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" " " China 4.00, " " 6.55  
" " " China 6.95, " " 10.50  
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### A GREAT WASTE OF WATER

### THE CITY'S BIG STANDPIPE AKERS A TUMBLER.

Forty-Five Feet of Water ed Loose Upon the Side of Beam—How the Wreck Looks—Some Incidents.

"Fo' God, honey, I certainly thought de Judgment Day had sholy come!" were the words used by an old darkey in describing the manner in which the frost king accomplished the wreck of the city's standpipe in Beaucatcher Gap.

Early yesterday morning the huge tank was torn with a fracture from top to bottom, and the thunderous crash caused for a time the direct consternation in the minds of the inhabitants in the ravine below; before they could leave their homes the pipe collapsed and the forty-seven feet of water and ice which it contained surged around them with a roar that threatened the annihilation of life and property.

The authorities were notified of the disaster, and precautions were at once taken to insure a steady supply of water for the city.

The wash from the fall covered the roadway and it became so slippery that it was with difficulty a passage could be made, the first person to cross, a milkman, having to unhitch his horse and lead it through the snow in the woods while the vehicle was guided down by hand. The road was littered for a hundred feet with rocks and chunks of ice, several lengths of pipe for the new main were washed down the bank, and a big joint left in the track of the wagons.

From the south bank of the ravine the flattened mass of iron shows a lap for half its length with the point of rupture at the southeast face, the edges irregularly bent, rolled and twisted. The break from the foundation plate occurred at the rivet, and was complete for the entire circumference.

### A Narrow Escape.

Across the ravine, south of the big iron cylinder, about 250 feet distant therefrom, was the cabin occupied by John Clark, his wife and their children. The slush about the door had not hardened when their door was opened to THE CITIZEN, and the wife told the story of the family's fright and their narrow escape from an awful death. The persons living in the immediate vicinity had become greatly alarmed at the loud cracking noises frequently heard coming from the direction of the standpipe since the cold weather set in, and for ten days had lived in constant dread of a catastrophe. On Sunday morning, just before day, the mother returned home from attendance at a sick room. While seated at the table, suddenly there was heard a sharp, cracking, tearing sound so awful in its note that the woman crouched in speechless terror, and the awakening children began to cry. The report was instantly followed by a terrific roar that made the earth tremble and that shook the little cabin, and then came the wild rush of the tumbling waters that filled the gorge, and it rounded the house, and hurled the rocks and ice against its sides. The shrieking children dove under the beds, and the appalled parents were certain the house would be washed away. An attempt was then made to get to the higher ground, but the water covered their shoes and they gave it up and returned to the house where they remained until daylight. Serious damage was sustained by the family in the loss of their supply of clothing, which had been left hanging upon the bushes about the house. Not a trace of a garment could be found; everything had been swept away.

### "A Powerful Storm."

In the tenement house west of the tank and lower down the bank there was as great a scare and similar damage. The icy deluge spent its force against a well built wall on the upper side of the building, but succeeded in tearing a window sash from its frame and flooded the room from the southeast end. Marks on the walls showed the depth of water to have been three feet; a family had removed from the room but a few days. Jane Orr, the head of one of the families, said there was "a noise like a powerful storm and then the rush of water was splashed to the top of the house, and sent the window in the basement awinding. It washed all our clothes away" she said; "we haven't a change left, but we're so glad the good Lord spared us that we don't mind the clothes."

Another tenant said: "When I heard that awful noise I knew the reservoir was busted and was so bad scared that I ain't got over it, and I just kaint go to church."

Below this house the banks of the gorge sharply converge and the volume of water dashed through the narrow defile and piled itself with increased fury against the buildings in its path, where scenes similar to those detailed above occurred.

The banks and bottom of the gully were washed clean of snow, and in portions immense masses of earth had been loosened and torn away. The receding waters strewn the ground with debris from the wreck and trees ten inches in diameter were found that had been twisted off. A section of the iron ladder was carried 300 feet, and the gay bars were tangled like threads. The track of water was clearly shown by the muddied outline on the snow.

The scene of the trouble has been visited by hundreds of people, and the heat of black mud a foot deep, covering the exposed bottom of the tank, caused much unfavorable comment.

### Builders and Cost.

The paralyzed standpipe stood sixty feet high, and was built in the winter and spring of 1886-87, by Alfred Webb & Co. of Chattanooga, Tenn. The cylinder cost \$9,965, and the masonry upon which it rested cost about \$2,000, a total of about \$12,000. Its capacity was 720,000 gallons. During the month of March, 1887, and before the pipe had been put in use, heavy storm blew on side in, an accident that required some time to repair.

Two years or more ago a break occurred in the angle-iron, which pinned the pipe to the foundation. The condition of things has been known ever since the break occurred, but no steps had ever been taken to remedy the trouble, further than the dropping bags of sand into the pipe in order to stop the leak. Street Superintendent Henderson had repeat-

edly warned the authorities of trouble that might come, and the event of yesterday shows how prophetic were his words.

The accident will not, as was at first commonly supposed, seriously interfere with Asheville's water supply. The standpipe was used only as a place of storage of water to be used in case of fire. It was connected with the main from the water works by a "Y." All of the water used by the city has been pumped into the old reservoir near the city quarry on the side of the mountain. The water ran from this reservoir into what is known as "Patton's Baby," a small reservoir a short distance below the large one, and through this to the filter. The city consumers can get the usual amount of water, and the only difference caused by this trouble will be the amount of water held in reserve in case of a fire.

The larger reservoir has a capacity of 300,000 or 400,000 gallons, if it could be filled. But this cannot be done, on account of its leaky condition. The reservoir has been saced in need of repair for some time, but the work has never been done, and the result is that it can be kept only perhaps half full.

There is considerable sentiment against any attempt to rebuild the standpipe, the idea being that whatever money is expended should be put into a reservoir. Street Superintendent Henderson suggests Piney Knob, east of Beaufort, as a good site for the storage place, and one that would be as high as the old standpipe.

Recorder Miller says that if the authorities decide to rebuild the standpipe it should be not more than one-half the height of the old one, and of a much greater circumference.

### THE JOINT BOARD.

### Special Meeting Today to Consider the Water Question.

The Joint Board of Aldermen and Advisors held a special meeting at noon today to take such action as might seem necessary with regard to the water supply of the city. Mayor Blanton presided, and there were present, Advisors Messrs. Hunt, Beard, Green and Cummings; Aldermen Starnes, Waddell, Leonard, Gudge and Baird.

Mr. Miller considered it necessary to have a standpipe in order to have the pressure necessary for fire purposes, and thought the standpipe should be rebuilt.

Mr. Starnes said he had been told by persons who ought to know that the old iron would scarcely be worth working over.

Mr. Waddell's idea was that an egg-shaped excavation could be made just east of the standpipe, and here a reservoir could be built. Later on he suggested a wooden tank.

Mayor Blanton said that the first thing to determine was whether the standpipe should be rebuilt, and Mr. Starnes moved the appointment of a committee for this purpose. This was adopted and the Mayor appointed Messrs. Starnes, Leonard, Hunt and Beard. On motion the Mayor was added to the committee.

The question of securing an expert to examine and pass upon the availability of the old iron in rebuilding was considered, and Mr. Lockett, of the Worthington Pump company, suggested that a telegram be sent to his house inquiring the cost of the services of an expert. The same was embodied in a motion and it was adopted.

Thos. A. Jones asked whether an action for damages because of the bursting of the standpipe should be brought against the Joint Board of Aldermen. He was informed that the action should be brought against the Joint Board. Mr. Jones represented H. B. Brown, colored, a committee consisting of J. D. Brevard, W. G. Corpening, G. L. Greenlee, J. T. Bostic, W. E. Wolfe, and J. P. Wingate, had looked over the ground and estimated Brown's damages at \$150,000. A committee of two from each Board, Aldermen Waddell and Baird; Advisors Green and Hunt, was appointed on the matter, and the meeting adjourned.

### Through Portland Gate.

### One of England's Political Prisoners Serves His Time

LONDON, Jan. 23.—James Francis Egan, the alleged dynamite conspirator, was released from penal servitude at Portland prison Saturday. He telegraphed today to Timothy Healy, M. P.: "John pulled me through Portland Gate Saturday. I will see you in Dublin before the end of the week."

Healy telegraphed back: "Receive my hearty congratulations. Welcome to freedom."

The joint alluded to in the above dispatch is John Barry, M. P. for the South Westford, who went to Portland and met Egan at the prison, accompanying him home to Birmingham.

### Slight Coasting Accident.

A sled on which Mrs. Dr. S. C. McGilra was seated was run into by a "bob" on Merrimon avenue during the coasting Saturday night. The shock was a heavy one and Mrs. McGilra was thrown against the curbstone. A gash about two inches in length was cut over her right eye. The injured lady was removed to her home, corner Charlotte and Chestnut streets, and the wound was dressed by Dr. H. B. Weaver. The hurt was painful, but no serious consequence are expected.

### Call For Repudiation.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Jan. 23.—The next issue of the National Economist will contain a manifesto from a faction of the Farmer's Alliance appealing to the members in order to repudiate the acts of the late Memphis convention by forming a new organization on a strictly non-partisan basis. The manifesto is signed by J. F. Tillman, of Tennessee.

### Bank Failure.

LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 23.—The startling announcement of the failure of the Capital National bank was made late last Saturday night and with it came the statement that the State Treasurer was caught in the crash to the sum of \$250,000.

### Big Elevator Fire.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 23.—Fire yesterday morning destroyed the Carondelet elevator. Loss \$1,500,000. Of this amount \$500,000 is loss on building and machinery and \$1,000,000 or more on the wheat. The insurance is between four and five hundred thousand dollars.

### PHILLIPS BROOKS IS DEAD

### HE DIED IN A FIT OF COUGHING.

The Death of This Eminent Man Was Totally Unexpected—He Was Low Church in His Ideas And Very Popular.

BOSTON, Jan. 23.—Bishop Phillips Brooks died at 6:30 this morning. The Bishop died of heart failure, brought on by a fit of coughing. His death was entirely unexpected. He was taken ill Thursday with a sore throat, but nothing serious showed itself until last evening. Dr. Beach, his physician, discovered late last evening diphtheritic symptoms and, considering a consultation advisable, called in Dr. Fitz. Nothing serious was anticipated, and Dr. Fitz remained only a short time. Dr. Beach was with the Bishop the entire night. About half past six the patient was seized with a coughing spasm which lasted a few moments and his heart ceased beating.

Dr. Beach said this morning death was caused from heart failure and not from diphtheria. No diphtheritic membrane was discovered by a superficial examination this morning.

Phillips Brooks was born in Boston, Dec. 13, 1835. He was graduated at Harvard in 1855, studied theology at

the seminary in Alexandria, Va., was ordained in 1859, and became rector of a Philadelphia church. In 1869 he became rector of Trinity church, Boston, and in 1891 was elected Bishop. Bishop Brooks was remarkable for his "low church" views. He preached in churches of other denominations than his own. He declined many calls to leave Boston, refused a Harvard professorship, and the office of assistant bishop of Pennsylvania, and remained in Boston to exert a powerful influence for good, especially among the young men. Bishop Brooks was a noted pulpit orator, and had published several books.

### NATIONAL QUARANTINE.

### It Must Not Interfere With the States.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 23.—The House this morning continued consideration of the quarantine bill and adopted the amendment by Warner, Democrat, New York, extending the quarantine to land boundaries. An amendment prohibiting interference with migration between the states was rejected. An amendment offered by Brosius, Republican Pennsylvania, giving the national quarantine authority in cases where it exists at the same place with the state quarantine, was rejected.

Later—The quarantine bill has been reported to the House from committee of the whole, and the House is now involved in a parliamentary tangle.

### ANTI-OPTION BILL.

### A Vote to be Taken Next Tuesday Week.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—Senator Washburn said this morning he would ask the Senate to remain in session today until a final vote was taken on the anti-option bill, the indications are that the vote will be taken. Washburn is confident that the bill will pass and the House is now involved in a parliamentary tangle.

Later—The Senate has agreed that the vote on the George amendment to the anti-option bill will be taken on Tuesday of next week and a vote on the bill and its amendments not later than 2 o'clock of the same day.

### Novelist Stevenson Dying.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 23.—Leigh Lynch, World's Fair commissioner for Samoa, who arrived yesterday with many curios, said in a talk today that Novelist Stevenson would probably never leave his island home alive as he is lying ill of consumption.

### Another Fire in Winston.

WINSTON, N. C., Jan. 23.—Sunday morning, the Tise block, in which was the Sneed Furniture company and in which several other firms were doing business, was destroyed by fire. The loss is estimated at \$100,000.

### Lamp Works Burned.

ELWOOD, Ind., Jan. 23.—The McBeth lamp flue works, the largest of its kind in the world, burned last night. The warehouses were saved. Loss estimated at \$100,000, fully insured.

### Good!

JOHNSON CITY, Tenn., Jan. 20.—J. W. Hyams, the originator of the purported Bakerville riot, is wearing a sore head tonight, the result of a fight with Captain H. F. Perry, in which Hyams was badly whipped.

### Cotton Mill Fire.

RICHMOND, Va., Jan. 23.—The weaving, carding and spinning departments of the Old Dominion cotton mills were destroyed by fire this morning. Loss \$60,000; insured.

### Widow of Gen. Forest Dead.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Jan. 23.—Mrs. Mary Forest, widow of Gen. N. B. Forest, one of the most famous commanders of the Confederacy, died yesterday.

### Will be Away But a Few Weeks.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—The President today sent to the Senate the nomination of Frank C. Partridge of Vermont to be Minister to Venezuela.

### At Grant's Pharmacy

### WINTER UNDERWEAR!

In order to close out a lot of odds and ends in Winter Underwear and prevent carrying any over, I will sell them at a

### BIG REDUCTION!

This is a genuine cut-rate sale and it will pay you to call if you need anything in the above line.

### F. E. MITCHELL,

### THE MEN'S OUTFITTER,

28 PATTON AVENUE.

### AT THE STORE OF

### B. H. COSBY

27 PATTON AVENUE.

New Goods are constantly arriving, thereby enables the proprietor to always show a Fresh Stock, as