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MT. ETNA ROARING

People Frenzied With Fear at Madness of Mountain

BLOODY WORK OF J. H. BETHEA

South Carolinian Pulls His Pistol on Pullman Train and Kills Conductor and Porter.

Catania, Sicily, Special.—Mount Etna, whose eruptions in the past have wrought great destruction, is again in a violent state of activity. A pronounced movement within the crater began Thursday evening, steadily increasing in volume, and the gravest fears are entertained as to the results, if the eruption continues in its present violent form.

At Nicolosi, ten miles from the crater, the entire population had gathered in the square to watch the volcano which appeared as a black phantom above. Now and then it was illuminated with flashes of light, appearing almost red. Higher up the rain of cinders became thicker and extended like a veil across the mountain. A deep roaring was heard, and detonations like the sound of artillery following one another in quick succession, while the earth shook under foot.

Prof. Ricco, director of Mount Etna observatory, said: "The eruption is very grave, and I think it will become much more serious. The lava has covered five miles in sixteen hours, and if my calculations are right the eruption of the volcano will not be short."

Kidnappers Keep Alma Kellner.

Louisville, Ky., Special.—At the request of Frank Fehr, cousin of Little Alma Kellner, who was kidnapped last December from the streets near her home, Governor Wilson has withdrawn the offer by the state of \$500 for the arrest and conviction of her abductors. Fehr explained to the governor that the family was convinced the reward is keeping the child's abductors from proposing

terms, and that if revoked the coast would be made clear for any possible negotiations.

There is still \$2,580 offered for the return of the Kellner child, \$1,000 by the city council, as much more by the parents and \$500 by Whallen Brothers, an amount which it is stated, will be paid solely for the restoration of the child to her parents, and with the understanding that no questions will be asked.

Lives Sacrificed From Ignorance.

Washington, Special.—That 600,000 lives are sacrificed annually on the altar of this country's ignorance and neglect of sanitary and health laws, was asserted by Senator Owen in the course of a speech in the senate in support of his bill creating a department of health with a cabinet officer at its head.

In addition to the 600,000 cases of fatal illness annually, Mr. Owen asserted that an average of 3,000,000 of people were constantly sick in this country with preventable diseases.

The \$156,000,000 Pension Bill.

Washington, Special.—The pension bill, carrying appropriations of about \$156,000,000, was passed by the house Thursday. Nearly the entire session was occupied by a contest, against the provision of the measure as reported from the committee on pensions, for the abolition of the 18 pension agencies now in operation throughout the country. By a vote of 74 to 94 the house refused to overrule the recommendations of the committee. The legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill, carrying about \$34,000,000 was passed by the senate. Very few amendments were adopted.

Torpedo Flotilla in Florida.

Tampa, Fla., Special.—The seventh torpedo flotilla, composed of the parent ship Dixie and five torpedo boat of the latest type, arrived at Tampa Saturday from Charleston.

Launching of Dreadnaught Florida.

Jacksonville, Special.—The launching of the big dreadnaught Florida from New York yard has been set for May 12. Gov. Gilchrist has designated Miss Elizabeth Fleming of Jacksonville as sponsor for the great battleship.

EVENTS TOLD TERSELY.

News From Everywhere Printed in Short Paragraphs.

The house committee on naval affairs has favorably reported a bill appropriating \$100,000 to raise the battleship Maine in Habana harbor.

Weakness, brought on by an operation for blood transfusion, was declared to have caused the death of Bonard Lizer, a painter, who fainted on a scaffolding five stories above the street in New York, and fell to his death. The young painter had been in destitute circumstances and had submitted to an operation for blood transfusion, in order to obtain money to pay his grocery bill and rent.

In accordance with law, the U. S. government will pay the next of kin of the officers and crew of the Nina the men's full wages for six months. After that, under the terms of the general pension law, the dependent relatives will receive the usual pension.

Prof. Elié Metchnikoff, of the Pasteur Institute, Paris, has overcome the principal obstacle to the preparation of an effective anti-typhoid vaccine. This disease, heretofore has been incommunicable to the lower animals, and Prof. Metchnikoff has now succeeded in infecting monkeys with the typhoid germ. By this means he has been able to obtain exact symptoms permitting accurate experiments on the action of his vaccines.

As the result of a quarrel over the boundary line between their plantations, Will Woolfolk was shot and probably fatally wounded by Mrs. Fannie Perry, his sister, near Woolfolk, Pa.

Because, as it is alleged, she refused to receive his attentions, William Schraeder at Lewiston, Pa., shot and killed Bertha Singley, aged 26. Schraeder was captured and taken to jail by the girl's brother.

Lieutenant S. B. Buckner broke the record for time in the ascent of Popocatepetl, going from the Las Cruces to the crater, a distance of about 3,000 feet, in snow and soft volcanic ash, in two hours and 15 minutes.

Mrs. Antony Internate, to foil possible burglars, concealed \$500 in money and \$1,500 worth of jewels in

the toe of a shoe in her Brooklyn home, and during her absence an attentive servant gave the shoe to a cobbler to be repaired, the maid having heard the mistress remark that the sole needed repairing. The shoe was recovered with the valuables.

Mrs. Margaret Wickliffe Beekham one of the best known women in Kentucky, is dead. She was a daughter of Robert Wickliffe, formerly Governor of Louisiana, granddaughter of Charles A. Wickliffe, former Governor of Kentucky and Postmaster General in President Tyler's Cabinet, and aunt of J. C. Beekham, who a few years ago was Governor of Kentucky.

The lid has been lifted in the upper tenderloin of San Francisco, bringing joy to the hearts of the resort keepers. The revivals of the gay night in the cafes was made possible by an order adopted by the board of police commissioners upon the petition of 600 business men.

A record run by a special train from New York to Greenwich preceded the arrival in the world of a grand nephew to Andrew Carnegie, George Lauder, Jr., a nephew of the ironmaster, is the father of the latest candidate for a share in the Carnegie millions. The one-car special which broke all speed records between New York and Greenwich carried two New York doctors.

The average child at 1 year of age represents an investment of about \$75, according to Prof. E. H. Arnold, of the Yale Medical school. At the age of 15, he says, the child owes the world in the neighborhood of \$2,000. At 18 he begins to keep himself and at 30 or 35 he has given back all that he has cost and is square with the world.

Liberty, Miss., observed its one hundredth anniversary by shipping a carload of molasses.

The report that a pot containing \$4,000 in gold was dug up on the old Fort place, in the heart of Lexington, S. C., is attracting considerable interest. For many years parties have been trespassing on this piece of property in search of money, it is said, and unless all signs fail, the hidden treasure has been at last found.

PALMETTO HAPPENINGS

News Notes of General Interest From All Parts of the State.

Housebreaking no Crime.

The South Carolina Supreme Court has handed down a decision in a robbery case against a young white man of Batesburg of interest through the State, whose conviction is reversed. The defendant is Ralph Clark. The court finds that the jury's verdict of "guilty of housebreaking" is no crime. In South Carolina to break into a house is not against the law, though to break in with intent to steal or commit a felony is a crime. The alleged robbery was from the store of M. E. Rutland. This was the case in which the Batesburg chief of police, Darby, got involved in a criminal charge of a capital offense from the mother of Clark, Mrs. Rankin, whose home Darby searched. He was acquitted in the case brought against him.

Chester Wants Union Depot.

A mass-meeting was held at the court house at Chester to discuss again, after several years, the matter of a union depot for Chester. M. S. Lewis stated the object of the meeting, stressing Chester's need for a union station.

A. M. Aiken read a resolution which was unanimously adopted stating it as the sense of the meeting that the four railroads entering Chester should build at once, at some convenient place, a union passenger station, and that a committee of 12 be appointed to present the subject at once to the railroads and the railroad commission. The city council will be requested to call a special meeting and pass similar resolutions.

Good-Bye, Ticks.

The following bulletin has been issued from the State veterinarian's office at Clemson college:

The State and federal agents in tick eradication work are now being placed in the field for the summer's campaign and by April 1 the entire force will be at work in the northwestern counties of the State—Abbeville, Greenwood, Laurens, Union,

Cherokee, Spartanburg, Chester and York. Every effort will be made to completely free this area from ticks and place it above the federal quarantine line this year.

Greenville's New Depot.

Work of clearing away the houses in the McBee avenue section, Greenville, where the new Charleston & Western Carolina depot is to be erected, is proceeding rapidly, and it will be only a few days before work will be begun on surveying the foundation.

The new station will cost about \$40,000, and its completion is promised by December 1.

Dr. Boyce President Due West.

A special from Due West states that at a meeting of the board of trustees held Thursday night, Rev. Dr. T. G. Boyce, formerly a native of Mecklenburg county, N. C., was elected president of the Woman's College, an office made vacant by death several months ago. Dr. Boyce has been living in Tennessee for some years, and is one of the ablest men of his church, the Associate Reformed Presbyterian. The schools for boys and girls at Due West have long been famous for the high type of men and women which it turns out.

Shot to Death at Batesburg.

An unfortunate tragedy was enacted at Batesburg Thursday when W. B. Glenn, superintendent of the electric light plant, shot Clinton Rhoden to death, on one of the main streets of the town. The weapon used was a pistol; four shots were fired, and each shot took effect. One witness stated that Rhoden was unarmed. It is stated that there had been bad blood between the men for some time.

Fire Destroys a Town.

Charleston, W. Va., Special.—With practically every home in the prosperous mountain village of Hope wiped from the earth by a which swept that place Friday, at least 2,000 persons rendered homeless are sleeping in the commons.

National Guard tents were distributed and an effort is being made to house as many as possible of the homeless. Many of the families to all of their household effects

MORRIS FASS' DEPARTMENT STORE

Hundreds of women that came to our store Easter Week, will tell you that we have the handsomest line of millinery; duplicates of smartest European and New York creations, at one-fourth their value; duplicates of the most exclusive Fifth avenue styles. Come get the best for the least money

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Here's your chance to get a pretty waist at a price certainly the most sensational quoted, and such dainty garments, prices away below the cost of material. Special in Silks and Dress Goods, Foreign and American makes at smartly reduced prices; all new, the latest designs. No goods from last season; no old trash, everything new and up-to-date.

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We handle the Dollie Madison for ladies, the best in the world for the money.

We are agents for the celebrated JUST Wright Shoes for men. They sell for \$4.00 and \$5.00; We got them in all styles, all the latest lasts. Not a pair of them from last season. They just come in.

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We handle the Lion Brand Shirts and Collars. The Emperor and Princely Shirts. Everything of this season's designs and make. Invest your money in new goods. It will pay you in the long run.

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40 doz. Men's and Boys' Athletic Nainsook Underwear, regular price 50c. Special this week 29c. You want to know how our suits are made; how they are made: Coat is 31 1-2 inches long for size 36. Semi-body fitting. Square Military Shoulders. Collar fits close to the neck, outlined upon the newest patterns. They are trimmed with a double worsted serge. Have a non-breakable haircloth front and made with non-sagging Bartelle Pockets. Vest is collarless, elegantly shaped with the new curved bottom effect. The pants are made with belt loops, side buckles, sure. The garments are Tailored, trimmed and fit in every respect on a standard with much higher priced garments of other makers. This we guarantee.

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