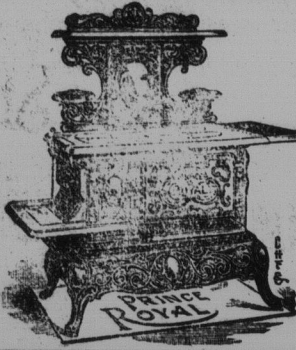


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AN AWFUL FIRE.

Many Were Killed and Scores Were Badly Burned.

Heart-Rending Scenes—One Woman Leaped Five Stories to Her Death.

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—Fifteen persons lost their lives and fifty or more were injured in a fire which was communicated early today from the Seventy-first Regiment New York N. G. armory to the Park avenue hotel. The armory was destroyed, entailing a loss estimated at \$600,000. In the hotel the damage was principally in the tiers of rooms surrounding the elevator shafts. The loss to the hotel building is estimated at \$100,000. The dead:—
Col. Alexander P. Piper, U. S. A. retired, identified by Major-General Roe of the National guard.
Col. Chas. J. Burdett, of Connecticut's First U. S. Volunteers Infantry.
Wm. Horn, and—Wilson, Denver, Colo. Both employed by the H. B. Claffin Company.
Wm. Walker, of Tenn., identified by letters found in clothing.
W. G. Bernhardt, of Chicago, identified by letters and papers.
Norman Aaron, of Alabama, badly burned about the entire body; died at Bellevue hospital.
Mrs. Charlotte Bennett, of Alabama, 23 years of age, burned about the body, died at Bellevue.
Seven unidentified bodies, which are being held at the hotel.
Major Jacob Spahn, a Rochester, N. Y., lawyer, lost his life in the fire. Among the persons killed was Mrs. Foster, a missionary, who devoted herself to work in the Tombs prison. She was a daily visitor to the prison, and gave up all her time to the service of the unfortunate confined there.
Injured:—Harold Bennett, face and hands burned, taken to Bellevue hospital; Wm. S. Brookman, Norfolk, Conn., burns; Mrs. Wm. S. Brookman, face and arms burned; Margaret Bennett, in employ of the hotel, face and hands burned, taken to Bellevue; Wm. A. Groves, employ of the hotel, suffocation and burns; Charles A. Gregory, 67 years old, attorney, face and hands burned, taken to Bellevue; Carolina I. R. Hall, 79 years old, body burned and suffering from shock, New York hospital; Emily L. Livingston, guest of hotel, residence unknown, face and body burned; Benjamin, suffocation and burns; Jos. Pearsu, suffocation and burns; West Indies, hands and face burned; Lewis G. Woodbury, Portland, Ore., hands and face burned, Bellevue hospital; Frank Reid, proprietor of the Park avenue hotel, face and hands about the face and hands in carrying his wife to safety from fourth floor; Mrs. Frank R. Reid, face and hands burned; Bridgeman, guest of hotel, residence unknown, burned; Louis Barry, Portland, Me., rescued by policeman.
Many were slightly burned. Of the dead three were women. Death in each instance was caused by burns or suffocation with one exception. One man jumped from the fifth story window to the inner court. His skull was crushed and death was instantaneous.

Shortly before one o'clock the fire was discovered bursting from the roof of the armory, Park avenue and 34th street. The flames had gained tremendous headway, and by the time the firemen arrived on the scene it was impossible to do anything toward saving the magnificent building. Several times flames were communicated to houses. The heart of the burning armory became more and more intense, and shortly after 2 o'clock flames were discovered running along the windows and woodwork of the fifth floor at the northwest corner of the Park avenue hotel, diagonally across the street from the armory. This was entirely unexpected, and the police up to that time had bent their efforts toward the inmates of adjacent houses on the cross streets. Frightened occupants of the hotel appeared at the windows and were rescued by the firemen, who ran the ladders up in quick order. In some unexplained manner fire got into the basement of the elevator shaft and ate its way upward to the roof. Most of the damage to the hotel was done in rooms surrounding the elevator shaft. In the headquarters of the Fifth brigade in the 34th street and Park avenue quarter of the armory a large quantity of ammunition, both blank and bullet cartridges were stored. These cartridges soon began to explode and added to the intense excitement. Shortly after these explosions had ceased the wall of the 3rd street side fell inward. This crash was followed by the explosion of about one thousand pounds of powder, said to have been stored in the basement of the armory. The detonation was terrific, but firemen had been warned of the danger and none of them were injured. Ambulances were called from every hospital in the district and the firemen turned their entire attention to the hotel. A line of hose was rushed quickly to the third floor, while scores of guests were taken from the windows by other firemen on the outside. The firemen inside found that the hotel was rapidly filling with smoke, and the firemen for a time dropped their hose and hurried through every portion of the building in search of guests who might have been overcome by smoke. Their search was rewarded, for nearly on every floor and in the hallways scores of persons were found who had been overcome in their efforts to reach the open air. Hospital records show that twenty-six persons were taken to the New York and Bellevue institutions. Nearly double that number were injured in their panic stricken endeavors to escape.

TERRIFIC STORM.

Twenty-Four Hours of Snow, Sleet and Rain.

New York and Philadelphia for a Time Isolated—Great Damage Done.

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—After 24 hours of snow, sleet and rain, and a night of high winds, New York awoke today to the worst weather conditions it has faced this winter. Telegraph and telephone wires are down in all directions, train service in and out of the city delayed and irregular, and suburban trolleys service throughout the adjacent portions of New Jersey and Long Island practically at a standstill. When day broke a cold rain was still falling and had turned the snow to semi-frozen slush, impeding traffic and flooding low-lying streets.
By ten o'clock the telegraph companies had restored limited communication with the rest of the country. The heaviest damage appears to have resulted between this city and Philadelphia. In this city Central park and other wood reservations have suffered enormously. Hundreds of handsome trees were split or denuded of branches by the high winds.
The various ferry lines are running on Sunday schedules. Added to the other obstacles which the northeasterly gale of last night left in its wake was a phenomenally high tide. According to witnesses along the water front the usual high water mark was passed all of two hours before the tide had ceased running in.
PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Feb. 22.—The severe sleet and rain storm, which struck this section during the early hours of yesterday is probably the blizzard of 1888. Telegraph and telephone communication with outside points has been completely interrupted since early yesterday afternoon. The telegraph, telephone and electric light companies are the worst sufferers. In part of the city broken wires are dangling, making it dangerous for pedestrians. Upwards of a dozen horses have been killed by broken wires, heavily charged with electricity, falling upon them and several persons sustained slight injuries. Because of the demoralized condition of the telegraph service railroad trains on all roads entering this city are late. The falling of a telegraph pole with ice coated wires at Germantown Junction on the New York division of the Pennsylvania road blocked that road and also the Philadelphia and Reading for several hours last evening. The Reading road runs under the Pennsylvania at that point and the pole and the wires fell across the Reading tracks.
NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—Telegraph poles, carried down by the immense weight of sleet burdened wires caused by one of the five hours in the passenger train service of the Pennsylvania line during the night between this city and Baltimore. The main trouble as reported by passengers from the south, is in the district between Chester, Pa., and Trenton, N. J. At the former place the entire telephone, telegraph and electric light system is a total wreck, the town is in darkness and the trains on the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore division are being run without the aid of telegraph, necessitating slow progress. The worst of the wreck among the wires was between Bristol and Trenton, N. J. In the eleven miles between those points more than 100 telegraph poles were broken, with many more in danger of falling. Half of those which fell, dropped across the track of the Pennsylvania railroad. Construction gangs were kept busy clearing the wreckage away, but all trains proceeded through that territory at a reduced speed.
Telegraph companies are handling all messages to and from Philadelphia by train. The wires and train service from Baltimore to Washington and the south is in fairly good shape.

PRINCE HENRY

Hourly Expected at New York—Royal Welcome Awaits Him.

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—The Kron Prinz Wilhelm, with Prince Henry on board, has not yet been reported. Wireless telegraph stations have been endeavoring since early morning to reach the ship, but no signals have been received. The weather outside the Hook is thick.
All is in readiness for the prince's reception in this city. The president's delegates appointed to receive the royal visitor in the name of the nation, arrived last evening from Washington. Those in the party are First Secretary of State David J. Hill, Brig. General Henry C. Corbin, Commander W. S. Cowles, Col. H. T. Bingham and several aides. The entire German embassy staff also arrived and joined Ambassador Von Holleben. The party occupied apartments at the Waldorf-Astoria.
General Corbin said last night that if the Kron Prinz Wilhelm does not arrive in time to dock on Saturday the president's committee will carry out its plans for the reception just the same on Sunday. The committee here planned to accompany the prince and suite to the Irving Place theatre this evening, attend him on his rounds Sunday, go with him to Washington Sunday night, return with him to the launching on Tuesday and remain with him until he sails for home.
The last steps were taken this evening for the protection of Prince Henry from any possible interference by cranks. Captain Titus, chief of the detective bureau, after a conference with Col. Bingham, announced that the police arrangements at the 34th street pier had been completed. Ten of the most reliable city detectives were selected as a special guard for the person of Prince Henry, and three were chosen to keep a constant surveillance about President Roosevelt during his stay in New York.
NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—Although no record has been received of the Kron Prinz Wilhelm up to 10 o'clock everything was ready for Prince Henry's reception in spite of the storm. Admiral Evans' squadron, lying off Tompkinsville, prepared to celebrate the national holiday, and also to assist in the reception of the royal visitor, awoke after a tempestuous night to find the sky overcast with dark and threatening clouds and the wind shrieking through the rigging of the ships. No word had been received from the steamer, and even if she had been within a few miles of the harbor the fact could not have been known, at the quarantine station or to the fleet lying a few miles to the northward, for there was not a telephone line working in that part of Staten Island.

HAMPTON.

Ora P. King and Fred W. Sproul Nominated Today.

HAMPTON, N. B., Feb. 22.—The nominations of King and Sproul were filed with Sheriff Hatfield before noon, the first by Robert Morrison and El. Morrison and the other by John March. A great crowd of electors is in attendance. Attorney General Pugsley, Geo. G. Scovill and J. D. Hazen are present. The sheriff declared the nomination closed at two o'clock and speeches began in a few moments. Some remark is occasioned by the absence of Col. Donville.

TOLSTOI DYING.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 22.—The latest news received here from Yalta, Crimea, is to the effect that Count Tolstoi is at the point of death.

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By Order of the Common Council of the City of Saint John.

(1) Public notice is hereby given that a Bill will be presented for enactment at the next session of the Provincial Legislature, entitled "An Act relating to the Free Public Library in the City of Saint John."
The objects desired to be attained by the Bill are:—
(1) To authorize the City of Saint John to purchase a site for a Public Library Building, in the City of Saint John, and to issue Debentures to provide for the payment of such site.
(2) To authorize and empower the City of Saint John to levy an annual assessment of Five Thousand Dollars towards the maintenance of the Free Public Library, in the City of Saint John, provided a gift of Fifty Thousand Dollars is made to the City by Mr. Andrew Carnegie for the erection of a Public Library Building.
(3) To provide that from and after the first annual assessment is made under this Act for the maintenance of the Free Public Library, all the assessments upon the City of Saint John for library maintenance shall be paid, and that all Acts and parts of Acts authorizing such assessments shall be repealed, and that no further grant shall thereafter be given by the City of Saint John toward the maintenance of the Library situate in the North End, so called, in said City, which is managed by, or is under the control of the Women's Christian Temperance Union.
HERBERT E. WARDROP,
Common Clerk.
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REFUSED PASSPORTS.

CHICAGO, Feb. 22.—Dr. and Mrs. Hiram W. Thomas, of Chicago, have been refused passports to visit the South African concentration camps by Secretary Hay, of the state department at Washington. Dr. and Mrs. Thomas intended going to Africa to distribute money for use of the camp prisoners. Secretary Hay, it is stated, gave as his reason for refusing the passports, that President Roosevelt would object and consequently he would not make application for them to Lord Paunceforte.

THE LATE HENRY MAXWELL.

The funeral of the late Henry Maxwell took place this afternoon and was very largely attended. There was a short service of prayer at the house at 2.15, and at 2.30 a funeral service was held in Queen Square Methodist church a large congregation being present. Rev. R. W. Weddall, Rev. G. M. Campbell and Rev. Geo. Steel took part in the service. At its close the remains were taken to Fernhill for interment.

BRIEFS BY WIRE.

There are no new developments in the strike situation in Spain. The rioters of Barcelona have been given three days to give up their arms.
Thos. P. Goudle and Dick Burge have been sentenced to ten years each, and F. T. Kelly and Stiles two years, for complicity in the Liverpool bank frauds.

SACKVILLE NEWS.

SACKVILLE, N. B., Feb. 21.—Sackville has decided against incorporation today by a vote of 108 to 151.
Mount Allison Academy defeated Moncton at hockey this afternoon by a score of 7 to 0.

Samuel Johnston, who, with Charles Garnett, was reported for deliberately breaking the I. C. R. gate at the Mill street crossing, has arranged with Mr. Robt. Ross to make good the damage done. Under these circumstances no further steps will be taken in the matter.