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"Below the bridge the burning timbers of a mill floated down on the multitude assembled on the flats and inflicted lamentable sufferings. The men fought this new death bitterly. Those who had coats flung them over the heads of wives and children, and dipped water from their hats on the improvished shelter. Scores had every shred of hair burned off. Many lost their lives protecting others. The firemen had made an effort to save some of the buildings, but the hose, swollen with water, burned through in a hundred places. Many lumber company workmen shut themselves up in a great brick building with their wives and children, and were roasted in the raging heat of the next half hour. The situation on the river banks, crowded with animals and men, was full of despair. The fist were covered with prone figures with backs ablaze and faces pressed rigidly into the cool, molet earth. A maelstrom of sparks, cinders and hot sand did as much in killing the people as the first terrible willing the people as the first terr

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of blackened stumps and roots showed the Peshtigo River. On the west they saw the bridge in fiames in a dozen places, and, turning sharply to the left, they plunged into the water. Three hunred persons wedged themselves in between the rolling booms of timber swayed too and fro by the current, where they roasted in the hot breath of fiames that hovered above them and singed the hair on each head exposed above water. Despairing men and women held their children until the benumbing cold forced them to let go or to sink downward in a last embrace. Above was intolerable heat and below an unendurable ley flood.

"Meantime the eastern bank was crowded by the dying and dead. The victims who rushed to the river in this direction were mowed down in swaths by swirling blasts of flame. To breaths by swirling blasts of flame. To breaths the first blast. A few were able to crawl to the pebbly flats, burned naked and hairless, dreadfully disfigured. They fell prone on the grateful damp flats, suffering excrudating agony. The flerce blaze played in tremendous counter currents above them, and the wind bombarded them with red-hot sand that blistered the flesh. All these could break through the stifling simoon had come to the river. They could see in the red glare the sloping bank covered with bodies of those who fell by the way. A new danger befell. The cows, terrified by smoke and fleme, rushed in a great lowing herd to the river brink. Women and children were son overtaken. The wagon roads led into a furnace to the river brink. Women and children were son overtaken. The wagon roads led into a furnace of the advancing fury; others fled from the flats and trailited assembled on the flats and the little dawn on the multitude assembled on the flats and the little dawn on the fine way from the fine. A number of persons made their way to have the first hand of persons made their way to have proved the proposed to the first hand the many lesing their hold on fletally logs, were swept under the many lesing their hold on fletally logs,

moist earth. A maeistrom of sparks, cinders and hot sand did as much in killing the people as the first terrible sirocco. The wretched throng neck deep in the water, and the still more helpless beings estretched on the heated sands, were pinned and blistered by the burning particles.

"When the hapless dwellers in the remote streets saw themselves cut off from the river, groups broke in all directions in a wild panic of terror. A few took refuge in a cleared field redering on the town. Here, flat upon the ground, with faces pressed in the sand, the helpless suffers lay and roasted. Few survived. The next day revealed a picture exceeding in horror any battlefield. Mothers with filled every car and crowded the train, filled every car and crowded the platforms and steps. The engineer blew a final blast, a summons to the living and a requiem for the dead, then reversed his engine and backed the train, filled every car and crowded the platforms and steps. The engineer blew a final blast, a summons to the living and a requiem for the dead, then reversed his engine and backed the train, filled every car and crowded the platforms and steps. The engineer blew a final blast, a summons to the living and a requiem for the dead, then reversed his engine and backed the train into the narrow canal of the track banked by rlotous flames Great trees blazed heavenward alongside the track, the way to safety at any moment.

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trusted, but squads of men were left on guard for any further outbreak.

ANNUAL FIRE LOSSES.

The United States Bureau of Forestry states that the annual loss from forest fires in that country is at least \$50,000,000. Besides the immediate loss to timber and property, the forest growth is almost irremediably damaged and the water conservation of vast areas ruined. All this loss and damage is preventable. Europe has few forest fires. In Germany there is justiced at an annual cost of \$10 a mile. Legislation to protect American forests is mostly inadequate. It is estimated that in the state of Washing-ton 30,000,000,000 feet of timber have been cut in half a century, while 42, 000,000,000 feet of there have been cut in half a century, while 42, 000,000,000 feet of there have been cut in half a century, while 42, 000,000,000 feet of timber have been cut in half a century, while 42, one motive sparks as was the case with the Adirondack confingration of 1903. An engineer removed his spark arrester while gold from 1903. An engineer removed his spark arrester while gold from 1903. An engineer removed his spark arrester while gold from 1903. The house of a farmer named Michault was seven the Lisbon fire farmer named Michault was seven the Lisbon fire farmer named Michault was seven the Lisbon fire farmer named Michault was seven the cuttings of the past two years.

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fire. Many fires are caused by locomotive sparks as was the case with the Adirondack confiagration of 1903. An engineer removed his spark arrester while going through the woods. The careless burning of ties and rubbish by railroad hands is another common cause. Settlers who destroy brush recklessly started the Oregon and Washington fires of 1902. A cigar butt thrown away by a tourist often is responsible for a costly blaze. Berry pickers who wish to improve the crop and sheep herders desiring to benefit the pasture are among the guilty, while mischievous boys are sometimes accountable. The malice of natives against large estate owners and the desire of paid fire fighters to prolong their jobs figured in the Adirondack confiagration five ywars ago. The alleged cause of one fire that burned over 12,000 acres was a curved bit of broken 000 acres was a curved bit of broken glass lying in the woods that served as a burning glass to focus the rays of the sun on infiammable material. Different tactics are used to combat the three kinds of fires—crown, surface and underground—which travel moulderingly beneath the earth, more swiftly among the underbrush or leap fiercely through the tree tops—but nothing human can stop a full swinging forest fire, while it is easier to smother any blaze at the start.

### BATTLESHIP FLEET STARTS FOR MANILA

ALBANY, West Australia, Sept. 18.— The American battleship fleet, under but will depart at midnight and over-tke the rest of the fleet tomorrow. She was delayed by coaling operations. She will pass Rottnest Island, near Fre-mantle, at 11 o'clock Sunday morning. The fleet is making nine knots an hour. The delay of one day here, the vessels were scheduled to leave Sept. 17, has been occasioned by the unreliability of the chartered colliers, a circumstance with most serious results.

## ANOTHER FLY YOUNG MAN WHO GOT HIS BUM S

ANGIERS, France, Sept. 18—Renessanier, the aeroplanist, met with a asty accident while making tests with

"You can always tell an actor whose season has not been prosperous," said Mr. Stormington Barnes. "He won't talk with you five minutes without saying that the public doesn't appreciate art."

Mother—"Whar yo' goin' chile?"
Daughter—"Ah's goin' nex' do' t' play
n Mrs. Jackson's piano."

# HAS FATAL RESULTS

last night to mar the pleasure of those who saw the accidents. As the festiwho saw the accidents. As the festival procession was passing the Culver Line terminal, sightseers, impatient to see the spectacle, caused a crush on the platform, and Mrs. Alice Debbs, of Brooklyn, was pushed under the wheels of an outgoing train and killed almost instantly. Mrs. Anna Keefan, also of Brooklyn, fell and broke her leg in allighting from a train at the west and alighting from a train at th west end. The crowd at the festival last night was estimated at 500,000.

A HALF MILLION GRUSH

### ANOTHER BOY SHOT IN MISTAKE FOR A DEER

OGDENSBURG, N. Y., Sept. 18—Carl Coit, son of Rev. O. B. Coit, a Methodist clergyman, of New York city, was shot in mistake for a deer while he, with his brother and their father, were hunting near Joe Indian Pond, in te Adirondacks. The boy was carried twenty-nine miles on an improvised stretcher and arrived at a hospital nere late last night. He was struck in the hip by a bullet and was painfuly injured, but may recover.

### THE CHOLERA SITUATION

AMOY, China, Sept. 12.—The native cholera hospitals reported a total of thirteen deaths from cholera for the ten days ending Thursday. Eight of the leading native physicians of Amoy report having treated only two cholera cases in the same period of time. The total of deaths from all causes in Amoy

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MET AN AWFUL DEATH

IN A THRESHER

Jersey Farmer Falls Into Machine and I Chopped to Pieces

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Sept. 17
-The brain of a Poe could hardly con-

with him stood helplessly by. Gulick threw out one arm as he descended, and this was first caught by the grinding burrs. Slowly he was drawn into the machinery, screaming.

Each succeeding revolution of the wheels brought him closer and closer to his death, and with each inch of approach to the awful opening his becreams grew more frantic. His arm was crushed to the wrist, the elbows, the shoulder and then the head was dirawn in and his face and scalp torn and mutilated beyond recognition.

Overcoming the paralysis of terror

McDonald and his helpers shut off the engine and stopped the thresher and set to work to release Gulick, now unconscious. So tightly was he wedged in between the discs that it required half an hour's work to dislodge his mangled body.

He was still breathing when taken out and was hurried at once to Wells Memorial hospital. But all hope of saving his life was abandoned by the surgeons as soon as they saw his condition. He died soon after reaching the



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