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THOUSANDS OF LIVES LOST IN THE TYPHOON IN THE SEA OF CHINA

So Advices via Manila and From Hong Kong Direct Would Indicate

THE DISASTER CAME WITHOUT WARNING

The Public is Incensed at the Observatory for Not Reporting the Approach of the Storm—For Two Hours it Raged—Outside of the Sinking and Stranding of Numbers of Steamers and Millions of Dollars Worth of Damage Wrought in Hong Kong, One Thousand Sampans and Junks are Missing From Hong Kong Alone.

(By the Associated Press.)
Manila, Sept. 19.—3 p. m.—Latest advices from Hong Kong stated that one thousand lives were lost during the typhoon and that the damage to property, public and private, will amount to millions of dollars. Twelve ships were sunk, twenty-four were stranded, seven were damaged and one-half of the native craft in port were sunk. The shipping trade has been paralyzed through lack of lighters.

THE TYPHOON LOCAL. Came Suddenly and Without Warning—The Observatory Blamed.

(By the Associated Press.)
Hong Kong, Sept. 19.—The typhoon which swept this port yesterday, destroying a great number of vessels and causing much loss of life, was of a local nature. It came suddenly and without warning. The observatory had predicted moderate winds. Half an hour after the sun signal had been fired the storm was at its height. It lasted two hours. Most of the damage done was wrought on the Kowloon Peninsula. The losses are estimated at several million dollars. Over 1,000 sampans and junks are missing from Hong Kong alone. Wharves were swept away and houses collapsed. The military barracks are in ruins. The steamers Montague, Patsan, Koungshan, Wing Chai, Hermania, Castellano, Tak Hing, Emma Lay-ken, San Rosario, Shava, Pakhong, Petarch, Chim Lee, Sex Ta, Sunon, Chang Sha, Signal and Chinkai Maru are ashore. The American ship S. P. Hitchcock was also driven ashore, as were many of the launches that run about the harbor. The steamers Kwong Chong, San Cheung, Sorogon, and Kongmoon were sunk. The steamers Apenardo and Johanne are partly awash. The British gunboat sloop Phoenix and a small gunboat, the Dongola, are ashore. The British torpedo boat destroyers Moorhen, Robin and Taku were damaged. The Sir William Jervois was sunk. The French torpedo boat destroyer Froude was wrecked and the Francisque is ashore. The guns of the Froude were saved, but three petty officers and one seaman lost their lives. A Chinese revenue cruiser is ashore, and several Indo-China and Manila liners narrowly escaped disaster. Thousands Believed To Be Dead. The harbor is strewn with wreckage thrown up on the shore. Hundreds of Chinese boatmen and their families were saved by the bravery of the police and civilians, but several thousand of the Chinese water-dwellers must have perished, many within short distance of the shore. The losses in lives and property among the Chinese were appalling. Today the police stations in Hong Kong are surrounded by Chinese identifying their dead. The families of the Hong Kong boatmen live night and day on the sampans, and thousands of these people are now homeless. The Chinese take the disaster calmly, and show no manifestations of grief. One launch that was capsized had 130 Chinese on board. They were all drowned. Steamers in Collision. The river steamer Patsan drifted into collision with the French mail steamer. The entire Chinese crew climbed aboard the French steamer and left Captain Thomas, who was injured, one officer and the engineers to navigate the Patsan to Shelter Bay, where she was blown ashore. The bishop of Victoria, Dr. J. C. Hoare, was on his way to visit some neighboring islands when the storm

broke, and is reported missing. His launch has been found floating bottom upwards. Many valuable steel lighters have been lost. Some of them were hurled ashore. Channels will have to be dug to permit some of the vessels ashore to be refloated. The force of the wind and waves was such that some vessels were stranded amidst high and dry. The Japanese steamer Sada Maru rescued sixty-six natives and one English pilot as she was approaching Hong Kong. The English mail steamers Delhi and Poona escaped damage. The British cruiser Terrible entered port yesterday afternoon and reported fine weather up the harbor. Sir Matthew Nathan, governor of Hong Kong, and the authorities are doing everything possible to render assistance. Reports of fresh disasters are arriving every hour. Few Europeans Missing. Only a few Europeans are missing. No reports are on hand to show how the fishing fleets and the ships outside the harbor fared. Public opinion is incensed at the observatory for not reporting the approach of the typhoon. An inquiry has been demanded. For years past the observatory has been subjected to adverse comment, but on this occasion it is not believed to be blameable.

TO ANSWER CHARGE OF HIGHWAY ROBBERY.

(Special to the Evening Times)
High Point, N. C., Sept. 19.—Maurin Roach, who was arrested here yesterday afternoon charged with being one of the two men that held up Mr. J. S. Reddick the night before, and at the trial last night was bound over to court in the sum of \$100.

RAPS THE DISPENSARY GREENVILLE, S. C., MAN TELLS OF ITS GRAFT AND EVILS

Mr. W. J. Thackston Says That White Law Had Some Good Features, It is Not Possible for Man to Handle Liquor and Keep Clean. Mr. W. J. Thackston, one of the leading business men of Greenville, S. C., is in the city on business. In speaking of the dispensary fight in South Carolina Mr. Thackston said: "I was in the beginning favorable to the dispensary idea. It seemed to be an improvement over the open bar room. In theory there can be no doubt that after a trial of some years, there are conflicting opinions on many of the phases, but there is one conclusion that about 90 per cent of our people have reached, and it is this: God Almighty has not made human nature strong enough to resist the temptations that come to those who handle and manage the sale of liquor, no matter what particular form it takes. Not since the days of carthage has there been so much graft and corruption. "The only good I have seen from its trial and experiment is the sentiment that has caused us to insert into our constitution an article which forever forbids its sale, no matter under what form, after dark, and prohibits drinking on place of sale, does not allow less than a half pint to be sold, and that must be in a sealed package. We have never had a system of county dispensaries, and of such a system I cannot speak, but the county dispensary under our system were shown to have been as weak and corrupt as were the methods of state commissions. I do not believe there is any system that provides for the sale of whiskey which will not finally debase and corrupt those who handle it."

TRAFFIC IS TIED UP BY A TUNNEL CAVE IN

(Special to The Evening Times.)
Asheville, N. C., Sept. 19.—A portion of the western entrance to Swanton tunnel caved in last night and traffic over the western road is tied up. Dirt and rock caved in for a distance of thirty feet, filling the tunnel and covering the track three to five feet deep. Five miles east of the tunnel a washout one hundred feet long occurred, and train No. 35 is caught east of that point. Train No. 12, which left here last evening for Salisbury is still at Black Mountain this side of the tunnel. Passenger train No. 10 between

Asheville and Spartanburg was derailed near Hendersonville last night. All the coaches save the Pullmans and the engines left the track. It is learned here that the coaches turned on their sides, but not a person was injured.

LAUNCHING OF THE STEAMER CREOLE.

(By the Associated Press.)
Quincy, Mass., Sept. 19.—The new steamship Creole, which will be used by the Southern Pacific Company in its service between New York and New Orleans, was successfully launched at the yards of the Forc River Shipbuilding Company here today. She was christened by Miss Mary Harriman, daughter of E. H. Harriman, president of the Southern Pacific Company.

NEW YORK CENTRAL WILL ISSUE STOCK.

(By the Associated Press.)
New York, Sept. 19.—Directors of the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad Company today authorized the issue of \$29,829,560 of stock to stockholders at par. This is equal to 20 percent of the present holdings of stockholders. The regular quarterly dividend of 1-1-4 percent was declared.

BIG DOCK DESTROYED BY FIRE; SHIPS SAFE.

(By the Associated Press.)
Buenos Ayres, Sept. 19.—Customs dock No. 4 has been destroyed by fire. The damage is estimated at several million paper dollars. The shipping is safe.

The Argentina Paper Dollar is Worth About Forty-Cents.

(By the Associated Press.)
London, Sept. 19.—A dispatch received here from Buenos Ayres says that a great fire rages on docks there threatens to involve the shipping.

TERRORIZED NEGROES ON EAST YESTERDAY, AND GOES TO ROADS FOR CARRYING GUN, SHYING ROCKS, PULLING KNIFE, RESISTING OFFICERS AND DIS- ORDERLY CONDUCT.

In the police court this morning Montgomery Wells, the negro from out of town, Graystone, he said, who appears to have tried on yesterday to terrorize the entire negro population of the east side of the city, was arraigned on numerous charges, including carrying a concealed weapon, throwing rocks, trying to cut folks, resisting officers and cursing and raising a disturbance. At the first dash out of the bucket Justice Badger fined him \$30 and cost for carrying a pistol, which by the way was something of a relic, appearing to be one of the earliest type of army revolver. How Montgomery chased Fred Herndon was told in yesterday evening's Times. The composite account of various colored witnesses was to the effect that Montgomery went into Fred's restaurant on east Davie street and bought a bottle of root beer, got into a row with a negro named Ball, who works there, about carrying off a glass, then claimed he gave ten cents and wanted change and commenced to curse and raise a great ruckus, ordered out by Fred, pulled knife, chased Fred around the house, lost sight of him for a minute, grabbed a little colored boy by the collar and started to cut him, threw big rocks, as big as paving stones at Fred, and then started after him on a dead run up the street. Then he was caught by the policemen, who had to club him to get the knife away from him and get him to the lockup. Montgomery denied positively that he threw any rocks. He said he never drew the knife till after he was knocked down with a bottle by some one in Fred's restaurant. He admitted he cursed, but said the others had provoked him. His memory failed him on the question of trying to cut the little boy. There will be a good hand on the Wake roads for about twelve months. Other cases disposed of, all of negroes, were as follows: William Manly, sleeping in his hack and leaving horse unhitched, \$4.75. Charles Perry, driving springless wagon at faster than walk on cobblestones, \$3.75. Badly Hurt in a Runaway. (Special to the Evening Times.) High Point, Sept. 19.—Yesterday afternoon just as the Bryan special was pulling out, a horse hitched to a buggy and belonging to Mr. O. A. Kirkman of this place, became frightened at a moving piece of paper and darted off at break neck speed, running the buggy against a wagon and seriously injured him.

ARRIVAL OF TAFT IN CUBA

Early Solution of the Problem Predicted

THE MISSION OF TAFT

The Secretary of War Says His Business in Cuba is to Insure Peace in That Island, Going There as the Representative of President Roosevelt.

(By the Associated Press.)
Havana, Sept. 19.—President Roosevelt's peace representatives arrived upon the scene today and met personally President Palma and the official representatives of those in arms against the government and set a rough general idea of the situation from both sides. Incidentally they received from citizens, American naval officers and others a number of side lights on the situation. Secretary Taft's informal straight-forward and kindly manner has already created a strong and favorable impression. The business of finding a solution to the difficulty will be proceeded with directly and persistently to its conclusion. Predictions are already being made that the Cuban problem will be solved within a week, but on what basis is still a matter of conjecture. Secretary Taft himself reiterates that President Roosevelt's representatives are here with no policy except to insure peace in Cuba. A thousand militiamen arrived here from Matanzas today and have been quartered in the Cabanas barracks. There are insistent rumors today that the uprising in Santiago province has been quelled. The cable service with Cienfuegos and Santiago has been restored. Cienfuegos reports no hostilities. The provinces of Havana and Pinar Del Rio are quiet.

ASSASSINATED IN THE STREET

(By the Associated Press.)
Havana, Sept. 19.—The American cruiser Des Moines with Secretary of War Taft and Assistant Secretary Bacon on board entered Havana harbor at 7 o'clock this morning. The cruiser came from Florida at the moderate speed of 11 knots in order not to arrive here before daylight. All on board are well. The secretaries had breakfast early and at half past eight the captain of the port conveyed Senator O'Farrell, the Cuban secretary of state, Mr. Sleeper, the American charge d'affaires, and the representative of the Associated Press on board. At the same hour Commander Colwell came over from the cruiser Denver. Messrs. Taft and Bacon had a long, informal and private conference with Senator O'Farrell. Afterwards they talked with Commander Colwell and others. Secretary Taft said he had arranged tentatively to hold here. (Continued on 5th Page.)

GENERAL NICOLAIEFF FALLS AT WARSAW

(By the Associated Press.)
Warsaw, Russian Poland, Sept. 19.—General Nicolaieff, of the artillery, has been assassinated here. He was erroneously thought to be a member of the field court martial. General Nicolaieff was walking on Wlodka street this morning when he was surrounded by five revolutionists and shot dead. The murderers escaped.

SURROUNDED AND SHOT

The Five Revolutionists Who Attacked Him and Escaped After the Commission of the Crime Mistook Him for a Member of the Field Court Martial.

WRECK AT NORLINA LAST NIGHT

This morning at Norlina No. 84 passenger train, which passed Raleigh about 4 o'clock, ran into freight train No. 21, coming from Portsmouth. Mr. W. R. Bishop, engineer on No. 84, was slightly hurt. No serious damage to either train, with exception knocking off cab on one of the engines.

MRS. PITTINGER WINS HER SUIT

Vigorous Opinion Delivered by Supreme Court

BROWN FOR THE COURT

Declares It Would Be Rank Injustice to Mrs. Pittinger to Hold Her Bound By Sum Bid By Paul Garrett for of Cooperage in Noted Medoc Vineyard Case—Other Opinions.

Opinions in nine cases were delivered by the supreme court last evening and six other appeals were disposed of per curiam and otherwise. By odds the case of most public interest was Pittinger ex parte, in which the court delivers an opinion in favor of Mrs. I. McK. Pittinger of this city in a suit involving about \$10,000 and growing out of the settlement of the partition of the famous Medoc Vineyard of the Garrett estate in Halifax county. The appeal was on a motion made by Mrs. Pittinger and denied by the superior court judge for a resale of the vineyard to pay the unpaid purchase money to Mrs. Pittinger. The property had been sold by commissioner's sale for thirty thousand dollars, including cooperage, which it was understood should be credited on the purchase price if it became necessary for it to be sold to pay the debts of C. W. Garrett & Co. This was sold for \$350, was later resold to Paul Garrett by order of the court for \$10,200 and paid for in old claims against C. W. Garrett & Co. bought in by Paul Garrett at much less than face value. It was an effort to force the credit of \$10,200 on the purchase price of the vineyard that Mrs. Pittinger was fighting. In disposing of the case the court says, "It would be rank injustice, and neither within the letter or spirit of the language of the decree, to hold that Mrs. Pittinger is bound by the sum which Paul Garrett saw fit to bid for the cooperage when he knew he could pay for it in the greatly depreciated paper of C. W. Garrett & Co. That sale is no more a criterion of its value than is the first sale when it brought \$250. The court orders that if the purchaser, Mrs. M. F. Harrison, does not pay the notes due on the vineyard, \$4,800 due May 1, 1905, and May 1, 1906, there shall issue an order for a resale of the property."

STATEMENT OF THE CASE.

The title of the case is "I. McK. Pittinger and wife, Lucy W. Pittinger; H. S. Harrison and wife, M. F. Harrison ex parte. (Appeal by Mrs. Pittinger.)" The case is stated to be a petition for partition of a certain tract of land known as Medoc Vineyard. An order for sale was made and David Bell appointed commissioner to make the sale. The land was purchased by Mrs. M. F. Harrison at the price of thirty thousand dollars. She paid one-fifth of the purchase money in cash and has also paid the notes due May 1, 1902, and May 1, 1904, and has fallen to pay a note for \$4,800 maturing May 1, 1905, and also a note in like sum due May 1, 1906. There is also another note for a like sum due May 1, 1907. All these notes bear 6 per cent interest from date thereof. This is a motion in the case heard by the clerk of the superior court of Halifax county made on behalf of Mrs. Pittinger for a resale of the land to pay the unpaid purchase money. The clerk denied the motion and Mrs. Pittinger appealed to the judge. The matter was heard by Shaw, judge, who affirmed the order of the clerk. From judgment of his honor Mrs. Pittinger appealed to the supreme court. The counsel in the case were Shepherd & Shepherd, Mason & Worrrell and Geo. C. Green for appellant, and Travis, Daniel & Kitchen for appellees. Opinion by Judge Brown. The opinion is by Judge Brown, and is an especially clear and concise document. It follows: "The ground upon which Mrs. Harrison resists payment of the purchase money is based on certain statements in the report of the commissioner and in the decree of confirmation. The report of the commissioner states, 'And the cooperage was to go to the purchaser of said lands with the understanding that if it should become necessary for said cooperage to be sold by the receivers, to pay the debts of C. W.

Garrett & Co. then and in that event the purchaser of said lands should be credited on the purchase price for the value of said cooperage.' "There is nothing in the original decree of sale authorizing such action of the commissioner but in the decree of confirmation June 11, 1902, appears the following clause: 'And the cooperage now in the cellar at said vineyard, by consent of all parties was sold with said land with the understanding that if it should become necessary for the receiver of C. W. Garrett & Co., A. S. Harrison, to sell said cooperage to pay the debts of said C. W. Garrett & Co. then and in that event the value of said cooperage should be deducted from the purchase price of said lands and property.' "If the cooperage was the property of C. W. Garrett & Co. no reason is given as to why it was sold with the land. If it was the property of Mrs. Pittinger and Mrs. Harrison the record discloses no reason why it should have thus been practically dedicated to the payment of Garrett & Co.'s debts as neither tenant in common was a member of that firm. Mrs. Pittinger has not asked to have the report of sale and decree of confirmation set aside, on the contrary she has received her share of so much of the purchase money as has been paid and is moving in the cause and under such a condition. It therefore requires no citation of authority to show that in pressing her motion to collect the unpaid purchase money Mrs. Pittinger is bound by the action of the commissioner and the recital in the decree of confirmation that it was done by her consent. If the action of the commissioner was unauthorized and the decree of confirmation made without her knowledge and consent, Mrs. Pittinger should have taken proper steps to have the sale and decree set aside, but she has taken benefit under it by receiving part of the purchase money and is now moving in the cause to collect the remainder. The cooperage referred to consisted of about 100 empty casks, 15 fermenting tanks, pipes, etc. It appears that the cooperage was taken by the receiver of Garrett & Co. and sold to pay the debts of that insolvent firm. In her affidavit Mrs. Harrison places the value of the cooperage at five thousand dollars. At the receiver's sale it brought \$250. It was resold by the order of the (Continued on Page 2.)

SOUTH CAROLINA GREET'S BRYAN

(By the Associated Press.)
Columbia, S. C., Sept. 19.—From a stand erected on the splendid campus of the University of South Carolina William J. Bryan today at noon delivered the only address scheduled in this state during his tour of speech-making in the south. Mr. Bryan arrived from Charlotte last night. The reception committee consisted of representatives of every county in the state. Mayor Gibbs welcomed Mr. Bryan to the city and Governor Heyward to the state. A public reception in the state capitol followed the speech-making and the Bryan special left for Atlanta during the afternoon.

GOT THIRTY LASHES AND FIFTY YEARS

(By the Associated Press.)
Wilmington, Del., Sept. 19.—Chas. Conley, the negro who attacked and seriously injured Mrs. Beatrice Frankish and her daughter, Miss Gussie Leitch, on a public road ten days ago was today sentenced to fifty years imprisonment and to receive thirty lashes at the whipping post. The negro rendered Miss Leitch senseless by a blow on the head with a stone and struggled desperately but vainly feloniously to assault the elder woman. Conley was arrested Monday night. He confessed yesterday and today he was indicted, tried and sentenced. The prisoner will be whipped next Saturday.

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HEARST MAY BE THEIR NOMINEE

If Murphy Votes Tammany as a Unit

HE NOW HAS POWER

It Was Generally Understood During the Campaign That the Leader of Tammany Hall Was Friendly to the Candidacy of Mr. Hearst for the Governorship.

(By the Associated Press.)
New York, Sept. 19.—According to the returns and the reported affiliation of the leaders elected at the democratic primaries, Charles F. Murphy will be in control of 24 votes in the executive committee of Tammany Hall, representing twenty districts, and will control sixty of the 105 delegates to the democratic state convention. These sixty votes will enable the leader of Tammany, if he so desires, to apply the unit rule and cast the vote of Tammany Hall solidly for a candidate determined upon by a majority of the delegates. Up to the present time Mr. Murphy has made no statement as to his intentions in this respect, but during the primary campaign it was generally understood that Mr. Murphy was friendly to Hearst. Murphy's victory, however, is believed to preclude the possibility of District Attorney Jerome securing the New York county delegation to the state convention. In Brooklyn State Senator Patrick H. McCarren retains control of the county democratic committee and will control 63 of the 69 delegates to the state convention. In the republican party Herbert E. Parsons, president of the county republican committee, defeated the forces headed by former Governor Odell and Lemuel E. Quigg. Parsons carried 22 of the 35 districts. The defeat of Odell in New York county may take from him the control of the state committee of which he is chairman. There was no opposition to William E. Hearst in the democratic primaries in Erie county yesterday, and the full county delegation, including Buffalo, will be instructed for him. GOOD WORK DONE. Much Praise Bestowed Upon Committees in Charge of Bryan Arrangements. Much praise has been bestowed upon County Chairman J. N. Holding and Mr. T. P. Sale, chairman of the committee on arrangements for the Bryan reception and entertainment in this city, for the successful issue of the affair. Although the plans had to be changed at the last minute on account of the rain, which necessitated the making ready of the Metropolitan Hall for the speaking indoors when it was to have been in the capitol square, there was not a hitch in the proceedings. Moreover, it was not known until very late who would be in Mr. Bryan's party. Never, perhaps, upon an occasion of this kind in Raleigh were the newspaper men better cared for with a view to facilitating their work of getting into print without delay an intelligent account of what happened. Sharing in the praise are the chairmen and members of the sub-committees on platform, Mr. C. B. Park; music, Capt. W. F. Moody; carriages, Mr. G. M. Harden; badges, Mr. Jos. F. Ferrell; refreshments, Mr. Ed Hugh Lee; committee on finance, Mr. Frank Stronach; press committee, F. B. Arendell; escort committee, Messrs. Walter Grimes and George Norwood; reception committee to Greensboro, ex-Governor Charles B. Aycock.

THE EIGHT HOUR LAW IN ALL PUBLIC WORK

(By the Associated Press.)
Oyster Bay, N. Y., Sept. 19.—President Roosevelt today extended the eight hour law to apply to all public work under the supervision of any department of the government. This order affects more particularly work on river and harbor improvements.