

Over a dozen men received wounds during the battle and were brought to camp for surgical treatment. It is not thought that any are fatally injured. Further trouble is feared.

DENVER, July 31.—A News special from Socorro, N. M., says: A tremendous roaring startled the people of Socorro yesterday afternoon, about 4 o'clock. Shortly huge waves of water came rushing down an arroyo which drains the eastern slope of the Magdalena mountains and almost encircled the town.

The water came in waves, each succeeding one apparently higher than the others. Port ones of houses, household furniture, baby carriages, stoves and farming implements mingled with huge boulders, railroad ties and bridge timbers, all being borne through the streets of the city by the madly rushing waters. For two hours the work of destruction continued, the horror being increased by vivid lightning, crashing thunder and blinding rain.

Gradually the waters subsided sufficiently to allow a partial inspection of the destruction. Only two bodies were taken from the cruel waters before dark, a mother and her child. An attempt was made to reach the people living in the river bottom, but darkness and the absence of boats prevented success. All night long homeless people were being brought in and cared for.

This morning a scene of desolation was presented. A majority of the business houses have escaped heavy damage or destruction, but hundreds of the poorer people have lost everything, being homeless, penniless and almost naked. More than fifty houses are known to have been destroyed, while almost every residence in the city is damaged. Since the water has receded many adobe houses have fallen and many others must be abandoned.

The two bodies recovered last night have been identified as members of the Duran family. Four more bodies were taken out this morning and identified as Durans, making six recovered. Other bodies are reported as being seen, but owing to the treacherous nature of the ground, they cannot yet be reached.

The destructive waters spread over the entire city and carried death everywhere. Many are reported missing. Another victim has since been added to the death list, an infant son of E. Baca, having just died from the effect of the water, having been rescued when almost drowned.

Reports coming from towns north and south of here tell of heavy losses. For twelve miles south the destruction of property was terrible, farm houses and crops being entirely swept away. The Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe track was taken out between here and San Antonio in several places. The branch road from this city to Magdalena is practically destroyed for ten miles out, five bridges being gone and several miles of track. A large section of track on the south side of the city running east and west was taken up by the angry waters and turned north and south.

No estimate of the loss can yet be made, but it is more than \$1,000,000. Among the heaviest losers are Mayor Estevan Baca, C. T. Brown, J. E. Smith, A. D. Coon, C. Sperling, J. H.

Hilton, E. Katz-nelein, J. W. Terry, A. H. Byerts, Canullo Torres, E. E. Wold, Elias Baca, Mrs. Lophal.

This afternoon the citizens of Socorro met at the court house and a relief committee was appointed. The work of relief was at once commenced, but the demands soon outgrew the resources, as every citizen has suffered loss.

HAVANA, Aug. 1.—Captain General de Campos has issued the following proclamation:

There being instances often and repeatedly of the press publishing facts, news and correspondence, which is misleading to public opinion, and tends to favor the work of the insurgent forces and to damage that of the national army, I avail myself of the right that the third article of the law of April 23, 1870, bestows on me, and I decree the following:

Article 1.—It is absolutely prohibited to publish news referring to the campaign when it is not of official origin.

Article 2.—The staff officers will hand to the press the news and facts, the publication of which is not included in the above clause.

(Signed),

CAMPOS.

CIENFUGOS, July 29, 1896.

CANTON, Ohio, Aug. 2.—At Staker'siding, two miles east of here on the Fort Wayne road, a disastrous wreck occurred this morning in which three men were killed and five more injured. A freight train broke in two at the summit and the rear ran into the front end. Eight cars were smashed into kindling wood.

The injured are: William McCoy, Pittsburg; Michael Morgan, Cleveland; Tom Collins, South Bethlehem, Pa.; Richard Reid, Denver; Adolph Sower, New York; John Lucene, Chicago; Charles E. Kert, Philadelphia; R. Richardson, Mason City, and Louis Simpson, Pittsburg.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 2.—It is said that the counsel for Theodore Durrant, charged with the Emmanuel church murders, will attempt to prove an alibi for Durrant by the testimony of members of his family and his friends, but it has not been determined as yet whether to put the defendant on the stand or not.

HELENA, Mont., Aug. 2.—In the circuit court of the United States for the district of Montana the application of the defendant to amend its answer in the case of the American Loan & Trust company vs the Oregon Short Line & Utah Northern Railroad company was denied, and as the court was to take a recess until Wednesday next, further proceedings were deferred until that day, when a decree of foreclosure will be entered, in accordance with the prayer of the complainant, and as ordered by Judge Beilinger in the district of Oregon.

This leaves only the Idaho, Utah and Wyoming courts to pass upon the proceedings which, having been somewhat dilatory, seems now drawing to a close, when the principal feeder of the Union Pacific system will probably be sold.

SHANGHAI, Aug. 2.—Advices from Foo Chow are that a telegram received there says a fearful massacre of Christians has occurred at Ku Cheng.

Five foreign ladies are among the murdered.

SELMER, Tenn., Aug. 2.—A man

named Cook belonged to the gang of moonshiners who killed Deputy United States Marshal Garner during a raid in Hardin county in 1893. Cook afterwards turned states evidence while in jail and conducted another raid as guide, in which several moonshiners were captured. His wife moved near this place while Cook was in jail. He was afterwards released, but being afraid to return to his former home, lived with his wife here in most destitute circumstances. It is learned that she has died of starvation and the remains were kept in the house some days before neighbors discovered the situation. A coffin and clothing were furnished by neighbors and the body was interred.

SPRINGFIELD, O., Aug. 5.—A cannon shot fired from a Knights of Pythias excursion train struck a passing train, carrying the Third regiment of Ohio National guard, Colonel Anthony commanding, resulting in the serious injury of a number of the soldiers. The regiment has been in camp for the past week at Johnson's Island, and broke camp today. Today was also the day for the Knights of Pythias of Springfield and Dayton to start camp at Sandusky. The two trains were to pass near Bellefontaine. The Pythians had a small cannon in the baggage car of their train and were firing salutes as they went along. One of the salutes was fired just as the train bearing the regiment was passing. The two trains were but two feet apart.

The full charge of the cannon, powder, flash and wadding, was delivered right in the faces of the crowded carload of soldiers, who had the windows open. Instantly there were shrieks of pain from the wounded soldiers. To make matters worse, the car was filled with the suffocating smoke of the powder. With powder burning into flame, blood flowing from the wounds of others who had been struck by the heavy wadding, the scene was one of confusion. The injured were in great agony.

The car doors were opened and the smoke cleared away. The hospital corps of the regiment was aboard, and was immediately called into service. Three men were badly cut about the head. Two little boys, company "masses," had their faces shot completely full of powder, and were in great agony. Two soldiers will probably die. Another will lose his eyesight. One man was sitting with his face between his hands looking out of the window, and received the discharge full in the face. He is seriously burned. Some twenty more had their faces partly filled with powder.

BERLIN, Md., Aug. 5.—In a fire last night seventy-five houses were burned. The loss is \$200,000; insurance \$25,000.

LONDON, Aug. 5.—A Shanghai dispatch to the Times says the mission and sanitarium at Wha Sang, near Ku Cheng, province of Fokien, has been attacked and the subjects killed.

The Rev. Mr. Stuart, wife and child were burned in their house. The Misses Yellow and Marshall, two sisters named Saunders, two sisters named Gordon, and Steele Newcombe were murdered with spears and swords. Miss Cordington was seriously wounded about the head and Stuart's eldest child had a knee-cap badly injured,