

THE BRIBERY CHARGES

May be Investigated by a Committee of the Senate.

TWO SENATORS, KYLE AND HUNTON,

Approached by a Notorious Lobbyist With Big Offers of Money For Their Votes on the Tariff Bill--Intimation That the Whole Affair is a Bluff. The Charge That Sugar Trust Money Was Used to Have the Tariff Bill Fixed in Its Proposed Shape Also to be Investigated.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 16.--Senator Lodge, soon after the senate met to-day, introduced a resolution authorizing the appointment of five senators to investigate charges of attempted bribery of senators in connection with the pending tariff bill, and also the charges in a long article published in the Philadelphia Press on Monday morning containing allegations relating to the influence of the Sugar trust upon tariff legislation. He asked for the immediate consideration of the resolution, but Senator Cockrell, of Missouri, asked that it lie upon the table until to-morrow.

Rumors of the use of money to influence action on the tariff bill have been in circulation here at various times during the past few months, but heretofore have received little attention. It is learned definitely to-day that certain senators have received intimations that a money consideration could be secured for their votes against the tariff bill, though whether the alleged briber had any authority for his promise is a matter of some doubt. The negotiations apparently have gone no further than intimations to the clerks of Senators Kyle and Hunton. Those intimations came from a North Dakota man who is known as a lobbyist on several schemes. He was formerly a member of Congress from one of the southern states and was identified with the so-called carpet bag government.

AN IRRESPONSIBLE MAN.

The amount which it was intimated Senator Kyle could receive was \$14,000, and \$1,600 was to be retained by the man making the negotiation as a commission. Mr. McFarlan, clerk to Senator Kyle, says the matter never went further than an intimation. He promptly informed Senator Kyle. The latter is now in South Dakota and will return to Washington Saturday. The character of the man who is said have made the intimations stamps the whole affair with the seal of condemnation. It is scarcely possible that any syndicate of persons who could control the amount of money necessary in order to make an attempt to purchase votes would entrust it to the man who made the intimations to the clerks of Senators Kyle and Hunton.

MIL HUNTON'S STORY.

Senator Hunton talked freely to-day about the attempt made to bribe him to vote against the tariff bill. The matter first came to his attention about a month ago from a letter from his son, dated Warrenton, Va., the home of the senator and his son. He immediately laid the matter before six or eight of his most intimate friends in the senate, that they might know what was going on. The senator says that he never saw the man who offered the bribe, and he declined to give the name of the man, but said that all the negotiations, if the proceedings may be called such, were conducted through his son.

The would-be briber, the senator said, went to Warrenton early in April carrying a letter of introduction from a man in Washington whom Mr. Hunton did not know any better than the man he introduced. He professed to want to employ Mr. Hunton as an attorney in a land case in which he was interested, and after talking for a short time on this topic he brought up the tariff bill, to which he was opposed. He said that the bill never would pass and that there was an argument to be brought against the bill which had not yet been used, but which would dispose of it effectually. Asked by Mr. Hunton's son what that argument was, he said he would give it to him if he would send it to his father. He then proposed to pay Senator Hunton \$25,000 for his opposition to the tariff bill and Mr. Hunton immediately informed his father of the proposition.

"Do you think the proposition was made in earnest?" the senator was asked.

"My son is satisfied that it was, and furthermore is satisfied that \$100,000 would be paid if it had appeared that that sum would secure the coveted vote."

Senator Hunton said that he did not propose asking any investigation. "I have," he said, "placed the matter in the hands of my friends, but I had not intended asking for an inquiry because I had supposed that my reputation was such as to need no support as an investigation would develop. If, however, an investigation is undertaken, I shall be glad to furnish all the facts in my possession." Discussing the man who had offered the bribe he said that he had understood that he went to Virginia as a carpet-bagger and attempted to secure a nomination for Congress, but failing had then gone to South Carolina where he had been nominated and sent to Congress, serving one term.

It is understood that Senator Kyle has a record of the alleged briber's conversation and proposition. He was approached directly, but turned the case over to his private secretary, with instructions to take full notes of all that he said.

The person to whom the description of the alleged would-be corrupter had been applied is Major J. A. Bultz, of Fayetteville, N. D. He was once a member of Congress from South Carolina, and now follows the occupation of farming. He has spent considerable time in Washington in recent years lobbying.

WANT AN INVESTIGATION.

Representative J. A. Bultz, of Fayetteville, N. D., whose name was mentioned in connection with the alleged attempt to purchase the votes of Senators Kyle and Hunton on the tariff,

has determined to ask a full investigation at the hands of the senate of the charges made against him. Major Bultz called on Senator Hansbrough, of North Dakota, late this evening, and asked advice as to what he had better do. He made a general denial of the charges against him, and stated that he wanted a rigid investigation of them. He was not willing to rest on the possibility of the passage of the Lodge resolution calling for an investigation of the bribery alleged, and of the influence of the Sugar trust on the make-up of the tariff bill. He told the senator he wanted a personal investigation as speedily as possible. He said that he had both reputation and interests which were suffering, and that he wished to have a chance to clear himself.

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REPUBLICAN CAUCUS

On the Course to be Taken Toward the Tariff Bill--Dubois Favors Quick Action.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 16.--Senator Allison presided over a conference of Republican senators at the capitol today, about two-thirds of the membership being present. It was a continuation of the discussion which occurred at Senator Sherman's house on Monday night.

Senator Dubois announced his intention of publicly declaring in favor of speedy action, and when several senators took issue with him he said that his judgment relative to the effort of the silver repeal was as good as theirs last fall, and he intended to follow it.

The conference broke up without any action being agreed upon, but those senators who believe in early action seemed to be in such a large majority that they felt that the policy would now be to consider the bill with a view of engaging in only legitimate discussion of the various schedules.

Senator Chandler advanced the suggestion that the debate would consume from thirty to sixty days on whatever lines it might be conducted, and said that as that was the case there was no necessity for resolving upon any particular course at present. He also urged that there was no question of filibustering for the Republican conference to consider, as there were no senators who desired to engage in filibustering.

A PITCHED BATTLE

Between the Kellyites and Marshal's Deputies Caused by the Obnoxious Conduct of the Latter.

OTTUMWA, IOWA, May 16.--There is intense excitement in Eldon over Kelly's army. As a boat was coming down the river the citizens called it ashore for purpose of giving the men buttermilk. Immediately deputy sheriffs, employed by the Rock Island road, rushed down to prevent a landing. Some one threw a stone at the Kelly men, breaking the ribs of one man and rendering another unconscious. Bad blood exists between the Kelly men and the Rock Island deputies, and to-day another lot of Kellyites attempted to land on the east bank of the river, the camp being on the west side. The Rock Island deputies tried to prevent a landing and a pitched battle ensued, when Conductor Charles Martin was struck on the head with a club and, it is thought, his skull fractured. Two Kellyites were arrested and tried this afternoon. The people generally think the fracas could have been avoided if the deputies had been less officious. When the row was on Kelly's men in camp got into barges and rowed hastily across. Kelly intercepted them and ordered all back to camp. The Rock Island company has run all the engines out of the yard and fears serious trouble at the next stop of the army at Farmington.

AN ELEPHANT

On the Hands of the United States Authorities in Kansas.

LEAVENWORTH, KAN., May 16.--The trial of General Sanders and his army was concluded to-day and Commissioner Waggoner tendered his opinion holding the defendants to the United States court for trial. Sanders' bail was fixed at \$500 and each of the 350 men at \$400. Marshal Neely was ordered to take them to jail in case bail is not given.

Another Train Captured.

ODEN, UTAH, May 16.--Seventy men, who came from the west yesterday forcibly took possession of a through fruit train on the Union Pacific road this afternoon and held it five hours. They were induced to give it up by promise of the city marshal that they should have provisions. They agreed to go east on foot this evening.

BRIEFS FROM THE WIRE.

Governor Flower, of New York, has vetoed the school teachers' pension bill. It is thought that Colonel Breckinridge's appeal case will not be heard before fall.

Louis Clovis Bonaparte, a grandnephew of the first Napoleon, died in London Monday.

The state department denies that Ambassador Bayard has signified that the United States is willing to terminate the Samoan treaty.

Miss Emma Reynolds Moody, daughter of Evanest Moody, was married to Arthur Percy Pitt, at East Northfield, Mass., last night.

A dispatch from Brookfield, Mo., says the chances for capturing the Taylor boys, murderers of the Meeks family, are slim. There is no trace of them.

Counsel for Coxey, Browne and Jones have applied to Judge Bradley to certify the cases to the supreme court of the district for review. The case went over until Friday.

The Irish parliamentary party of America met in New York last night and denounced the speech of Dr. Emmet, president of the Irish Federation of America, as "un-irish and un-national."

The United States chief of engineers has ordered a board of engineer officers to assemble at West Liverpool, Ohio, to examine and report upon the plans of a bridge to be built across the Ohio river at that point.

At the annual meeting of the stock and bondholders of the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne & Chicago Railway Company, at Pittsburgh, Messrs. John N. Hutchinson, William Hooper and L. Z. Laiter were unanimously elected directors. The income for the year was \$12,655,560, and the expenses were \$8,910,732.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., May 16.--Chairman Zerbo called the coal conference to order shortly after 11 o'clock to-day in Case Hall. Resolutions were read from the state board of trade and the chamber of commerce of this city, urging the delegates to the convention, in the interest of the country at large, to act harmoniously. Mr. F. L. Robbins, of Pittsburgh, moved that the usual order of business prevailing at former conventions be adopted. It was agreed to.

President McBride announced that the miners' committee were ready to confer with the operators. He then moved that the convention adjourn until 2 o'clock, so as to permit the scale committee of four members from each side to meet in conference. This was agreed to and the session adjourned, after a session lasting less than thirty minutes.

The conference committee of the miners consists of President McBride, Vice President P. H. Penna, of Indiana, Secretary Patrick McBryde, District President J. A. Crawford, of Illinois, Cameron Miller, of Ohio, W. B. Wilson, of Pennsylvania, John A. Cairns, of Pennsylvania, A. A. Adams, of Ohio, Joseph Dukerley, of Indiana, Jerry Meade, of West Virginia, and John Fahy, of Ohio.

The joint committee remained in session until 6 o'clock this evening, when an adjournment till morning was taken. It was announced that no agreement had been reached. The miners refused to concede from their demand for a restoration of the old rate, and the operators, in the absence of instructions, could make no concessions. The operators will have another meeting this evening to decide whether they shall make the miners another offer or give up the attempt to settle the strike. When the conference re-assembles in the morning the committee will make its report and definite action will then be taken.

The operators approved the action of their committee to-night and gave them a vote of confidence. Therefore the wage question will be thrown back on the general convention to-morrow morning.

THE OPERATORS.

Pennsylvania and Ohio Men Agree Upon a Rate For Their States.

CLEVELAND, O., May 16.--The mine operators met again in the chamber of commerce rooms at 10 o'clock to-day to consider their side of the wage question. At that meeting, which was presided over by Mr. Johnson, of Columbus, Ohio, a report was called for by Mr. Chapman, of Jackson county, Pa., from the members present at the Pennsylvania operators' meeting at night. Mr. Robbins, as the representative of that meeting, announced that the Pennsylvania operators have agreed upon a rate of sixty-five cents for Pennsylvania and fifty-five cents for the Hoeking Valley district. He was asked by Mr. Chapman if that was the action of the entire Pennsylvania delegation, or whether the ten Pittsburgh delegates still held aloof from the agreement. His reply to that was: "It was the action of last night's meeting and was, I think, the unanimous sentiment of that meeting."

Mr. Robbins then said he would like to know if that was satisfactory to the Ohio operators. One of the prominent Ohio operators, on behalf of the mine operators of the state, replied that he believed that would be entirely satisfactory for Ohio, and that the Ohio mine owners would heartily co-operate with Pennsylvania to secure that end. Mr. Robbins then moved that a committee of five members, representing each state, be appointed to agree upon a scale of wages, to be presented to the convention arranged satisfactorily to each state upon that basis.

This was agreed to, and the committee went into session on the wage scale. The following committee was then appointed to represent the operators in the several states in conference with the miners.

Ohio--J. F. Morton, John Brasher, of Hoeking; W. R. Woodford, Eastern Ohio; H. T. Chapman, of Jackson; W. J. Mullins, of Massillon.

Pennsylvania--M. H. Taylor, John Rlythe, Thomas H. Chapman, J. G. Dye, F. L. Robbins.

Indiana--W. Kenner, J. W. Seifert, James Norton, David Ingalls, J. E. Dailey.

KANAWHA MINERS

Will All Be at Work--Cleveland Convention Counts Nothing.

CHARLESTON, W. VA., May 16.--All the miners in the Loup Creek district are working to-day with the exception of Harrey. All will be in to-morrow in the Loup Creek field. Some returned to work at Stone Hill. The Cleveland convention does not signify any advance for West Virginia. All resume work at the old price.

THE COAL FAMINE

At Pittsburgh a Realized Fact--A Serious State of Affairs.

PITTSBURGH, PA., May 16.--A coal famine which has been threatening this city for some time is now practically an established reality and consumers of the fuel which has made western Pennsylvania famous are finding difficulty in buying it at any price. With slack at six and eight cents a bushel and family coal at twelve cents, the problem of how to get more has already reached a serious stage. Many of the railroad dealers have suspended business entirely and are simply waiting for the strike to end.

Several mills and factories have

closed down, ostensibly because of lack of orders, but shortage of coal probably had more to do with it.

Nearly every business house in this city is running short of fuel for its steam boilers. The problem of how to run engines without steam or raise steam without fuel now demands an answer. Gas is as scarce as coal almost, and cannot be got for firing boilers.

One instance showing the shortage of coal here is the fact that the river beds are being mined, that is, dredges are being used to bring to the surface coal from the river beds, where wrecked coal fleets are known to have left large deposits of the precious mineral.

GAINING GROUND.

The Coke Strikers Making Headway. Many Plants Idle.

UNIONTOWN, PA., May 16.--The strikers made great gains to-day about Uniontown and in the northern regions. Only about a dozen men were at work at the Kyle plant, the others fearing to return on account of the presence of five-hundred strikers encamped near the works. The strikers offered no violence. Southwest plants No. 3 and 4 are shut down, and many other works are badly crippled. The national organization have notified the strikers that \$5,000 will be sent into the region every week from now until the matter is settled.

To Aid the Pullman Strikers.

CHICAGO, May 16.--To raise fund for the support of the Pullman strikers the American Railway Union will, it is said, assess each of its 350,000 members three cents per week. The assessments will be forwarded twice a month to Pullman for distribution.

The men are confident of winning the strike, and are quiet and orderly.

Cab Drivers Strike.

LONDON, May 16.--About 3,000 cab drivers of this city went out on strike to-day as a protest against the exorbitant charges for cab hire insisted upon by the owners of the cabs.

THE BOSTON FIRE.

More Than Two Thousand Persons Made Homeless--The Other Losses.

BOSTON, MASS., May 16.--A stretch of smoking, blackened ruins, covering more than a dozen acres, shows the scene of last night's fire. Household furniture and property of every description litters the streets and hundreds of those made homeless by the conflagration are vainly searching the ruins of their houses in the hope of finding something of value remaining. About half a million dollars worth of property was destroyed. One hundred and thirty-seven buildings, over two-thirds of which were wooden structures, were consumed, and twenty-two more were partially burned. For most part they were occupied by the poorer classes and 450 families, or more than 2,300 persons are homeless.

The Boston Base Ball Association and the city of Boston are the heaviest financial losers. The property of the former was valued at \$70,000, and is a total loss. The city's is over \$100,000. But one fatality has been reported, a three months old baby having been suffocated on Nerlin street. About seventeen persons were injured none of them seriously. Nearly a dozen invalids residing in houses, now in ruins, were conveyed to the hospitals during the fire. During the night fire started again in the top of a brick block on the west side of Cabot street and burning for an hour. The building was destroyed.

Early in the day thirty-five children were reported as missing as a result of yesterday's great conflagration, but this evening the number is greatly decreased. Many of the little ones were in the hands of strangers, who cared for them until their relatives were found. Several little ones are yet to be found by their friends, but they are undoubtedly safe in the keeping of people in the vicinity of the fire.

A special service with addresses by prominent Boston clergymen for the benefit of the homeless was held in the church to-night. The edifice was crowded and the collections amounted to several hundred dollars.

Another Boston Fire.

BOSTON, MASS., May 17.--2:30 A. M.--The United States appraisers' office is on fire in the bonded warehouse, State street block.

TOTAL DESTRUCTION

Of Coal and Lumber Yards at Pawtucket. A Half Million Dollars Loss.

PAWTUCKET, R. I., May 16.--The city is illuminated to-night by the blaze from fully fifty thousand tons of coal consumed in the disastrous fire on the river front this afternoon. A conservative estimate places the loss at \$500,000. The fire started from a spark wafted from a plumber's kettle to the barn of the Newell Coal and Lumber Company, whose entire property is in ashes. The flames communicated with the coal and lumber yards of Olney & Payne Brothers and their stock and structures were wholly consumed. Several other coal and lumber yards were consumed. The destruction is most complete, for there is neither a coal nor lumber yard in the city to-night.

OHIO G. A. R.

Close Their Annual Session--The New Officers Elected.

CANTON, O., May 16.--G. A. R. department officers elected to-day are: Department commander, E. C. Nutt, of Sidney; senior vice commander, John R. Sampson, of Cincinnati; junior vice commander, George Miller, of Columbus.

To-night there was a parade and the camp fires were addressed by Governor McKelvy, General Gibson and other distinguished guests.

Delegates to the national encampment were instructed to support Louisville for the '95 encampment, Sandusky the next state encampment.

DATES GIVE IT.

MONTGOMERY, ALA., May 16.--Reports from conventions and primaries throughout the state settle the Democratic nomination for governor in favor of Congressman Oates. The vote now stands: Oates 255, two more than necessary to nominate; Johnson 215.

Morgan Sure Of It.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., May 16.--Returns from counties show that enough legislative nominees are instructed for Senator Morgan to make his re-election an absolute certainty.

GREAT WASH-OUT

By a Cloud Burst Does Immense Damage to Property

IN MINNESOTA AND WISCONSIN.

Millions of Dollars Lost by the Floods Which Follow the Rain--Railroads Washed Out, Buildings Floated From their Foundations and Streets Flooded--One of the Greatest Storms That Ever Visited the Northwest--Families Forced to Abandon Their Homes--The Black River on a Big High.

St. Paul, Minn., May 16.

Severe storms in the nature of a cloud burst, extending over about twenty-five miles of territory, with St. Paul on the western edge of the storm, did terrible damage last night. The amount of damage is uncertain, but it is very heavy. River Falls, Wis., reports a dam burst and three bridges washed away, the damage on the dam being at least \$25,000. New Richmond, Wis., reports trains unable to run on account of washouts. Mrs. William Brennan, of Erwin Prairie, was killed, and others severely injured by lightning. All Chicago railroads suffered severely. Great damage was done to cellars throughout the city. Flats are flooded and residents are compelled to seek high ground.

TWO MILLIONS LOST.

Swollen Streams and Great Destruction of Property.

CHIPPewa FALLS, Wis., May 16.--The storm which passed over this city and vicinity last night swelled the Chippewa river and its tributaries over their banks flooding an immense area of farming country, washing away railway tracks, bridges, buildings and mills. Several dams broke and caused most of the loss. On account of destruction, of telegraph and telephone lines an estimate of total loss cannot be obtained.

At Chippewa Falls, and north toward Bloomer, the valley is under water. The mill district of Glenwood is a scene of wreck and ruin. The big dam and sluiceway of the Glenwood Manufacturing Company were carried away, and several thousand feet of logs were carried away. Every bridge on the entire length of the creek is gone. The Wisconsin Central Chicago train is cut off by wash outs and is in the woods about a mile and a half from town.

A ten-foot raise is promised at Eau Claire, where the water is now very high, before 10 o'clock to-night. This will prove losses to mill owners and others.

Every railway between Milwaukee and St. Paul has been badly tied up since last night. Washouts exist on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, the Chicago & Northwestern and the Wisconsin Central to a great extent, the complete extent of which cannot be learned by officials here up to this afternoon, owing to the fact that the telegraph wires were down or very badly crippled.

Last night's storm left Stillwater, Minn., in worse condition than any of its predecessors. Many streets were washed out badly. Several houses on Fourth street were undermined and let down into a gully thirty feet deep. The yard and shops of the state penitentiary were flooded with sand and water and the loss to the state will be heavy. At one time water was six feet deep in the yard. The convicts are all at work clearing the sand out. The railroad tracks are badly washed out and there will be no trains in or out for several days. The loss is estimated at \$50,000.

The flood losses in the Chippewa Valley alone is estimated at \$2,000,000. At Bloomer, the dam, saw mill, planing mill, bridges, houses and six million feet of logs were carried away. No lives are reported lost.

In Chippewa Falls damage was done to the extent of \$300,000 to streets, bridges and railway property.

The Chippewa Logging and Boom Company's office building, barn and mill are afloat; also the American house, Lange Bros., S. F. Martin, E. F. Hodge, Good Luck Company, postoffice and Patner wagon works; also the wooden mill, saw and door company and many small buildings and residences situated on the creek.

At Chippewa, six miles north of Chippewa Falls, the sawmill, dam, barn, lumber yard, and in fact almost the whole city, are completely washed out.

Driven From Their Homes.

BLACK RIVER FALLS, Wis., May 15.--The biggest flood known here for years visited this section of the state last night, and the destruction of dams, bridges and stock along Black River and its tributaries is large. The Dells dam, above here, and the most important on Black River, was in danger of being swept away and a force of men were ordered to blow up a portion of it to save it from entire destruction. Black river has been at twenty feet rise at this point all day. Several families have been forced to abandon their homes to save themselves in the lower portion of this city. The loss of dams and bridges about here will amount to thousands of dollars.

Damage at Stillwater.

STILLWATER, MINN., May 16.--The damage from the storm at this point aggregates at least \$35,000, and, when added to the heavy storm losses last week, it makes an enormous loss to this city and its people.

Three Persons Missing.

SPRING VALLEY, MINN., May 16.--A severe rain storm visited this village last night. Mrs. Foss and her two children, living near Brookville, are reported missing. Several washouts on railways delayed trains.

A Dam Burst.

BLACK RIVER FALLS, Wis., May 16.--The west wing of Emmons dam at Dells has been blown out to save the rest of it. The water is rapidly raising and the break is now three-hundred feet across.

Charles Sausmiller, of New York, aged fifty, murdered his mother, aged eighty, and killed himself last night. He was out of employment and feared poverty.

WEST VIRGINIA BANKERS.

The Meeting Well Attended--An Association Formed.

CHARLESTON, W. VA., May 16.--The bankers of this state met here to-day to form an association. Those present and the banks represented are as follows:

- L. J. Bayha, German Bank, of Wheeling; P. B. Dobbins, Dollar Savings Bank, of Wheeling; J. A. Miller, Bank of the Ohio Valley, Wheeling; John Frow, Exchange Bank, Wheeling; Thomas E. Davis, First National Bank of Grafton; M. C. Dimick, First National Bank of Huntington; E. O. Prince, Bank of Elmont; Edwin Mann, Greenbrier Valley Bank, Alderson; James P. Mann, First National Bank of Bluefield and Bank of Bramwell; Louis F. Siffler, Wheeling Title and Trust Company; Warren Millor, Bank of Ripley, Jackson O. H.; E. F. Hill, Bank of Alderson; George W. Eckhart, People's Bank, of Wheeling; W. Gilkison, South Branch Valley National Bank, of Moorefield; W. B. Pickett, People's Bank of Bluefield; J. K. Oney, Huntington National Bank; W. W. Riley, Valley Bank of Jackson; John Claypool, Bank of Spencer; J. Q. Dickinson, Kanawha Valley Bank, of Charleston; L. E. Frichard, Charleston National Bank; M. A. Williamson, Citizens' National Bank of Charleston; E. A. Reid, Kanawha National Bank, of Charleston; C. W. Young, Commercial Savings Bank, of Charleston; Alexander Mitchell, Mutual Savings Bank, of Wheeling; W. A. Ohley, Commercial Savings Bank, of Charleston, and Robt. C. Dalzell, City Bank, of Wheeling. Those who were unable to attend sent their regrets.

J. W. Claypool, temporary secretary, addressed the meeting on a constitution and by-laws, and a committee on rules was appointed.

C. A. Sonaux, of the New York American Banker, and Hon. W. A. Ohley made addresses. At noon the convention adjourned and visited the state house. At 2 o'clock in the afternoon the visitors took a trip up the Kanawha on the Spring Hill to Lock No. 5. At 8 o'clock the business meeting was resumed.

The association elected the following officers to-night: J. Q. Dickinson, president, Charleston; L. J. Bayha, first vice president, Wheeling; Thomas E. Davis, second vice president, Grafton; E. O. Prince, third vice president, Huntington; John Clayport, fourth vice president, Spencer; secretary and treasurer, P. B. Dobbins, Wheeling.

The next meeting will be at Wheeling on the first Wednesday in June, 1895. After the election of officers an elegant banquet was served by the local bankers and citizens.

INDIANA ODD FELLOWS.

A Great Day at the Celebration in Indianapolis.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., May 16.--To-day is the greatest in the history of Indiana Odd Fellowship. It is the seventy-fifth, or diamond, anniversary of the order. Thousands of Odd Fellows from over the state are here and adjoining states have also sent a goodly number. The city is decorated elaborately in honor of her guests. The feature of the day was the allegorical parade which took place this morning and was the most pretentious in the city's history. Fourteen handsome floats representing the traditions and epochs of the order led, and were followed by 12,000 to 15,000 marchers.

Mother Superior Regina Dead.

PITTSBURGH, PA., May 16.--Mother Superior Regina, of the sisters of charities in the Pittsburgh diocese, died this evening at Reulia founding asylum from the effects of an operation for the removal of a tumor. Her secular name was Ennis. She was born in India fifty-three years ago.

Steamship Arrivals.

BALTIMORE, May 16.--Arrived, Darmstadt, from Bremen.

SOUTHAMPTON, May 16.--Arrived, Travre, from New York; New York, from New York.

BRUNNEN, May 16.--Arrived, Wittkana, from New York; America, from Baltimore; Saale, from New York.

LONDON, May 16.--Arrived, Alecto, from New York.

GLASGOW, May 16.--Arrived, Furnesia, from New York.

NEW YORK, May 16.--Arrived, Lahm, from