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More is being said of Hill than of a second term for Cleveland. Will they speak as they pass by?

Already they are talking of Hill for President. There is much difference between success and defeat.

Mrs. Walkup will now walk out of prison. There is the lecture platform and the copyright corner of the daily press.

It is to be hoped that the German Pioneer Society may go ahead with its memorial project. The enterprise is in good hands to insure success.

It cannot longer be said with truth that the Chinaman does not take to American ways, when two of him have brought a libel suit against an Omaha newspaper.

Dorman B. Eaton restored to the Civil Service Commission takes a good deal of joy out of the New York victory. That wasn't what the boys meant when they "whooped 'er up" in New York.

It is true, as an exchange remarks, that there exists in Virginia "a strong latent sentiment in favor of the Republican party," but what we are looking for is less of the latent and more of the majority.

More than one newspaper is moved to remark that Blaine, with the Mugwumps against him, did better in New York than Davenport with the Mugwumps for him. No proof is required to show that Blaine could have carried New York without Mugwump aid if either one of three other things had not happened.

Col. Quay has one eye that isn't so good as the other, but it is the other eye that is "sot" on United States Senator Mitchell's seat. Looking over the field now it is plain that he could as well have had 10,000 or 20,000 more majority if it had been necessary. Quay is solid, early and often, on the tariff question.

The New York *Evening Telegram* of Thursday had this news item in its local columns:

THE ELECTION IS OVER.

Nearly four hundred men, pavers, rammers and laborers, employed on the repairs of streets by the Department of Public Works, were discharged to-day, the appropriation having become exhausted.

This is the way it works. After the election is over, the dear workingmen may hunt grass.

The honorable and useful career of Daniel Peck, now closed forever, shows what can be accomplished by industry and application. He had no opportunities except those he made for himself. He did not accumulate large wealth, but he established a reputation founded on the solid rock of integrity. It falls to the lot of few men to see so many years, with faculties so well preserved to the last. For nearly three-quarters of a century he was a familiar figure in this community, in which he will be remembered with kindness and respect.

Canon Farar writes very entertainingly to show why the United States should have a Westminister Abbey for its sacred dead. England's Valhalla has been a thing of growth, in a country whose public life centers in one great city. A ready made Westminister Abbey is a thing hardly to be contemplated seriously. Moreover, in in a country of so vast extent, composed of so many great republics each with its own life, its traditions, its own great men, no such thing is possible. The sacred dust that lies at Mt. Vernon, at Springfield, at Cleveland, at New York, will never be gathered in one spot, however desirable that may be.

Embezzler in Hock.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

Steubenville, Nov. 6.—William Alban, a young man in the employ of William Swearingin, the butcher, was arrested to-day and bound over to court on the charge of embezzling $351 from his employer. The money was given to him last Wednesday to purchase cattle in the vicinity of New Alexandria. Alban returned in the evening claiming to have lost it, but since then he has been spending money very freely, hence the arrest.

McCullough Improving.

Philadelphia, Nov. 6.—John McCullough, the actor, is rapidly regaining his strength, and the improvement in his mental condition, which began after his removal to this city, continues. It was said to-day that there is a crisis approaching, and if he passes it safely his friends can hope for the best. He had an attack of convulsions on the 15th of October and a recurrence is expected about the same time this month. There is danger, of course, but McCullough is gaining strength so rapidly that he may fight it off if it comes.

Josh Billings' Will.

New York, Nov. 6.—The will of the late Henry W. Shaw (Josh Billings) was filed in the Surrogate's office to-day. He bequeaths $1,000 each to his two daughters and his son-in-law, and divides his books, lectures, etc., between his wife and two daughters. He leaves his wife, as long as she remains his widow, all the interest arising out of his investments, and at her death it is to be divided between his two daughters. The market value of the estate is $80,000.

Placed in an Old Boot.

Youngstown, O., Nov. 6.—Thomas Pugh recently disappeared from here and was thought to have been murdered and robbed of $6,000. He returned without the money and was lodged in jail on a peace warrant. Reflection in a cell caused him to remember where he placed the currency when drunk. On being released yesterday he recovered his treasure from an old boot hidden in a stump one mile from his house. He has now instituted suit against his relatives for false imprisonment.

An Operator's Failure.

New York, Nov. 6.—Haywood Prince, the member of the Stock Exchange who announced his suspension to-day with small liabilities, attributes his failure to a mistake in an order which he was given to execute a few days ago. The order was to buy 300 shares of St. Paul. Instead of doing so he sold the stock, which made him "short" double the amount. The stock went up rapidly and he met with considerable loss. The suspension is said to be temporary.

REMOVED OFFICIALS

WHO ARE GETTING IN THEIR WORK

On Their Successors—The Scheme of the Ousted Fourth-Class Postmasters—Appointments Said to Have Been Made on Forged Endorsements.

New York, Nov. 6.—A Washington special to the *Post* says: "The Postoffice Department has received letters from all parts of the country which indicate that many of the fourth-class postmasters who have been removed are endeavoring in all possible ways to reduce the salaries of their successors. Their method has been to purchase stamps in large quantities and sell them to their former patrons at a bargain, depositing the letters themselves in the postal car. In offices where the annual salary is regulated by the amount of business transacted such an operation has a very serious effect. One postmaster in a Western State has had the income of his office cut down $300 by what, he reports to the Department, as the malice of his predecessor. Many of these outgoing postmasters have kept within the strict letter of the law, but some have violated the law, and the Department proposes to prosecute these. Prosecutions in a number of cases will at once be ordered. This story seems improbable, but is given as a fact."

It is stated at the Postoffice Department that a number of fourth class postmasters have received their appointments upon forged endorsements. A special inspector is to be assigned to the investigation of these charges.

EX-SENATOR SHARON ILL.

He Executes a Deed of Trust—He Denies Miss Hill's charges.

San Francisco, Nov. 6.—The provisions of the deed of trust executed by ex-Senator William Sharon are as follows:

He estimates the value of his estate at $15,000,000, and apportions it thus: One-third to Fred. W. Sharon; one-third to Lady Hesketh, nee Flora Sharon; one-twelfth to Frank G. Newland; three-twelfths to three children of Newland's. His property is located in California, Nevada, Ohio, Missouri, Illinois, and the District of Columbia.

In case Sharon should live the deed provides that he shall be maintained out of the estate, and makes the following provisions: $1,500 a month to Lady Hesketh, $1,500 a month to Fred Sharon, and a similar amount monthly to Newland and his children to be equally divided.

It is now stated that Sarah Althea Hill, who is advertised to appear as *Portia*, in the "Merchant of Venice," never intended to go on the stage, but merely desired to worry Sharon by the announcements which she has made of her intention to become an actress and travel under the name of Mr. Sharon.

While resting easily on his bed yesterday Senator Sahron took occasion to say to his relatives and other present: "Feeling that I am in the presence of death, I wish again to say for myself, and as due to my family and the public, that I have never at any time proposed marriage to Miss Hill in any language or any form whatever. I never signed that marriage contract. It is a forgery. I never wrote her the 'dear wife' letters, or any of them. Her entire charge of wifehood against me is a falsehood, a fraud and a crime against myself and my family."

PENNSYLVANIA ELECTION.

Fayette and Greene Counties Let Down on Their Record.

Uniontown, Pa., Nov. 6.—The official vote in Fayette county gives Day 37 majority. The only contest for county offices was on Poor-Director, and the result hangs on the vote of New Haven. The returns from there are marked 98 for Pope, Republican, but the tally total foots up 99. If the former is correct, Bryson, Democrat, has one majority in the county. If the latter, then the result is a tie. Judge Ingram has ordered the ballot-box to be brought into Court for a recount.

Waynesburg, Pa., Nov. 6.—The official vote of Greene county for State Treasurer is: Day, 2,569; Spangler, 120; Quay, 1,585; Democratic plurality, 864. Boyle's friends have been kicking themselves to-day worse than ever. The let down is beyond the fondest hopes of the Republicans.

Philadelphia, Pa., Nov. 6.—The official return of the vote for Congressman in the Ninetenth district show a plurality of 3,630 for Sope, Democrat, over Blair, Republican.

Cincinnati Election Frauds.

Cincinnati, Nov. 6.—The Circuit Court to-day took some further action in the election mandamus case. A general demurrer was filed and over-ruled without argument and the defense then filed an answer including a plea in abatement that jurisdiction had previously been obtained in another court. The answer explains in detail how the canvass was made in the case of precincts named in the petition. Justice Sanderson, one of the canvassing board, also filed an answer, setting out that the canvass was not completed and asking instructions from the Court how to proceed. He is the Republican member of the canvassing Board. The whole matter was then laid over until to-morrow for reply. It is thought now that testimony will be heard by this court and a finding given before it goes to the Supreme Court.

Carr Not Sure he is Defeated.

Albany, Not. 6.—General J. B. Carr, (Republican) candidate for Lieutenant Governor, in an interview published this afternoon said: "My opinion is that the plurality on Lieutenant Governor will be found in the hundreds not thousands. I am not yet sure I have been defeated. Full returns show a steady increase."

No Political Affiliation.

Philadelphia, Nov. 6.—The protest of Mrs. Ellen Foster and twenty-five others against the action of the National Women's Christian Temperance Union, in pledging the influence of the Union to a political party, has been replied to by a committee appointed for the purpose. The reply sets forth that the action does not make the Women's Christian Temperance Union a component part of any political party, their resolution only involving sympathy in a common principle and aim.

The Best Guide.

Ottawa, Ont., Nov. 6.—The Department of Marine intend to remove the lightship now stationed off Bar Point, near the mouth of the Detroit river and to replace it by a spar buoy. It is not probable that the lightship will again be used in its present position, as the light, shown from the American lighthouse, lately put in operation about one mile southwest of the present station of the lightship will be a much safer guide to vessels making the river.

Dishonest Postoffice Official.

Oswego, N. Y., Nov. 6.—John D. Spencer, ex-deputy postmaster of Mexico, a town in Oswego county, was arrested for robbing the mails while in office. Spencer was removed from office last summer. He is already under indictment for larceny, and is charged with opening letters belonging to another person.

EXPELLING CHINESE.

Destruction of Chinese Property at Tacoma. Trouble Feared at Seattle.

Tacoma, W. T., Nov. 6.—The damage by the destruction of Chinatown was about $25,000. The buildings were mere shanties, but a great deal of merchandise was burned. The houses were fired by the anti-Coolie agitators who expelled the Chinese. The incendiaries have been manufacturing evidence to show that the Chinese fired the buildings. Only two Chinamen were in the city at the time of the fire, the remainder having been driven out.

Seattle, W. T., Nov. 6.—There is much disappointment here among the law-abiding citizens over Governor Squires' proclamation. They asked for troops, and think troops are absolutely necessary to preserve the peace. The Governor's proclamation will have no effect, they say. A conference was held yesterday between the leaders of the anti-Chinese organizations, a committee of citizens and a committee of Chinese merchants. The latter agreed to leave if they were paid for their property. One Chinese firm here has $130,000 invested in property.

Last night a public meeting was held, at which members of the Peace Committee and anti-Chinese agitators spoke. References to the outrages at Tacoma were greeted with loud cheers. The city is in a fever of excitement and trouble is feared before the end of the week.

Portland, Ogn., Nov. 6, 9 p. m.—The Seattle authorities have telegraphed General Gibbon, commanding the Department of Columbia, for troops. General Gibbon is reported to be at Astoria, where he can not be reached by telegraph at this hour. So far as ascertainable no answer has yet been sent by the military.

The Movement Spreading.

San Francisco, Nov. 6.—The anti-Chinese movement for the peaceful expulsion of Chinese is rapidly spreading to other towns on this coast. At San Jose, Cal., last night, the City Council, accompanied by a Citizens' Committee, visited Chinatown in a body to determine what action should be taken to abate the Chinese nuisance.

At Santa Cruz, to-night, a meeting was called for the purpose of forming anti-Chinese leagues. Seven hundred members were enrolled. Another meeting will be held to-morrow.

A SINFUL RECTOR

Brought to Grief by an Injured Husband. A Shameless Woman.

Plymouth, Eng., Nov. 6.—Rev. Stewart Ross, formerly rector of Christ Church, at Belfast, Ireland, was addressing the Plymouth Young Men's Christian Society, last evening, when Charles Joy, the Canadian Emigration Commissioner, burst into the room and shouted, "You hypocrite, you eloped with my wife!" Ross turned pale and fled from the room. His audience were surprised and greatly excited. The moment many of them realized what was the matter they became a howling mob and pursued their lecturer for a mile, yelling all the time. At this point Ross, who was breathless and driven to bay, turned suddenly and stabbed two of his most active pursuers. Others coming up at the moment seized and disarmed the murderous rector. The police then put in an appearance and arrested Ross. He was taken before a magistrate to-day, where charges were lodged against him and he was remanded for a week without bail.

It transpires that Ross disappeared from Belfast two years ago, leaving a wife and three children. Mrs. Joy, who was a teacher in his Sunday school, also disappeared at the same time, which led to a report that the couple had eloped. This rumor was confirmed when Mr. Joy received a letter from Ross in which the letter said: Your wife has undergone malpractice and you had better arrange for obtaining a divorce from her. Mrs. Joy was found in the prisoner's lodging and when informed of her paramour's arrest gloried in her connection with the "Lord's Annointed," as she called her illicit lover. She attended court to-day and sat in a brazen manner throughout the whole proceedings.

ST. LOUIS DYNAMITERS

Arrested for Trying to Blow Up Street Cars. Knights of Labor Implicated.

St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 6.—The gang of dynamiters, who attempted to blow up several street cars recently, were arrested yesterday, and all are now behind the bars. They are all street car strikers and members of Cleveland Assembly, Knights of Labor. Alonzo Pinkerton, Master-workman of the assembly; David Keenan, the Treasurer, and William P. Sears, the Judge Advocate, are among the prisoners, and then there are four other members of the assembly—George B. Withrow, Philip Burns John Shaughnessy and M. Westhers. A detective attended the meeting of the strikers, piped some of them off repeatedly after meetings, and on one occasion saw one of them place an explosive on the street-car track and then walk off. The detective secured the explosive, and it is now held as evidence against them. Finally last night one of the gang was quietly arrested. He was subject to a rigid examination, and squealed and gave away the whole thing. Another was quietly taken into custody and a few questions put to him, and he too, wilted.

The five men arrested for placing explosives on the street car tracks are still locked up and deny all the assertions which have been made regarding their complicity in the outrages. Charges of assault with intent to kill will be preferred against them to-morrow and the grand jury now in session will probably indict them next week. The police are still looking for another man, but had no clue to him up to this evening.

Warrants were sworn out to-night against the street car dynamiters, now under arrest, charging them with obstructing railroads, which is felony, and they were transferred to jail.

The Cleveland Assembly of the Knights of Labor, composed of street car men, held a secret meeting to-night and very little of their proceedings is known. It is understood that they will defend their members now under arrest, whom they consider innocent of the charge against them.

A Business Cyclone.

Bloomington, Ills., Nov. 6.—About 8 o'clock this evening a cyclone struck the extreme southwest portion of Bloomington, touching first the Union depot, where it picked up iron express trucks like feathers and threw them about promiscuously. It upset a hack, and, lifting it in the air, turned it over and smashed it to pieces. The Hungarian rolling mills, 200 feet from the Union depot, were next struck and completely unroofed and a portion of the brick work demolished. Loss $1,500.

A Norway pine flag staff on the roof was snapped off like a reed and carried 300 feet. The storm lasted ten minutes and was accompanied by heavy rain, thunder and lightning.

A punster, who seemed to have lost his voice, being asked what ailed him, replied that he had been fighting with a cough all night and was *hoarse de combat*. A few doses of Red Star Cough Cure would have relieved him. Its efficacy is wonderful.

BOATS COLLIDE.

THE STEAMER JAMES W. GAFF

Runs Into the Mountain Girl, with a Circus Party on Board—The Latter Sinks in a Short Time—A Number of Lives Reported to Have Been Lost.

Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 6.—The *Daily News'* special from Lawrenceburg, states that between 2 and 3 o'clock this morning, the steamer James W. Gaff and Mountain Girl collided at Split Rock, two miles from Aurora, sinking the latter and carrying down to a watery grave seven men and between thirty and forty horses.

The Mountain Girl was leased by a portion of the John Robinson show, traveling as a cheap priced circus and variety concern. It was exhibited at Lawrenceburg last night and was on its way to Rising Sun, when the disaster occurred.

All the victims with one exception, Dick Harrel, a young man of Lawrenceburg, were connected with the show.

Cincinnati, Nov. 6.—The collision between the steamer J. W. Gaff, en route from Memphis to Cincinnati, and the steamer Mountain Girl, going down the river to Vevay, Ind., happened at 1 o'clock this morning, about a mile below Lughery Island, some ten or fifteen miles below Lawrenceburg, Ind. The Mountain Girl was chartered to convey a circus exhibiting along the river, and had left Lawrenceburg with its people, horses and circus property after 11 o'clock. Its next appointment was at Vevay or Rising Sun. The show was in the name of Holland & McMahon.

THE CAPTAIN'S STORY.

Captain D. I. Thompson, who was in command of the Mountain Girl, was at the wheel when the boats started down the river. He tells the story of the accident in this way: "I started out to pilot the boat myself but I was sick, having a kidney affection, and could not stand at the wheel. The Mate, whose name is Smith, took my place, and I sat in the pilot house with him. We had no trouble as the water was ample, and Smith handled the boat all right. I heard the Gaff whistle to pass to the left, which would put us on the Kentucky side of her in passing, and I noticed that Smith answered properly. I got up and looked and found the boats were about to pass all right. I sat down again when I was astounded to hear three shrill blasts from the Gaff, which meant imminent danger. I sprang to the wheel and found that the Mountain Girl was apparently attempting to cross over to the Indiana or right side of the channel, and the Gaff was coming full head against her. I did my best to stop the engines and get perhaps two of three revolutions of the wheel for breaking when the blow came.

"The Gaff's bow struck in front of the boilers about thirty feet from our bow and the crash broke in our hull so that we immediately took water. I turned the boat's head toward the Indiana shore and went as far as I could, but we sank in twelve feet of water. This brought the water about a foot above the cabin floor.

NO CAUSE FOR LOSS OF LIFE.

"The Gaff instantly came alongside, and so far as I know everybody was safely taken off and put upon the Gaff. I do not believe anybody was drowned. There was no occasion for drowning, unless they jumped overboard from fright. I think the two men missing are still with the Mountain Girl. I did not speak to Smith to ask him how the boat got turned across the Gaff's bow."

The Gaff arrived here this morning with the men and women belonging to the circus. They number between thirty and forty. They are said to be missing, the canvasman and the lamplighter, but nobody can tell whether they were drowned or were left in the confusion aboard the Mountain Girl. The circus men lost ten valuable trained horses, and a number of snakes. Their circus property is nearly all left on the boat, where it will be injured by water. Many of the people arrived here this morning without hats and shoes, and others without other articles of clothing.

The Mountain Girl was a small up-river steamer built for the Big Sandy trade, and was owned by the Big Sandy Packet Company. She was valued at from $5,000 to $8,000. It is thought she can be easily raised.

From the best information that can be had from the circus people, it now appears that John King, of Cincinnati, and Richard Harret, of Lawrenceburg, were drowned. Some of the men say they saw King in the water. Nobody can be found who has seen Harret and it is therefore assumed that he is drowned.

A Brutal Murderer Sentenced.

Decatur, Ill., Nov. 6.—Charles Durbin was yesterday found guilty of murder and sentenced to the penitentiary for twenty-one years. The jury was out twenty hours. The usual motion for a new trial was made, but withdrawn, and sentence was at once given by the judge. The murder was a brutal one. Durbin had seduced a Miss Dunn in Fayette county, near his home, and sent her here. She remained here some months when he appeared under the pretence of giving the child away to be raised. On March 7th last he accompanied the child and its mother to the river, and, it is believed, struck the child's head upon the beams of the railroad bridge and threw it into the water. The body was not discovered for three weeks. In the meantime he married the mother.

Mrs. Walkup Cleared.

St. Louis, Nov. 6.—The jury at Emporia, Kan., in the Walkup poison case returned a verdict at 3:30 p. m. of not guilty. Mrs. Walkup was accused of poisoning her husband.

When Sheriff Wichite informed Mrs. Walkup that the jury had returned a verdict of not guilty, she exclaimed, "My God, is that so!" and her eyes filled with tears; but when the Sneriff told her she could afford to brace up, she wiped away the tears and went with him to the court room, where she was congratulated. She says she will not take any of her husband's property.

Assaulted by a Tramp.

New Haven, Conn., Nov. 6.—Falling in an attempt to outrage a colored woman named Harriet Menort, near West Haven last night, Michael Lahey, a half-witted tramp, stabbed her seven times with a pocket knife. One gash across the abdomen is likely to prove fatal. This morning Lahey was arrested and locked up. The woman, who is married, was walking along the railroad track when the assault was made, She fought desperately and was thrown down a twenty foot embankment.

The Murderer Escaped.

Valparaso, Ind., Nov. 6.—James Tollehan and a man named Barhlaw, a fellow workman, became involved in a quarrel yesterday during which Tollehan drew a revolver and shot, killing Barhlaw instantly. The murderer escaped.

All for Love.

Montgomery, Ala., Nov. 6.—This evening a negro man shot a negro girl with whom he was in love, because she would not consent to marry him. He then fired four shots into his own body, probably fatally wounding himself.

BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Yesterday's Session—Foreign Missionary Work—Woman's Meeting.

Correspondence of the Intelligencer.

Grafton, Nov. 6.—The Baptist Association met at 9 a. m. to-day. Devotional exercises were led by Rev. B. F. Byrd, of Leachtown.

The report of the State Mission Board was read by the Secretary, L. W. Holden. It showed a healthy condition in the State work. Eleven missionaries have been appointed during the year and have done 259 weeks of work, traveled 10 165 miles, preached 574 sermons, held 232 prayer meetings, and made 1,352 family visits. The Board has spent $2,835 60 in the State.

One feature of the report seemed to receive special attention, viz.: a debt of $600 which has been hanging over the Board. The result was a subscription of over $500 to pay on the debt. It was resolved that at least $3,000 be raised for State Mission work.

The report on Foreign Missions was read by Rev. G. A. Woofter. This report was made a special order for 7 p. m.

In the afternoon a very enthusiastic Woman's meeting was held in Brinkman's Hall. Mrs. I. H. Johnson, of Parkersburg, presided over the body, and Miss Bertha Timms was elected Secretary. The Baptist women of West Virginia show much enthusiasm in missionary work. During the last year they have raised nearly $500 for this cause.

During yesterday and to-day the following persons made their appearance in the audience and were introduced to the Association by the President, Rev. Thomas Allen, District Secretary of America of the Baptist Missionary Union, Dayton, O.; Rev. Charles Rhodes, Manager of American Baptist Publication Society's work in Ohio; Revs. J. Lee, of the M. E. Church; L. D. King, M. E. Church, Clarksburg; James Allender, M. P. Church, Grafton; J. A. Flanagan, pastor Presbyterian Church, of Grafton; Prof. A. L. Wade, of Morgantown.

The association was called to order at 7 o'clock p. m. The house was again crowded to its utmost capacity. The choir gave a voluntary, with Miss Ila Young, of Broaddus College at the organ. The evening session was devoted to a consideration of the report on Foreign Missions, read during the day. The report shows that West Virginia Baptists are supporting sixteen native missionaries in foriegn lands, and contributing nearly $2,000 for foriegn work. Rev. Thomas Allen, of Ohio, who was for many years a missionary in Burmah led the discussion, holding the audience for forty-five minutes. Other spirited addresses were made.

Dr. Dickenson, of Richmond, Va., closed the discussion.

The different pulpits in the city will be filled Sunday by the following Baptist divines: Baptist Church, morning, A. Owen, D. D., of Ohio; evening, O. C. Pope, D. D., of New York. Presbyterian, morning, J. W. Carter, D. D.; evening, Rev. E. P. Brand, of Pennsylvania. M. E. Church, morning, Rev. T. C. Johnson; evening, Rev. W. P. Walker M. P. Church, morning, Rev. T. Allen, Dayton, Ohio; evening, Rev. L. W. Becknell. Lutheran Church, evening, Rev. L. E. Peters. U. B. Church, morning, Rev. G. A. Woofter; evening, Rev. John S. Fisher.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

"Buck" Porter was jailed at Bushville, Ind., yesterday for an alleged rape.

Vice-President Hendricks has telegraphed his congratulations to Fitzhugh Lee.

E. P. H. Harrison, of West Virginia, has been appointed Special Agent of the Land Office by Secretary Lamar.

A son of Richard Cox, a miner at Coal Creek, near Knoxville, Tenn., pushed a three-year-old sister in the fire yesterday, where the girl burned to death.

A freight train on the C. & M. railroad went through a trestle yesterday near Miller's Station, Ohio, wrecking over twenty cars. Fortunately no one was hurt.

At Wabash, Ind., Mrs. John Lintner, aged 40, was found lying dead upon the kitchen floor and a small child playing unconsciously about the corpse. Heart disease.

Judge Eben Newton, one of the oldest members of the bar in Ohio died yesterday at Cleveland, aged 91 years. He was the first Common Pleas Judge of the county.

Burglars effected an entrance to the freight warehouse of the C., M., V. & C. railroad, at Mt. Vernon, Ohio, and broke open a number of cases of dry goods, boots and shoes, &c.

The celebrated Loucks-Louthain slander was reset for hearing at Dephi, Ind., Monday, but yesterday the matter was compromised, giving Loucks, the minister, judgment for one cent and costs.

The residence of Father Honoratus Bourien, pastor of the Catholic church at Bellefontaine, Ohio, was burglarized of $98. Supposed to be the work of a one-eyed tramp on whom he had bestowed alms in the evening.

No information has been obtained that throws any additional light upon the mysterious disappearance of Mr. John B. Beutler, of Wapakoneta, Ohio, and his relatives and friends are greatly worried in consequence.

John H. Weber, at Cleveland, yesterday, formerly an officer in the English army stationed at Gibraltar, broke two of his wife's ribs yesterday during a drunken fit and then swallowed a desert-spoonful of arsenic. He will die.

One of the wells recently drilled at Findlay, O., for natural gas was torpedoed yesterday and a stream of oil shot 80 feet into the air. The well is flowing 80 barrels per day and to a height of 40 feet. There is great excitement in the town.

Major General Joseph J. Finnegan, of the Confederate army, died Tuesday night at his orange grove in Orange county, Florida. He achieved distinction in his successful battle against General Seymour and the Union forces at Olustee, in that State, in 1864.

Owing to the discovery of an alleged compact on the part of some residents of Winnipeg to take the life of Riel should the Dominion Government fail to execute him, the Government has become alarmed and doubled the guard over the prisoner at the barracks at Regina.

Burglars effected an entrance into the depot at Morristown, Ind., broke open the ticket case and opened several express packages, but took nothing from the office, after which they broke into the hardware store of A. B. Harned, carrying off revolvers, knives, tobacco and cigars to the amount of $50.

J. R. Hoyle, who claims to be a traveling salesman in the employ of C. M. Jackson & Co., wholesale grocers, at Pittsburgh, Pa., was arrested yesterday at Chicago and locked up on suspicion of robbing D. C. Sterling, a merchant from High Point, Mo. The police think the case against Hoyle is slim.

A double header freight train collided with a switch engine on the N. Y. P. & N. R. R., at Akron early yesterday morning. One locomotive and four cars were demolished. Loss $40,0000. The engineer and firemen saved their lives by jumping. The accident was caused by the negligence of an operator who fell asleep.

Congressman Butterworth and Mr. Henry Wise Garnett, a lawyer, of this city, who were employed as counsel for the Signal Service men recently tried by Court Martial at Fort Meyer, called in person upon the Secretary of War yesterday morning and submitted to him a joint complaint in writing of the conduct of the trial and the action of the court. They asked that the matter be officially investigated.

THE TRUNK LINES.

THE CONTROL OF THE BUSINESS

To be Placed Under the Management of a Central Body—The Details of the Scheme Proposed—Connecting Roads to be Held Responsible for Breaks.

New York, Nov. 6.—The *Times*, this morning, has the full details of the proposed contract of the new Trunk line plan. The plan contemplates practically a central body which shall have control of the administration of the railway business throughout the United States, provision being made in the committees to be formed with power to enforce their decrees for a representative of each of the eight trunk lines. The presidents will constitute a committee with authority to select an arbitrator and commissioner. This committee will settle only broad questions of policy, the details being left to other committees. The commissioner who will be chairman of the presidents' committee will have the naming of the trunk line executive committee, which will consist of the vice presidents. This joint executive committee will appoint a freight and passenger committee, which will be made up of the traffic managers or general freight and passenger agents.

THE CHAIRMAN'S POWER.

The commissioners from these subcommittees will select a chairman, and to these will be given the authority to act as commissioners, one for freight business and a second for passenger traffic. No one will be appointed to a position on either the passenger or freight committee who has not full authority in his own company over the department which he represents in the committee. Prompt action is provided for on any subject that may be brought to the attention of the committee.

Commissioner Fink will probably be selected as arbitrator and the chairmen of the passenger and freight pools will probably also act as arbitrators, besides acting as chairmen of their respective committees. Wherever any complaints of a breach of contract for a strict maintainance of rates is made the committee of the department affected will be convened at once. Should the representatives of any company be absent the chairman may act in his place, and whatever action is taken shall remain in force until such company shall be present by its authorized agent.

THE ARBITRATORS.

The arbitrators selected shall devote all of their time to the work of the Commission, and in case of a disagreement on the part of their respective committees they are authorized upon an agreed statement of facts to arbitrate at once, their decision remaining in force until a reversal by a higher committee. The Executive Committee will therefore have no cause for action except on such matters as may be outside the question of tariffs and division of traffic except upon appeals from the action of the freight or passenger committees, and the presidents' committee will not have any special business except over such questions as the Executive Committee fail to agree upon and the action of the subordinate arbitrators is appealed from. All this provides for carrying matters up to the highest authority, the arbitrator himself, but the action of the majority is to stand in every case until reversed by the higher authority.

RESPONSIBILITY OF TRUNK LINES.

Each of the trunk lines is made responsible for the acts of its Western connections, the New York Central being held for whatever infringement of the contract may be traced to the Lake Shore, the Canada Southern or the Nickel Plate, and the Pennsylvania for the Fort Wayne, the Chicago, St. Louis & Pittsburgh, and the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati & St. Louis, and all roads connecting with the trunk lines and their controlled roads are classed as affiliated roads and are entitled to a representative in the joint committee, which is made up of representatives of these roads and of the members of the Trunk Line Executive Committee. This Committee will have authority over the classification of goods, the fixing of through rates and will appoint a special committee on certain classes of goods, such as cotton and tobacco or any through freight which is carried over long routes and a number of lines. In case of failure of the joint committee to agree upon any question the appeals shall be to the Executive Committee, thus placing the connecting lines to whom cutting is usually traced, entirely at the mercy of the trunk lines.

Railway Officials in Conference.

Pittsburgh, Nov. 6.—A meeting to-day of the officials of the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie road, and a subsequent conference with Hon. W. L. Scott and other prominent coke manufacturers, gave rise to the rumor that the transfer of the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie road to the Pennsylvania was being consummated. This report was emphatically denied by one of the directors. It is understood that it was called for the purpose of protecting Scott's coke interests in Canada, which have been seriously interfered with. The conference lasted six or seven hours.

Thrown off a Moving Train.

Montreal, Nov. 6.—A woman named Fortine threw her 10-year-old boy off the morning train at Bonaventure to-day because he had the small pox. Before the attention of the physician in charge at the depot, when the woman boarded the train, could be drawn to the fact that the boy was suffering from the disease the train was off. The loud mutterings of the passengers evidently frightened the mother, for just after leaving the yard, and while the train was running at the rate of sixteen miles an hour, she took her boy to the platform of the car and threw him from the train. She has been arrested.

Family Suffocated by Gas.

Baltimore, Md., Nov. 6.—John Knell, a shoemaker, aged 39, his wife Kate, aged 35, two daughters, Mamie and Lizzie, aged respectively 13 and 9, and a son Charlie, aged 11, were found in an unconscious condition this morning at their residence, No. 34 St. Marys street, as the result of inhaling the gas which escaped from a burner.

Lizzie Knell died a few moments after the discovery was made. The attending physicians are hopeful of saving the lives of their still unconscious patients, although all are in a critical condition. The accident was caused by a defective gas burner.

Natural Gas Wells Failing.

Tolono, Ills., Nov. 6.—The natural gas wells of Tolono are gradually failing, and no new ones have been discovered for a year. The most noted of all these wells is owned by H. C. Smith, and used for several years for lighting and heating purposes at his residence, is becoming almost worthless, the supply of gas being inadequate for the uses it formerly subserved. Another, which when new, showed the greatest pressure of any of them, and was used to run a large steam engine, has been abandoned. Most of the others in this region are going out of use.

THE NAILERS' VIEWS

Of the Phase of the Wage Question Mentioned by the Manufacturers.

To the Editor of the Intelligencer.

Sir:—To-day's issue of your paper contained a statement of the Wheeling Nail Association, in which they attempt by a table of figures to show that the nailers under the twenty-one cent scale would be getting an enormous price for their labor. They do not give the name of the mill from whose books the tabulated statement was copied, but it is safe to say it was the Riverside, as no other mill west of the mountains ran 228 days, and if they did, they had not their entire factory running. Conceding that the amounts in the table are correct, the trouble is all nailers do not work at the Riverside. Too many of them work in factories that ran six, five or four months in the year ending last June. One mill in this vicinity has only run fourteen weeks out of the last fourteen months. If they wish to give a fair statement of the wages received by nailers, let them take the number of days in the year ending last June that all the mills represented in the Western Nail Association ran, and figure from that. I think I am allowing a fair average when I put the number of days the western nailers worked last year at 140, which at $8 61 per day would amount to $1 205 40. Deduct from this 19 percent called for in the manufacturers' scale, 25 percent additional for self-feeders, demanded by the same scale, and I do not think, with the prospect of less work in future, caused by the increased capacity of our mills, that the price paid for making nails is high.

The manufacturers conclude their statement by trying to lay the blame on the Nailers' Association for not meeting them in conference, and reproduce the correspondence between Secretary Wise and President Wier. I do not think an unprejudiced reader can find any fault with President Wier's answer. He could not answer otherwise, as our laws made no provision for a conference committee other than the regular mill committee, and if the manufacturers are sincere in their desire for a conference they would have taken advantage of this. The object of the entire article is to prejudice the public against the nailers, by trying to show that we have treated them discourteously, and that we are demanding something unreasonable and unjust. They also say that they are satisfied with the policy they are pursuing, and do not wish to change. This may be true, but I doubt it. It is not the policy that has been successful in the past, nor the one that has given Wheeling the advantage in the market, but it is the one that, if continued, will bankrupt all those who pursue it in a very short time.

The manufacturers seem to think that the nailers have no interest in the success of this locality. They are mistaken, for with their success we succeed, and we are the children of the men whose skill established the reputation of the Western nail. Our skill has sustained that reputation, and we think we should have a fair share of the profits—nothing more.

M. A. Chew,
Sec'y of U. N., H. & R. Association.
Wheeling, November 6.

A Card from the Kelley I. & N. Co.

To the Editor of the Intelligencer.

Sir:—In your issue of the 4th inst, some one signing himself "Nailer" rushes into print denying our statement that some of our new "feeder nailers" were making from $8 50 to $9 50 per day at the 17 cent card.

Now, Mr. Editor, as you know, life is too short and we are too busy at present to answer anonomous correspondents, but if "Nailer" will send us his true name, we will hunt up his record, and at some future time, when we have no more to do than he has at present, will go into the subject of nail making and the nailer's capacity, for the public press, if he so desires.

Right here we want to state, however, that for the two weeks ending October 13, we paid three of our "feeder nailers" as follows for eleven working days of the factory:

One received	$213 01
Another	229 35
Another	216 16

Now, if your anonymous correspondent is a nailer, he can figure out for himself the wages each one received. These figures are from our pay roll and can be verified by the parties receiving the money, the nail packer and our paymaster. The above statement is true, and anyone that denies it tells an untruth.

Respectfully,
Kelly Nail and Iron Co.
Ironton, O., November 5.

A Great Exhibition.

Probably the strongest attraction now exhibiting in the rinks of the country is the Douglass, Wood and Atkinson combination, which appears at the Chapline street rink this afternoon and evening. This combination consists of Miss Minnie Douglass, 7 years of age, champion child skater of the United States; Warren Wood, of Chicago, bicyclist and unicyclist, who holds the title of champion of the West, and will contend this season for the championship of the world. One-half of his exhibitions are given on one wheel only, the smaller wheel, backbone, saddle and handle bar all being removed, requiring the rider to bear his own weight on and control the wheel with the treadles only. While the wheel is dismembered he also rides up and down stairs, and over logs, tilts and steps. Mr. J. W. Atkinson is confessed by competitors to be the greatest fancy and trick skater in the business. Altogether this bids fair to be the most attractive rink show ever seen here.

BELLAIRE.

Killed at the Steel Works—The Regatta Next Saturday, Etc.

J. G. Gallaher is about building a new dwelling on Gravel Hill.

Mr. Homer, of Hodge & Homer, a large Chicago firm, was here yesterday.

Mrs. C. V. Leach celebrated her forty-eighth birthday Thursday evening.

Mrs. Granville Gray, of Kansas, is visiting Mrs. G. Gray, on Belmont street.

A party of Bellaire young men have been hunting in the mountains over in Pennsylvania.

Rev. R. M. Brown and Rev. J. K. McKallip of the Presbyterian churches here will assist Saturday at the installation at the Warnock and Centerville churches.

John Rodefer had a thigh broken and a shoulder crushed yesterday at his farm south of town, by the breaking of a cider press. As Mr. Rodefer is an old man the accident is serious.

A regatta is about arranged for Saturday of next week, and a silver cup will be given to the winner of a sculling race between Edward and John Hughes. The