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The Flames Even Drive the Rescuers From Their Work, and All Hope Is About Abandoned.

**ONLY FIVE KNOWN TO HAVE PERISHED.**

But as the Fire Is Believed to Be Burning In the Lower Levels, Their Rescue Will Be Miraculous.

Poteau, I. T., Dec. 18.—An explosion in the Indiana and Hiawatha mine, three miles from here at a late hour last night, caused the death of at least five men. Twenty-five others are imprisoned in the mine, which is on fire, and it is feared that few of them can be rescued. The disaster was caused by an explosion of dust following a blast. One hundred men were at work in the mine at the time. The greatest excitement prevails in the vicinity of the mines and the names of the dead and imprisoned miners cannot be obtained.

Poteau, I. T., Dec. 18.—The explosion caused by the ignition of coal dust after a blast had been fired in Mine No. 2, three miles from here, was something terrific, and was very plainly heard at this place. The timber work of the hoist was blown far into the air, and the shattered remains immediately caught on fire.

Over 60 men were at work in the mine at the time of the explosion and only about 50 of these have been accounted for. Those who escaped were employed in another part of the mine. There seems to be little hope of rescuing the entombed miners as the explosion literally rent the subways asunder and hundreds of tons of earth will have to be taken away before they can be reached. One hundred men are working valiantly to rescue their comrades. They are driven away at times because of the intense heat of the burning structure.

It is probable the interior of the mine is now burning, though at present this cannot be determined. It is also impossible to ascertain the names of those who have been killed and buried in the mine. The fire lights up the country for miles around and crowds of people are arriving on the scene.

This is the second time in three weeks that an explosion has occurred in this mine, two men having been killed in the previous one.

**An Encouraging Report.**

Fert Smith, Ark., Dec. 13.—It is reported here that only two men lost their lives in the mine near Poteau, I. T., and that none of the men entombed are in danger.

**FIVE QUEER DEATHS.**

It is claimed the Deadly Fumes Smelters Are Responsible.

Butte, Mont., Dec. 12.—Five deaths have occurred in Butte in which it is claimed have been caused by dreadful sulphur and arsenic fumes from the smelters. Many people who can do so are leaving the city to get out of the smoke. A mass meeting of citizens has been called to take steps against the deadly nuisance. The five persons dead are Edwin H. Levine, Mrs. Henrietta Levy, Frank Rochester, Catherine Sullivan and John Goodnow. Monday night the smoke was more dense and suffocating than ever. Threats are made and it is feared some violence may result from the public meeting.

**SLAUGHTERED BY REBELS.**

They Attack a Village in Formosa, Leaving Death and Destruction.

San Francisco, Dec. 13.—Terrific atrocities are reported from Formosa. Two hundred rebels recently attacked a village, surprising the people and looting the place. They burned 27 houses. A Japanese police inspector and six constables perished in repelling the attack. One constable was captured. The insurgents fastened on his back the bloody heads of his companions and drove him before them into the woods.

**SAGASTA'S SCHEME.**

Will Hold Off Ratification of the Treaty by the Cortes.

Madrid, Dec. 13.—It is asserted here that Premier Sagasta will obtain a royal decree dissolving the chambers before ratification of the peace treaty. The Correo semi-officially announces that Senor Sagasta is asking the cortes to ratify the treaty will confer with Senor Montero Rio, president of the Spanish peace commission, and it is further ascertained that owing to the end of opposition to the treaty the United States senate will not

**WASHINGTON NEWS.**

**Two Amendments Proposed to the Nicaragua Canal Bill.**

Washington, Dec. 13.—In the senate today Mr. Berry gave notice of an amendment he will offer in the Nicaragua canal bill providing for the direct appropriation of money for the construction of the canal and limiting the cost to \$116,000,000. The amendment provides for the construction of the canal by the Maritime Canal company and gives the government a lien upon the property before the deal is closed, under the circumstances fully enumerated. Mr. Berry stated the amendment eliminates the bond feature of the bill. Another was to deprive the Maritime Canal company of any shares of stock as in the present bill, leaving the United States, Nicaragua and Costa Rica the only stockholders.

Mr. Rawlins also gave notice of an amendment on the Nicaragua bill, providing the act should not go into effect until the United States should secure by treaty the right to fortify and garrison the canal and send armed vessels with munitions of war through it in time of war and close it against any other nation with whom the United States may be at war.

Mr. Morrill, in accordance with previous notice, addressed the senate on the bill authorizing the purchase of a site east of the capitol grounds for a building for a United States supreme court. The senate after his speech promptly passed the bill.

On motion of Mr. Hay, (Dem., Va.) a resolution was adopted in the house calling upon the secretary of war for information as to what towns in Porto Rico, Cuba and the Philippines required to be garrisoned, how many troops will be necessary for that purpose and how many soldiers will be needed for the United States proper.

Another resolution was adopted calling upon the secretary of state for information as to the alleged outrages on Bishop Earl Cranston at Peking, China, in September last, and as to what if any steps had been taken to secure suitable retributions.

The house then went into the committee of the whole and took up the District of Columbia appropriation bill.

Territorial expansion and the construction of the Nicaragua canal, occupied the attention of the senate during the greater part of yesterday afternoon.

As soon as the routine morning business had been disposed of Mr. Vest, (Dem., Mo.) called up his resolution, offered last week, declaring it to be unconstitutional for this government to secure foreign territory except for coaling stations or some like purpose unless its intention was to confer statehood upon the territory and citizenship upon its inhabitants. Mr. Vest declared that it was a basic principle of this government that the "powers of government are derived from the consent of the governed," and maintained that the Federal government had no authority either in morals or constitution to go beyond that principle. He held that the principle had been sustained by the supreme court in various decisions and that no public man of prominence and no recognized tribunal had ever been reckless enough to controvert it.

Mr. Morgan opened the debate on the Nicaragua canal bill with a three hour appeal for action at this session. The whole country, he said, would be disappointed if congress did not act. He was willing to take any measure which would result in the building of the canal. In the course of his remarks he agreed to accept an amendment specifically exempting the canal from neutrality with regard to any country with which the United States might be at war.

The house spent the larger part of the day on District of Columbia affairs. The bill to relieve the condition of American seamen was taken up but nothing was accomplished.

**BLISS WILL RESIGN.**

Secretary of the Interior Will Leave the Cabinet of the President.

Washington, Dec. 13.—It is very probable that Secretary Bliss will tender his resignation within a short time to the president. He has had the step under consideration for some time, desiring it necessary that he should be free to devote more time to his large business interests. The resignation, it can be stated, is not due in the least to any differences with the president or his other advisors, but has private and personal reasons against continuing longer in office as secretary of the interior. At the time he entered the cabinet, it is said semi-officially, that he did not intend to serve the term out.

It is presumed official announcement will not be made until the president has chosen Mr. Bliss' successor.

**To Give President Power.**

Washington, Dec. 13.—Representative Hepburn of Iowa introduced a bill authorizing the president to acquire by purchase from Costa Rica and Nicaragua full ownership, jurisdiction and sovereignty of such land as may be desirable and necessary to construct and defend the ship canal. The president is also directed to construct such a canal, and the bill appropriates \$140,000,000 to complete it.

**Death Sentence Commuted.**

Washington, Dec. 13.—The president has accepted the recommendation of General Wheeler and has commuted to imprisonment for life the sentence of death imposed by the military upon Private Lindsay of the 10th Cavalry at Huntville, Ala.

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