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THE CHICAGO RIOT.

How a Bloody Reporter Slew 5,000 Rioters with Grape and Canister

The exuberant Western journalist in all time of battle, murder and sudden death delights to drink hot blood and do such sensational business as his reptile contemporaries will quake to look on. We had occasion to notice this interesting trait at the time of the burning of the Southern Hotel at St. Louis, when the comparatively serious and sober journals of that city smoked the ruins with their sacrifices of returned Black Hill miners, newly wedded couples, golden-haired children and such small dears. The achievements of the St. Louis reporters were, however, outdone by those of the Associated Press' young man who described the riot at Chicago on Thursday afternoon. At 10 o'clock he took what we might call a morning appetizer, and "seriously wounded a policeman with a stone." Dispatches do make the corpses they feed on, and this young man's appetite for blood being stimulated rather than sated, he let loose upon the mob a "squad of mounted veterans with drawn sabres," who "killed ten rioters outright and wounded 150." The mounted veterans escaped without loss, but "six policemen were wounded." This howling mob then began to give ground, but the reporter followed them close, came in foot and hand—or rather, foot and artillery—and at 11:30 "opened on them with grape and canister." Grape and canisters, by those ears; or he was a villain else, for "the booming of the cannon" told a story that hardly needed confirmation "by a correspondent on the scene." "The slaughter was terrible" at this hour, but thirty-five minutes later, at 12:15 (having possibly hoisted in some sustenance of a liquid character in the interim,) he returned to the bloody work like the tiger in "Lalla Rookh,"

"Whose sole delight is murdering as he goes."

The 150 wounded men in buckram that he told us of came all afront and mainly thrust at him. He made him no more ado but left all 300 of them cumbering the ground, "at least fifty of them being killed outright." But, as the devil would have it, the misbegotten crowd came back and let drive at the veterans; but here lay the regulars and thus they bore their two field-pieces, which were speedily trained on the crowd with charges of grape and canister. "The effect of the fire was indescribable. Great lanes were cut through the crowd; the first volley was followed by a second, and then followed a stampede almost as murderous as the iron hail from the cannon.

Corpses covered the ground in all directions, and the hideous sights of the battle-field were revived. How many fell before the fire it seems impossible to determine," added the shuddering reporter, with the field of the dead rushing red on his sight, but he felt sure that the list of the killed would be swelled into the hundreds. "By 1 p. m. the bloodshed was frightful beyond description," and the scene looked "like a field of battle after battle."

Secure in the consciousness of the existence of these hundreds of corpses, that the blood-bolted Banquo of the Chicago press agency smiled upon and pointed to as his, at least three hundred editors prepared as many vigorous articles. They killed the Communists with their grape and canister; they saw them die with their little eye of imagination; they caught their blood in their little columns; they dug their graves with their pens and pencils, and tolled the bell of rhetoric above it with appalling clangor. All evening long, the din of battle roared over the telegraph wires. The writer dipped his stylus in blood, and over countless sheets of manifold carcered charges of cavalry as frequent, fierce and phantasmal as ever were seen in the knightly sky, perplexing the people of New England with fear of the

old French war. Rioters fell thick as leaves of the forest when autumn has blown; grape-shot and canister mowed swathes through their dense ranks; they were stored, they were sabred asunder, were slain with the club. The special correspondents, like the dogs of Corinth,

"Held over the dead high carnival."

But as the hours wore along it was seen that though the mob of Chicago was ripe to the harvest, the rioters mown down and harvested were lamentably few. Though they that had been killed were about five thousand men, besides women and children, the undertakers took up of the corpses that remained only twelve coffins full, and at 2 a. m. about 300 disgusted editors drew as many blue pencils through as many vigorous articles and went home mentally associating the Chicago reporters with the reptile contemporaries to whom allusion is made in Revelation, xvi, 8. Yesterday afternoon the list of slain had still further dwindled to nine, and we sorrow as not without hope that it may be still further reduced to five rioters and two policemen, or possibly resolved into the original officer wounded with a stone, who, at 10 on Thursday morning, forced the reporter's stock in trade.

Though we believe ourselves to be journalistically without sin in this matter, far be it from us to cast first paragraph, or to ask of the Chicago reporter where he got his information—or his whiskey. That we leave to the journals of St. Louis, Milwaukee and Cincinnati, which will hew him as a carcass fit for hounds with the trenchant meat axes of criticism, and sneeringly remark that in the Garden City performance never comes up to promise, not even in the matter of riots. A little less grape—and canister—Mr. Brag.

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