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BASE BALL HORROR IN PHILADELPHIA

BOARD WALK AROUND A BASE BALL PARK GIVES WAY.

Four Persons Killed, at Least Twelve
Fatally Injured, and One Hundred
and Fifty Others Seriously Hurt.

Philadelphia, Pa., August 8.—Four persons are dead, at least twelve are thought to be fatally injured and fully one hundred and fifty others hurt seriously, as the result of an accident, which occurred today at the Philadelphia National League Base Ball Park. A board walk, which overhung the left field bleachers, fell to the street, carrying two hundred spectators.

Nearly one hundred persons received fractures of the limbs, lacerations of the head, broken noses, contusions of head and body, but their conditions are not serious.

Two games were scheduled between Boston and Philadelphia this afternoon and the attraction drew over 10,000 persons to the ball park. The accident occurred at 5.40 o'clock, while the Boston team was at the bat in its half of the fourth inning of the second game, and was indirectly due to a quarrel between two drunken men in the street. The National League stands are built of steel and brick, the brick wall extending entirely around the grounds. At the top of the left field seats, and extending from the grand stand to the end of the bleachers, there was a walk about 3 feet wide, which overhung the street. It was this walk which gave way under the heavy weight.

Men who were standing on the walk were attracted by a disturbance in the street. They leaned over the railing to see what was the trouble, and this drew the attention of other spectators, who rushed on the walk. The walk became over crowded and

WITHOUT A MOMENT'S WARNING, two hundred feet of it fell to the sidewalk, twenty feet below, carrying all who were on it. There were probably three thousand persons sitting in the left field bleachers, and the roar made by the falling timber created a panic. Instantly the spectators rose en masse and made a rush down the grand stand and into the playing field. Not knowing what had occurred, the ball players and others tried to stop the mad rush, but they were swept aside and several persons were badly hurt in the crush.

Outside the grounds the scene was one of horror. For an entire block on 15th street, from Huntingdon street to Lehigh avenue, men and boys were lying writhing in agony. Some were buried under the wreckage, others were lying in the gutters, and dozens were stretched out in 15th street on the car tracks. The 10,000 persons within the grounds left the place and crowded about the injured, of whom there were more than a hundred. Infernal confusion reigned for a time because of the great crowd.

While waiting for conveyances to carry the victims to hospitals thousands of willing hands

LOOKED AFTER THE INJURED.

They were carried from the street and laid on the sidewalk and some were taken into near-by private houses. All houses in the vicinity were thrown open to the victims. One of the largest street car barns in the city is situated across the street from the Ball Park and all the cars and teams were gotten ready to transport the injured to hospitals.

ROTTEN WOODEN SUPPORTS.

An examination of the walk after the accident showed many of the wooden supports, which extended three feet beyond the wall, to be rotten. They were about two and a half inches thick and about six inches wide. They broke off flush with the wall.

The trial of the notorious Humbert family, on the charge of having perpetrated what is generally termed "the greatest swindle of the century" began at Paris on Saturday.

WHIPPING A WHITE WOMAN.

Horrible Outrage at Georgia Penitentiary Farm—Public Indignation is Aroused.

Atlanta, Ga., August 9.—Already in the throes of a discussion over the fight in the Legislature now in session to abolish the convict lease system—a fight that precipitated the charge of lobbying and is producing daily sensations—Georgia is thrilling with indignation over a lashing given to Miss Mamie Dechrist, an unfortunate but cultured young woman at the State penitentiary farm, where she disobeyed the wife of the man in charge and was guilty of impertinence.

Known as the "Diamond Queen," formerly of Savannah, Georgia, her whole behavior since the commission of the crime has been such as to cause many persons to believe that she is not of sound mind, and, holding this belief, the indignation of the general public over the mere whipping of a woman is troubled in Savannah and where she was known, into nothing short of a horror.

Still another feature which stirs the situation more deeply is the statement issued by Capt. Foster, who is in charge of the working of the convicts in the fields, that his resignation is on the way to the chairman of the State prison commission, as he had learned that, following his open statement that he believed the present convict lease system should be wiped out, coupled with his refusal to work Miss Mamie Dechrist in the fields the day before she was whipped, because she was in no condition for such work, led to the offering of his place to Capt. Dennis, of Putman County.

MISS DECHRIST LASHED.

When Capt. Foster refused to work Miss Dechrist in the field, asserting that she was in no condition, he sent her back to the house, which department is under the supervision of Capt. Allgood, with his wife as matron. What occurred there is not known in detail. No one here will discuss it.

But it is known that she was whipped and the matter kept a profound secret. The authorities here of the State prison commission denied all knowledge of the affair and Capt. Allgood refused to tell or to allow anyone to see Miss Dechrist, stating she objected.

The lashing was given in the presence of Dr. Adams, the farm physician, who was there to see that she was whipped no longer or more harshly than she could stand. A thin garment covered her back, but did not protect her from the cruel blows. It must be left for the public to draw its own inferences—whether Miss Dechrist did not wish to see visitors, whether she was prevented from seeing them, or whether her condition was such as to render her physically unable to see any one.

HEW A QUARTER OF A MILE.

The Langley Air Ship Model at Wide Water, Va.

Wide Water, Va., August 8.—A partly successful experiment with the fifteen-foot Langley airship was made this morning from the house boat in the Potomac River, off this point. The aerodrome started well in a straight line south with a velocity of seventy feet per second and flew for a distance variously estimated at from four to six hundred yards. Some deflection in the wings soon after the launching caused her to take a downward course, which she followed rapidly, and was impelled into the water under the full power of her engine. There was sufficient steam generated for a rapid flight of a half or three quarters of a mile. Under the full pressure of this force the machine struck the water and a moment more had disappeared from view. The machine was recovered. It was considerably damaged.

The machine was taken to the house boat, where extensive repairs will have to be made before another test can be made.

SENATOR TILLMAN LOST HIS RAILROAD PASSES.

THEY WERE IN A WALLET WITH EX- PRESS FRANKS, ETC., ETC.

South Carolina's Senator Arrives in St. Louis and Tells His Troubles to Missouri People.

St. Louis, Mo., August 7.—Senator Benjamin R. Tillman, of South Carolina, remained in St. Louis today, and while here he reported at the local offices of various railroads and express companies the loss of a wallet filled with passes, express franks and other money savers. It was reported that the Senator had been robbed on a train, but he denied the story at the Southern Hotel. "They fell out of my pocket," he said, "and I did not notice it at the time. They were not taken by a pickpocket that I know. One of the passes I lost was over the Burlington Railroad and I guess I dropped it at Kansas City. It was in a pocket-book that had a lot of express companies franks and telegraph franks and other railroad passes, and all that kind of stuff. But I had not used the Burlington pass."

Senator Tillman was asked if it was not unusual for him to accept such favors from corporations and he replied: "How can I help accepting them; they stick them at me and stick them at me until I just have to take them. They don't influence my vote. It is different down in our country from what it is up here. You haven't heard of anybody being bought with thousand dollar bills down our way, have you? It's the custom for all public men to accept passes and most of us are slaves to custom."

Senator Tillman left tonight to resume a lecturing tour, accompanied by Senator Burton, of Kansas.

ROOSEVELT ON LYCHING.

He Commends the Course of Gov. Durbin, of Illinois.

Oyster Bay, N. Y., August 9.—In a letter, the publication of which was authorized today, President Roosevelt commends Governor Durbin, of Indiana, for the attitude he assumed recently respecting lynching. The President also embraces the opportunity to express his own views in reference to lynching and mob violence, generally, pointing out that mob violence is merely one form of anarchy and that anarchy is the forerunner of tyranny. The President vigorously urges that the penalty for that crime which most frequently induces a resort to lynching shall be applied swiftly and surely, but by due process of the courts, so that it may be demonstrated "that the law is adequate to deal with crime by freeing it from every vestige of technicality and delay."

CLEMSON'S GOLD MINE.

Farmers' College Will Get Something Over \$100,000 From the Fertilizer Inspection Tax.

Up to the 1st day of August there has been collected by the State Treasurer \$90,993.65 on account of the fertilizer inspection tax. The law requires that an inspection tax of 25 cents per ton shall be paid for fertilizers offered for sale in this state. This entire tax is held in the treasury, subject to the order of the board of trustees of Clemson College.

The sale of fertilizers this year has been greater than in a number of years and before the end of the year this source of income will give Clemson College over \$100,000.

A terrible tornado passed through the mining district north and east of Pittsburgh, Pa., on Saturday, destroying hundreds of houses, killing two persons, and injuring at least sixty others.

Amos Jones, colored, was hanged by a mob at Hattiesburg, Miss., Saturday for the murder of Jailer M. M. Sexton. Jones killed Sexton in an attempt to break jail. He was assisted by three other prisoners who narrowly escaped being lynched also.

THE CORONATION OF THE POPE.

Most Magnificent Rite of the Catholic Church—The Basilica Crowded to Overflowing.

Rome, August 9.—The ceremony of the coronation of Pope Pius X took place today in the Basilica of St. Peter's, in the presence of the princes and high dignitaries of the Church, diplomats and Roman nobles and with all the solemnity and splendor associated with this, the most magnificent rite in the Roman Catholic Church. As Cardinal Macehi, the dean of the Cardinal deacons, placed the triple crown on the head of the venerable Pontiff, the throng of 70,000 persons, gathered within the Cathedral burst into unrestrained acclamations, the choir into a hymn of triumph, and the bells of Rome rang out a joyful peal.

It is fifty-seven years since the Romans and Europe assisted at such a function in St. Peter's. The great Basilica, popularly supposed never to have been quite full, was overflowing with humanity. The Papal throne, a bewildering mixture of gold, red and silver, was erected in front of the high altar. As, contrary to custom, on these occasions, there were no galleries, the Basilica bore more of its normal aspect. On the altar, which was dressed in white, stood the famous silver gilt candlesticks and a magnificent candelabrum. All the available standing space within the Cathedral was divided into sections by wooden barriers, which to a certain extent, kept the vast crowd in order.

STATE'S FINANCIAL CONDITION.

Treasurer Hopes to Meet all Obligations With the amount Which He Is Allowed to Borrow.

Columbia Cor. News and Courier.

By close calculations State Treasurer R. H. Jennings hopes to meet all of the expenses of the State Government promptly with the amount that he is allowed to borrow on the credit of the State.

In the appropriation bill, passed at the last session of the General Assembly, the following section was incorporated:

"In anticipation of the collection of the taxes levied by the State, the Governor and State Treasurer are empowered to borrow on the credit of the State so much money as may be needed to meet promptly at maturity the interest on the public debt, which shall mature on the first of July, 1903, and on the first of January, 1904, and to pay the current expenses of the State Government for the fiscal year. Provided that the sum so borrowed shall in no event exceed three hundred thousand dollars."

In addition to this amount the State Treasurer was authorized to borrow \$200,000 to meet the pension pay roll.

Only \$75,000 was needed to pay all of the pension claims, and up to date the State has borrowed \$125,000 to meet the running expenses of the Government. Treasurer Jennings stated today that it would be necessary to borrow the full amount allowed by law, to meet all expenses, before taxes for the new fiscal year would begin to come in. Since Reconstruction times South Carolina has been several hundred thousand dollars behind in her current expenses, and with the increase of appropriations made by the Legislature it is necessary to borrow money to meet the claims against the State.

The last Legislature appointed a commission, consisting of Senators George S. Mower, Richard I. Manning and Representatives Altamont Moseley, John P. Thomas and W. O. Tatum, to look into the tax situation and report its findings at the next session of the General Assembly. Although the commission has not formally met the members have been hard at work studying the situation, and will have the question well in hand when the Legislature meets.

Frank Roberson, colored, was hanged at Jacksonville, Fla., on Friday for a murder committed four years ago.

DEMENTED MOTHER BEHEADS DAUGHTERS

AWFUL DEED OF NEGRO WOMAN IN COLLETON COUNTY.

Tried to Burn Bodies.—She Says "A Dog Told Her the World Would Be De- stroyed Unless She Killed Her Children."

The State.

Walterboro, Aug. 8.—Yesterday between 12 and 1 o'clock one of the most brutal crimes ever known in this county was committed at Church Flat, about two miles from Rantowles station, on the Atlantic Coast Line railroad. Lizzie Aiken, a negro woman about 40 years old, killed two of her children by cutting their heads off with an axe. One of the children was 5 years old and the other 3. It is said their heads were severed completely from the body, not a nerve or vein or anything left to connect them. The body of the older child was cut in other places, showing that the crazed mother met with some resistance in killing this one. Both children were girls.

It seems that an effort was made to burn them after the bloody work of the axe, for a fire had been kindled around the body of the younger child.

The woman was committed to jail this morning by Thos. Fields, constable for Magistrate Behling, and from what he says the woman must have been crazy. He says she claimed that a dog came along and told her the world would be destroyed unless she killed them in order to save the world. She admitted the killing to Magistrate Behling, but now denies it most strenuously.

It is reported from Spartanburg that President H. N. Snyder, of Wofford college, has been offered the presidency of the University of North Carolina.

Special Sale of Summer Rate Tickets to the Mountains and Seashore.

The Columbia, Newberry & Laurens Railroad offers Week-End Special Summer rates to the Mountains and to the Seashore and other summer resorts. Tickets sold each Saturday June 6th to August 29th, 1903, inclusive, as follows: From Newberry, S. C., to Charleston, S. C. \$5 15
Cross Hill, S. C. 2 00
Glenn Springs, S. C. 2 10
Greenville, S. C. 2 10
Isle of Palms, S. C. 5 15
Spartanburg, S. C. 2 10
Sullivan's Island, S. C. 5 15
Waterloo, S. C. (Harris Springs) 2 00
White Stone Lithia Springs, S. C. 2 10
These are week end tickets, sold each Saturday, final limit Tuesday following date of sale.

For further information and schedules, call on or write
J. W. Denning, Agent.

CHALLENGE FROM GILDER AND WEEKS.

Offer to Refund Money if Dr. Howard's Specific Will Not Cure Any Case of Constipation or Dyspepsia.

Gilder & Weeks are seeking the worst case of dyspepsia or constipation in Newberry or vicinity to test Dr. Howard's new specific for the cure of those diseases.

So confident are they that this remarkable medicine will effect a lasting cure in a short time, that they offer to refund the money should it not be successful.

In order to secure the quickest possible introduction Gilder & Weeks will sell a regular fifty cent package of this medicine at half price, 25 cents.

It will regulate the bowels, tone up the whole intestinal tract, give you an appetite, make food taste good and digest well, and increase vigor. Joy and happiness will take the place of that "don't care whether I live or die" feeling.

Take advantage of Gilder & Weeks challenge and secure a bottle of Dr. Howard's specific at half price, with their personal guarantee to refund your money if it does not help you.

Week End Rates

From points on the Atlantic Coast Line to Seaside Resorts, tickets on sale Saturday, good returning including Monday following, attractive schedules, unsurpassed service Summer Tourist Tickets to Mountain and Seaside Resorts limited for return passage to October 31st on sale until September 30th.

For full particulars, rates, etc, call on Ticket Agents or write,

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GENERAL NEWS NOTES.

Items of More or Less Interest Condensed Outside the State.

A terrible fire on Friday totally destroyed the quarter occupied by the working people in Esparraguero, Spain, near Barcelona. Three thousand families were rendered destitute and some workmen perished in the flames.

The special train which carried Henry P. Lowe from New York to Los Angeles, Cal., on account of the serious illness of his little daughter, who died before he reached her bedside, made the run in the record smashing time of 23 hours and 21 minutes.

Lieutenant General Miles, commanding the army, retired at noon on Saturday having reached the age limit of sixty four years.

Henry Lowe, the engineer of the United States Steel corporation, chartered a special train, at a cost of \$4,000, to carry him from New York to Los Angeles, Cal., in order that he might see his 15 year old daughter before her death. The child died while Mr. Lowe was passing through Western Kansas.

Spee Von Sternberg, the new imperial German ambassador, was presented to President Roosevelt at Sagamore Hill on Friday. This is the first time an ambassador has ever been presented to a President of the United States outside of Washington and is a special work of favor to the ambassador, who has been a personal friend of the President for many years.

Carnegie has given to his native town of Danferline \$2,500,000 in U. S. Steel Corporation 5 per cent bonds for the purpose of building a park, "to introduce into the monotonous lives of the toiling masses more of sweetness and light."

The Chinese Secretary of the United States legation at Peking has handed Minister Conger a detailed report of the execution of Shen Chin the reformist journalist, who was put to death by the order of the Emperor Dowager on July 31. The report says that the executioner bent Chien for three or four hours and then, at his own pleading, strangled him to death.

Sheriff L. E. Williamson, of De Soto county, Miss., was shot and mortally wounded by County Surveyor W. H. Moody, of the same county. Both were candidates for the county clerkship, and their troubles grow out of campaign differences.

One man was killed and twenty persons injured in a trolley car accident near Sharon, Pa., on Thursday, caused by an excursion car running into a regular car. The regular had stopped on account of an accident to its machinery.

SOUTH CAROLINA NEWS.

Items of More or Less Interest Condensed in the State.

Isaac Randolph, a young white man convicted of bigamy at the recent session of the Spartanburg court and sentenced to two years in the Penitentiary, has been granted a new trial by Judge Dantzler and released from custody without bail.

Mrs. Susan Hill died at Greenwood last week, aged ninety nine years and six months. She would have been 100 on the 27th of next January. She was remarkable both physically and mentally for one so old.

Lightning struck the handsome stables of the Camoen Country Club on Thursday and they were burned. The total loss was several thousand dollars.

The city council of Rock Hill has passed an ordinance prohibiting the riding of bicycles on any street in the city limits.

Lige Sondley, colored, was killed at Ballentine on Friday by a cave-in at an embankment along the C., N. & L. railway where he was working.

CIRCUS TRAINS COLLIDE WITH LOSS OF LIFE.

TWENTY-THREE WERE KILLED, MORE THAN TWENTY INJURED.

Air Brakes of Second Section Refused to Work—An Anderson Man Among Those Injured.

Durand, Mich., Aug. 7.—Twenty-three persons were killed in a collision early today in the Grand Trunk yards between two sections of Wallace Brothers' circus train. Seven of the dead are in the morgue unidentified. About 20 were more or less seriously injured. Coroner Farrer this afternoon impelled a jury which viewed the remains and adjourned until August 14, when the inquest will be held.

J. J. Meadows of Anderson, S. C., was among the injured.

BRAKES REFUSED TO WORK.

The circus travels in two trains of about 35 cars each. After last night's exhibition at Charlotte, the two trains left for Lapeer, over the Grand Trunk road, the second section leaving a half hour after the first. It was 3.45 o'clock when the first section pulled into the west end of the Grand Trunk yards here. A red light was hung on the rear car to stop the second section. Engineer Probat of Battle Creek, who was running the engine of the rear train, says he saw this light and applied the airbrake. He says it refused to work. He reversed his engine, but the momentum of the heavy train behind was too great and with a crash that aroused all of the town near the yards, the two trains met. Three cars of the stationary first section were telescoped and the engine and five cars of the moving train were demolished.

WHERE LIVES WERE LOST.

The rear car of the first section was an enclosure in which the trainmen were sleeping and the next two were filled with sleeping circus employees. The greatest loss of life was in the enclosure. One of the wrecked cars of the second section was occupied by five elephants and several camels. One of the camels and two of the elephants were killed outright, while the other animals and their trainer escaped. With the exception of this car, none of the menagerie was wrecked, the other demolished cars containing canvas or wagons and there was comparatively little excitement among the wild animals. As soon as they recovered from the first shock, the trainers rushed among the cages quieting the few beasts that were excited. The elephants in the wrecked car behaved with surprising calmness and were led out of the wreck without trouble.

Safe robbers at Seattle, Wash., at 4 o'clock on Thursday morning entered the principal hotel of the place, rolled the safe out of the building down a hill and cracked it with dynamite. Passers by heard the explosion and rushed to the scene, frightening off the robbers.

Week End Rates.

The Southern Railway announces the following Week End Rates, beginning Saturday, June 6th, continuing to August 29th, for all Saturday trains, good returning until Tuesday following date of sale; round trip tickets will be on sale from Newberry to Charleston, Sullivan's Island, and Isle of Palms, at rate of \$5.16.

Beginning June 6th, continuing to September 12th, for all Saturday and Sunday morning trains, good returning leaving destination not later than Tuesday following date of sale, round trip tickets will be on sale from Newberry as follows:

Spartanburg	\$2 10
Greenville	2 10
Whitstone	2 10
Union	1 85
Taylor's (for Chick Springs)	2 31
Asheville, N. C.	3 85
Hot Springs, N. C.	4 60
Arden, N. C.	3 85
Fletcher's, N. C.	3 85
Hendersonville, N. C.	3 85
Flat Rock, N. C.	3 85
Saluda, N. C.	3 85
Tryon, N. C.	3 85
Brevard, N. C.	4 60
Lake Toxaway, N. C.	5 30

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