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FEARFUL STORM

Communication by Courier
With Devastated Towns

MILLIONS LOST

For the First Time Since Sunday Reports Have Been Received From Points in Florida and Georgia Visited by the Storm.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor.

SAVANNAH, Oct. 4.—Communication by courier was established today for the first time for three days with the points in Florida which were cut off by the storm of last Sunday. The reports brought by couriers show that there was great loss of life and property. The damage amounts to several million dollars. A partial list of the towns damaged or destroyed is as follows:

The towns of Fernandina and Brunswick lost half million each and both of them are off by wire.

The village of St. Mary's, Georgia, was completely wiped out. At Fernandina the tide rose several blocks in the city. The people were rescued from their home in boats. The roofs of nearly all the buildings were blown off or greatly damaged. Four churches were entirely destroyed. Cargo after cargo was completely blown away with the docks. The quarantine station is an absolute wreck, the employees having made their escape in rafts. Large hotel and twenty cottages on the beach near Fernandina were destroyed. The inhabitants of these dwellings floated ashore on rafts.

The chief losers at Fernandina were Cooney, Eckstein & Co., of New York, the Yellow Pine Lumber Co., of Norfolk, Va., Borden & Co., of Fernandina, the Atlantic Coast and Export Lumber Co., of Boston and of Jacksonville, W. A. Evans, of Fernandina, and George Baxter & Co., of New York.

All of Brunswick was inundated by from four to six feet of water. The storm raged for nineteen hours.

DROWNED UNDER A WARF.

A Philadelphia Man Perishes With Crowds Standing Near.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 4.—A great silent crowd thronged the Cumberland street wharf today, watching the diver searching for James Landry, who accidentally fell from a boat and was drawn under the wharf. The tide rose and drowned him before rescuers could reach him while he was clinging under the wharf. All manners of efforts were tried. While Landry urged his would-be rescuers to hurry that the tide was crawling up, his father stood on the wharf and called to him "Hold on." The divers could not find him and the tide finally drowned him.

THE WEATHER.

For Raleigh Occasional Showers Tonight and Wednesday.

For Raleigh and vicinity conditions favorable for occasional showers tonight and Wednesday.

The storm has broken up and nearly disappeared in the central Mississippi valley. It is raining at Atlanta, with 1.2 inches, and at Knoxville, and generally the weather continues cloudy at most points in the east except over Florida. The temperature continues quite high throughout the entire southern and eastern portions of the country.

A moderate high area has appeared in the northwest, but is associated with cloudy weather. Snow is falling at Bismarck, with temperature of 32 degrees.

NO TROUBLE.

A report has been circulated that a misunderstanding has arisen between the Street Committee and the Raleigh Electric Company, and that the latter will not allow cars from the Hargett street tramway to run over the tracks of the Raleigh Electric Company. The city's cars are not running over the company's tracks but this is due to the fact that the fans on the wheels are too large and cut the connecting wires; new wheels have been ordered and when they arrive cars will again run as was intended.

MUCH IN LITTLE.

Silver money 250 years old is still in circulation in Spain.

Less than eighty years ago the offense of murdering a horse was punished by death in England.

The elephant has 40,000 muscles in his trunk alone, while a man has only 577 in his entire body.

Out of a total German population of 431 in the capital of German East Africa, Dar-es-Salaam, 158 are officials.

Whistling is practically unknown among the Icelanders, who regard it as irreverent and a violation of the divine law.

The national hymns of China are of such extraordinary length that it is stated that half a day would be required to sing them through.

OFF FOR WASHINGTON

Many Leave Today to Attend the Episcopal Convention.

Quite a number left this morning on the Seaboard Air Line for Washington to attend the triennial convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of America. Among the party which left this morning was: Rev. Dr. and Mrs. M. M. Marshall, Miss Susan Marshall, Miss Theodora Marshall, Miss Maud Eberhardt, Rev. Dr. I. McK. Pittenger, Mr. R. H. Battle, Miss Lucy Battle, Miss Rosa Battle, Mrs. R. C. Badger, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Root, Miss Elizabeth Ashe and Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Lonodn, of Pittsboro.

The Washington Evening Star says: The most important triennial convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of America will be held in this city beginning Wednesday, October 5th, and lasting three weeks. Fully 3,000 people will be attracted here by it, the notables including all the bishops of the church and other distinguished men in private walks of life.

The meetings will be held in Epiphany church, the large auditorium being allotted to the House of Deputies, whose sessions are public, and the Sunday school room chosen for the House of Bishops, which meets behind closed doors. A number of auxiliary church organizations also will hold their meetings during the general convention, the most prominent among them being the Woman's Auxiliary and the American Church Missionary Society. There will also be a Sunday school rally and interesting services by the afternoon Sunday school. The Woman's Auxiliary will convene in Trinity church, but the business sessions thereafter will be held in National Rifle Hall.

WEALTHY LAY DELEGATES.

The social side of the occasion will, as usual be a prominent and agreeable feature. Many of the lay delegates are very wealthy, among them being J. Pierpont Morgan, of New York, ex-Senator George F. Edmunds, now of Philadelphia; Henry F. Pierpont, of Brooklyn, president of the Long Island Trust Company; John R. Triplett, of Missouri; David B. Lyman, of La Grange, Ill., president of the Chicago Title and Trust Company; Chief Justice Melville W. Fuller, of the Supreme Court of the United States, Justice Charles Andrews of the Supreme Court of New York, William Wade Hampton, of Florida, Judge T. S. Maxey, of Texas, and Justice John H. Stinson of the Supreme Court of Rhode Island; Geo. T. Sewall, of shipbuilding fame, James C. Biddle, of Philadelphia; Joseph Bryn, an editor of the Richmond Times; Robert Treat Paine, of Boston, and ex-Governor R. B. Bullock of Georgia. Cornelius Vanderbilt used to be a frequent delegate, but ill health forbids it now. J. Pierpont Morgan, following his custom, has rented the Carpenter mansion on Sixteenth street for October, and will entertain his friends and fellow-delegates with lavish hospitality.

MAYOR'S COURT.

Bettie Gill Will Visit the Work House for 30 Days.

Mayor Russ had a very slim docket in his court this morning. The only offender was Bettie Gill, a negro girl, who was charged with assault upon Malinda Hall, an old negro woman. Bettie's sole plea was: "Mr. Russ I wuz drunk, I declare I wuz." But this excuse, the Mayor informed her, only aggravated the offence and, after hearing a short talk from Attorney Dave Lane, who represented the Hall woman, Mayor Russ sent Bettie Gill out to spend thirty days at Mr. Chamber's headquarters.

After pronouncing her sentence, the Mayor asked, "Bettie, can you write?" "Nor, sir," she replied. "Well, that's a pity," continued the Mayor, "for I thought may be you could get in as a registrar at the headquarters."

RECEPTION.

Last evening the Baptist Young People's Union of the First Baptist church held a reception in the lecture room of that church. After the rendition of the program refreshments were served.

The program was as follows: Recitation by Miss Laura Newsom. Vocal solo by Mrs. Brinson. Recitation by Miss Mary Carter. Violin solo by Miss Ethel Norris. Vocal solo by Miss Mary Norris. Recitation by Miss Edith Butler. Vocal solo by Dr. Hubert Royster. Mr. Harry Heck, President of the Union, made a talk and read a program for the meetings which will be held during this month.

SATRUSTEGUL SAILS.

By Cable to the Times-Visitor. SAN JUAN, Oct. 4.—The transport Satrustegul sails today with Spanish troops.

PORTO RICO.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor. WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—The President is considering a government for Porto Rico and preparing for early evacuation.

NEWS BY WIRE

Roosevelt Accepts the Nomination

NATIONAL ISSUES

General Wheeler Testifies Before the War Investigators Concerning Santiago Campaign—Gen Blanco Issues an Order.

ROOSEVELT NOTIFIED OF NOMINATION.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor. NEW YORK, Oct. 4.—A special train took Chairman Odell of the State committee and others to Oyster Bay to notify Roosevelt of his nomination today. Mr. Chauncey Depew is to make a speech.

ROOSEVELT ACCEPTS.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor. OYSTER BAY, Oct. 4.—Colonel Roosevelt accepting the Republican nomination for Governor said the national issues are entirely paramount and quotes the crisis which followed the civil war, honest money and protection for American industries mean prosperity. He declares that the national guard must be upheld and approves the Saratoga platform.

GEN. WHEELER ON THE STAND.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—General Wheeler was the first witness before the War Investigation Commission today. Mr. Beaver conducted the examination. General Wheeler told of his trip to Cuba, had no knowledge of the plan of campaign until he boarded the ship. He described the landing and reconnoitering under orders of General Shafter. He told of the first battle of Laquassima, complimenting the regular troops for their excellent firing.

WHEELER TESTIFIES.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor. WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—General Joseph Wheeler testified before the investigation committee today that the Santiago campaign was well planned and executed. He said that he did not notice any lack of supplies or munitions. Some surgeons were killed or taken ill. General Wheeler said further that hardships were unavoidable.

BLANCO'S DECREE.

He Grants Foreign Volunteers Their Discharge From the Army.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor.

HAVANA, Oct. 4.—A joint session of the military commission may be held today. Captain General Blanco has issued a decree granting to the volunteers from Central and South America their discharges to take effect after the approaching monthly review and granting them return passages to their home governments and expenses provided they leave Cuba immediately. The auxiliary troops at Cardenas surrendered their arms to the military governor on September 30th.

GEN. MERRITT TALKS.

By Cable to the Times-Visitor. PARIS, Oct. 4.—Peace commissioners devoting today to hearing General Merritt.

BANK CLOSED.

Bank Examiner Closes Tradesmen's National Bank.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor. NEW YORK, Oct. 4.—The Tradesmen's National Bank of this city was closed by Bank Examiner Kimball this morning, pending an official examination of its latest statement which showed over four millions assets. Checks on this bank were refused at the clearing house.

KATHERINE BRINGS SUIT.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor.

NEW YORK, Oct. 4.—Katherine Clemmons the actress and fiancée of Howard Gould, son of the late millionaire Jay Gould, has sued a publishing company for \$100,000 for libel and malicious persecution. They had private detectives dogging her, according to her allegations, for years.

YELLOW FEVER.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor.

NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 4.—The yellow fever continues to spread slightly. It has been particularly well handled and a general epidemic is not imminent. In the entire State there is only thirty new cases and five deaths. At Jackson there are no new cases. Arrangements are making to stop the spread among the inhabitants, at Madison where nearly everybody is exposed.

THE "ILLINOISE"

Battleship Launched at Newport News

A GREAT CROWD

Miss Leiter of Chicago Broke a Bottle of Champagne on Her Bow in Christening Her

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor.

NEWPORT NEWS, VA., Oct. 4.—The crowd which gathered here today to witness the launching of the magnificent battleship Illinois, was by far the greatest throng which has ever attended a similar occasion. Governor Tanner of Illinois, Mayor Harrison of Chicago, Miss Leiter, who was selected by Governor Tanner to christen the name of the ship, Assistant Secretary of the Navy Allen and party were on hand early this morning. Many other distinguished guests from Washington were present, among the number being Commodore and Mrs. Endicott, Chief Constructor Hichborn and wife, Chief Engineer Melville, Captain Crowninshield, Secretary of Agriculture Wilson and daughter, General Miles and wife and daughter, Governor Tyler of Virginia, also arrived today with a large party from Richmond. The preparations were practically completed last night, but a large force of workmen were busy early this morning attending to the final details.

When every detail was complete and the great ship glided into the water Miss Leiter, of Chicago, broke a bottle of sparkling champagne squarely on her bow. Shouts from thousands of throats rent the air.

DESCRIPTION OF THE SHIP.

The dimensions of the Illinois are as follows: Length on load water line, 368 feet; beam, extreme, 72 feet 2 1/2 inches; draught on normal displacement of 11,525 tons, 23 feet 6 inches; maximum displacement, all ammunition and stores on board, 12,325 tons; maximum indicated horse power (estimated) 10,000; probable speed, 16 1/2 knots; normal coal supply, 800 tons; coal supply, loose storage, 1,200 tons; full bunker capacity, 1,400 to 1,500 tons; complement of officers, 46; seamen, marines, &c., 449.

The main battery will consist of four thirteen-inch breech-loading rifles in Hichborn balanced turrets, oval in shape, and placed in the centre line of the vessel, and fourteen six-inch rapid-fire guns. The secondary battery will consist of sixteen six-pounder rapid-fire guns, four one-pounder rapid-fire guns, two Colt guns and two field guns. She will carry four torpedo tubes.

The armor belt, which extends from the stem to the aft turret, is to be 16 1/2 inches thick at the top and 9 1/2 inches thick at the bottom, except at the forward end, where it will be tapered to 4 inches at the stem. The belt armor will extend from four feet below the normal load line to three and a half feet above it, and will maintain the full thickness amidships between the turrets and for the distance occupied by the engines and boilers. Diagonal armor 12 inches thick, connecting this belt armor and barbettes and extending from the slopes of protective deck to top of the side belt on each side, is worked to give protection from a raking fire.

Abaft the after turret the protection will be completed by thickening the protective deck to four inches on the slopes, with 2 1/2 inches on the flat. On the slopes of this deck forward it is three inches thick and 2 1/2 on the flat. The turrets will be operated by electric power; also the ammunition hoists and the dynamo and auxiliary blowers for ventilating purposes.

There will be some eighty-odd auxiliary engines in the vessel, thus adding greatly to the efficiency of the ship. In the celerity and certainty with which the work can be done.

There will be two sets of triple-expansion, twin screw engines, each in its own separate water-tight compartment; the collective indicated horse power will be about 10,000, with 120 revolutions per minute; stroke 4 feet.

The first keel plate of this vessel was laid February 10, 1897, not quite twenty months ago, and the percentage of work completed to this date, based on the vessel fitted out and ready for sea, is now reported between 53 and 54 per cent. The contract price was \$2,250,000, and the date of completion is stated to be October 5, 1898.

SANGER TESTIFIES.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor. COVINGTON, Oct. 4.—General Sanger will go to Washington tomorrow to appear before the war investigators.

PAY DEPOSITORS.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor. NEW YORK, Oct. 4.—The failure of the Trust Company of New York is due to backing the wrong exchange which has closed. Vice-President Baes says that the depositors will be paid in full.

A DREAM.

Mr. Robert Lumsden Has Mind Reading Propensities.

Mr. Robert Lumsden told this morning of a remarkable coincidence which happened to him last night. He says that just before he awoke he dreamed that he saw a party drop a letter in the mail box at the Union depot. The letter was directed to a certain firm—"Chicago"—without giving the State. Mr. Lumsden says a few minutes later he went to the station and began stamping the mail in the box when he came across the identical letter about which he had dreamed.

Mr. Lumsden is a prominent member of the Ananias Club, but he vouches for the truth of the above statement.

SUPREME COURT.

State vs. Shields, appeal dismissed, because improperly brought direct to this court.

State vs. Anderson, argued by A. B. Andrews, Jr., for State; John L. Bridges, by brief, for the defendant.

State vs. Woodard, argued by Francis D. Winston, R. B. Peebles and A. B. Andrews, Jr., for State; W. M. Bond, by brief, for defendant.

Johnston vs. Williams, argued by MacRae and Day for plaintiff; Pittman and Kerr for defendant. (Judge Montgomery did not sit on the hearing of this case.)

Gatling vs. Mitchell, motion to affirm judgment.

Batts vs. Staton, argued by Gilliam for plaintiff; Connor for defendant.

Electric Co. vs. Williams, submitted in brief by C. R. Thomas for plaintiff; Clark and Gulon for defendant.

Allison vs. Maddrey, dismissed.

Pender vs. Mallett, argued by Jacob Battle and Gilliam for plaintiff; Fountain for defendant.

MARRIAGE.

Mr. J. H. Gill and Mrs. Whitaker Wed Tonight.

Tonight at the home of the bride in Swift Creek township Mrs. Hannah Whitaker and Mr. John Henry Gill will be united in the holy bonds of matrimony. A number of friends of the groom will witness the happy event. Mr. Gill has many friends in Raleigh and Mrs. Whitaker is a most estimable woman.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

Today the commissioners of Wake county reconvened, having met first yesterday.

Friday of Fair week, Oct. 27th, was set for hearing the Raleigh and Gaston Railroad tax suit.

It was resolved to repair the sidewalk on Salisbury street, between Martin and Davis.

Supt. Ray's report showed warrants, \$200; warrants to balance, \$529.57; total, \$729.57.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION.

The Young People of the Baptist Tabernacle to Organize.

The young people of the Raleigh Baptist Tabernacle will meet Thursday night for the purpose of perfecting an organization. It is probable that the Young Men's Prayer Meeting which has been held weekly will be merged into a Young People's Union and ladies will be admitted.

The new organization will probably be called the Young People's Union, and will have a literary feature.

GREAT LAND SALES.

Raleigh has seen one great land sale but on November 2, investors will have a matchless opportunity to purchase a number of fine building lots in Idlewild. Some of the most desirable lots to be purchased in Raleigh are in this tract. The land is well drained and it is the opinion of many good judges of real estate that the town will grow in this direction. Those who are desirous of purchasing a lot for a residence should read carefully about the great auction land sale which is advertised on page three in this issue.

GARCIA'S JOB.

Uncle Sam is Now Paying Him \$500 a Month.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor.

SANTIAGO, Oct. 4.—General Garcia the famous Cuban leader, is now in the employ of the United States at the sum of \$500 a month and expenses to negotiate with the Cuban army, throughout the island of Cuba for disbandment.

CLERGYMAN SUICIDES.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor.

BINGHAMPTON, N. Y., Oct. 4.—The church people here were greatly shocked today on learning that Rev. E. Bonnett, a prominent clergyman of this city, had committed suicide. It is generally believed that overwork had unbalanced his mind.

CONE HOME.

By Cable to the Times-Visitor.

HAVANA, Oct. 4.—Commissioner of Customs Porter has gone to the United States.

STABLE BURNED.

MORRIS PARK, Oct. 4.—Fire destroyed most of the stables here this morning. The horses and all vehicles were saved.

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Dusty Travelers From Dusty Trains.

SHORT STATEMENTS

Those Who are in the Public Eye—Movement of People Who Have or Have Not Gone to the War—Big News in Little Space.

Mr. L. Wood, of Bertie, is in the city.

Miss Margaret Betts is reported better.

Maj. Samuel Telfair is in the city for a few days.

Mr. A. W. Haywood and son went to Haw River today.

Capt. John R. Smith has returned from Wilmington.

Mr. John W. Cross has gone to Pittsboro on business.

Mr. George Newell spent today in the city on legal business.

Dr. E. B. Ferrebee, of Norfolk, is in the city, the guest of his friend, Mr. J. D. Boushall.

Mr. A. C. Hinton has gone to Wake Forest in the interest of Messrs. Cross and Lincham.

Mr. Ralph B. Fortune and his two sisters, Misses Frances and Bessie, have gone to Newport News to see the Illinois launched today.

Mrs. James C. MacRae and Master Duncan MacRae, of Fayetteville, are in the city, guests at the home of Capt. and Mrs. W. H. Day.

The removal of the iron railing on Martin street at J. I. Johnson's drugstore is a great improvement to that thoroughfare.

Messrs. Pearson and Ashe have removed their office from the Pullen building to the new Capital Club building. They are making rapid progress in their work as architects and are to be congratulated on their success.

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Cheek left yesterday for Raleigh in which city he will reside in the future, says the Durham Herald. Mr. Cheek has accepted a position with the firm of Thomas & Campbell.

Mr. Jesse Jones, Miss Annie Jones, Mrs. Murphy, Miss Mary Green, Miss Bessie Powell and Miss Elnora Ormand have gone to Newport News to witness the launching.

Mr. P. M. Arthur, Great Chief of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers of Canada, United States and Mexico, will speak in Norfolk this month and a number will go from Raleigh to hear him. The Great Chief receives \$5,000 a year, and Mr. Arthur has held the position 2 years.

Remember the Confederate Tea.

The special services continue in the Central Methodist church with increasing interest. Mr. Meredith preached a fine sermon last night.

The county fusion candidates spoke today at Wakefield.

Manteo Lodge, No. 8, meets tonight at 7:30 o'clock for work in 24 degree. A full attendance is earnestly desired. Come and bring your neighbor brother.

GEO. L. TONNOFFSKI, Res. Sec.

The hearing in the suit for damages brought by Mr. Fern Busbee against Mr. J. L. Burns, keeper of the capitol, has been continued until November 14th.

The State Republican League will meet here October 20th.

The little folks here are wreathed in smiles for Thursday, Friday and Saturday the Great American Big Dumb Dog and Pony Show will be in Raleigh.

The case of Jim Booker for the murder of Mahalia White will come up before the Supreme Court week after next.

Wake Superior Court at its October term, the fourth district call in the Supreme Court and Fair Week occur at the same time. This is said on the legal profession of Raleigh.

TO BE TRIED AGAIN FOR MURDER

CAMDEN, Oct. 4.—Ed Shaw has

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CADEN, Oct. 3.—Ed Shaw has again been placed on trial for the murder of his mother, Sarah Shaw.

THE STARS ONLY KNOW.

"Now, shall I hug the shore?" he said. When for a sail they'd started. Her pouting lips, so blooming red In black amazement parted! Then blushing she answered: "Yes, (Her head against his swears: "You'd better hug the shore, unless "You think there's something better." The stars alone can tell the rest— We didn't see the squaling fest, —Denver Post.