

ESTABLISHED AUGUST 24, 1852.

HE HAS DIVINE POWER

But Promises Not to Use It in Times of Peace.

JOHN SMART, OF BELLAIRE, O.

Creates something of a Sensation at the National Capital—He Possesses the Spirit of All Our Dead Heroes—Washington News.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 7.—John Smart, who resides near Bellaire, Ohio, has been creating a mild sensation at the National Capital. He arrived in Washington last Thursday and registered at the St. Charles Hotel. He imagines that he is filled with Divine power, which he cannot use until he is sworn in by the Chief Justice. Shortly after his arrival here he called at the residence of Chief Justice Fuller, but that official was not at home. Sunday afternoon Smart visited the Sixth Precinct Station and told Lieutenant Kelley of his greatness, but that officer paid little attention to him, regarding him as a harmless crank. Subsequently information was received concerning Smart and it was thought best to instruct the police to arrest him, and also to notify the Chief Justice in the meantime to look out for him. He was arrested this morning. He claims to have Governor Foraker's authority to come to Washington and demonstrate his power as "the little old man of the Navy," the title which he assumes.

Three Important Appointments.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 7.—The President late this evening appointed Frank W. Palmer, of Illinois, to be Public Printer; Theodore Roosevelt, of New York, and Hugh Thompson, of South Carolina, to be Civil Service Commissioners.

POSTAL CHANGES.

The Mail Carrier Service—Alterations in the schedule.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 7.—Changes have been made in the mail carrier services on the several routes in West Virginia, as follows:

Gold Hill to Deer Run—Leave Gold Hill Tuesdays and Saturdays at 6 a. m., arrive at Deer Run by 12 m.; leave Deer Run Tuesdays and Saturdays at 1 p. m., arrive at Gold Hill by 7 p. m.

Farmington to Upton—Leave Farmington Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 2 p. m., arrive at Upton by 8 p. m.; leave Upton Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 3:30 p. m., arrive at Farmington by 4:30 p. m., from July 1, 1889.

Lumberport to Jintown—Leave Lumberport Tuesdays and Saturdays at 4 p. m., arrive at Jintown by 5:30 p. m.; leave Jintown Tuesdays and Saturdays at 1 p. m., arrive at Lumberport by 2 p. m., from July 1, 1889.

Sinnetts Mills to Glenview—Leave Sinnetts Mills Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 6 a. m., after arrival of mail from Ritchie Court House, arrive at Glenview in nine hours; leave Glenview Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 7 a. m., arrive at Sinnetts Mills by 4 p. m., from July 1, 1889.

Buckhannon to Burnersville—Leave Buckhannon Wednesdays and Saturdays at 10:30 a. m., arrive at Burnersville by 1:30 p. m.; leave Burnersville Tuesdays and Saturdays at 7 a. m., arrive at Buckhannon by 10 a. m., from July 1, 1889.

Lewisburg to Williamsburg—Leave Lewisburg daily except Sundays at 2 a. m., arrive at Williamsburg by 12 m.; leave Williamsburg daily except Sundays at 1 p. m., arrive at Lewisburg by 6 p. m., from July 1, 1889.

Oceana to Pineville—Leave Oceana daily except Sundays at 7 a. m., arrive at Pineville by 12 m.; leave Pineville daily except Sundays at 12:30 p. m., arrive at Oceana by 5 p. m., from July 1, 1889.

Pineville to Elkhorn—Leave Pineville daily except Sundays at 12 m., arrive at Elkhorn by 7 p. m.; leave Elkhorn daily except Sundays at 7 p. m., arrive at Pineville by 12 m., from July 1, 1889.

ON THE ANXIOUS SEAT.

West Virginians at the Capital Looking Out for Certain Arrivals.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 7.—The few West Virginians in the city have been on the anxious seat for two or three days expecting the arrival of General Goff, Mr. Atkinson and Major McGinnis. It was a current rumor that Goff would be here yesterday and all day long there were watchers waiting for him. Among those who have been here this week is State Senator Morrison, of Braxton. It is understood that he wants to be a timber agent under the General Land Office. Editor Tucker, of Wellsburg, is also here. He expects to be appointed chief of a division in the office of the Comptroller of the Currency. Mr. Peterson, of Huntington, who wants to go to Switzerland, leaves for home to-night.

Pensions Granted.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 7.—The following West Virginia pensions have been granted: Increase—Herman Borch, Ding, Original Invalid, James Johnson, Re-annue, John N. Posthous, Original Invalid, Ac, Mary E. widow of Jerome Higgins.

Presidential Appointments.

WASHINGTON, May 7.—The President made the following appointments today: Arthur H. Thomas, of Salt Lake City, Utah, to be Governor of Utah. Elijah Wells, of Salt Lake City, Utah, to be Secretary of Utah. Elisworth Duggan, of Utah, to be Surveyor General of Utah. Perry J. Anderson, of Idaho, to be Register of the Land Office at Blackfoot, Idaho. William H. Danielson, of Idaho, to be Receiver of Public Money at Blackfoot, Idaho. Michael A. Leahy, of Wisconsin, to be

THE LAW NOT EFFECTIVE.

Chauncey M. Depew Testifies Before the Senate

INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE

On the Working of the Inter-State Commerce Act—The Law Discriminates in Favor of Canada—Mr. Nixon's Evidence.

New York, May 7.—The Senate committee which is investigating the working of the Inter-State Commerce law resumed its labors at the Fifth Avenue Hotel promptly at 10 o'clock this morning. Senator Platt has been added to the Senators present yesterday, and the committee to-day is composed of Chairman Cullom, and Senators Platt, Hise, Blair, Harris, Gorman and Reagan. Chauncey M. Depew, of the New York Central, and General Manager Joseph Nixon, of the Grand Trunk Railroad, were in attendance to submit to the committee's probing, and a dozen or two interested spectators helped to fill the large parlor.

Chauncey M. Depew was the first witness called to the chair. Many of his statements showed that he agreed on several points with the opinions of the two previous witnesses. Chairman Cullom and President King, of the Erie road, Mr. Depew said that the roads do not work in this country, whether Mexican or Canadian, should be made to comply with the condition of the law as the American roads must do. At present, he said, it was very easy for the Canadian roads to get large quantities of freight by means of rebates. "Pooling" he considered a very good thing and making it legal has been permitted. The tendency of all roads is to lower freight rates and no amount of pooling could affect this tendency. The Inter-State Commerce bill, by making the roads comply with their rates, has given the stronger roads more business and taken it away from the weaker roads proportionately. "The Inter-State law will never be effective, nor operative until in some form or other you have a legalized pooling."

The contest will begin to-day. CHARLESTON, W. VA., May 7.—The legislative committee appointed at the last session of the Legislature to examine depositions and make a report to the Legislature at its next session, will meet in this city to-morrow morning. If the committee examines each deposition carefully, it will take fully two months, and with this great amount of labor it is uncertain when there will be a called session to settle the gubernatorial contest between Fleming and Goff.

WEST VIRGINIA DEVELOPMENT.

Senator Camden and Party Inspect the Resources Along the Route of Proposed Railroad and Clarkburg Road. SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER.

CLARKSBURG, W. VA., May 7.—Senator Camden and party of friends arrived here this evening from Fairmont, having driven over the line of the Monongahela river road to inspect the coal and other resources. In the party were President Meyer and Vice President King, and Directors Sloan and Erick of the Baltimore & Ohio, E. U. Clark of Philadelphia, Col. Hood, of Harrison county; Capt. Fritchard, of Marion; J. D. Weeks, of Pittsburgh; J. E. Dana and Senator "Pitt" Carr of Charleston; J. E. Watson and Jos. E. Sands, of Fairmont; Charles Burdett Hart, of Philadelphia; and H. E. U. Fitch, of the Register. The party remain here over night and in the afternoon go to Buckhannon. They express themselves as delighted with their trip and what they saw.

Methodist Protest Some Mission Board.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER.

GRAFTON, W. VA., May 7.—The Home Mission Board of the M. P. Church met in this city to-day, and will remain in session this evening and to-morrow. Those in attendance are Rev. E. U. Fitch, of Fairmont; Dr. D. S. Stevens, of Pittsburgh, editor of the Methodist Recorder; Dr. Strayer, President of the Maryland Conference; Rev. H. K. Spahr, Mechanicsburg, Ohio, President of the Ohio Conference; Dr. Fisher, of Charleston, Ohio, President of the West Virginia conference; Benjamin Stout, of Rockport, Harrison county, Secretary of the Board, and Mr. F. M. Dupree, of Grafton, Secretary of the Home Board.

Destructive News.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER.

CHARLESTON, W. VA., May 7.—Julius A. Dreyfus, ex-City Recorder, was married this evening at the First Presbyterian Church to Miss Mary Noyes, only daughter of W. A. Noyes, a prominent merchant of this city. They left at 10 o'clock for a two weeks' bride-tour to the East.

The Quickest Trial on Record.

CHARLESTON, W. VA., May 7.—E. J. Slaughter, who was arrested Sunday morning by United States officers, was taken before a United States Commissioner at 10 o'clock this morning for the grand jury on the charge of fraudulently representing himself as a special United States pension examiner. To-day a grand jury was empaneled. Slaughter was indicted, and at 12 o'clock the grand jury on the charge of fraudulently representing himself as a special United States pension examiner. To-day a grand jury was empaneled. Slaughter was indicted, and at 12 o'clock the grand jury on the charge of fraudulently representing himself as a special United States pension examiner.

A Dakota Cyclone.

FAROE, DAK., May 7.—A cyclone swept across this city yesterday, doing considerable damage in the way of unroofing buildings and demolishing telegraph and electric light wires. The upper story of the Silverton block was badly damaged, the debris from which fell on the street in a cloud of dust. The electric light wires along the railroad track. Damage of dwellings were atrocious. The storm moved from south to north, and was preceded by a blinding storm and the usual roaring sound.

The Illinois Miney Strike.

SPRING VALLEY, ILL., May 7.—At a mass meeting held here yesterday about 5,000 miners in this district manifested their desire to resist a reduction of wages and succeeded in getting the men who worked machines in the middle vein to quit work. The mines here are now strewn by a front of the electric light wires along the railroad track. Damage of dwellings were atrocious. The storm moved from south to north, and was preceded by a blinding storm and the usual roaring sound.

Will Demand Her Child.

CHENAI, IOWA, May 7.—There was a scene at the Grand Hotel yesterday when a newspaper named Welshone ascertained that his wife's son, Charles Scott, the 14-year-old boy, had been abducted by his father, Dr. Scott, a wealthy physician of Pittsburgh. Mrs. Welshone, formerly Scott's wife, left him two years ago, and has possessed her child of residence from this until Saturday, when the father appeared and took the boy to Pittsburgh. The mother will endeavor to regain possession of her child.

Libby Prison Wrecked.

MAZDAH, KY., May 7.—The freight train which was transporting the famous Libby Prison from Richmond to Chicago, was wrecked seven miles east of here yesterday by the breaking of an axle of one of the cars. The remains of the war vessel were scattered about, and people flocked to the scene to view the great old bricks and lumber as mementos. No one was hurt.

FREEDOM FOR HANGING A MAN.

How a Convict at Gibraltar Won His Freedom and a Passage to America.

New York, May 7.—"Gonzales has been released for acting executioner." This was the cable dispatch from Gibraltar about the convict that arrived on the steamship India that passed the authorities at Washington the other day. They supposed there was an error in it and that it meant that Gonzales had been released by the acting executive officer at Gibraltar. It was discovered to-day that the cable was literally correct. Gonzales, alias "Monkey," robbed a baker's shop in the town of Gibraltar for which he was sentenced to ten years' penal servitude. When he had served three years of his time the prison officials found themselves with a condemned murderer on their hands and no one to hang him. They offered to let him go, but no one would accept a prisoner who would act as executioner. Gonzales volunteered, and when the time came he did the hanging in the most improved fashion, thereby gaining his liberty. He is still locked up on board the India, and at a special meeting of the Emigration Commissioners, to be held to-day, they will decide whether he may land or not.

A FIGHT WITH A MAD DOG.

Terrible Struggle of a Boy—Nearly Torn to Pieces.

EVANVILLE, IND., May 7.—About 3 o'clock yesterday a son of Mr. Graff, a farmer who resides in the neighborhood of this city, was crossing a field, he was attacked by a rabid dog belonging to a neighbor. The dog sprang upon young Graff, and a regular rough and tumble fight took place, the ground being badly torn up for an area of 12 feet square. Had not the screams of the boy attracted the attention of a hired man, the dog would have torn him to pieces. As it was, the thumb of the right hand was nearly bitten off; both arms were fearfully lacerated; and the head was torn from the left thigh. The hired man struck the dog over the head with a club stunning him and causing him to relinquish his hold. Upon recovering from the blow the animal turned and ran toward a house taking refuge in a smoke house. The hired man procured a gun and killed him. This is the third mad dog that has been killed in the same neighborhood the past three or four days. The animal was a large Newfoundland. Graff is not expected to live.

A STARTLING EXPOSURE.

A Detective Unravels a Celebrated Murder Mystery in Pennsylvania.

PITTSBURGH, PA., May 7.—A startling exposure has been made by detective Howard of a local agency in connection with the murder and robbery of farmer Umbarger, in Somerset county, a few weeks ago. Two brothers, David and Joe Nicely, are now awaiting trial charged with the crime. Detective Howard alleges that a scheme has been concocted to hasten the crime on two innocent persons. It is the intention, he says, to arrest Collins Hamilton and Joseph Hoffman, a few days before the trial. Hoffman is a well-to-do farmer, and Hamilton is a well-to-do merchant. Hoffman is a well-to-do farmer, and Hamilton is a well-to-do merchant. Hoffman is a well-to-do farmer, and Hamilton is a well-to-do merchant.

A Young Girl Sentenced for Horse Stealing.

KANAWHA COUNTY, MO., May 7.—Clara Graham, a beautiful girl of eighteen years, was convicted in the criminal court here yesterday for horse stealing. When placed on the stand she confessed that on February 13, while out of work, she tried a horse and buggy and started to drive. While out on the road she met Frank McCoy on horseback and he joined her and proposed an elopement, she to go to St. Joseph. She went there and when he did not come, she drove to Horton, Kan., and there she was arrested. She is now in the county jail, and will be sentenced to the penitentiary for a term of six months.

The Condemned Hold Knobbers.

JEFFERSON CITY, MO., May 7.—The friends of the three hold knobbers who are condemned to hang in the Ozark jail Friday, have made their last appeal to Governor Francis. All the newspapers and nearly all the leading citizens of the southwestern part of the State have signed in asking the Governor for clemency. The witnesses said, "We are not in favor of the execution of these men, but we are in favor of the law." The Governor has refused to grant clemency, and the men will be executed on Friday.

Killed While Blasting.

AMHILL, PA., May 7.—A fatal explosion occurred near here this morning. R. J. Malone & Co., contractors of New York, are engaged in driving a tunnel from Big Mine run to Dark county, which stands in and about Centerville. The men were engaged in drilling holes in the rock for the purpose of blasting, and one of the drills struck some dynamite which had fallen to explode in a previous blast. An explosion immediately followed, and the man who was working was instantly killed and seven others seriously injured.

Murder in a Dining Car.

BUFFALO, May 7.—About a quarter before 7 o'clock this morning an altercation occurred on the Michigan Central dining car Detroit, in the central yard, east of the depot, between Thomas Smith and John Johnson. Johnson spilled a cup of coffee into a pan of potatoes that were being cooked by Smith. After some hard words were passed Johnson threw a hot potato into Smith's face, striking him in the eye. Johnson was arrested and is now in the county jail. Smith is recovering from his injuries.

Hotel Robbery.

CADILLAC, MICH., May 7.—Three unknown men entered McGovern's hotel at Lake City late Sunday night and offered a \$10 bill in payment for cigars. McGovern opened the safe for change when the men sprang upon and overpowered him. They took \$1,500 in currency, clothing, watches, jewelry, and other valuables, and escaped, leaving McGovern insensible.

Live Stock Pool Broken.

CHICAGO, May 7.—The Omaha-Chicago live stock pool has been broken. The Burlington has given notice to its agents to notify shippers that hereafter live stock trains on that road between Omaha and Chicago will be run as fast as steam could pull them.

Two Miners Killed.

TOWNSHIP, MINN., May 7.—Two men were killed by a blast at the Minnesota mine yesterday. The blast occurred at 10 o'clock, and the men were killed by the force of the explosion. The mine is owned by the Minnesota Mining and Smelting Co.

THE FOREST FIRES.

Reports of Great Damage Still Come in. Still No Rain.

DULUTH, MINN., May 7.—Reports of the destruction by forest fires continue to come in. The fires are still raging in all directions, but in many localities they have burned themselves out. They have attacked the heavy pine woods in many places, and the loss of timber will be immense. All trains on roads leading here from every direction took the long lines of fire passed through. The greatest loss is in the destruction of railroad ties, telegraph poles and cord-wood. Several hundred thousand ties and thousands of cords of cord-wood have been burned. So far news has reached here of the destruction of a dozen buildings—three near Baraboo, a dozen miles west of here and others in Wisconsin. Joseph Bradford's wood camp and two cord-wood stacks were burned. From a score of small places come reports of fighting the fire to save the villages or mills. There was a rumor yesterday that a small saw mill in Douglas county, Wisconsin, has been burned, but no news could be had to confirm it. Some stock has been destroyed in outlying districts. The most destruction has been on the lines of the St. Paul & Duluth and the Northern Pacific. A Wisconsin Wis. dispatch says: "Unlucky rain soon comes great benefit to farmers in this section will result. The woods are on fire all around the city. Hay, meadows, crops and bridges have been destroyed in the western part of the county. Farmers and mill men in the country are fighting the fire with big crews. The air in the city is filled with smoke." An Ishpeming, Mich., dispatch says: "Forest fires are burning south and west of this city. The sections damaged are very dry. Timber and underbrush is very dry, and unless rain comes soon the fires may become serious." LATER—The much wished for rain made its appearance shortly before noon, heavy showers taking place all around here and drowning out the blazing fires.

A VILLAGE PANIC STRICKEN.

A Fire that Destroys Several Houses—Narrow Escapes of the Occupants.

FINDLAY, O., May 7.—At midnight last night fire broke out in A. Phillips' meat shop, in Beaver, a small village twenty miles west of this city, and destroyed his shop and residence, together with almost the entire remaining business portion of the town. The late hour found the inhabitants all abed, and the scene following the discovery of the fire was indescribable. Howland, a local agent, was the only man who had time to escape in their night clothes, and for whom no shelter could be found presented a pitiable sight. Lima, nine miles west was called on for assistance and a portion of the fire department immediately responded by the Lake Erie and Western railroad. While they arrived in time to do effective service the scarcity of water precluded any possibility of saving anything. Those suffering complete losses were: A. Phillips, general store and residence; Odd Fellows Hall, Fred Kinney, L. Stols, and A. L. Parker's residences; G. A. Bogart's barn shop; John Grant; J. E. Shively; tin shop; Henry Harriet, undertaking establishment; W. W. Brown and children, who had patients; Hattie Solomon, milliner; Louis Stols, grocery and residence; Fred Young, meat shop and residence; E. W. Weaver, blacksmith shop; the postoffice; R. G. Foy's shoe store; Joseph McJannet, the L. House; and John J. Linn, Loss, \$80,000; insurance, \$14,000.

FIVE PERSONS PERISH.

Burned to Death in a House—Futile Efforts to Save Them.

WERTHEIMER, N. Y., May 7.—The dwelling house of Watson Bowens was destroyed by fire about half-past 1 o'clock this morning, and five persons were burned to death. The household consisted of Watson Bowens, his wife, his mother Mrs. I. B. Bowens and two children and two servants. Just how the fire started is not known, but it is supposed that a lamp which was left burning in the hall exploded and started the flames. When Mr. Bowens was awakened by the crackling of the flames, the fire had already gained a great headway. He was unable to get out, and his wife and children were unable to escape. The fire was extinguished by the fire department, but the five persons were already dead. The bodies were taken to the morgue, and the cause of the fire is being investigated.

WILL EQUALIZE WAGES.

Andrew Carnegie has a Surprise in Store for the Iron and Steel Workers.

PITTSBURGH, May 7.—It is said that Andrew Carnegie has a surprise in store for the iron and steel workers and that before he leaves on his European tour he will order that several very important changes be made in the iron and steel industry. He will make an effort to equalize matters in view of benefiting both the firm and that class of employees who are receiving wages in proportion to what others receive, and the making big improvements during the past two years," remarked a gentleman, holding very close relations with the iron and steel industry, "and as a result of all these improvements and labor saving machinery, the men working by the ton in many of the departments have been receiving enormous wages. Some earn as high as from \$30 to \$50 per day. These big fellows Mr. Carnegie proposes to cut down. It will be done directly and indirectly."

CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

An oil well has been struck at Terre Haute, Ind., which yields 1,000 barrels per day and there is great excitement there in consequence.

Judge Barret, of the New York Supreme Court, to-day appointed Greer as referee in the suit between the Knickerbocker and the Knickerbocker Brothers against John P. Kelly.

Commissioner Tanner granted a pension to Frederick Schwager, of Lane Rock, Lancaster county, Pa., late of Company K, 18th Pennsylvania Volunteers. The claimant will receive \$13,000 arrears and \$48 per month hereafter.

At Lawley, Fla., Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Churchhill, of Oms, and Mrs. J. D. Burdett were out driving yesterday when the horses became frightened, overturning the wagon and killing the occupants. Both ladies were killed instantly and both limbs were badly injured.

Neither President Wells or Secretary Martin of the Amalgamated Association of Iron and Steel Workers, will be candidates for re-election, having accepted better positions in other branches of the industry. It is predicted that a general scale will be agreed, and that there will be trouble over the wage question.

The Belmont factory will go on this morning at the reduced scale of millers' wages. The millfeeder leaders and feeders express great dissatisfaction at the reduction they suffer, incidental to that in millers' wages. The Belmont millers have also accepted the reduced scale, and when that mill resumes it will be the reduction.

The Western Cut Nail Association meets in this city to-day in regular session. There will be one hundred and twenty-five machines cutting nails at the Bellairs mill Thursday. The mill will resume its operations on Friday.

The Riverside mill is working on the new scale.

"Katie, the Family Help."

This amusing farce-comedy and its attendant (and of song, music dancing and other specialties, was presented at the Grand last night by Miss Nash and a capable company, and will be repeated this afternoon at the matinee, and this evening for the last time, at a splendidly and pleasing little orchestra, vocalists and dancer, and has a marvelous German dialect. The chorus is strong, and the machinery and soloists are all in all the pieces is well worth seeing—above the average of comedies of its kind.

A GOOD SHOWING.

Annual Meeting of Stockholders of the P. & C. B. B. Company.

PITTSBURGH, PA., May 7.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Pittsburgh, Virginia & Charleston Railroad Company was held in this city to-day and the following officers and directors were elected: President, J. N. Dugan; Secretary, D. P. Corwin; Directors, George B. Roberts, N. Parier Shorridge, Wistar Morris, John P. Green, W. J. Elkins, A. M. Byers, Charles E. Speer, W. J. Howard, George V. Lawrence, Charles T. Taylor, Henry D. Welch, Joseph W. Smith. The annual report as presented by Secretary Corwin shows net earnings of \$245,002.07.

PEARL HEDD RICH BEYER FOUND AT MYERS & CO.'S, 2100 MAIN STREET.

A Liberal Offer.

For \$1.00 you can get one dozen satin-lined Gablet Pens and one \$2.10 in fine gilt fountain pen. Call at 1138 Main street, Wheeling.

MR. PARNELL EXPLAINS.

He Corrects His Evidence of Friday Regarding His

HOUSE OF COMMONS SPEECH

About the Existence of Secret Societies in Ireland—He Only Referred to Ribbonism—Paris Exposition—Other Foreign News.

LONDON, May 7.—The Parnell Commission resumed its sitting to-day. Mr. Parnell, upon taking the stand, said he desired to correct that part of his evidence given on Friday in relation to the statement made by him in the House of Commons, concerning the non-existence of secret societies in Ireland. Upon referring to the Hansard reports of the proceedings of the House of Commons, he found that his remarks which had been quoted by Attorney General Webster referred particularly to Ribbonism and not to secret conspiracies generally. His remarks, therefore, were a fairly accurate statement of the facts, as Ribbonism at the time practically did not exist in Ireland.

The cross examination of the witness was then resumed. Mr. Parnell said he had not heard of 100 guineas being paid for the defense of moonlighters at the Cork Assizes in 1854. If he had been asked to make such payments he should in those days have approved of them if he had reason to believe the law was being strained against a man, but his general rule was to limit such payments as much as possible. He remembered one case in which he had sanctioned the payment of money for the defense of a prisoner and the man was acquitted. In another case he reimbursed Mr. Harris, who had made himself responsible for the costs of the defense, but at the same time witness instructed Mr. Harris not to undertake in the future the defense of accused moonlighters.

Mr. Parnell said that he sometimes paid money from his own private account in behalf of the League. He did not object to an inspection of his accounts. Attorney General Webster here began a protracted examination of the witness as to his banking transactions, but failed to elicit anything of note.

Mr. Parnell testified upon his knowledge of Gen. Millen and other members of the physical force party. Mr. Parnell declared that a majority of the members of that party were utter strangers to him. He has never heard that Mr. Parnell joined the Clan-na-Gael. He would regret to find that Mr. Egan had rejoined the physical force party, but he should not think such a course unnatural.

Referring to his speeches made in America, he stated that the Irish world witness said he could not accept the reports as correct. Mr. Ford garbled the speeches in order to suit the taste of the readers of the Irish World. Witness had never made this statement publicly before because it was necessary to wage a recurring to secret societies. Mr. Parnell said he considered that a person who joined the League and continued to be a member of the Clan-na-Gael, acted in a manner which was not in accordance with the League's policy. Any member of the League who would advocate the use of dynamite would be a traitor.

THE SAMOAN CONFERENCE.

BERLIN, May 7.—The Vossische Zeitung says that the American commissioners to the Samoan conference are instructed by their Government to demand the neutrality of the islands and the administration of Samoan affairs by Samoans, and to urge the claim of the United States to the right to establish a coaling station at Pago Pago. The demands of the United States, however, are not intended to prevent the other powers from exercising their influence in accordance with their influence.

THE PARIS EXPOSITION.

PARIS, May 7.—Twenty-five thousand persons visited the exposition yesterday during the opening ceremonies. The police arrested three men for shouting "Vive Boulanger." The evening festivities in celebration of the opening of the exposition passed off without a hitch.

Steamship Arrivals.

HAMBURG, May 7.—The Hamburg American Line's new twin screw steamer August Victoria, has arrived here from her trial trip which was very satisfactory, she having attained a speed of twenty knots per hour. When the August Victoria proceeded on her trial trip she was in company with a tugboat sailed from New York. She will sail for that port on the 9th instant.

BRUNNEN, May 7.—The steamer Emma from New York arrived here last night.

A NEW DEPARTURE.

The Oil Exchanges Will Adopt the Feature of Dealing in Futures.

PITTSBURGH, PA., May 7.—The conference committees of the various oil exchanges met in this city to-day, to consider the advisability of dealing in futures. There were present Frank Tack, W. S. Mally and L. J. Werner, of New York; H. A. Marlin, J. E. Haskell and C. H. Wheeler, of New Bradford; M. E. Hillon, M. T. Lowentron and A. Kline, of Oil City; J. R. McKee, F. Fisher and B. Forest, of Pittsburgh. The conference lasted nearly all day and it was finally decided to recommend dealing in futures. Rules governing the same, similar to those in vogue on the Chicago grain exchange, were adopted. The rules will be submitted to the exchange for action and if acceptable a majority dealing in futures will become one of the leading features of the oil trade.

THE NAIL SCALE.

The Belmont factory will go on this morning at the reduced scale of millers' wages. The millfeeder leaders and feeders express great dissatisfaction at the reduction they suffer, incidental to that in millers' wages. The Belmont millers have also accepted the reduced scale, and when that mill resumes it will be the reduction.

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