

ANOTHER MINE DISASTER.

TWO HUNDRED LIVES LOST IN WEST VIRGINIA.

Explosion of Fire Damp in Coal Mine Was Said to be Most Terrible in the History of West Virginia Mine Horrors.

Fairmont, W. Va., Dec. 6.—The lives of 200 miners at least were almost certainly snuffed out by a terrific explosion which occurred shortly after 10 o'clock this morning at the Monagh mine, Nos. 6 and 8, of the Fairmont Coal company at Monagh, six miles south of this place. The details as yet are most meagre and the company has received no official report of the disaster. There is very little hope, it is thought, of any of the men in the mine ever coming out alive. Two hundred is a conservative number and it is said there may be many more than this in the two mines. The first report of the explosion to reach this city named the number of men in the mine as 1,000. Among the men in the mine, who were caught in this latest mine calamity, there are many Americans, while the great majority of them are foreigners, principally Hungarians.

The company is making every effort to save the lives of its men if it can be done. A special train made up on the Baltimore & Ohio carried physicians and hospital supplies as well as all the officials of the company who were in town. The explosion was the most terrible in the history of the West Virginia mine disasters, it is said. It could be heard very plainly here, although more than six miles away. The town is in a great state of excitement as a result of the disaster. The curiously inclined are being carried to the mines in droves by all the trains leaving the city. Others are driving and there are many who, in order to get there, are walking.

At the company's offices little could be learned concerning the explosion. It was said that as yet nothing had been received there and all the news of the disaster will be given out as soon as it is received. The company is making no effort to conceal anything or keep any of the details from the public.

Even the officials of the company entertain practically no hope of getting any of the men out of the mine alive. If all the men were not killed outright by the force of the explosion, which must have wrecked much of the interior of the mines, it is generally believed they will die of asphyxiation or become victims of accumulating fire damp and poisonous gases.

This is believed because there is said to be no possible means at present to get any supply of fresh air into the mine. The mines are near each other, but each is operated as a separate plant. The force of the explosion hurled out great masses of debris at the Monagh No. 8, that are said to have completely choked the pit mouth. The mainway was also closed up by the debris and the boiler house was wrecked by the force of the explosion. Because of this last fact the immense fan that forces the fresh air into the mines cannot be operated and the miners who are entombed in the mine will have to breathe into their lungs, if they are still alive, the gases that will soon make corpses of them.

By a strange coincidence the men at Monagh No. 6 are given chance to leave the mine because the pit mouth was not closed up by the explosion and the mine can be left or entered at will, it is said. However, not one miner who is known to have been in the mine when the explosion occurred has as yet left the mine and this causes the belief that they were all killed outright.

If, on the other hand, they are imprisoned in the interior of the mine by the passages and entries, becoming closed up by debris as a result of the explosion, the men have little chance to escape because no fresh air can be forced into this mine, either. The explosion wrecked the monster fan house and it is said to have been placed out of commission completely.

Relief parties have been organized among other men near the mines and they are known to be working industriously to reach the men imprisoned. The cause of the explosion cannot be learned as yet. The mines were considered safe. Mining experts accompanied the officials of the company to the mines to ascertain if possible the exact cause of the explosion.

Each of the mines are slope-mines and they are among the largest in all the West Virginia coal fields. The Fairmont region is a rich one and the mines are operated on an extensive basis. The average daily capacity of Monagh No. 6 is 1,000 tons, while that of the sister mine is 1,500 tons. Telephone messages from the mines are crying for aid.

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BIDS FOR CANAL BONDS.

ISSUE ACCEPTED TO AMOUNT OF \$25,000,000.

The Average Price Is 103—The Bids So Far Mostly In Small Amounts And From All Parts of the Country.

Washington, Dec. 6.—The secretary of the treasury has accepted bids for the Panama canal bonds to the amount of \$25,000,000. The average price for all bids accepted is 103. Under the terms of the law governing the secretary's acceptance of these bids, the allotments of bonds to individuals and institutions will be confined to the small subscriptions, from \$10,000 down to \$20.

The amount of bids from individuals and institutions which it had been possible to accept will, as heretofore, not be large. The remainder of the acceptances will be bids of national banks. The bids accepted have come from every section of the country and are mostly in small amounts.

Secretary Cortelyou further announces that the notices of acceptances will be prepared and mailed to the successful bidders with the least possible delay. The notices will state that payments for the bonds will be expected to be made at the treasury of the United States or at some sub-treasury, as indicated in the bid of the subscriber within 10 days from the receipt of the notice by the subscriber. In the case where the subscriber has, not indicated the place of payment, the notices sent will include a request that the place of payment be immediately made known to the secretary. All subscribers should await receipt of the notice from department before taking any action respecting payment for the bonds.

The offering of Panama canal bonds was largely oversubscribed, but the improvement in business conditions following the announcement of recent measures of relief by the treasury department is regarded by the secretary as warranting him in limiting this issue at this time to half the amount offered, namely, \$25,000,000. This is almost exactly the amount of the disbursements from the general fund of the treasury that have been made during the year on the Panama canal account.

The allotment of the 3 per cent certificates will not, the secretary says, exceed \$15,000. These have been confined to national banks throughout the country which were in position to take out at once additional circulation, this being a measure designed to afford immediate relief, inasmuch as a considerable time would necessarily elapse before the Panama canal bonds could be put on the market.

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Two Southern Railway engineers living in Greenville were drowned while out on a fishing trip.

*Are you having trouble with your kidneys? There are lots of people today who wonder why they have pains across the back, why they are tired and lacking in energy and ambition. Your kidneys are wrong. They need relief without delay. Take DeWitt's Kidney & Bladder Pills; they are for weak back, inflammation of the bladder, backache and weak kidneys. Sold by all druggists.

Voluntary bankruptcy proceedings have been started in behalf of G. S. Garner, of Darlington.

*Ring's Little Liver Pills wake up lazy livers, clean the system and clear the skin. Try them for biliousness and sick head ache. Price 25c. Sold by Sibert Drug Co. 12-1-3m

A young negro boy was burned to death near Waterloo.

*The finest Coffee Substitute ever made, has recently been produced by Dr. Shoop of Racine, Wis. You don't have to boil it twenty or thirty minutes. "Made in a minute," says the doctor. "Health Coffee" is really the closest Coffee Imitation ever yet produced. Not a grain of real Coffee in it either. Health Coffee Imitation is made from pure roasted cereals or grains, with malt, nuts, etc. Really it would fool an expert—were he to unknowingly drink it for Coffee. Levy & Moses.

The Farmers' Union of Greenville county has passed resolutions agreeing to hold their cotton for better prices.

When to Go Home.

*From the Bluffton, Ind., Banner: "When tired out, go home. When you want consolation, go home. When you want fun, go home. When you want to show others that you have reformed, go home and let your family get acquainted with the fact. When you want to show yourself at your best go home and do the act there. When you feel like being extra liberal go home and practice on your wife and children first. When you want to shine with extra brilliancy go home and light up the whole household." To which we would add, when you have a bad cold go home and take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and a quick cure is certain. For sale by DeLorme's Pharmacy.

RESCUE UNEXCELLED IN HISTORY OF MARINE DISASTERS.

Canadian Pacific Liner, Mount Temple, Has Rough Experience Off Halifax, N. S.—More Than Six Hundred Passengers Were Rescued.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 3.—The admiralty office will at once begin an investigation to place the blame, if any, for the wreck of the Canadian Pacific line steamer, Mount Temple, which struck the La Have ledges at Ironbound Island yesterday while bound from Antwerp to St. John, N. S.

Indications are that the Mount Temple will be a total loss, rocks pierced the steamer's bottom directly beneath the engine room when she drifted broadside on the ledges and the terrific pounding she has sustained since she struck has further damaged her hull. The engine room was flooded.

The work of transferring to the mainland 480 passengers and members of the crew who remained on Ironbound Island all night was resumed and it was expected that all would have reached this city by this morning.

The saving of all the Mount Temple's passengers, more than 600 in number, under conditions dangerous to the rescued and rescuers alike, is regarded as a feat unexcelled in the annals of marine disasters in the North Atlantic.

When the ship struck the rocks hundreds of immigrants among whom were more than 200 women and children, were thrown into a panic. Officers and crew had difficulty in making the foreigners understand that there was no immediate danger and when daylight came and the storm cleared the panic was over. For hours the passengers stood waist deep in water. All suffered terribly from the cold.

A Dangerous Deadlock.
*That sometimes terminates fatally, is the stoppage of liver and bowel functions. To quickly end this condition without disagreeable sensations, Dr. King's New Life Pills should always be your remedy. Guaranteed absolutely satisfactory in every case or money back, at Sibert's Drug Store 25 cents.

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*Jack and Jill were both quite ill. Now each is well and wiser. For blues and headaches have to go when they take an Early Riser. DeWitt's Little Early Riser Pills are sold by all druggists.

A Home Made Happy by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

*About two months ago our baby girl had measles which settled on her lungs and at last resulted in a severe attack of bronchitis. We had two doctors but no relief was obtained. Everybody thought she would die. I went to eight different stores to find a certain remedy which had been recommended to me and failed to get it, when one of the storekeepers insisted that I try Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I did so and our baby is alive and well today.—Geo. W. Spence, Holly Springs, N. C. For sale by DeLorme's Pharmacy.

M. J. Nolen, a member of the fire department of Charleston died at his home in that city.

*A tickling cough, from any cause, is quickly stopped by Dr. Shoop's Cough Cure. And it is so thoroughly harmless and safe, that Dr. Shoop tells mothers everywhere to give it without hesitation, even to very young babes. The wholesome green leaves and tender stems of a lung-healing mountainous shrub, furnish the curative properties to Dr. Shoop's Cough Cure. It calms the cough, and heals the sore and sensitive bronchial membranes. No opium, no chloroform, nothing harsh used to injure or suppress. Simply a resinous plant extract, that helps to heal aching lungs. The Spaniards call this shrub which the Doctor uses, "The Sacred Herb." Always, demand Dr. Shoop's Cough Cure. Sibert's Drug Store.

*When the stomach, heart or kidney nerves get weak, then these organs always fail. Don't drug the stomach, nor stimulate the heart or kidneys. That is simply a makeshift. Get a prescription known to Druggists everywhere as Dr. Shoop's Restorative. The Restorative is prepared expressly for these weak inside nerves. Strengthen these nerves, build them up with Dr. Shoop's Restorative—tablets or liquid—and see how quickly help will come. Free sample test sent on request by Dr. Shoop, Racine, Wis. Your health is surely worth this simple test. Sibert's Drug Store.

An effort has been made in Union to restore the dispensary to that county.

A Real Wonderland.

*South Dakota, with its rich silver mines, bonanza farms, wide range and strange natural formations, is a veritable wonderland. At Mound City, in the home of Mrs. E. D. Clapps, a wonderful case of healing has lately occurred. Her son seemed near death with lung and throat trouble. "Exhausting coughing spells occurred every five minutes," writes Mrs. Clapp, "when I began giving Dr. King's New Discovery, the great medicine, that saved his life and completely cured him." Guaranteed for coughs and colds, throat and lung troubles, by Sibert's Drug Store druggist, 50 cent and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

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Delicate, weak, nervous women should especially shun the use of alcoholic medicines which, from their stimulating and exhilarating effects may seem, for a time, to do good, but which from the inevitable effects of the alcohol in shrinking up the red corpuscles of the blood are sure to do great and lasting harm in the long run. Besides they beget a craving for stimulants which is most deplorable.

Only invigorating and nerve strengthening effects can follow the use of this famous medicine for women. It can not possibly do harm in any state or condition of the system. It has been carefully adapted to woman's needs by an experienced physician—a specialist in their diseases. It makes weak women strong and sick women well.

If a woman has bearing down, or dragging pains, low down in the abdomen, or pelvis, backache, frequent headaches, dizzy or fainting spells, is nervous and easily startled, has gnawing feeling in stomach, sees imaginary floating specks, or spots before her eyes, has melancholia, or "blues," or a weakening disagreeable drain from pelvic organs, she can make no mistake by resorting to the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It will invigorate and tone up the whole system and especially the pelvic organs.

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No woman suffering from any of the above symptoms can afford to accept any secret nostrum or medicine of unknown composition, as a substitute for a medicine like Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, which is of known composition and has a record of over forty years of cures and sells more largely to-day than ever before. Its makers withhold no secrets from their patients, believing open publicity to be the very best guaranty of merit.

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