

JOHN J. INGALLS ON THE NEW CONGRESS. The eminent statesman makes some startling statements about the financial condition of the country.

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HARRIS IS READING'S CHIEF.

Lehigh Valley Coal Company's President Succeeds McLeod.

Voted into Office by the Directors at Philadelphia To-Day.

PHILADELPHIA, April 8.—At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Reading Railroad company held at noon to-day the resignation of President A. A. McLeod was accepted and Joseph S. Harris was chosen to fill the vacancy.

Thomas McKean was elected a member of the Board of Directors, vice Thomas Dolan, resigned.

Mr. Harris is President of the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company and a Director of the Reading company.

He is a practical railroad man, and his selection is believed to have been made on account of his long and intimate acquaintance with Reading affairs.

GALES IN WESTERN NEW YORK.

They Unroof Many Buildings and Cause the Loss of One Life.

BUFFALO, April 8.—Reports from a number of points in Western New York show that the wind storm of yesterday morning did considerable damage to property, and caused the loss of one life.

At Springville the barn of Vedder Hemstreet, a farmer, was blown down, and Hemstreet, who was milking his cows at the time, was caught and crushed to death under the heavy timbers. His hired man was severely injured.

At Westfield the roof was torn off and several buildings blown down.

At Brocton the vineyards and orchards suffered severely and several buildings were unroofed.

The house tower at Angola was blown down and carried with it the telephone wires. Part of the roof of the Angola hotel was blown off.

At Mayville a number of barns were demolished.

At Dunkirk chimneys, trees and fences were blown down, and many houses and barns in the vicinity suffered severely.

This wind storm was referred to in early morning despatches to the Signal Office in this city. The damage was, in those despatches, placed at \$1,000,000, which seems to have been an overestimate.

WOULD NOT RELEASE WEBSTER.

Judge Barrett Thinks the Florida Visitor Should Wait.

William Webster, who is well known among the friends of the man who was arrested on the ground that he was a fugitive from Florida justice, was before Judge Barrett in the Supreme Court chambers to-day on a writ of habeas corpus, but he was not released.

He was taken into custody on a telegram when he arrived last Sunday. Assistant District Attorney Unger conceded that Webster could not be held on a telegram, but he said a warrant had since arrived from Florida charging him with grand larceny. He said Webster had been employed in a hotel in Tampa, and when he left there took two pairs of bracelets, a job chain and over \$100 in money, which the Attorney asked for.

The admission of La Normandine's captain now, that he refused to take the Hekla in tow when he sighted her, is exciting much criticism. The captain, however, justifies his action by the fact that it is against the rules for a mail steamer to take another steamer in tow.

He asserts that he offered to take off the Hekla's passengers, but that this offer was refused and that the Hekla's captain, who then signalled: "Report me to my owners." The Hekla also signalled that her shaft was broken, but had been temporarily repaired, and that she could make about six or seven miles an hour in fair weather.

She was amply provisioned and that her passengers and crew are in no danger of starvation.

NOT DEAD, BUT IN PRISON.

Michael Welch Returns After Serving a Long, Unjust Sentence.

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., April 8.—Michael Welch, fifty years old, appeared at his mother's house yesterday after having been missing for twenty years and given up as dead.

Welch, about twenty years ago, shipped on a vessel bound from Boston to Melbourne. After the ship had been out a few days the mate was murdered by a Spaniard. The deed was committed at night while Welch was at the wheel. The Spaniard was shot and killed, and being found so near the murdered mate was placed under arrest with the Spaniard.

Upon arrival at Melbourne the Spaniard was tried, convicted and hanged. Despite the protestations of innocence made by Welch, who explained how he came to be near the mate, he was adjudged guilty of participation in the crime and sentenced to thirteen years in the Melbourne prison.

After serving seventeen years of his sentence he was released, and from his earnings he saved sufficient money to secure a passage for Liverpool, England, from which port he proceeded to New York.

Death of Ex-Judge Walling's Wife.

KEEPORT, N. J., April 8.—Mrs. Walling, wife of ex-Judge Walling, President of the Monmouth County Trust Company, died to-day at her home in this place after a short illness. Mrs. Walling was well known in Monmouth County and was the daughter of Postmaster Rufus Ogden.

Against the Cuban Treaty. NEWARK, N. J., April 8.—A mass-meeting will be held in the Grand Opera-House on April 10 to protest against the proposed treaty with Russia. Among the speakers will be Samuel Thompson, Alexander Jonas and J. E. McDonald.

Spalding's Chicago Factory Burned. CHICAGO, April 8.—Spalding & Co.'s sporting goods factory at Fifty-third street and the Rock Island tracks was destroyed by fire last night. Loss, \$70,000; fully insured.

Italian Falls Dead on the Street. Francisco Arena, an Italian laborer, working on the laying of the tracks for the Third Avenue cable road, fell dead this morning upon 19th street. Coroner Schultz granted a permit for the removal of the body to an undertaking establishment on Mulberry street.

Girl Dressed and Run Over by Horse. Umbrella and Run Over by Horse. CHICAGO, April 8.—During the storm of yesterday throughout the southern portion

ASK FOR THE HEKLA.

Thingvalla Offices Crowded by Anxious Passengers' Friends.

Her Agents Suggest that She May Be Outside the Bar in the Fog.

Well Provisioned and No Immediate Danger of Starvation.

Crowds of anxious friends of immigrant passengers on the long-overdue steamship Hekla again besieged the office of the Thingvalla line this morning in the vain hope of learning something definite as to the whereabouts or safety of the tardy steamer and their possibly endangered friends and relatives.

ASHLAND, Ky., April 8.—The most disastrous conflagration that ever visited this section occurred at the extensive yards of the Yellow Poplar Lumber Company, formerly known as the Chicago Lumber Company, at Coal Grove, O., just opposite this city, yesterday afternoon.

The dry kilns, planing mills, offices and storerooms were all destroyed, together with thirty-four private residences to the east of the yards, to which the flames were communicated by the prevailing night wind.

The lumber had been stacked for days and was well dried out, burning like tinder.

Three lives are reported lost and several were missing this evening. Those whose residences burned were unable to save anything, barely escaping with their lives.

The loss will reach \$750,000. Fully 50,000,000 feet of valuable lumber was burned, mostly poplar and walnut. The fire is still burning.

VILLAGE BURNED IN NEBRASKA.

Prarie Fires Sweep the State, with Loss to Life and Property.

OMAHA, April 8.—The gale which swept over Nebraska yesterday bore before it great billows of flame which swept from thousands of acres every vestige of vegetation. The limits of the fire which has raged during the last ten days have become almost state-wide, and the danger that the State might be small has become enormous.

It is known that much grain and hay, with much barn and other out-buildings, millions of fences, dozen of dwellings and many bridges have been licked up.

Whether the Hekla has been lost is not reported, though it seems almost beyond doubt that some settlers who are located away from easy assistance must have perished.

In Banner County, the village of Ashmore was supposed to have been completely destroyed. Word was brought to Harbington last night by the driver of the stage that the other crew members had been killed at 4 o'clock, and that the entire population of the village was engaged in a battle to save their homes.

The stage driver reported having seen several dwelling houses in flames and the severe scorching, although he is not certain, that her shaft was broken by a night from Ugalala, Harbington, Dunbar, Inverton, Kearney, Grand Island, Lexington and Hastings give accounts of great losses to property.

A Burlington Railroad bridge on Huntington was burned last night, but the fire has been scarcely abated and in the threatened sections the inhabitants have spent the long hours in combating the fire.

The region burned over is the entire grazing section of the State and the destruction of the crops means a famine for the thousands of people who are dependent on the stock raised there. It will take them many weeks to figure up what their loss really is.

NORTH PLATTE BARELY ESCAPES.

Country for Twenty-Five Miles in All Directions Laid in Ruins.

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