

## STORIES OF SUFFERING

Appalling Reports from the Flood Stricken Districts.

TEN THOUSAND PERSONS HOMELESS.

**May in Danger of Starvation.**—Arkansas City Under Water. Only the Tops of the Homes Being Visible.—The River Still Rising and Weather Indications Predict a Further Rise.—Governors Issue Appeals for Aid.

**ARKANSAS CITY, Ark., May 26.**—The city is completely under water. All the streets are flooded out and the tops of houses are visible only on the back streets.

The trains on the Iron Mountain are abandoned on account of the bad bridge over Boggy Bayou. All Iron Mountain cars have been removed from the yards in this city. The Panther Forest bank can stand one foot more here.

The river is rising.

**DARK FOR THE FLOOD SUFFERERS.**—Weather Indications Point to a Further Rise in the River.

**Memphis, Tenn., May 26.**—Pendicott county is a scene of desolation. Three-fourths of the county is now under water, and assistance is urgently needed in almost all parts of the country between the foot of Lake and Paducah, on the Arkansas side. Three families have also been drowned.

Large numbers of horses, mules and cattle have been drowned. Over 22,000 acres of wheat, 30,000 acres of corn and nearly 300,000 acres of cotton have been lost. The water is still rising. The Arkansas bottoms are all under water and the number of lives lost cannot be estimated. No boats have gone into the flooded districts.

Some "cotton weather observers" indicate of more rain falling over the Missouri and upper Mississippi valleys, and this will do for the people of the submerged region with dread, especially as it is stated that the Ohio, Cumberland, Tennessee, Wabash, Red and Mississippi rivers will continue to rise. Along the Arkansas, Missouri and Savannah river valleys there is a prospect that waters will fall, although the gauge is still high.

**GOV. FIFER APPEALS FOR AID.**—Damage By Flood in Three Counties of Illinois Will Cost Up to \$1,000,000.

**SPRINGFIELD, Ill., May 26.**—Gov. Fifer has returned from an inspection of the flooded districts of Illinois and has issued a proclamation calling upon the people of the State to contribute money and clothing for the relief of the sufferers from the floods.

According to a conservative estimate, the damage done in the flooded districts of Illinois and St. Clair counties by the floods will foot up \$1,000,000.

**Farmers Repairing the Flood Damages.**—**MONTICELLO, Ill., May 26.**—The farmers in central Illinois are busy repairing the damage inflicted on their crops by the recent heavy rains. Since the rain ceased, the work has been done at work from early in the morning until late in the evening.

The corn and wheat crops have already been sown, and if the weather continues favorable, it is expected through the next fortnight. The oats and wheat crop were badly damaged by the rains.

**In Danger of Starvation.**—**MADISON, Ark., May 26.**—The most appalling reports are received from the central Illinois districts. "White River," Ten thousand people are homeless and in serious danger of starvation. The crops have been washed away along the Arkansas River, to say nothing of the negroes and Indians. Yesterday the river was carried here and there, was drowned at Paducah, Ark., while trying to cross a stream.

**Fifteen Hundred Acres Under Water.**—**ALBANY, Ill., May 26.**—The flood in central Illinois has reached its height and the water is about beginning to recede. It is estimated that 1,500 acres are now under water in the county. Of this total, 1,000 acres, consisting of the best corn and wheat land, is placed at \$150,000.

**One Hundred Families Entirely Destitute.**—**CAMPO, Ill., May 26.**—The residents here announce the fact that there are one hundred families in and about the town of Wheatland utterly destitute, the floods having totally ruined the crops, drowned their stock and washed them out of their dwellings. A subscription was started here and provisions will be sent there immediately.

**One Thousand Homeless at Monks City.**—**DES MOINES, Iowa, May 26.**—Gov. Ross has issued a proclamation calling for contributions to the relief of the sufferers from the floods in the State. The number of families homeless is placed at one thousand, and the number of destitute families at five hundred. A number of dwellings swept away given at 167, and 700 more were rendered uninhabitable.

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## AN APPEAL TO THE VATICAN.

The Influence Brought to Protect Hebrews.

BOMBS, May 26.—Cardinal Rampolla, Papal Secretary of State, has given an interview to Mr. Jesse Seligman, a banker, of New York, on the subject of the treatment of Jews.

Mr. Seligman was introduced by the rector of the American College in Rome.

Mr. Seligman asked the cardinal to show him the influence in favor of aiding and protecting Jews from the persecution to which they were subject in certain parts of the world.

Cardinal Rampolla replied that the Pope had already protected the Jews, and that when they were persecuted everywhere they were secure in Rome under the protection of the Vatican.

He would be glad, he said, to do all that he could to aid the humane and praiseworthy cause of saving and rescuing Hebrews from persecution.

Mr. Seligman was deeply gratified by the cordiality of his reception, and the unequivocal stand taken by Cardinal Rampolla in behalf of the fair treatment of the Hebrew race.

MURDEROUSLY ASSAULTED.

An Old Woman Robbed and Probably Fatally Injured by a Boarder.

NEW YORK, May 26.—Mrs. Martha Lewis Springer, an old woman who lives in an apartment of three rooms in the building of 122 Fifth Ave., was found at an early morning hour lying on the floor of her room in a pool of blood.

The cause of the attack was not known, but it was found that the attention of her son, who found his mother lying face down with the blood streaming from her head, was not known.

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## HE IS VERY MUCH ALIVE

Bryant Crandall Run Down After Six Years.

THE INSURANCE MEN WERE RIGHT.

It Was Alleged That He Had Committed Suicide in Niagara, and Part of the Insurance Money on His Life Was Paid.

Arrested at Los Angeles, Cal.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., May 26.—A sensational arrest has been made by the Los Angeles police. About April 1, 1886, Bryant B. Crandall, of Buffalo, N. Y., after insuring his life for \$50,000, disappeared. His clothing found on the bank of Niagara seemed to point to suicide. Three months later he was found below the falls exactly fitting Crandall's description.

Crandall's life and relatives positively identified the body as that of Crandall and part of the insurance was paid. The insurance associations being still suspicious, the matter was taken into the court. In March, 1887, Crandall was arrested at Los Angeles by a prominent citizen of Buffalo, and the New York authorities were notified. They commenced a search for the man, but he had disappeared. Some months later he was arrested at Los Angeles and again disappeared. From that time Chief Chase and his detective force have been on his track, and he was finally located at Newhall, this county, where he was working at a petroleum pump.

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## PERTINENT PARAGRAPHS.

The Union County Board of Freeholders is in session at Elizabethtown today.

Kitchen Garden girls are requested to meet Saturday morning at eleven o'clock in the W. O. T. U.

The author of "Annie Bonney" got \$14,000 for his production. He should have had about fourteen years.

Only one game was bowled on the alleys of the C. Y. M. L. last evening. Butcher bowled 139 and Higgin 138.

By far the coolest, nicest, most agreeable, enjoyable, palatable and best summer beverage is Handolph's home made root beer.

Lovers of sport in this city should not forget that Kall carries a full line of their goods, which he offers at reasonable prices.

The petit jurors not empaneled on the Quinn case at Elizabethtown on Monday, were summoned back to duty this morning.

Rogers, the bicycle man, has the best facilities for changing the tires of your wheel, making them either cushion or pneumatic.

To-night the C. Y. M. L. bowling team of this city go to Elizabethtown and bowl against a team from the C. Y. M. L. A., of that place.

The East New Jersey Baptist Association, of which the First Baptist Church of this city is a member, will meet at Scotch Plains, June 7 and 8.

The police of Elizabethtown are to be succeeded by the Mayor and members of the Police Board on Thursday, June 2. They will also have a parade.

The prospects of the next oyster crop are said to be poor. But when the first month with an R in it shall come around, the bivalve will be found at all the old stands.

The ladies of the First Presbyterian Church will hold a soiree to-night in the chapel. The celebrated Smith family entertainment will be one of the features of the evening.

The closing exercises of the Junior Christian School of Trinity Reformed Church will be held Saturday afternoon at three o'clock. Members and their friends are invited to be present.

Mary and Luke Lyons, two of the city paupers, engaged in a free-for-all fight at the city poor house yesterday afternoon, and they were locked up. Judge Colington set their trial down for to-morrow morning at ten o'clock.

Yellow "Tom-Cat" was walking leisurely around in an East Second street door-yard, last evening, when a local sport put four bullets into its body. The cat was left for dead, but this morning he was walking around as usual.

G. Q. Parker, the furniture man, would like the ladies to call and see the fine Japanese furniture which he has just received. The chairs are made of bamboo, no wood filling being used. They are light, strong and just the thing for veranda use.

While James Davis, of West Front street, was engaged in the act of polishing his shoes this morning he had the misfortune to run the thumb of his right hand against one of the metal fasteners. The cut, though small, was painful. Soothing applications were applied.

Several fine specimens of home-made chemicals are on exhibition at the Central Pharmacy. They include iodine of lead, Rochelle salts, sulphate of sodium, ammonium alum, iodoform, bin-iodide of mercury, salicylate of potash and others, prescribed daily by physicians of this city.

The principal event at the New Jersey A. C. games on Decoration Day will be the attempt of Willie Day to break the present American Amateur record for three miles, held by himself and made in 1890. Mr. Day has been training for some time past and has been doing some remarkably fast work on the track.

Contractor Passmore, the small post patient, will be allowed to leave his home on Craig place next Monday. Last evening his wife came over to converse with her husband at a distance. The North Plainfield Health Board will be asked for a permit to-morrow to enable Mrs. Passmore to enter the house. A strict watch is still kept on the place, and on one is allowed to either enter or depart from the premises.

In the absence of the editor, into yesterday afternoon, a telephone message was received from Elizabethtown stating that the "burglar" had been sentenced to twenty years in State's prison. Further inquiry seemed to corroborate the news. The sender of the message was trying to say "burglar," which sounded like the word "burglar." Hence the statement which appeared in the second edition of the COURIER that Winger, the Crescent avenue burglar had received a sentence of a score of years. The COURIER should have stated that such a sentence was imposed upon Quinn, the murderer of Mrs. Schneider, against whom the jury found a verdict of murder in the second degree.

## KROEGER FOSTER NARROW ESCAPE.

His Engine, No. 68, Raced Into an Open Draw Near Elizabeth, but he and his Fireman Jump in Time to Save Their Lives.

The fast freight train, No. 364, with engine No. 68, on the Long Branch division of the Central Railroad, bound south, plunged into the open draw of the Elizabeth River bridge, a half mile south of Elizabeth, at half past nine o'clock last night.

Engineer Charles Foster, formerly a hackman is this city but now one of the most trusted engineers on the road, and he saw the red signal on the draw, but could not hold his train, as at that point there is a very steep grade. When he saw that he had lost control of the engine and the fireman jumped from the cab in time to save their lives. When the engine went down the others of the train's crew sprang from the cars.

The engine made a complete somersault when it left the tracks and was buried out of sight in the water and mud. Three loaded cars followed and were also submerged.

Justice Ulrich, of this city, was present at a meeting of the Republican club which was held at Woodbury, N. J., yesterday.

Superintendent Brooks, of the Potter Press Works, has been in Washington, D. C., the past three days on business connected with the firm.

Dr. Howard K. Carroll, of North Plainfield, has an article in the June number of the Forum on "What the Census of Churches Shows."

"Gentle" Willie Murphy this morning received a package and a letter from some adoring friend. The letter was signed "your friend" John. The package contained a home-made crutch.

Rev. J. P. Taylor has purchased, through E. C. Mullor's agency, the Lawson property on North avenue, now occupied by R. O. Howell, the grocer. The purchase price was about \$16,000.

Mrs. Sidney E. Flower, of East Front street, was returning home from Reform Hall, last evening, when she sprained her right ankle. She was carried into a home, where assistance was rendered.

Rev. Thomson A. Mills, P. H. D., brother of the Rev. B. Fay Mills, the evangelist, who conducted such successful revival services in this city eighteen months ago, will preach in the First Presbyterian Church next Sunday.

President R. J. Shaw, of the New Jersey Pharmaceutical Society, was escorted to the chair, after his election this morning, by G. S. Cook, of Somerville, and E. B. Jones, of Mt. Holly. President Shaw delivered an address, and he was loudly applauded.

The funeral of George W. Small, Grand Dictator, K. of H. State of New Jersey, who died at Jersey City, yesterday morning, will be held next Sunday. Members of the order who wish to attend should take the 8.32 a. m. train for that city, and should be at the Palisade Lodge rooms 352 Central avenue, at eleven o'clock.

George E. Williams, proprietor of the Crescent Pharmacy, entertained twenty of the delegates to the New Jersey Pharmaceutical Association meeting at the ball game yesterday afternoon. The visitors expressed themselves as well pleased with Plainfield and its surroundings, and were more than pleased with the courtesies shown them.

Social Chat.

An informal dance will be given at the Park Club this evening.

Mrs. John Weir, of Rockview avenue, entertains her friends at an afternoon tea from four to six o'clock to-day.

"George," the valuable station owned by F. A. Pope, died yesterday morning.

During the past few days Messrs. Ranyon and Hunt have disposed of eleven tons at the Clinton avenue track.

Edward Merrier, of Stony Hill, will take possession of Stribner's brick yard in North Plainfield, and begin the manufacture of bricks in the course of a few days.

On Saturday afternoon the Plainfield Bicycle Club team will play the Elizabeth Field Club team, and on Decoration Day the club will go to Montclair and play two games there, morning and afternoon.

Gaseous are being received daily in the Courier base ball prize contest. It is not known who the guessers are as none of the envelopes will be opened until the close of the contest, when lawyer Charles Reed will determine to whom the prize will go.

Seventeen coal cars were piled up in a wreck near the Green Brook tracks yesterday afternoon. Philadelphia and Reading engine No. 555 ran into the rear end of an empty coal train drawn by Central engine No. 392, causing the wreck. No one was injured.

Augustus Houghland, an employee of Charles B. Clifton, met with a painful accident this morning. He was unloading produce from a truck when he fell against a berry crate and received a bad cut over the left eye. One of the local physicians dressed the wound.

## A VICTORY FOR THE CRESCENTS.

They Win a Game From the Aces, of Brooklyn, Without Much Excitement. Several Rocky Decisions by the Umpire Increase the Bleachers.

The Acme Base Ball Club, of Brooklyn, came to town yesterday to beat the Crescents—"a first-class amateur base ball club," as one of their members put it. They were kickers from way-back. Nothing suited them. Umpire Bertram leaned in their direction, giving several bad decisions against the Crescents to cheer up their drooping spirits. But it was of no use. They were not ball players.

The "voters" were out in force for the home team, but transferred their services to cheer up the flagging spirits of the Aces, but it was of no use. Poor "Willie" Murphy wore a bandage on his right leg just to cover the ankle. This was to avoid a penalty which would have cost the day before while monkeying with a bicycle. But he can play good ball even with a game leg. His well rounded form usually offers a tempting target to every pitcher. Yesterday however, he escaped this fate.

Turner, however, in the first inning, took his base on account of this little attack on the part of the pitcher, as also did Boumer in the third. Neither received any serious injury.

The game was one sided and uneventful. At the end of the second inning both sides had secured one run apiece. In the first half of the third, both Keeler and Murphy scored, and after this the Aces were not so strong.

At the end of the third inning, however, by changing pitchers at the beginning of the seventh inning. On the change pitcher the Crescents were able to add but one more run to their score. Had the change been made earlier in the game, the score might have been different. The score:

Crescents.	R.	B.	E.	A.	S.
Hofford, C.	0	0	0	0	0
Keeler, J.	0	0	0	0	0
Murphy, E.	0	0	0	0	0
Turner, J.	0	0	0	0	0
Boumer, J.	0	0	0	0	0
Stanton, F. J.	0	0	0	0	0
Total.	0	0	0	0	0

Aces.	R.	B.	E.	A.	S.
Connelly, J.	0	0	0	0	0
McLay, J.	0	0	0	0	0
Roberts, S.	0	0	0	0	0
Carters, C.	0	0	0	0	0
O'Connor, J.	0	0	0	0	0
Stanton, F. J.	0	0	0	0	0
Total.	0	0	0	0	0

Earned runs, Crescents 1, Aces 0. Hits, Crescents 10, Aces 10. Errors, Crescents 1, Aces 1. Base on balls, Crescents 1, Aces 1. Struck out, Crescents 1, Aces 1. Hit by pitched ball, Turner, Boumer, Wild pitches, Barrett, 1. Time of game, 1:45. Umpire, Bertram.

THE PLAINFIELD BICYCLE CLUB WILL HAVE THEIR TEN-MILE RACE ON SATURDAY AFTERNOON. Two Handsome Prizes Offered.

For some time past a number of the lovers of the wheel of this city have been in daily practice, preparing for the ten mile race which is to be given under the auspices of the Plainfield Bicycle Club, on Saturday. The prizes for the event consist of two handsome L. A. W. badges, suitably inscribed, which will be given to the first and second winners of the race.

Besides the first six wheelmen to finish will be given the form to represent the club in the race for the Elizabeth Journal trophy at Elizabethtown.

The start will be at the corner of Fourth and Richmond streets at half-past four and it is thought the racers will finish at the same place about half an hour later. Much interest is being taken in the race inasmuch as several of the contestants are very evenly matched, while the speed and endurance of several new members who have entered is unknown.

The entries for the race are: F. J. Collier, A. V. Rockwell, H. B. Brokaw, Charles R. Malby, A. T. Hinrichs, E. V. French and William Ahlgren.

THEY ARE AFTER FAIRWOOD NOW: But the Park Club bowlers had to work to win. They Defeat the Knights of Quality Hill in a Close and Spirited Contest.

They were twelve unconquered Park Club bowlers and they went down to the Fairwood club last night in one of Higgin's close staged games. They had been cautioned by the knowing ones that the Fairwoods were very high rollers, and that it would take a very good score to win, and furthermore that the run to the foul line was very short. So the fear of their adversaries and the anxious endeavors to find room enough to swing the balls and slide through ever so little, caused the Park Club to fall away behind, but as the game progressed they pulled themselves together and won by thirty-two pins. Appended is the score:

Park Club.	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.	10.	Total.
Lyman, A.	145	135	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	1400
Reed, J.	135	135	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	1400
Evans, J.	135	135	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	1400
Lawrence, J.	135	135	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	1400
Murphy, J.	135	135	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	1400
Rogers, J.	135	135	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	1400
Hendricks, J.	135	135	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	1400
Anderson, J.	135	135	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	1400
Tully, J.	135	135	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	1400
Stevens, J.	135	135	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	1400
Total.	1350	1350	1400	1400	1400	1400	1400	1400	1400	1400	14000

THE DELEGATES TO THE TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL MEETING OF THE NEW JERSEY PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION, WHICH OPENED TWO DAYS SESSION AT HOTEL NETHERWOOD, YESTERDAY, LAST, ARE HERE.

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## HOTEL ARRIVALS.

At the Grand Central—R. B. Estlin; Johnston, Pa.; S. S. Davis, H. J. Swanwick, D. C. Whitman, G. Frederick, A. D. Page, Newark; Dr. H. E. Fuller, St. Louis, Mo.; W. S. Howell, Orange; T. W. Hunt, Windermere, N. J.; Jacques Wolfe, J. L. Whistler.

At the City Hotel—Mrs. W. A. Dart, Newark; W. S. Milnes, Brooklyn; Edward N. Burrell, New York.

A Snaky Way to Crawl Through Life.

(From the Herald Herald.)

"There's a big rat," said a citizen pointing to a Plainfielder in the crowd's car. "He about makes his living by shaking dirt." "Rather a snaky way to crawl through life," said an Irish by-stander.

Notice to the Crescent League Women.

The members of the Crescent League Women are requested to report at the Club house on the morning of Decoration Day, at eight o'clock, for the purpose of having a Club run to Springfield and Elizabeth. The notice is signed by Captain J. A. Haynes.

Charles Hand has leased one of the vacant stores in the Crescent Rink building to a firm of Kingston, N. Y. They will open up a first-class grocery store in connection with a smoked meat department.

LABOR BRIEFS.

Boston has a Poultry Union. Pittsburgh reporters have a union. Varietians talk of a National Union. Locomotive firemen will build a \$100,000 hall.

Illinois miners averaged \$115 a day last year. Canada letter carriers got \$800 to \$900 a year.

Londonderry, Ireland, has 700 Knights of Labor. Boston plumbers will not push the demand for \$4.

Wilkesbarre miners demand their pay every two weeks. Indianapolis clerks object to stores that are open on Sunday.

A New York Italian barber charges ten cents extra for negroes. Coopers will hold a national convention at Atlantic City on September 1.

Miners, Minn., laborers are boycotting people who patronize the Chinese. France has prohibited the work of the repairmen and engineers over twelve hours a day.

Nebraska's eight-hour law went into effect May 1. M. of the employees have decided to pay by the hour. Brick layers will get \$4 instead of \$4.50.

Within two days after the Boston street car companies put on a new time table that increased hours 2,000 men joined the union. They have been working ten hours a day.

The strike of Pittsburgh bricklayers is three months old. The bosses are determined to defeat the men. President Barnes of the Builders' Exchange says that his vote will be expended if necessary to win the fight.

EDUCATIONAL.

Elton, or the collection of school's which constitutes what is popularly known as Elton, has a second scholar. The a group of preparatory school has just celebrated its 40th anniversary.

The oldest college in North America was founded in 1851—the College of St. Louis, in the city of Mexico. The next oldest is Loyola College, Quebec—the Washington Working Women.

The education of Russian children is conducted in four languages—the native, German, English and French and they grow up masters of these languages. The Car school speaks English remarkably well—Indianapolis News.

The first dental college in the United States was established in 1860 at Baltimore, and even as late as 1866 there, but three others in the country, two in Philadelphia and one in Cincinnati. There are now about twenty-five



