BOREALIS CAVORTS ON WIRES

Telegraph Lines Flash Wired Signals as Northern Lights Do Ghost Dance

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NEW YORK, Jan. 26.—The aurora borealts kept up a ghost dance on telegraph wires over the entire country today, and still was going strong tonight

Constant interruptions from the Arctic phenomenon were reported tonight on all wires out of New York as far west as San Francisco, and south to New Orleans and into Texas. Interruptions were spasmodic, but had been coming without cessation since shortly after 11 a.m. Veteran wire chiefs in New York said the demonstrations penetrated farther into the South than had any other in the past twenty-five years.

The interruptions lasted from a few seconds to seven and eight minutes, during which the sounders ticked a jumble of flashes as weird as spook messages from the unwelcome visitor.

The Associated Press wires in New York City and north to Albany and west to Toledo were constantly affected, while reports from other divisions said the same interruptions were being felt throughout the county.

The American Telephone and Telegraph Company reported similar disturbances on its wires from Montreal into Texas while the Western Union Telegraph Company suffered from it on wires as far away as New Mexico. Wires running east and west were apparently more affected than the north and south wires, as those from east to west run across the magnetic field, and those from north to south parallel it.