Several Persons at Catastrophe, Pa. Largest Silk Mill in the Lehigh Valley Burned.

The Alarm Mistaken for the 7-O'clock Whistle and the Conflagration Gates Great Headway—An Explosion Shatters the Building and a Number of Men Are Caught in the Wreck.

CATAWAUGA, Pa., April 26.—The large new building of the Union Silk Manufacturing company, at this place, was discovered to be on fire about 6 o'clock Thursday morning. The alarm how the fire company, which are composed of volunteer workmen from the different factories, factories and mills, were under the impression that the windows were merely calling them to their daily labor, and did not respond until the fire had a headway of about twenty minutes.

Upon the arrival of the fire engines at the scene there was another delay in securing a sufficient supply of water, by the time the firemen had succeeded in obtaining a sufficient power to throw streams on the burning structure, it was one mass of flames.

The heat was intense, but not withstanding this the firemen worked like leviathans in the hope of saving the rooms and engine-house. While busily engaged in their efforts to check the flames, a violent explosion occurred and other articles on the premises took place. The explosion shook the ground and shattered the building.

Before the firemen could retreat several of their number were caught by the falling walls. In many instances they were injured by the falling debris. The firemen directed several streams upon that part of the burning ruin under which their companions lay buried, and the work of rescue was on foot.

Up to 10:30 the following had been taken out: John Good, aged 27, crushed to death. He leaves a widow. He was one of the most popular young men in the neighborhood. Joseph Ledwith, an Italian, also crushed to death.

Clayton G. Everett, aged 18, fatally injured. George Paul fatally injured. Charles Frick, 35, all fractured and terribly injured. Michael Morgan, internally injured, cannot live.

William Fries, head out. William E. Schumacher, leg broken and badly injured. Thomas James, severely burned and hit with flying debris; injured about the head and body.

George Froun, slightly injured about the head. Peter Berhammer, cut about the head and body by flying glass and other debris. At that time two persons were still in the ruins. Their names were not known.

Many persons, spectators and others, were injured slightly by flying particles. The fire is supposed to have been caused by the explosion of one of the boilers in the engine house. At 11 o'clock the fire was under control.

The headquarters of the company are 320 Green street, New York. The total loss is placed at \$110,000, divided as follows: building, \$30,000; machinery, \$25,000; stock, \$35,000; partly insured.

SHERIDAN EQUESTRIAN STATUE. To Be Placed Where It Will Be Seen by Every Visitor to Washington.

WASHINGTON, April 26.—The site has been decided upon for the equestrian statue of Gen. Sheridan, which is to be erected here by the Society of the Army of the Cumberland. It is the reservation on the north side of Pennsylvania avenue, between Thirtieth and Fourteenth streets. This is on a block on the way from the Capitol to the White House, the capital, there it will be seen by every visitor to Washington.

There was a strong effort made to have it placed beyond the boundary of Massachusetts avenue extending from the White House to the Capitol. The section made notorious by real-estate syndicates, but Gen. J. S. Fullerton, the representative of the army society, in fact that it should not be where a carriage would be necessary to reach it. So the other members of the commission, Secretary Proctor and Senator Everts, of the library committee, voted for the site which Gen. J. S. Fullerton suggested.

WOMEN'S CLUBS. Convention of the General Federation Began in New York.

NEW YORK, April 26.—The convention of the general federation of the women's clubs, held by invitation of Sorosis, began Wednesday morning at Scottish rite hall. There were sixty-four clubs, represented by 100 delegates from this city, Boston, Philadelphia, Buffalo, Chicago, St. Louis, Minneapolis, Milwaukee, New Orleans, Cincinnati, Leavenworth, Kan.; Detroit, Kansas City, Knoxville, Tenn.; Los Angeles and San Francisco. The delegates were welcomed by Mrs. Ella Ingham, lyner, president of Sorosis, and James C. Croly, secretary.

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NEWS IN BRIEF.

A Condensation of Interesting Items on Various Subjects.

Kentucky senate passed a lottery suppression bill. Hugh Carey's tailor shop in Boston was robbed of \$3,000.

Ludwig Slisk, wealthy farmer, was found dead near Huntington, Ind. O. R. Davidson was robbed in Chicago and his body thrown into the river.

Col. Dave Houshell was arrested at Bellefontaine, O., for assaulting Col. Don Platt. At Chicago the sale of cigarettes and other drops to boys under 16 years of age has been stopped.

Near Galesburg, Ill., a box containing \$2,500 in cash was found in a house wrecked by the storm of March 27. Miss Abby Moore Gowin, professor of Latin and Greek at Vassar college, died in Astoria, Ore., of a cerebral hemorrhage.

The shortage of ex-Treasurer Archer of Maryland footed up \$102,401.35. The Pennsylvania Republican convention will be held at Harrisburg June 25. The search has been made for the Topeka starch works for something over \$200,000.

The store and post office at Lake, Ky., was robbed of \$25 in money and a lot of postage stamps. In the asylum for insane at Cranston, R. I., Catherine Hanley lost Mary McCarthy to death.

A 64-year-old man who outraged a respectable white lady near Cameron station, Ark., was shot to death. Mrs. Juliette Adam, the brilliant Parisian editor, will probably visit America some time next autumn.

The second trial of the Lehart bigamy case, at Zanesville, O., resulted in the acquittal of the defendant. Veterans of the Mexican war will hold their sixteenth annual reunion at Mt. Vernon, O., May 8 and 9.

At Canton, O., Wednesday, Homer Leach, a small boy, was run over by a loaded stone wagon, and his little body was broken. Charles Knicker, a saloon keeper at Montevideo, O., was fined \$25 and sent to jail for ten days for keeping open on Sunday.

Holzhay, the Gothic highwayman in jail at Marquette, Mich., is trying to escape. The body of the man found dead in an alley at Erie, Pa., Monday, has been identified as Joe Walton, of Charleston, W. Va.

Catherine Hanley murdered Mary McCarthy at Cranston, R. I., because the victim disturbed the nurses, who desired to sleep. While boring for gas on his ground at Spencer, Ind., Calvin Flocker struck mineral water, which flows at the rate of 120 barrels an hour.

Joe Leach was fatally killed by being struck by an engine on Pittsburg, Pa. Wayne and Ohio gas road at Hann station, near Laporte, Ind. During the riot rebellion Gen. Middleton appropriated certain funds from a half-brother. He has been required to compensate the owner for his loss.

The death penalty was awarded by a Chicago jury to W. E. Purdy, for the murder of Samuel Hunsinger. Not a muscle in Purdy's face moved as he heard the verdict. Suit was entered by Receiver Wolf, of the defunct Commercial National Bank of Duquesne, Pa., against R. E. Graves, the former president, to recover \$2,000.

Richard Knight, the young man from Tiffin, O., who defrauded the Commercial National bank out of \$1,000, was arrested in Chicago yesterday. He had \$34 left. Lamb, who was indicted with Madame Devere, the clairvoyant of Toledo, O., for the forgery of notes to the amount of \$7,000 on Richard Brown, of Youngstown, O., was acquitted.

Miss Lena Woodruff, of Appleton, Wis., en route to Chicago to purchase military, \$200, slipped and fell into the bosom of her dress and went to sleep. Some one else now has the money. George W. Hancock, convicted of killing a young man named Jones, thirty-two years ago, was sentenced to ten years imprisonment, to be served in the Ohio State penitentiary. One of the 300 members church members cases.

Oran Daly was arrested at Mechanicsburg, O., Wednesday, on a requisition from the governor of New York, charged with grand larceny in that state last September. He was turned over to the authorities, who took him east. Ira D. Sankey, the revivalist singer, has retired from his association with D. L. Moody because his voice has given out. The sale of the famous Moody and Sankey hymn books has provided the proprietors with a handsome competence.

On July 20, 1793, Jesse Lee, the apostle of Methodism in the east, preached under the old elm on Boston common the first Wesleyan sermon ever heard in Massachusetts. The anniversary of that event is to be celebrated in an elaborate manner in October, and the great and flourishing church which has, from the seed sown on that day 100 years ago, grown to be the second in the commonwealth, will commemorate its achievement by oratory, poetry and song, and with the assistance of its greatest minds.

Mrs. James G. Blaine, Jr. NEW YORK, April 26.—The World says that at a recent consultation of leading physicians in regard to the illness of Mrs. James G. Blaine, Jr., opinion was equally divided as to whether her general health is slowly improving, but she is still confined to her bed.

World-B. Poisoners Lynched. SAN ANTONIO, Tex., April 26.—Sim Gero, a negro, and John H. H. were in jail here on a charge of attempting to poison Col. John H. Brooks and family, were taken from the jail at night and lynched. Conviction looks in front of a butcher shop were converted into an imprudent gallows.

Jackson Will Accept. CHICAGO, April 26.—Parson Davies received a telegram yesterday from Peter Jackson at Mount Clemens, Mich., to the effect that the Australian athletic club is right Sullivan for \$20,000.

CONGRESS. One Hundred and Third Day. In the senate—A concurrent resolution was adopted in relation to irrigating arid lands in the Rio Grande valley. Mr. Chandler offered a resolution amending the senate rules to conform to those of the house in certain particulars. The report on the bill to reorganize the government in Ohio was agreed to. The bill to amend the statute to Gen. Stark went over. At 8 p. m. the senate adjourned.

In the house—The legislative appropriation bill was considered without action. The house at 5:30 p. m. adjourned. Its Excellent Qualities. Commend to public approval the California liquid fruit remedy Syrup of Figs. It is pleasing to the eye and to the taste and by gently acting on the kidneys, liver and bowels, it cleanses the system effectually, thereby promoting the health and comfort of all who use it.

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