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Yours respectfully,
JAMES HAGGART,
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DEATH--DESTRUCTION.

Awful Sweeps of the Terrible Tor-
nado in Missouri and
Illinois.

At Least Five Hundred People Killed
and a Larger Number
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St. Louis, Mo., May 28.—The sweep
of last night's tornado is marked to-day
by a devastated district in the south-
western portion of the city half a mile
wide and four miles long, with wrecked
buildings, tottering walls, debris in
choked streets and rescuing parties to
tell the story of havoc and death. St.
Louis is dazed by the extent of the
calamity and it will be days before the
total loss of life and amount of
property destroyed will be known.

The estimates of the number of killed
vary from 200 to 500, with the belief
generally that the latter figure is more
nearly correct. Coroner Waite says the
death list in St. Louis proper would
easily reach 200, and that in East St.
Louis it would be perhaps as large. At
police headquarters the dead in St.
Louis were estimated at 200.

An extra edition of the local
newspapers places the total loss
of life at 300 or more. Patrol wagons,
ambulances and undertakers were busy
all day long carrying the identified dead
to their homes or the homes of relatives
and friends, leaving the unidentified
with the city morgue authorities. The
estimate on property losses ranges in St.
Louis from \$3,000,000 to \$30,000,000.

It will be several days before definite
information can be obtained as to the
loss of life and injury to the unfortunate
people who happened to be in the path
of the cyclone which swept over portions
of Missouri and Illinois Wednesday
afternoon. Appended is a table showing
a careful estimate of the killed and
injured based on dispatches received to-
day by the Associated Press:

St. Louis, 200 killed, 300 injured;
East St. Louis, 250 killed, 300 injured;
near Centralia, Ill., 42 killed, 35 injured;
Breckenridge, 80 killed; near Mount
Vernon, 5 killed, 2 injured; near Mexi-
co, Mo., 13 killed, 34 injured; near Van-
dalia, Ill., 13 killed, 35 injured. The
number of killed may not be far from
500, and of the injured about 700.

St. Louis, May 29.—At the storm's
height, when the rotunda of the LaClede
hotel was crowded with terror-stricken
people who had sought refuge from the
wind's fury, a panic was almost precipi-
tated by the falling of a chimney over
the rotunda through the skylight, just
west of the clerk's desk. By a mirac-
le no one was under the falling
bricks. The frenzied men
made a dash for the doors on
the Chestnut street side, but their efforts
to open them were fruitless, the force of
the wind being stronger than their
bined strength of a dozen men. This
threw the already panic-stricken crowd
into a frenzy which lasted until the
sounds of falling bricks ceased, but no
one was seriously hurt in the crash.

The path of the storm through South
St. Louis is a scene of death and ruin.
The greatest damage was done between
Russell avenue, on the south, and Cho-
teau avenue and Papin street in the
north. Within this territory from the
western city limits to the river
the wreck is beyond estimate and the
loss of life cannot be estimated. The
most wholesale slaughter was at
Seventh and Rutger streets, where thir-
teen persons were crushed to death in
the Hockheimer saloon and boarding
house. Many others were known to be
buried in adjacent houses in Rutger
street. The ruins were so complete that
the police did not know where to begin
the work of cleaning away the debris.

The local papers tell of the sympathy
offered by the whole country to St. Louis
in its present state of woe. Offers have
come to Mayor Walbridge from com-
mercial organizations all over the United
States, from the mayors of cities, large
and small, to extend financial aid as
the situation demands. Chicago was the
first to extend offers of assistance,
the citizens being represented by the
Union League club, the Commercial
club and Mayor Swift. It is not likely
that Mayor Walbridge will accept these
kindly offers, for while the loss is stu-
pendous, local citizens are going down in
their pockets and have already estab-
lished a large sized fund for sufferers.

the ruins has been completed. In St.
Louis county Wednesday's tornado left
a continuous track of destruction
and desolation. The storm apparently
arose out of the Mississippi river near
St. Charles. It passed over Florissant
and Bridgetown and sweeping down on
the west end part completely destroyed
that little village. In pursuing its
northeasterly course with a velocity of
more than 75 miles an hour it passed
through the towns of Stratmann, Cen-
tral, Clayton, Brentwood, Barthold,
Maplewood and Shrewsbury Park. Hun-
dreds of houses, barns and outbuildings
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The success of Mr. Mara's canvass is
gratifying to his friends here. In the
next parliament it is as good as settled
that Mr. Mara will be nominated for
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Rumors are current of a big scandal
which will shortly be exposed in which
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Simultaneously with its publication in
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Times correspondent at Ottawa, and
under sensational headlines. The pub-
lishers of both these papers are Laurier
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jaundice, indigestion, sick headache.

NEWFOUNDLAND BANK TRIALS.

ST. JOHN'S, May 29.—The grand jury
returned a true bill against the Union
bank directors this evening, though the
lawyers of the defence challenged the
qualification of nine jurors before court
to-day, alleging insolvency, insufficient
property and an irregular drawing of the
panel as reasons why the jury should be
dismissed and the finding set aside.
This proceeding was taken in the inter-
est of the Commercial bank directors,
but it equally affects the Union men,
the court permitted the crown three
days in which to make answer to the
defence.

EGYPTIAN COMMISSION.

LONDON, May 29.—A Cairo despatch
to the Times says: "The decision of
the mixed Tribunal is an open secret,
although it will not be delivered until
Monday. It will support the French
contention and thus virtually decide
that the Egyptian government cannot
make war against the Khalifa, or even
resist a Soudanese invasion, without the
consent of each member of the Com-
mission."

M. CASTON PARIS.

PARIS, May 29.—M. Caston Paris, the
distinguished French philologist, son of
the celebrated scholar Paulin Paris, has
been elected a member of the French
Academy. Emile Zola, the novelist,
was again a candidate for the honor, but
was rejected.

HORRORS ON HORRORS.

A Thousand Panic Stricken People
Trampled to Death at the
Russian Fetes.

The Scene Resembled a Bloody Battle
Field—Numbers Were Badly
Wounded.

Moscow, May 30.—A terrible panic at
the fetes here to-day, in honor of the
coronation of the Czar, caused the tramp-
ing to death of many people. In anti-
cipation of the grand holiday and popu-
lar banquet on Hodyn'sky or Khodyn-
skoye plain, tens of thousands of people
began trooping towards the Petrovsky
place, in front of which the plain is
situated, during the earlier hours this
morning. In fact thousands reached the
grounds yesterday evening and camped
all night in order to obtain a good
position. On the plain were long
lines of rough tables, flanked by
rougher benches at first arranged to ac-
commodate 400,000 persons, but in view
of the immense crowd assembled every
effort was made to provide seating room
for 600,000 souls.

The military bake houses were taxed
to their utmost capacity, and 500,000
mugs each bearing portraits of the Czar
and Czarine, were ordered and manu-
factured for presentation to the people
taking part. The police did everything
possible to keep back the crowd, but
suddenly the Czar, stood at the head
and swept everything before them,
trampling hundreds under foot and
crushing the life out of a great number
of people. One poor woman gave birth
to a child during the excitement and
was trampled to death. The police and
military authorities eventually suc-
ceeded in restoring order, and prepara-
tions were made to proceed with the
banquet as if nothing unusual had hap-
pened.

It is officially estimated that one
thousand persons were killed. Owing
to the extent of the disaster and the
fact that the troops rendered ap-
proach to the scene, the disaster im-
possible for anybody except a
Russian official or physician, a long
time elapsed before the full ex-
tent of the disaster became known.
As time went on, and the ambulances
were kept busy transporting the wound-
ed and dying to the hospitals of the city
and to temporary hospitals within the
military lines, it began to dawn upon
the people that the extent of the disas-
ter was very much greater than had
been at first supposed. According to
the description furnished by the phy-
sicians who were allowed on the spot,
the scene resembled the carnage of a
battle severely fought, with the excep-
tion that the victims were mostly
poor men, women and children and
were trampled to death instead of
shot down. As the day wore on the
Russian officials admitted that the
victims numbered several thousand, and
that the scene was a terrible truth was
told when a bulletin was issued saying
that the government officials regretted to
be compelled to announce that an official
estimate placed the number of victims
of this disaster at about one thousand.

All the festivities have apparently been
postponed and nobody thinks of any-
thing but commenting upon and regret-
ting the fearful calamity which has
changed the scenes of rejoicing into
scenes of deepest woe. It was on this
plain where Napoleon concentrated his
troops before moving upon the city. Fur-
ther time must elapse before accurate
figures as to the number actually killed
and the number of persons who are vic-
tims of the disaster, but who are only
suffering from injuries, is ascertained, but
there is no doubt the official estimate
of one thousand victims, cannot be far
from right, and this may be said to have
put an end to all the coronation festi-
vities. It is interesting to note that
certainly so far as the general public is
concerned. Further details made pub-
lic this evening show that the disaster oc-
curred between six and seven o'clock this
morning. It was intended that the coronation
should commence before noon, but the
immense throng which had gathered
around the sheds from where the mugs
were to be presented and food
was to be distributed, became over-
powered and thrown to the ground in
the mad struggles which commenced for
food and the gifts, many of these attend-
ants being numbered with the dead.

A bulletin issued at 10 p.m. says:
"The official report places the number
of killed at 1,138. This includes those
who were severely injured that they
died after having been removed from the
Plains."

A DANGEROUS TRESTLE.

WHATCOM, May 29.—The viaduct, the
bridge which forms the connecting link
between old Whatcom and the Sehome
side, has long been regarded as unsafe
for street car traffic, and Mayor de Mat-
tos, who was at Victoria on Tuesday, has
issued an order to the receiver of the
street railway company, warning him to
"cease running or causing to run cars
across said viaduct until the same shall
be suitably improved and strengthened
to the satisfaction of both yourself and
the council of New Whatcom."

The Mayor says: "The city of New
Whatcom will not be liable in any man-
ner for loss of life or bodily injury occur-
ing by reason of the violation of this
order by yourself or your employees, and
the city marshal is directed to see that
this order shall be strictly enforced. In
case you have any petition or objection
concerning this order, I will say that
I do not desire to conflict with the
court which appointed you and have no
doubt, that the judge will coincide
with the court in any kind, which may
or red tape of any kind, which may
in the interim endanger human life.
The sad disaster in our sister city and
the fact that human life knows not fine-
d distinctions between the judicial
and executive branches of the govern-
ment will, I trust, cause your ready ac-
quiescence in this request."

Cars were running yesterday as
usual, however, and the Mayor
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TORONTO TOPICS.
TORONTO, May 29.—The latest name mentioned in connection with the political contest in West Toronto is that of Lyman M. Jones, ex-treasurer of Manitoba, and at present manager of the Massey-Harris works.
Fire did \$2,000 damage at 1 o'clock this morning to the stock, etc., of H. & C. Blackford's shoe store, King street west. At about the same time the hay warehouse of S. McIntosh & Sons, DuChesne street, suffered to the extent of \$1,500.
Walter Syer, a third year medical student, was found dead in his room this morning from the effects of laudanum.
ASTORIA, Or., May 29.—The fishing situation remains unchanged. The trouble has quieted down. M. J. Kinney intends to operate his plant next week, and will pay only 4 cents. Warren, of Cathlamet, will probably commence soon, as his seines are now fishing. The gill-net men are still determined to hold out.