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## FRIGHTFUL CATASTROPHE AT THE STATE CAPITAL.

Hoboken's Water Front Fire Removal of Federal Convicts to Tennessee.

OVER ONE HUNDRED LIVES LOST.

Fire and Water Destroy Lives Great Steamship Burns Burned. North German Lloyd Steamers Burnt. Saale and Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse Wrecked By The Flames.

Special to Journal.

HOBOKEN, N. J., June 30. - A fire broke out shortly after 1 p.m. this afternoon on the docks of the North German Lloyd Steamship Line, in which over one hundred persons lost their lives.

Fully a thousand people were on the docks at the time and many were killed by falling timbers, or forced overboard from the docks and drowned.

Many horses were killed. The Hoboken fire engine was burned up and its crew lost their lives.

An emergency call was sent to neighboring towns for help.

The great liner, Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, sailing like a floating furnace swept down the stream, with her囚犯s imprisoned on board.

A strong wind from the north threatened with destruction the Hamburg docks, the steamer of the Hoboken ferry line, the Delaware, Lackawanna railroad depot, car sheds and piers.

The streets here are filled with victims of the awful catastrophe.

The steamers Bremen, Saale and Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse are destroyed.

The Thuringia steamship, blue dock, is swept out of existence. Campbell's bonded warehouse caught and will be totally destroyed.

The police stations are filled with victims, while the full extent of the loss cannot be even approximately estimated tonight.

## CHINESE SITUATION.

Admiral Kempf Gives Movements About Pekin. Admiral Seymour's Story.

Special to Journal.

Washington, June 30. - Admiral Kempf telegraphs that the foreign ministers at Pekin were notified June 19th that they must leave in twenty-four hours.

They refused and are still there.

The Pekin relief force has gotten half way, Kempf says, but no news from Minister Conger.

There are 36 American marshals in Pekin, commanded by Capt. Myrick of Georgia.

Admiral Kempf opposes the policy of attacking the Chinese army until it begins to attack the Americans, and has held aloof from hostilities beyond a movement to rescue Americans in danger.

Licensee, June 29. - At last an authentic account of Admiral Seymour's ill-fated relief expedition in China has been received. The Admiral, in a cablegram to the London Admiralty, which was received late last night, tells the story of his unsuccessful attempt to march from Tientsin to Pekin in order to afford protection to the foreigners in the Chinese capital.

Starting June 19, he finally got as far as Anting, 12 miles from Pekin and 60 miles from Tientsin. Then finding that the destruction of the railway made further advance by rail impossible, he returned to Yang-Tsun, where he proposed to organize an advance to the capital by way of the Peiho river. When he reached Yang-Tsun he found himself short of provisions and hampered by his sick and wounded. So he decided to retreat to Tientsin. His men had been fighting constantly not only with the Boxers but even the Admiral says, with Imperial troops.

Last Sunday he arrived at the Chinese Imperial Capital, eight miles from Tientsin. He found the sedan stopped with great quantities of modern arms. The building was seized and Admiral Seymour's force held out there until relieved on Monday by another foreign force from Tientsin.

The total loss of Seymour's column was 62 killed and 200 wounded. The Americans lost 4 killed and 25 wounded.

BATTLESHIP OREGON ASHORE.

On Dangerous Rec'd. Fifty Miles From Taku.

Special to Journal.

LAWSONS, June 30. - The Times corresponds with the United States battleship Oregon, now ashore in a fog on a dangerous reef, 50 miles off Kao Island, fifty miles north of Taku.

There is much water in her forward compartment and some holes in her bottom.

The United States cruiser Brooklyn and other steamers have gone to her to refit.

Under the decision of our Supreme Court each one of those saloons must have a license, as required in my resolution, and exhibit the same to the sheriff of any county in which he sells.

The sheriff is the proper officer to collect this tax and issue the license. Under the law of 1865, Ch. 116, §. 2, the license tax was \$250 to 15 saloons or organs, and under it the parties paying the license tax could employ an unlimited number of agents without additional tax.

Under the law of 1867 the tax was reduced to \$10 but no provision was made for the parties paying the same to send out salesmen, except by paying the tax for each saloon or agent employed. Therefore you will see that each agent or salesmen in your county has license for each kind of instrument sold by him. This is in accordance with the decision of the Supreme court, and should be observed.

## THE HOBOKEH HORROR.

Two Hundred Dead, With Property Losses Eight Million Dollars.

New York, July 1. - It is believed that over 200 lives were lost and 1,000 persons were injured in the great fire at the port of New York, Germany, last evening at Hoboken, N. J., which broke out at 4 p.m. yesterday and was still burning throughout Sunday night.

The fire started among cotton bales from unknown causes. In less than 20 minutes it covered more than a quarter of a mile long, extending outward from the actual shoreline to the bulkheads of numerous piers far away. It caught fire in great ocean islands and a dozen or more smaller harbor craft in its grasp. The damage to property is estimated at about \$8,000,000, distributed, as follows:

The steamship Main, of the North German Lloyd Line. The loss is placed at \$1,200,000 for the vessel and about \$160,000 for the fitting, stores and cargo which were aboard of her.

The steamship Bremen, also of the North German Lloyd Line. The cargo and stores were entirely consumed, and the loss to the vessel proper will amount to at least \$500,000. She is beached off Weehawken and still smoldering, apparently destroyed except for her machinery.

The steamer, this steamship, will have the most terrible story of death to tell when the divers go down in her. She is beached at Ellis Island and still burning. The damage is placed at about \$200,000.

The steamer, the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, which is to be placed in the capital, was also beached at the pier which were on it. The damage to the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse is estimated at \$2,000,000.

The three docks of the North German Lloyd Line, which were beached to the pier, are estimated to have cost \$200,000. They were well filled with merchandise just received from abroad, which was valued at \$250,000.

The Hamburg, which was soon beached, was valued at \$400,000, counting general stores, which were on it. The concepts of the passengers here for last month were \$4000 against \$2500 for June of last year.

A very handsome sum, but benefits derived from the Hamburg American company, estimated to be paid to the "White Supremacy" states, contrary to early reports, was not even reached.

Four warehouses of Palmer Campbell were burned. Mr. Campbell said that he could not give a definite estimate of his losses, but the damage to the buildings alone would amount to at least \$50,000 and the contents \$1,200,000. Had the fire occurred at any other time of the year, it is said, the loss would have been much greater, as past present the imports to and from the houses were not told and the statement also accounts for the comparatively small loss on the three houses on the North German Lloyd Line.

The latter, containing 1,000 bags of sugar, was destroyed, the loss being \$15,000.

In bridges and houses were destroyed, but the burned out units with their carcasses. The total valuation was \$125,000.

The Hoboken Shore Railroad had a number of cars burned and other property damaged. Its loss is \$4,000.

Minor losses on floating property, caused at the front of all four barns, drift wood, wall boards, insulation, etc.

WAYNE COUNTY NOMINEES.

B. L. Aycock for Senator, G. F. Hood and W. R. Allen for House.

Treasurer Worth's Election.

Reverend Dr. C. C. Wren for Sheriff.

For representative, James C. Clegg and for County Surveyor, John C. Clegg.

There are probably 6000 voters in the DeWitt, Orange, Lewis and Wayne counties.

The corporation commissioners are to be elected at the fall election.

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## TO KANSAS CITY.

## GERMANY DECLARES WAR.

North Carolina Delegates go in And United States War to Europe.

Against France.

Ranier for County. White House.

Number White Supremacy Club.

Registration and Ballot.

Charters Made by State.

Banks Called Fair.

Statement.

Special to Journal.

Raleigh, July 1. - A delegation, consisting of the special Pullman, foot, mail, with the N. C. delegates to the National Democratic Convention, left here for Kansas City, where it will stay for two or three days.

More Soldiers to India. China.

China. China. War. War.

National Flag to France.

Globe. China. Standard.

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China.