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COWBOY RACE IS ON.

NINE RIDERS START ON THEIR LONG EQUESTRIAN TRIP.

Twelve Hundred People Fall with a Platform at Cincinnati—Eastern Roads After World's Fair Business—Five Perish in a Burning Tenement.

From Far and Near.

—The cowboy race started from Chadron, Neb., for Chicago at 5 o'clock Tuesday evening. Governor Crounse gave the signal by firing a revolver. The Humane Society people had held meetings to devise a plan to stop the race, but at last accounts they had agreed upon nothing. Public sentiment in Nebraska, as well as the presence of the Governor, is with the cowboys. The latter are such as might be expected to take part in such an enterprise. They number twenty-five, and half of them are mounted on stolen bronchos "Snake Creek Tom," "Rattlesnake Pete" and "Cock-Eyed Bill" are the names of three of the whites. He Dog and Spotted Wolf, two full-blooded Sioux, are in the lot. The route of the race was not made public, lest humane people along the line should interfere. The first rider to reach Chicago is promised a prize of $1,000 in gold by the managers of the race. Buffalo Bill is said to have put up another prize of $500 and a saddle and revolver. The enterprise is for private gain only.

—Tuesday night while the Mystic Shriners' parade was passing the Cincinnati, O., reviewing stand the platform, supporting 1,200 people eight feet in the air, fell, sending the solid mass of people to the ground. Nearly every person on the platform was more or less severely bruised, while at least three fatalities will be recorded, with a possible one or two more. An unknown man lies at the city hospital unconscious with a fractured skull. He will die. L. C. Bendix, a brick contractor, received internal injuries which will probably prove fatal. Charles Lathrop, a student, received multiple injuries which will result in his death. On the stand were Mayor Mosby and staff and other prominent personages who escaped with slight bruises.

—The Pennsylvania, Michigan Central, and the Big Four railroad companies have at last decided to run excursions to Jackson Park, landing passengers in the terminal station in the southwest portion of the grounds. This arrangement is now on, and has been brought about after correspondence and conference between the managers of the roads and Mr. Holcomb, Master of Transportation at Jackson Park. It is hoped that the action of these roads will bring about like arrangements on the part of Western railways. The rate to be charged is one fare for the round trip, something the Exposition Company has been asking for since last fall. Pennsylvania lines will bring excursionists at the one fare rate from points east of Dayton, Ohio. The Michigan Central will, for the time being, carry excursionists from Michigan City and intermediate points. The Big Four will take visitors at the half-fare rate from Cincinnati and intermediate points. These excursions are in the nature of experiments and it is announced that they would be run daily until it was ascertained whether or not the public would take advantage of them in such numbers as to make it advisable to continue the daily excursion trains.

—The six-story brick building at 10 and 12 Montgomery street, New York, proved a death trap yesterday morning, when a fire broke out, precipitating a panic among the two hundred men and women employed in the "sweater" shops on five of the six floors. Five persons are known to have been killed and a number injured. The bodies of the killed are so horribly mangled that it is a difficult matter to identify them.

—Cardinal Gibbons, in an interview, declares himself in favor of opening the World's Fair on Sunday. He says Catholics believe the Sabbath to be not only a day of rest and religious observance, but also a day on which innocent recreation is allowable.

—Lydia Gould, a flashily dressed New York negro woman, thirty-three years of age, was remanded to await extradition papers from Chicago. She is wanted for the larceny of $600 from Robert Paxton, a Chicago merchant. Lydia has a history. About two years ago she had some trouble with her negro lover, and, buying a revolver, she loaded its six chambers and fired their contents at his skull one after another. The negro was not much hurt.

—Dr. J. R. Walker, resident physician and overseer at the Leech Lake (Minn.) Indian Reservation, telegraphed Monday to department headquarters at St. Paul that he had accidentally shot and killed an Indian. Friends of Dr. Walker, at Park Rapids, Minn., a town near the reservation, telegraphed to headquarters that Dr. Walker was a prisoner in the hands of the Indians and was in imminent danger of losing his life, and to send troops. Company D, United States Third Infantry, was ordered to leave for the reservation.

—W. J. Elliott, who was proprietor and editor of the Sunday Capital, Columbus, Ohio, and who murdered Al Osborne, editor of the Sunday World, several years ago, was seriously injured at the penitentiary. W. W. Varney, a Cincinnati thief, threw a quantity of vitriol in Elliott's face, which will very likely cause the loss of one eye and perhaps both. Varney is a cutter in the State tailor shop and claims that Elliott falsely reported that he he had sold a coat to one of the guards, whereby he was removed.

—Ex-Labor Commissioner Peck, of New York, indicted for destroying public papers on which his report on wages and labor was compiled, is reported to have forfeited his bail bond and sailed for Europe.

—Canadian Presbyterians have a heresy case, charges having been preferred against Rev. Dr. John Campbell, Professor of Church History in the Montreal Presbyterian College. Dr. Campbell recently delivered a lecture in which he attacked the infallibility of the Old Testament.

—Her royal highness the Infanta Eulalia is getting tired of formality, and she gave evidence of the fact Tuesday by opening, in the most democratic way, the Jackson Park exhibit of her native country. There were no ceremonies.

—President Carnot, of France, is ill with liver complaint.

—The body found at Milwaukee and supposed to be that of Herman Schaffner has been identified as that of Herman Flasch.

—Four armed and masked men stopped a Missouri Pacific express train in the suburbs of Omaha, but were scared off before they secured anything.

CRIME AND CASUALTY.

—Charles Miller, an East Chicago (Ind.) hotel-keeper, has disappeared. He took with him a valuable team of horses and a considerable sum of money.

—The Mobile and Ohio train was held up by six masked men at Forest Lawn, a suburb of East St. Louis, Ill., about 9:30 o'clock Thursday night. The reports credit the robbers with making a clear haul of the contents of the express car after beating the messenger into insensibility. The engineer's cab and the express car were riddled with bullets. Forest Lawn is the identical spot where an attempt was made to rob a train about a week before.

—In a wreck on the Chicago and Alton Railroad at Vandalia, Mo., Express Messenger Robert Wolf was badly injured. Three passenger coaches were badly demolished and the engine turned upside down. The wreck is supposed to have been caused by a cow being on the track.

—Tom Figures, a desperate Texarkana, Ark., negro, was arrested for assault. A posse organized and intended to lynch him Wednesday night, but the sheriff learned its intention and hurried him to Bowie County jail, ten miles away. The people are badly excited and it is possible he may yet be lynched.

—Ed Young, a farmer living five or six miles west of Grinnell, Iowa, was bunced out of $8,500 by a couple of sharpers. The plan used was the one which has been in use for years. A stranger wished to buy a farm. A confederate appears at the proper time. A game proposed, with the usual result.

—A terrific windstorm swept Rice County, Minn., doing fully $50,000 damage. The village of Dundas suffered the most severely.

—Henry Reers, an artist of Fort Wayne, Ind., committed suicide by drowning in the St. Joseph River. No motive can be assigned for the act.

—Lieut. Stillman Danforth, a police officer, was instantly killed by a Rock Island train at Chicago.

—Bob Brown, the negro murderer, was hanged at Mayfield, Ky. Brown murdered Albert Colley, a farmer. He had a record of having killed five other men.

—The Ford Theater Building at Washington, D. C., used as an annex to the Pension Department, collapsed without warning, Friday, while over 500 clerks and laborers were inside. The first estimates were that from fifty to seventy-five people met death. The accident was due to criminal carelessness. Workmen were excavating under the building for an electric lighting plant, and supports were not provided.

—One of the bank robbers who assisted in robbing the Bentonville, Ark., Bank has been found dead in a field a few miles west of Maysville. The body was covered with leaves and brush. Two others of the gang are known to be badly wounded.

—Three masked men held up Burlington passenger train No. 12, at Norway, Iowa, Thursday morning. When they learned it was only a local train they left disgusted, saying they wanted the Denver express. Baggageman Fitzgerald, learning what the stop meant, took a package of money containing $8,000 and secreted it in a wood box. It was not necessary, however, as the robbers rode off, little dreaming what a prize they were overlooking.

—Joseph Mercado, a prominent Puebla (Mexico) attorney, was assassinated on Wednesday night at Papantla, in the state of Vera Cruz. He was calling at the house of a friend, when four shots were fired through a window. All the shots took effect in the body of Mercado, killing him instantly. It is alleged that the assassins were paid to commit the crime by some prominent parties with whom Mr. Mercado, as counsel in a law case, had some trouble.

—August Gotham, South Omaha, was shot and killed by Charles Carlton, near Fremont, Neb. Gotham left home to find some mules which had escaped and which he thought were at Norfolk. In the morning he stopped at Carlton's and asked for dinner. It was refused him and he became angry and reached for his revolver. In the struggle the gun was discharged. It is thought that he was partially insane.

—J. F. Richardson, Great Northern car accountant, and E. J. O'Callaghan, night operator, were run into by an engine at Great Falls, Mont. O'Callaghan escaped serious injury, but Richardson was instantly crushed to death. The dead man was single and came from St. Paul.

—Frank Ferguson, of Chicago, is in a New York hospital suffering from concussion of the brain. He was thrown from a carriage in Central Park.

—At Wallace, Idaho, James Harrington was shot probably fatally by R. A. Cunningham, a cook. Harrington kicked a dog belonging to Cunningham, and when the latter resented the act Harrington pulled a gun on him. Cunningham shot him four times. Harrington has the reputation of having killed ten or a dozen men.

—James Whelahan, aged 16, a stable boy at the Gloucester race track, was killed by being thrown from Hattick filly, which he was exercising.

THE FIRE RECORD.

—Fargo, N. D., is in ashes. The fire started Wednesday at 3 o'clock in a restaurant on the second street. Among the principal firms already burned are Heremann, dry goods; Crane's restaurant, Magill, farm machinery; Northern Pacific elevator buildings, Western Union Telegraph office, Morton, real estate; Red River Valley National Bank, Daily Forum, Merchants' State Bank, Opera House, E. S. Ryder, real estate; Finch, McCrossin, Walter A. Woods, Minnesota Chief, Deering, and John Deere implement warehouses; Cole's livery, Grand Hotel, Fleming's drug store, Veder & Lewis' grocery, Christian's drug store, Sheridan's Hotel, Appel Bros., Minneapolis Dry Goods Company, Logan's studio, American Iron Works, Continental House, Van Brunt Implement warehouse. A strong wind made the fire travel so quickly that hardly anything was saved. The flames went through brick buildings as easily as wooden ones. The loss will be over $3,000,000, as practically the entire business district of the city is already destroyed. Insurance about one-third; 3,000 people are homeless.

—A disastrous conflagration occurred at San Francisco, Wednesday morning, which destroyed thirteen residences in the western addition near Golden Gate Park. Three firemen perished in the flames while in the discharge of their duty. Another was fatally injured, and a number were badly bruised and burned. The names of the killed are Richard Windrow, Edward Davis, and Charles Madison. The loss to property is estimated at $100,000.

—The Bradstreet-Thurber Company's furniture store at Minneapolis was burned, causing a loss of $160,000.

—Fire in San Francisco destroyed about a dozen fine residences, most of which were of recent construction. Three firemen, named Richard Windrow, Edward Davis and Charles Madison, were instantly killed by the falling of a chimney, and another fireman named Healit was badly burned. The loss is estimated at $200,000.

—Fire has destroyed the Ville Marie Convent, near Montreal, causing a loss of $1,000,000.

—Fire at Buffalo destroyed the Reading's mammoth coal docks; loss $500,000.

PERSONAL MENTION.

—William A. Allen, the well-known wool merchant of Chicago, died at Needham, Mass., Sunday. Mr. Allen was the head of the wool commission firm of W. A. Allen & Co., and was 54 years old. Formerly he was a member of the firm of Tillinghast & Allen. Mr. Allen had been a prominent factor in the wool trade in the West since 1868.

—Isaac Morton, ex-president of the Cleveland and Marietta Road, died at Columbus. He was 70 years old. For many years he was prominent in Ohio politics, and was best known by his sobriquet of "Governor Morton."

—Obituary: At Jerseyville, Ill., Leonard M. Cuttlig, aged 67.—At Greensboro, Ala., Rev. Dr. O. R. Blue, of the Methodist Church.

—Jacob A. Hall, of Damariscotta, Me., died suddenly on the train between Syracuse and Utica, N. Y.

—The remains of Edwin Booth were interred at Mount Auburn Cemetery, Boston. A great crowd attended the funeral services at the "Little Church Around the Corner," in New York.

—Major Leigh R. Page, a cousin of the novelist and a resident of Richmond, Va., died in Chicago of heart disease.

—Warren Leland, not the Chicago man, the last of five brothers who had been engaged in the hotel business, died in Fort Chester, N. Y.

—David H. Lincoln, an old Chicago board of trade man, died from the grip.

FROM WASHINGTON.

—The President made a large number of appointments Thursday, among them being twenty to the consular service. The principal appointments were: Murray Vandiver, of Maryland, internal revenue collector for the district of Maryland; Joseph G. Donnelly, of Wisconsin, Consul General at Nuevo Larado, Mexico; Van Leer Polk, of Tennessee, Consul General at Calcutta; Parshall Thatcher, of Michigan, Consul at Windsor, Ont.; Alex. B. Rosenthal, of New York, Consul at Leghorn, Italy; Wm. H. Jacks, of Indiana, Consul at London, Ont.; Rufus H. Lyall, of Pennsylvania, Consul at Santiago de Cuba; Jacob A. Child, of Missouri, Consul at Hankow, China; Louis B. Bettallata, of Maryland, Consul at Messina, Italy.

—The President has issued a proclamation officially promulgating the Russian extradition treaty. The proclamation is dated June 5.

—The President has made the following appointments:

William G. Crawford of Louisiana, to be Deputy Auditor of the Treasury for the Post-office Department; Rodolphus O. Randall of Alabama, to be Solicitor of Internal Revenue for the District of Alabama; Charles E. Gorman of Rhode Island, to be Attorney of the United States for the District of Rhode Island; Norborne T. N. Robinson of Louisiana, to be Assistant Solicitor of the Treasury.

Peter H. Krumbhaar of Indianapolis, Ind.; Joshua Hutchins, of Athens, Ga., and Clem V. Rogers of Indian Territory to be appraisers of the value of horses, cattle and other property occupied by intruders or unauthorized persons within the Cherokee outlet, under the provisions of the act of Congress, approved March 3, 1893.

To be consuls of the United States:

Warner S. Kinkead of Kentucky, at South Hampton, Eng.; Norfleet Harris of Alabama, at Leeds, Eng.; Lucien J. Walker of Alabama, at Cork, Ireland; Marcellus L. Davis of Arkansas, at Trinidad, West Indies; Lars S. Regua of Iowa, at Rotterdam, The Netherlands; Edward Downes of Connecticut, at Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

Daniel W. Maratta of North Dakota to be Consul-General of the United States at Melbourne, Australia.

FOREIGN.

—The Pope has sent a message to the Catholic bishops of the United States upholding the opinion of the majority of the American episcopate on the school questions.

—Emile Zola has been again defeated of election to the French Academy, receiving only 4 votes to 22 cast for Ferdinand Brunetiere, the critic and author.

—The latest news in regard to the cholera raging in Mecca is that sixty deaths occurred in that city. Five deaths from a disease of a choleraic nature occurred at Cairo, in the department of Herneh, a place with a considerable coastwise and foreign trade, in which choleraic disease had already been reported.

—Count Kalnoky, in a speech to the Austrian delegation, said the nation was faithful to the triple alliance.

—James Gordon Bennett, of New York, fell from a coach in Paris and received injuries which may result fatally.

—Thomas Sexton has resigned his seat in Parliament because of what he considered a vote of censure by the Irish party.

MISCELLANEOUS.

—Abraham Bailey, grain commission merchant at Duluth, has disappeared.

—The new gold discovery in Fremont County, Wyoming, is reported to exceed in richness the deposits found in California.

—Sam Wilson, "the lone train robber," as he delights in being called, has evolved a scheme by which some enterprising showman may make a fortune. He has so far hit upon two ideas. The first was to write a book on "The Art of Holding Up a Train Without Weapons," from the sale of which work he thinks he could realize quite a nice little sum. The objection to the scheme is that before he could get it on the market he might have ceased to be a nine days' wonder. The other idea is contained in a card which he wrote and handed to the reporter, with a request to print. It reads as follows:

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Anyone wanting to use me, or desiring my services for six or eight months, or longer, and will go my bond at Union, Mo., the 20th or 27th inst., will please call or write me at the jail pertaining to the same. None but those meaning business need call or write. I will go anywhere with the right party.

SAM A. WILSON, the Lone Train Robber.

Which shows that he would form a greater attraction than any freak in existence as an exhibit at a dime museum or a side show. He would lecture on the art of train robbing. The bond is $5,000.

—Burned-out Fargo residents and business are already beginning the work of rebuilding.

—Stansbury J. Willey, of Wilmington, Del., Supreme Master of the Exchequer of the Knights of Pythias, is to be expelled from the order, and proceedings, both civil and criminal, are to be begun against him. The order has lost $80,000, all told, through his operations.

—The prospective yield of Kansas wheat is estimated at 25,000,000 bushels, or 33 per cent. of a full crop.

—The Grand Junction, Colo., cattle and sheep war is assuming a serious phase. Threatening letters have been received and men have been ordered to leave the country. As is well known a range is destroyed for cattle when sheep graze upon it. The sheep men refuse to move, and as they are well armed the indications are that they will stay as long as they wish. But the ranchmen are determined that they must move, and are doing everything in their power to drive them out. Charles Kirk, a sheep man, was shot at a few days ago. He fell from his horse, which came into camp, but he has not been seen since. Fifteen masked men held up and tied a sheep-herder named Orson, and shot and killed about 300 sheep on the range and scattered the carcasses. The wholesale poisoning and slaughtering of the sheep has aroused feeling to the very highest pitch. The cattle men claim priority on the range, which the sheep men refuse to recognize.

—Sunday closing of the World's Fair now stands in this condition: Judge Stein, of a State court, granted an injunction to restrain the authorities from closing; the United State Court of Appeals, by Judges Wood and Jenkins, granted another to restrain them from opening; Judge Grosscup dissenting; and Saturday Chief Justice Fuller granted an order staying the two injunctions temporarily. Within a few days Justice Fuller will call in other Judges and the matter be finally settled.

—At least 400 men are employed at Fargo, N. D., in clearing off the ruins to commence rebuilding at once. Every building will be as nearly fireproof as possible. Many business men formerly on Broadway have tents and will open in them.

—Evangelist Moody preached to an audience of 15,000 people in Forepaugh's circus tent at Chicago, Sunday.

—An act passed by the last Legislature is found to legalize glove contests in Indiana.

—Gen. Vas Quese, Commander-in-chief of the army, has declared himself President of Honduras. Gen. Bonilla, the revolutionary leader, is said to have died from a wound.

—The clubs of the National League hold the positions shown below in the race for the pennant:

	W.	L.	Pc.		W.	L.	Pc.
Brooklyn	28	14	.622	Baltimore	20	16	.526
Boston	24	15	.615	Washington	18	19	.486
Pittsburg	22	15	.595	St. Louis	15	20	.429
Philadelphia	21	15	.583	Cincinnati	16	22	.421
Cleveland	17	14	.548	Chicago	11	21	.417
New York	20	18	.526	Louisville	4	24	.143

FINANCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL.

—Josiah B. Kendall, a Boston real estate dealer, has failed. His liabilities are $279,446, while the assets are a residence valued at $33,000 and a disputed claim against the Boston Water Power Company for $41,000.

—At St. Louis the National Furniture Manufacturers' Association indorsed the Torrey bankruptcy bill and adopted a resolution favoring free trade with Canada. The following officers have been elected for the ensuing year: President, Otto Stechan, Indianapolis; vice president, J. H. Conrades, St. Louis; second vice president, D. F. Pierce, Boston; third vice president, H. Rilshoff, Cincinnati; secretary and treasurer, T. B. Laycock, Indianapolis.

—Application has been made for a receiver for the New York Concert Company, which runs the Casino. The liabilities are $460,356.

—In Chicago, Friday, corn advanced a cent for July and three-quarters for September on the rally in wheat and the large out inspection. The oats market was strong, and June went to a premium of three-quarters over July. Light receipts of hogs and a report that June shipments would be but half of an average, caused an advance of 20 cents in pork, 15@20 in lard and 17½@22½ in ribs. Trade in cattle was fairly active, and prices were steady.

—The whisky trust has issued a circular warning the trade against doing business with W. W. Johnson & Co., of Cincinnati.

—Assignments have been made by Jernberg, Griffin & Co. and Joseph Higins private bankers. The assets of the former are $30,000 and of the latter $50,000, while the liabilities are not stated.

—The jewelry firm of E. F. Sanford & Co., of New York, has made an assignment. The liabilities are $150,000 and assets $100,000.

—Cotton mill operators will strike at Biddeford, Me., for higher wages and fewer hours of work. The number involved is about 3,500.

—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says:

The severe depression of a week ago, which culminated in tight money and numerous failures, has been followed by some recovery. Reports that definite action by Congress will relieve the money question has been assured have done much to cause the better feeling. But the stringency at Chicago and elsewhere has forced realizing on the unprecedented stocks of wheat, so that the lowest prices ever known have been made here and at the West. This has helped exports and in other respects monetary conditions are distinctly more favorable. Though no radical change in underlying conditions has occurred there is more hopefulness and some recovery from the extreme condition of credit.

THE MARKETS.

CHICAGO.		
CATTLE—Common to Prime	$3 25	@ 5 00
Stockers—Tipping Grades	3 00	@ 3 75
SHEEP—Fair to Choice	4 00	@ 5 50
WHEAT—No. 2 Spring		66 @ 66
CORN—No. 2		38 @ 39
OATS—No. 2		29 @ 30
RYE—No. 2		48 @ 50
BUTTER—Choice Creamery		15½@ 16½
EGGS—Fresh		13½@ 14½
POTATOES—New, per bu		70 @ 80
INDIANAPOLIS.		
CATTLE—Shipping	3 25	@ 5 50
HOGS—Choice Light	3 60	@ 7 00
SHEEP—Common to Prime	3 00	@ 5 50
WHEAT—No. 1		63 @ 63½
CORN—No. 2 White		41 @ 41½
OATS—No. 2 White		34 @ 35
ST. LOUIS.		
CATTLE	3 00	@ 5 00
HOGS	3 60	@ 6 75
WHEAT—No. 2 Red		63 @ 64
CORN—No. 2		36 @ 37
OATS—No. 2		27 @ 28
RYE—No. 2		52 @ 53
CINCINNATI.		
CATTLE	3 00	@ 5 25
HOGS	3 00	@ 6 50
SHEEP	3 00	@ 5 25
WHEAT—No. 2 Red		62½@ 63½
CORN—No. 2		40 @ 42½
OATS—No. 2 Mixed		31 @ 32
RYE—No. 2		57 @ 59
DETROIT.		
CATTLE	3 00	@ 5 00
HOGS	3 00	@ 7 50
SHEEP	3 00	@ 4 25
WHEAT—No. 2 Red		65 @ 66
CORN—No. 2 Yellow		40 @ 41
OATS—No. 2 White		34 @ 35
TOLEDO.		
WHEAT—No. 2		65½@ 66½
CORN—No. 2 Yellow		38 @ 39
OATS—No. 2 White		31 @ 32
RYE		52 @ 54
BUFFALO.		
CATTLE—Common to Prime	3 50	@ 5 50
HOGS—Best Grades	4 00	@ 7 25
WHEAT—No. 1 Hard		73 @ 74
No. 2 Red		67½@ 68¾
MILWAUKEE.		
WHEAT—No. 2 Spring		63 @ 64
CORN—No. 3		35 @ 36
OATS—No. 2 White		32 @ 33
RYE—No. 1		51 @ 53
BARLEY—No. 2		57 @ 58
PORK—Mess	20 00	@20 50
NEW YORK.		
CATTLE	3 50	@ 5 75
HOGS	3 00	@ 8 00
SHEEP	3 00	@ 5 00
WHEAT—No. 2 Red		73 @ 74
CORN—No. 2		47 @ 48
OATS—Mixed Western		37 @ 39
BUTTER—Creamery		18 @ 21
PORK—New Mess	21 00	@21 50

PRINTERS IN SESSION.

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION AT CHICAGO.

Evans and Sontag Rounded Up—Distressing Accident in an Iowa Cemetery—Pension Clerks Want to Lynch Their Superior Officer—Against Silver.

Told In a Few Words.

—Madison Hall, Chicago, was crowded Monday with delegates from all parts of the United States and Canada to the forty-first annual convention of the International Typographical Union. Fully 300 accredited representatives of the crafts associated with the printing press were present when P. Prescott, of Indianapolis, President of the organization, called the assembly to order. A large number of outsiders who are interested in the art of typography were also there, and when Rev. Floyd W. Jenkins advanced to the edge of the platform to offer the opening prayer he looked down on an audience of nearly six hundred. Mayor Harrison then welcomed the convention in a characteristic address. Whether he lauded the influence of the types, or humorously alluded to the printer's proverbial careless demeanor, his hearers applauded vigorously.

—Evans and Sontag, the California train robbers, who have been fugitives for ten months, were worsted in an encounter with officers, the latter fatally.

—A tree which was being felled in a Burlington (Iowa) cemetery fell on a vehicle in which were Rev. Dr. William Salter and his wife. The latter was killed and the former fatally injured.

—A thrilling sequel to the Ford Theater calamity was enacted late Monday afternoon, when, for a time, it looked as though an indignant mob angrily would seize Col. Frederick C. Ainsworth of the United States army and hang him to the nearest lamp-post. The brothers, fathers, sons, and other relatives and friends of those recently sacrificed in the Government death-trap were the men who clamored for Ainsworth's life. If it had not been for the self-possession and daring of one of the jurors, Mr. B. H. Warner, one of the most substantial citizens of Washington, there is little doubt that the relatives of the dead clerks would have lynched him. The clerks consider that in his capacity of officer in charge, by ignoring the dangerous character of the building, Col. Ainsworth is responsible for the calamity, and that by his presence at the inquest he sought to intimidate witnesses whose testimony would be inimical to him.

—In reply to a telegram sent from New York to members of both houses of Congress as to their attitude in regard to the Sherman law, 122 have been heard from—18 Senators and 104 Representatives. Of this number 88 are in favor of the repeal, 25 are against the repeal, and 8 are still undecided.

—Snow & Burgess, shipping and commission merchants of New York, have made an assignment. Their liabilities are $250,000.

—Because of the "annoyance and insult" to which he has been subjected by the treasury investigating committee, Appraiser Cooper, of New York, has resigned.

—A box of opals, valued at $25,000, the property of Governor Casio, of Queretaro, Mexico, was stolen from the private dining-room in ex-Postmaster General Wanamaker's Philadelphia store.

—Joseph O'Hara, John McCoal, Johanna Seney, and Henry Burger were the grade-crossing fatalities of a day at Chicago.

—Five persons were seriously injured by a Chicago street car jumping the track on the declivity of a viaduct. A broken brake was the cause of the accident.

—The plant of the Merriam & Morgan Paraffine Company at Cleveland, Ohio, was destroyed. The loss is $250,000.

—Five men were killed by the bursting of a boiler in a mill at Barnet, Vt.

—A robber invaded the Hotel Colorado at Glenwood Springs and, aided by a pistol, robbed guests of money and jewelry to the amount of $2,000.

—The second trial of Dr. Graves, at Denver, for the alleged poisoning of Mrs. Josephine Barnaby has been postponed until September.

—Annie Murphy was sentenced to four years' imprisonment for forgery at St. Cloud, Minn.

—The steamer Anita, belonging to Geo. B. Chase, built in London in 1873, was wrecked off the mouth of the Bloba. The crew and passengers escaped and reached Talcahuano without loss. The Anita was an iron steamer, 665 tons register, and served the congressional cause as a transport during the war. With her were lost 400 head of cattle and 800 sheep destined for Iquique.

—At Dubuque, Ia., the badly decomposed body of Ida Woodenhabor was found on the porch of his residence. He was a bachelor, 70 years old. Indications are that he was murdered, as the body bore signs of foul play. His face was bruised and one glass from his spectacles was driven into his eye. The body was discovered by some children playing near by.

—The estimated damage from Saturday's flood in Dubuque, Iowa, will reach fully $50,000. The Adler & Swiney Street Railway Line had over two miles of track torn out.

—Frank L. Osmond, wife-murderer and slayer of his cousin, John Burchell, was executed in the electric chair at Sing Sing. Osmond was jealous of Burchell and his cousin and killed them both. He refused to take advantage of the opportunity to escape when Rohle and Pallister made their memorable escape from Sing Sing.

—Hobbs & Tucker, private bankers at Albany, Ga., have failed. Their deposits aggregate $80,000.

—Obituary: At Auburn, Ala., Dr. N. L. Lupton, Professor of Chemistry in the A. and M. College of Alabama.—At Syracuse, N. Y., General James A. Hill, of Damariscotta, Me.—At Ann Arbor, Mich., Alderman Ariel H. Tillmore.

—John D. Rockefeller is reported to have purchased the St. Luke's Hospital property opposite his residence on Fifth avenue, New York City, for $2,400,000.

—Annie E. Murphy, or Doolittle, the notorious woman forger, has been convicted at St. Cloud, Minn. The prisoner fainted when the verdict was announced.

—The bodies of John Augustine Lynch, 7 years old, and William Durkin, 5, were found in Crosswick's Creek, near Bordentown, N. J.

—Joseph Blinn's chemical works at Williamsburg, N. Y., were burned. Loss, $100,000.

—The steamer Nyack, which was feared to have been lost on Lake Erie, is reported all safe, having put into Erie, Pa., during the gale.

—Wm. Pinkney, the escaped Marlboro, Md., murderer, was captured. Pinkney is under sentence to be hanged on June 29 for murder.

SCORES MEET DEATH.

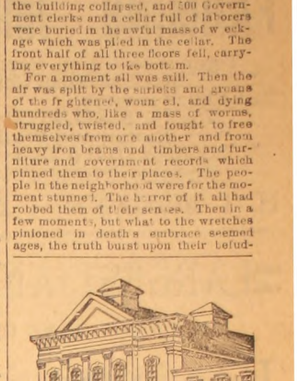
AWFUL DISASTER AT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

Ford's Old Theater Collapses—Over Five Hundred Government Employes in the Ruins—Hardly a Man Escaped Injury—Intense Excitement and Confusion.

Awful Scene of Death.

Death visited the national capital Friday in its most terrible form and reaped a mighty harvest. Ford's Theater, where a little over a quarter of a century ago a tragedy startled the nation, was the scene of the black angel's visit. Without a moment's warning the building collapsed, and 500 Government clerks and a score of other of laborers were buried in the awful mass of wreckage which was piled in the cellar. The front half of all three floors fell, carrying everything to the bottom.

For a moment all was still. Then the air was split by the shrieks and groans of the dying victims, while many of the dying hundreds who, like a mass of worms, struggled, twisted, and fought to free themselves from one another and from heavy iron beams and timbers and furniture and government records which pinned them to their places. The people on the outside, who were for the moment stunned. The horror of it all had robbed them of their senses. Then in a few moments, but what to the wretches pinioned in death's embrace seemed ages, the truth burst upon their befud-



FORD'S THEATER.

dled brains, and they joined their cries with the unfortunates within the collapsed building. Then, dividing, some rushed for help, some ran to the sink-hole of death itself to lend their hands, while others, with selfish regard for their own safety and curiosity, stood where they were to look upon the scene.

With the speed of the electric messenger the news seemed to fly from man to man throughout the city, and by the time the first ambulance reached the street that fronted the theater the thoroughfare was choked with people. It was like breaking into a mob to get through the crowd to the building, for many there had fathers, husbands, brothers, sons and sweethearts in the wreck for which they fought to reach the places they had gained and fought to get nearer. Meanwhile the cries of the wretches within the trap—for it was but little else—were becoming weaker. Many whose voices had blended with the rest at first had died a miserable death, others had fainted from fatigue. Some in their fear jumped from the third story windows and were crushed into a mass of lifeless pulp on the concrete below.

At the time this dispatch was sent out it was impossible to tell how many had been killed outright, but the number was conservatively placed at seventy-five. Many others will die.

Awful Tangle of Debris.

The tangle of stuff inside of the building that had to be cleared away in getting at bodies was terrible. Girders, bricks, beams, desks, furniture, all were inextricably piled together. Several hundred men were at work clearing away, heedless of the danger that menaced them from the possibility of falling walls. It was a difficult as well as dangerous task, but there was far less confusion than one would have expected. Men turned pale and sick at the horrible spectacle presented by the injured. General Schofield promptly ordered two troops of cavalry from Fort Myer to cross the river, and two companies of infantry from the Arsenal to the scene of the disaster. The Secretary of the Navy also ordered out all the naval medical officers stationed there, and opened the naval hospital to receive the injured. The Commandant of the navy yard was ordered to render all assistance in his power, and every hospital in the city was called into requisition to care for the wounded.

Cause of the Accident.

An investigation of the cause of the accident discovered that it was apparently due to criminal carelessness. A number of laborers were at work beneath the floor of the theater for an electric plant. The building rested on underpinning and the earth, and as the earth was dug away the pressure of the building rested on the unsupported beams of the first floor. The weight proved too much, and the floors collapsed after the fresh excavation, burying the laborers and clerks beneath them.

The building was acquired by the Government some years ago because of its historical associations, and, although it had been condemned as unsafe and unsuitable for the purpose for which it was occupied, sentence is kept in unchanged. The floors were heavily loaded with the records of the pension division of the War Department. The clerks employed there were all men.

ATTACHMENTS have been served upon all property of the Northern Pacific Elevator Company in North Dakota, on claims aggregating $400,000, brought at the instance of banks in Montreal, Minneapolis and Duluth. There are fifty elevators belong ng to this company in North Dakota.

DENIAL is made at the Department of State of the story that the British Ambassador has demanded reparation, pecuniary and by apology, for the arrest of the mate of the British steamer Nigretia at New Orleans on May 5. It is admitted that the subject is a matter of correspondence.

THE REV. Hugh Hawes' life of Sir Morel Mackenzie has been published intact, despite the efforts of the Empress Frederick to suppress the part concerning Mackenzie's treatment of Emperor Frederick.