

The death rate of the globe is estimated at 68 a minute, 97,920 a day, or 35,740,800 a year.

No musician of any age received more presents from royalty, great folks and municipalities than Nicolo Paganini.

The excavations at Nippur revealed not only the oldest sanctuary, library and school that are known to the present time, but also the most ancient archaeological museum.

Since November, 1897, when the first German sailors were landed and possession was taken of Kyaochau, North China, which covers an area of 208.4 square miles and counts 80,000 inhabitants, the German government has spent \$11,800,000 on it.

M. Jusserand, the French ambassador, and his wife are a most devoted couple. They were married eight years ago and since that time have not been separated for 24 hours at one time.

A sartorial authority in London announced some months ago that before long well-dressed men would be wearing corsets.

The largest bottle ever blown has just been made at the Illinois Glass Works, at Alton, Ill. It is a wine bottle seven feet high, and was made for a wine exhibit.

The feather bed, after its banishment during about half a century, is being received back into favor in colder countries.

Willie Dunn, the amateur golf player, is laying a golf course for John D. Rockefeller at Pocahontas Hills.

Cupid and Mammon are madly pursuing a young man who lives in Brooklyn. Louis Thompson Hunt must find a wife before he is twenty-five years old or forfeit an annual income of \$2,500.

The marine torch designed to be carried in ships for emergency use and which was first introduced two years ago, has led to the perfection of a device which is a very great improvement on the first one.

The feature of the sale of the collection of antiques of the late Dr. William H. Crim, of Baltimore, was the purchase by Charles H. Pond, of New York, of eight Chippendale armchairs, once owned by Francis Scott Key.

EXPOSITION IS DEDICATED

Magnificent Ceremonies Attend the Formal Inauguration of the St. Louis Fair.

PARADE OF 11,000 SOLDIERS A FEATURE

President Francis Turns Over Buildings to President Roosevelt for Dedication and Letter Speaks—Ex-President Cleveland Also Makes Address—Parade and Fireworks.

St. Louis, May 1.—At the head of 15,000 troops President Roosevelt entered the world's fair grounds yesterday, and before one of the greatest audiences ever gathered under a roof dedicated the Louisiana Purchase exposition.

Present the Buildings. The choir of 2,000 voices then sang "The Heavens Proclaiming." At the close David R. Francis, president of the fair association, formally presented the fair buildings.

Address of President. President Francis then introduced President Roosevelt, who, in his address, after reviewing briefly the history of the acquisition by this nation of the Louisiana territory and referring to the expansion of the nation in territory, then territories and then states, said:

"The history of the land comprised within the limits of the purchase is an epitome of the entire history of our people. Within these limits we have gradually built up a state after state, until now they many times over surpass in wealth, in population, and in many-sided development the original 13 states, as they were when their delegates met in the continental congress.

Must Recognize Duties. "Courage and hardihood are indispensable virtues in a people; but the people which possess no others can never rise high in the scale, either of power or of culture. Great peoples must have in addition the governmental capacity which comes only when individuals fully recognize their duties to one another and to the whole body politic, and are able to join together in feats of constructive statesmanship and of honest and effective administration.

Virtues Ever Needed. "The old pioneer days are gone, with their roughness and their hardships, their incredible toil and their wild, half-savage romance. But the need for the pioneer virtues remains the same as ever. The peculiar frontier conditions have vanished; but the manliness and stalwart hardihood of the frontiersmen can be given even freer scope under the conditions surrounding the complex industrialism of the present day.

Mighty Qualities. "The old days were great because the men who lived in them had mighty qualities; and we must make the new days great by showing these same qualities. We must insist upon courage and resolution, upon hardihood, tenacity and fertility in resource; we must insist upon the strong, virile virtues; and we must insist no less upon the virtues of self-restraint, self-mastery, regard for the rights of others; we must show our abhorrence of cruelty, brutality and corruption in public and private life alike."

Grover Cleveland Speaks. Following the president's address Senator Carter introduced former President Grover Cleveland, who said in part: "The impressiveness of this occasion is greatly enhanced by reason of an atmosphere of prophecy's fulfillment which surrounds it. The thought is in our minds that we are amid awe-inspiring surroundings, where we may see and feel things foretold a century ago. We are here in recognition of the one-hundredth anniversary of an event which doubled the area of the young American nation and dedicated a new and wide domain to American progress and achievement."

Prophecy Fulfilled. "The treaty whose completion we today commemorate was itself a prophecy of our youthful nation's mighty growth and development. At its birth prophets in waiting joyously foretold the happiness which its future promised. Our prophets do not live forever. They are not here to see how stupendously the growth and development of the American na-

tion, on the domain newly acquired in their day, have during a short century outrun their anticipations and predictions.

Not Luck or Chance. "In conclusion, I hope I may be permitted to suggest that our thoughts and surroundings on this occasion should lead us to a humble recognition of the Providence of God in all that has made us a great nation. From our beginning as a people our course has been marked by occurrences and incidents so strikingly so significant, so constant that only superstitious dullness or intellectual blindness will place them to the credit of luck or chance."

Parade and Fireworks. The great military parade, which was designed to be distinctively the show spectacle of the dedication ceremonies, was held in the morning. There were 11,000 men in line—3,100 regulars and 7,900 of the national guard, New York being represented by 1,000 officers and men; Illinois, 1,000; Iowa, 960; Missouri, 3,000; Oklahoma, 200, and Ohio, 1,000. The pyrotechnic display in the evening was one of the most marvelous of its kind, lasting till midnight.

THE SECOND DAY.

Devoted to Dedication of Foreign Section of the Exposition. St. Louis, May 2.—"The national day," the second of the trio devoted to the dedication of the Louisiana Purchase exposition, was devoted yesterday to greetings to, and responses by, representatives of foreign nations which will have buildings at the fair; the proceedings constituting the dedication of the foreign section. President Francis, of the exposition company, extended the greeting of the exposition to the representatives of foreign countries and the French and Spanish ministers made reply.

COLD WAVE BRINGS RUIN.

Crops and Garden Produce Throughout the West Are Killed by Frost.

Chicago, May 2.—The wintry weather of last Thursday night has cost farmers and gardeners millions of dollars and given a setback to early vegetables from which the people of the entire country will suffer. Killing frosts from the lake region as far south as Tennessee and Arkansas and light to heavy frosts in northern Texas have ruined many crops and retarded nearly all others.

With a temperature that went below the freezing point in Illinois and Indiana, after the vegetation had obtained a good start, the growers awoke Friday to find that from 25 to 75 per cent. of their crops had been badly damaged or killed. Strawberries, asparagus, potatoes and other products of the soil suffered severely from the Rocky mountains to the Atlantic coast.

VENGEANCE OF A MOB.

Young Negro Lynched by Angry Farmers in Illinois—Settlement of Blacks Attacked—Several Shot.

Thebes, Ill., April 27.—An unknown negro, aged about 17 years, was lynched by a mob of angry farmers near the village of Santa Fe, Sunday morning for attempting to assault the ten-year-old daughter of Farmer Branson Davis, and this was followed by a general onslaught upon a colony of negroes living in tents who were engaged in bridge construction work. The tents were burned and many negroes were shot, but so far as known none was killed. Hundreds of shots were exchanged, but no whites were hurt.

A Generous Offer.

Decatur, Ill., May 1.—James Milliken, of Decatur, and A. R. Scott, of Bethany, met in this city Thursday and signed an agreement whereby Mr. Milliken is to give another \$100,000 to the endowment fund of the James Milliken university, of Decatur, providing the college commission raises \$50,000.

Pleads Guilty.

Milwaukee, April 30.—Arthur M. Kuehne, who was arrested charged with embezzling \$13,000 while administrator of the estate of Charles W. Stolla, pleaded guilty in the municipal court Wednesday and was sentenced to three years in the house of correction.

Murderer Sentenced.

Oseola, Ia., April 30.—Matt Hunter, who a year ago, at Mount Ayre, shot and killed Homer Holland, a college athlete of national reputation, as the result of a dispute over cards, has been sentenced to 25 years in the penitentiary.

Thousands of Strikers.

Chicago, May 2.—Dispatches show that workmen to the number of almost 80,000 in all parts of the country quit their tasks yesterday to enforce demands for shorter hours, higher wages or other improved conditions.

The Public Debt.

Washington, May 2.—The monthly statement of the public debt shows that at the close of business April 30, 1903, the total debt, less cash in the treasury amounted to \$938,935,418, a decrease as compared with April 1, 1903, of \$668,501.

Noted Shipbuilder Dies.

San Francisco, Cal., April 29.—Irv M. Scott, aged 86 years, the builder of the battleship Oregon and one of the strongest republican leaders in the city states, died at his home in this yesterday afternoon.

Gov. Richards Dead.

Cheyenne, Wyo., April 29.—Gov. DeForest Richards died at his home in this city of acute kidney disease.

GIVEN CORDIAL WELCOME

Cities in Missouri and Kansas Entertain President Roosevelt in Enthusiastic Manner.

REVIEWS NEARLY 30,000 CHILDREN.

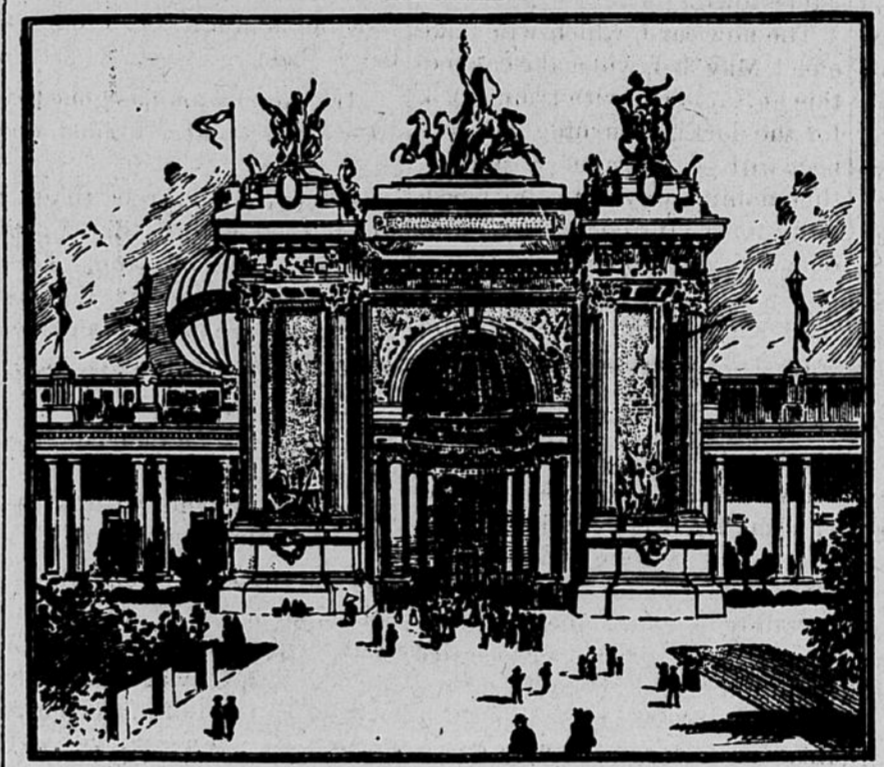
Makes Speeches in Kansas City, Mo., and in Kansas City and Topeka, Kan.—Addresses Heard by Immense Number of Persons—Presented with Card and Badge.

Kansas City, Mo., May 2.—President Roosevelt spent five hours in Kansas City, Mo., yesterday, and later was the guest of Kansas City, Kan., just across the state line, for two hours, leaving for the west at four o'clock in the afternoon. In the two cities the president was driven over a route 15 miles long, reviewed nearly 30,000 school children, made two speeches and partook of a luncheon at the Baltimore hotel as the guest of the Commercial club, of Kansas City, Mo.

Enthusiastic Greeting.

The reception given President Roosevelt in Kansas City, Mo., was intensely enthusiastic, and it is estimated that 100,000 persons, several thousand coming to town from surrounding places, greeted him. The schools were closed, business generally was suspended, the mayor having proclaimed it a holiday, and many residences and business houses were decorated.

LIBERAL ARTS BUILDING AT WORLD'S FAIR.



orated. After a long drive the president reached the convention hall shortly after 11 o'clock.

Greets Blue and Gray.

President Roosevelt was introduced by Mayor Reed. The president spoke a word of greeting to his audience and then greeted specially the men who wore the blue and those who wore the gray.

"I do not usually say anything about our being a reunited country," he said, "because it is not necessary. Of course, we are a reunited country and in every northern audience, wherever I see a group of men wearing the button of the Grand Army of the Republic, I am certain to find a group of men ready to cheer every allusion to the gallantry of the men who wore the gray."

Good Citizenship.

Taking the lessons taught by the soldiers of the civil war, the president discussed the question of good citizenship.

"In our complex relation of employed and employer," he said, "we can work out a really successful result only if those interested will get together and make an honest effort each to understand his neighbors' viewpoint. In the long run wage-worker and capitalist will go down in common ruin if each does not honestly try to get on with justice to the other and work out a scheme of action which shall be to their common advantage."

Given Silver Card.

At the luncheon Henry W. Evans presented the president, on behalf of the Commercial club, with a beautifully carved silver card encased in seal-skin. At the Union Pacific station at Armstrong, where the president took his train for the west, he received a delegation of students from the Kansas City university, who presented him a gold badge, set with pearls and diamonds, and designated him an honorary member of the University Library association.

In Kansas.

Kansas City, Kan., May 2.—The president at 1:45 yesterday became the guest of this city. Evan H. Brown, president of the Mercantile club, presented President Roosevelt with a large silk sunflower and he was escorted to a carriage decorated with sunflowers and silken American flags. Huron place was reached about 2:45, and there, from a platform in the open, President Roosevelt spoke

international convention of the Y. M. C. A. Both addresses were heard by immense crowds. After saying the corner stone the president was entertained at dinner at the residence of Gov. Bailey.

GOOD ROADS NEEDED.

International Convention Says They Are of Paramount Importance to National Prosperity.

St. Louis, April 30.—At the last day's session of the national and international good roads convention Hon. T. G. Harper, of Burlington, Ia., chairman of the committee on resolutions, presented the report of the committee, which was adopted. The resolutions declare:

First, that the building of good roads in the United States is now of paramount importance to national prosperity and commercial supremacy. Second, that we recommend the harmonious cooperation of the township, county, state and national governments in the furtherance of this great end.

Third, that the association believes that the appropriations heretofore made for the building of railroads, canals and improvement of rivers and harbors has been wise and beneficent, but an appropriation for the improvement of our highways has now become necessary to extend the blessings of intelligence and to promote a high order of citizenship among all classes of people and to meet the ever growing necessities of the agricultural interests.

Fourth, that we recommend the establishment throughout the United States of a complete and perfect organization from the nation down to the township, which organizations shall overlap each other and make a complete national association.

Eleven Workmen Killed.

Buffalo, Kan., April 28.—A north-bound Missouri Pacific stock train crashed into the rear end of a work train just north of this town and 11 men were killed and 25 injured. Ten of the latter are seriously and four probably fatally hurt. They were Greeks and Italians, excepting one, Peter Fry, an American, who has lived here several years and was a boss on the work train. The cause of the wreck is given as misreading of orders.

Fatal Collisions.

Terre Haute, Ind., April 30.—Three persons were killed, two fatally and a dozen seriously injured in a wreck in the east yards last night. A west-bound Vandavia passenger train struck a switch engine and two cars near the Highland steel mill. The killed are Clarence Reinhart, Columbus, O.; Nicholas A. Lutz, baggage-master, and an unidentified man.

Russia Evacuated.

Yokohama, April 29.—The Japanese foreign office has published a telegram announcing that Russia has completely evacuated Shing-King, province of Manchuria. Shing-King is the Chinese name for the province of Mukden, the capital of which, the city of Mukden, is also the capital of Manchuria.

Bold Robbery.

Des Moines, Ia., May 1.—Two masked men grabbed a package containing \$10,000 from Agent Peterson, of the United States Express company, while a train was standing at Britt yesterday. They secured the money and escaped after a struggle. Two suspects have been arrested.

Three Drowned.

Quincy, Ill., April 28.—Henry Hoelscher, Peter C. Smith and Joseph Bowen were drowned Monday in the Mississippi river while returning in a skiff from Missouri, where they had attended the funeral of a fellow foundryman, who committed suicide last week.

Henry Yates Dies.

Springfield, Ill., May 2.—Henry Yates, a brother of Gov. Yates, and insurance commissioner for Illinois, was stricken with apoplexy early Friday morning and died at 11 o'clock.

Business Buildings Burned.

Cedar Rapids, Ia., April 30.—Four business buildings at Edgewood, Clayton county, have been burned, the loss being \$25,000.

MOUNTAIN RENT IN TWAIN

Nearly One Hundred Persons Lose Their Lives by an Explosion in British Columbia.

MINING VILLAGE OF FRANK DESTROYED.

Cliffs Tumble Into the Town and Crush Houses and Kill Scores in Their Beds—Miners Entombed in a Shaft Dig Their Way Out—Cause of Eruption.

Vancouver, B. C., April 30.—Without an instant of warning Turtle mountain, in southwestern Alberta, was split asunder, probably by an explosion of fire damp in a mine, at 4:10 o'clock Wednesday morning, and a minute later the little mining town of Frank, situated at its base, was overwhelmed with millions of tons of rock.

The inhabitants, aroused in alarm from their slumbers by the tremendously loud reverberation of the heaving mountain, were in many cases killed by the falling stones, which crushed in their houses and killed them in their beds.

Victims Number Ninety-Six.

It is believed that the victims of the volcano number 96. Of these, 88 men, women and children are said to have perished in their homes. Twelve miners employed by the French Canadian Coal company were killed, while working around the company's shaft, and two men who were working in the shafts were smothered to death. Fifteen companions dug their way out through the broken rock. The mine buildings were buried hundreds of feet deep, houses in the village were crushed like egg shells.

Fissure Three Miles Long.

According to reliable reports from eye witnesses, the earth opened for three-quarters of a mile and many feet in width. Then the whole northern face of Turtle mountain slipped from place. The shock resultant upon the precipitation of the millions of tons of rock into the valley demolished the houses where the fatalities took place, and so shook the foundations of the majority of the other dwellings that they are unsafe to live in. Many hundreds of people will have to live in the open or under such temporary shelter as may be procurable.

Cause of Eruption.

The immediate cause of the eruption and its exact nature has not yet been ascertained. The officials of the meteorological and mining departments at Victoria say the nature of the country does not point to volcanic origin. Other authorities suggest that the eruption was due to an explosion of gas, large quantities of which are known to exist in the district.

Founded by H. L. Frank.

Frank is a few miles east of Fernie, B. C., where a few months ago many miners were killed by an explosion, and is named for H. L. Frank, of Montana, who two years ago began developing the coal fields, driving a tunnel about two miles long into the side of Turtle mountain. The output of the coal mine was 500 to 1,000 tons a day.

Nine Men Killed.

Holidaysburg, Pa., May 1.—The extensive plant of the Crescent powder company, at Gainstock, about ten miles south of here, was completely wrecked by a series of four explosions yesterday morning. Of the 30 employes, nine were killed outright and all others were badly injured by being blown about the buildings in which they were employed.

Big Plant Burned.

Chicago, April 29.—Fire in the International Salt company's plant at One Hundred and Third street and the Calumet river completely destroyed the company's docks and sheds, covering an area of 16 acres, two grain boats in the Calumet river, 150 freight cars, and damaged many adjoining buildings and craft. The damage will reach \$1,500,000.

Swept by Fire.

Marshalltown, Ia., April 29.—The business district of Melbourne, a town of 500 inhabitants in the southwestern part of this county, was almost wiped out by fire, but three buildings remaining. The loss is \$43,000, with insurance of \$22,000.

Celebrate Manila Day.

Washington, May 2.—The fifth anniversary of the battle of Manila bay was celebrated Friday by the flying of the largest flag in the navy from the east flagstaff of the war, state and navy building. It is 20 by 30 feet.

Honor Grant's Memory.

Galena, Ill., April 28.—The eleventh annual celebration of Grant's birthday was held here yesterday and tribute paid to the memory of Galena's great hero. William F. Gurley, of Omaha, was the orator of the occasion.

Accepts Resignation.

Jefferson City, Mo., April 28.—Gov. Dockery has accepted the resignation of Lieut. Gov. John A. Lee. Senator T. L. Rubey, president pro tempore of the senate, becomes acting lieutenant governor.

Famous Actor Dead.

New York, April 30.—Stuart Robson, the veteran comedian, died Wednesday night of heart disease at the Hotel Savoy. He was 67 years old and had been on the stage for 51 years.