

# DEATH OF SIR HENRY IRVING

## Distinguished Actor Expires Suddenly From Syncope.

### WAS PLAYING FAREWELL TOUR

Soon After Returning to His Hotel from the Theater He Took Suddenly Ill.

The English-speaking world has suffered an irreparable loss by the sudden death of Sir Henry Irving, who was universally regarded as the most representative English actor of contemporary times.

Sir Henry died literally in harness. He was giving a series of farewell performances in the English provinces and was playing an engagement at Bradford, appearing in several favorite roles. Thursday he presented "King Rene's Daughter" and "The Bells," and seemed to be in excellent health, taking the exhausting part of Matthias in the latter play with all the vigor of youth.

Friday, before an enthusiastic audience, he portrayed one of his most characteristically intellectual parts, the title role in his own stage adaptation of Lord Tennyson's "Becket," with marked success.

After the performance Sir Henry returned to his hotel, reaching his rooms at 11:30 o'clock, when it was observed that he was in great pain. Physicians were immediately summoned, but before they could arrive Sir Henry was seized with an attack of syncope and expired within a few minutes, without having uttered a word, in the presence of Bram Stoker, who had been his immediate manager for many years, and a few other intimate friends. The event caused the greatest pain and consternation among the members of the company.

## TAGGART GETS DIVORCE

### Charge of Drunkenness Against the Major Is Not Sustained.

Judge Eason, of Wooster, O., who heard the divorce case of Major Elmore F. Taggart against his wife, has rendered his decision. The court grants Major Taggart the divorce and the custody of the two children, Culver, aged 11, and Charles, aged 7.

Although Mrs. Taggart is denied possession of the children, she is permitted to see them. Major Taggart was in court during the reading of the decision. Mrs. Taggart is ill and was not present. The court room was crowded.

Judge Eason before giving his decision reviewed the petitions, cross petitions, answers and affidavits. In the course of his statement Judge Eason said the testimony was deeply touching. The charge of drunkenness against Major Taggart, the court said, was not sustained.

Judge Eason, in his decision said that he considered that infidelity was proven in the case of Lieutenant Fortescue, at Fort Leavenworth, and with William Taggart, better known as "Billy" Taggart, of Orrville, O. Excessive cruelty was proven, he said, when Mrs. Taggart left him at Fort Leavenworth, when he was critically ill. General Miner did not escape a severe scolding. Judge Eason said: "I am not sure that he was not implicated in this more than it appears on the surface."

## CURES FIVE CANCER CASES.

### Physician Gives Details of Successful Use of Radium.

That five persons have been cured of cancer at the Flower Hospital in New York, by the use of radium coatings on celluloid rods inserted into the diseased parts, was the substance of a paper read by Dr. Wm. H. Dieffenbach before the Homeopathic Medical Society of the county of New York.

In only one of six cases which he treated, Dr. Dieffenbach said, his effort met with defeat. In that case the disease was far advanced.

## EX-CONFEDERATES BURY NEGRO

### Famous Southern Soldiers Furnish Funeral Escort of Honor.

The funeral of Amos Rucker, an antebellum negro, took place at Atlanta, Ga., on the 12th. He was a member of Camp Walker, United Confederate Veterans, which followed the body to the grave as an honorary escort. General Clement A. Evans, Division Commander of the United Confederate Veterans, officiated at the funeral, and among the pallbearers were former Governor Allen D. Candler, General A. J. West, Judge W. Lowndes Calhoun, Dr. Amos Fox and R. S. Osborne.

## Colorado's Fine Target Practice.

Colors were given out by an officer of the new cruiser Colorado to show that the recent target practice of that ship has never been equalled by any ship in any navy. With the 6-inch gun 40 shots made 40 hits in a triangular canvas target at a range of 3,500 yards. Ten shots each were fired from the four 8-inch rifles, and only three misses were recorded.

## \$3,400 Immigrants in August.

The report of the Bureau of Immigration for August, shows that 63,409 aliens landed during the month, as compared with 59,777 for August, 1904. The greatest number arrived from Russia. From China 215 landed, compared with 530 for last August.

The sum of \$10,000 has been received from J. Pierpont Morgan for the benefit of the sufferers from the recent earthquakes in the province of Calabria, Italy.

## DUN'S WEEKLY SUMMARY

### Steel and Iron Mills Have Orders Far Ahead and Much Business on Must Be Carried Over.

R. G. Dun & Co's "Weekly Review of Trade" says: Recent mild weather might have been expected to retard business, but freight blockades and several similar conditions testify to the contrary. Holiday trade promises to supply unprecedented business. Manufacturers are so fully occupied that contracts for early delivery cannot be considered in most cases, and the amount of business that will be carried over in 1906 will certainly eclipse all records. These sanguine prospects are confidently announced in several of the leading industries. Latest news from the iron furnaces and steel mills being notably gratifying. Crops were not seriously injured by the frost, and such a small percentage of the year's yield still remains exposed to danger that agricultural results may be summed up as most favorable. Railway earnings thus far reported for October gained only 0.2 per cent. over last year's movement, but prices of securities were little influenced by the bankers' addresses urging conservatism. Failures this week numbered 214 in the United States, compared with 208 a year ago, and 25 in Canada against 24 last year.

Bradstreet's will say: Further strength has developed in iron and steel. Premiums for quick delivery are now almost universal, and contracts far into 1906 are announced for both crude and finished products. The only flaw in the situation at present, one, by the way, flowing from intense activity in all lines of industry, is the growing inability of the railroads to handle the freight traffic offerings. This complaint is well known universal.

## FIRST SNOW STORM.

### Many Shade Trees Crushed—Flurries Reported in Many Places.

For five hours on the morning of the 12th, Greenville, Pa., was in the throes of a snow storm. Hundreds of shade trees were broken down under its weight, awnings destroyed and several barns crushed in. The snow melted just as fast as it reached the earth, but that which accumulated on trees caused great damage to them, for the reason that, being still in full leaf, they gathered such quantities that it finally broke many of them down.

Erie, Sharon, Irwin, Conneville and Altoona all report snow flurries. At Pickens, Va., there was a fall of two inches of snow. Cleveland reported a furious gale blowing on Lake Erie, with much snow and a decided fall in temperature.

## GERMAN CAMP STORMED.

### Rebel Chiefs in South Africa Escape Without Loss.

Moreno and Morris, chiefs of the rebellious Hottentots of German Southwest Africa, have captured Jerusalem camp, between Warmbad and Scuit Drift, after severe fighting, during which Lieut. Surmand and five men were killed and eight men were wounded. The Hottentots sustained no losses, and captured all the stock and stores.

Several Germans were made prisoners, but after being disarmed were allowed to return to return to Lieut. Gen. Von Trotha, commander of the German forces, with a letter from Moreno saying that the Hottentots were now in a position to take the offensive and would fight to the finish. The German garrison at Klipplaat, hearing that Moreno was in their vicinity, burned their stores, deserted the post and retired to Desconeddam. The garrison at Nkunas has been strengthened by 900 men and a battery of artillery.

## Mother and Son Killed.

Mrs. Joseph Bonsall, aged 48 years, and her son Wallace, aged 14 years, were killed by being struck by an express train on the West Chester branch of the Pennsylvania railroad at Fernwood, a suburb of Philadelphia.

## Judge Must Resign.

Associate Judge Tucker, of the territorial Supreme Court of Arizona, has been requested to resign. It was charged that he proposed to hold sessions of his court in Globe, Ariz., only on condition that he be furnished with a residence in that town.

## Man Suffocated.

The office of the Lonaconing, Md., "Star," J. J. Robinson, editor and publisher, was destroyed by fire of incendiary origin and A. K. Wheeler, the bookkeeper, was suffocated, dying shortly after being taken from the building.

## Crop Conditions.

The Agricultural department issued the following crop bulletin: The condition of corn on October 15 was 89.2, as compared with 89.5 last month, 83.9 on October 1, 1904, 80.8 at the corresponding date in 1903, and a 10-year average of 80.2. The preliminary estimate of the average yield per acre of spring wheat is 14.7 bushels (8.8 cents), subject to revision when the final estimate is made in December.

## Hearst Will Run for Mayor.

William R. Hearst made public a letter addressed to Judge Samuel Seabury, of the Municipal Ownership league, accepting the league's tender of the nomination for mayor of New York. Mr. Hearst's acceptance assures three major party tickets, Democratic, Republican and Public Ownership.

The barge Noguebay, in tow of the steamer Lizzie Madden, caught fire when 20 miles east of Bayfield, Mich., and was burned to the water's edge.

# FOUR KILLED BY MUTINEERS

## Negroes in Crew Butcher Victims on High Seas.

### MATE MEETS DEATH IN BED

### Mercy Shown to Man Who Then Cruelly Shoots One of His Shipmates.

The murder of Captain Rumlil and four of his crew of the four-masted schooner Harry A. Berwind in a mutiny, while the vessel was bound from Mobile to Philadelphia, is the story told in a special from Southport, N. C. The schooner Blanche H. King put into Southport, bringing in from three negroes, all that remained of the Berwind's crew. The captain, mate, cook and an engineer apparently had been killed in the mutiny and their bodies thrown overboard and the body of a fourth sailor, a negro, was found lying on deck, where he, too, had been killed.

Captain Taylor, whose attention was attracted by the reckless manner in which the ill-fated vessel was being steered, her course threatening to run down his own vessel, boarded the Berwind and placed the negroes in irons.

It developed from the stories of the negro prisoners that the mutiny arose as the result of a quarrel aboardship about the coffee made for breakfast. The King was signaled by the Berwind 30 miles east of Frying Lightship, and in response to a signal Captain Taylor sent his mate, engineer and others on board.

## SMUGGLERS AND CANNIBALS

### Deplorable Conditions Found in Hayti and San Domingo.

H. F. Worley, an agent of the insular bureau, who was sent to Santo Domingo to investigate the revenue conditions on the border between the Dominican and Haitian republics, has made a partial report to the U. S. war department. He estimates that the smuggling that has been going on across this border has cost the Dominican government from \$250,000 to \$400,000 a year.

Mr. Worley also made a trip into the interior of Hayti while he was on the island, and says that reports were often brought to him of savage customs in the wildest regions, including cannibalistic feasts, where the victims are babies. These reports were sufficiently authentic to be believed by him.

The method of smuggling, he said, was to load goods in ports at Hayti and send them by coasting vessels near the Dominican line. They were then carried over the border by mule trains. Some of the largest mercantile houses in Monte Cristi had their warehouses far inland, where these goods were smuggled across the border. Mr. Worley was sent down there to establish customs houses in the interior between the two countries, and he was warned that if he attempted to carry out his instructions he was liable to be assassinated, so determined are the smugglers to continue their traffic. But customs houses have been established and others will be established until it will be impossible to continue the smuggling.

A portrait of Salmon P. Chase, of Ohio, a former chief justice of the United States supreme court, was unveiled at Springfield, Ill. Senator J. B. Foraker delivered the oration.

## PRICES GROW FIRMER

### Danger of Runaway Iron and Steel Market Is Passed.

The Iron Review says: The danger of a runaway is disappearing and conditions are thoroughly sound. The outlook is that while there will be no special excitement in the near future all plants will continue fully as active as they have been for some time.

The demand for structural material continues unabated, and efforts to entice life into the strike of structural workers seems to have had little effect. Among the recent large orders for bridge material was one for 18,000 tons from the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railroad.

## Neck Broken.

After falling into a Big Four gravel pit near Lawrenceburg, Ind., and breaking his neck, an Italian laborer, assisted by a friend, walked nearly a mile to his tent, holding his head in his hands the whole distance. Physicians found the man's neck had been fractured at the fifth vertebrae, and declared that the injuries will undoubtedly prove fatal.

## Charged With Manslaughter.

County Detective Harry J. Bentley of Carlisle, Pa., arrested Trainmaster George O. Sarvis of the Philadelphia & Reading railway, on a charge of criminal negligence and manslaughter in connection with the wreck at Roush curve, September 21, in which six trainmen lost their lives. The bail was fixed at \$3,000 and was promptly furnished. The hearing will not take place until Sarvis, who was injured in the wreck, is able to go to Carlisle.

## Norway and Sweden at Peace.

The special committee of the Swedish riksdag, appointed to consider the Karlstad treaty, unanimously reported in favor of its ratification. Orders were issued calling home the troops and naval reserve men. This marks the end of the Norwegian-Swedish dispute.

## FOOTBALL TOO BRUTAL

### President Wants to See Rules of the Game Changed.

President Roosevelt entertained at luncheon Dr. D. H. Nichols and W. T. Reid of Harvard; Arthur T. Hilderbrand and John B. Fine of Princeton, and Walter Camp and Mr. Owsley of Yale. The six guests of the President constitute the athletic advisors of the respective colleges named. The President desired to consider with them particularly the morale of the game of football with a view to eliminate much of its brutality if possible.

A general discussion of college athletics was had, but the talk centered around the game of football. It is hoped by the President that with the co-operation of the college authorities and the athletic advisors the rules of the game may be so amended as to practically do away with much of the brutality which makes the game objectionable to many people.

## PAT CROWE'S OCCUPATION

### Principally That of Dodging Police for Number of Years.

Pat Crowe, the alleged kidnaper of Edward Cudahy, arrived at Omaha, Neb., from Butte, Mont., in custody of Captain of Detectives Dunn and Detective Heitfeld. An immense throng greeted Crowe with cheers at the Union station.

Crowe was not inclined to talk of his past. He declared that much had been published on his alleged doings, confessions and other matters, which he mentioned a confession said to have been signed by him at Butte implicating young Cudahy in a conspiracy in connection with the kidnapping. In registering, Crowe was asked by the police what his occupation was. Crowe remarked: "Dodging my fellows has been about all I have done for the past six or seven years."

## CURRENT NEWS EVENTS.

Robbers at Hensel, N. D., blew the safe of the National bank and secured \$2,500 in cash.

Massachusetts Democrats in state convention name Gen. Charles W. Bartlett for governor.

An increase of \$48,000 is shown in the gross earnings of the Wabash for the first week of October.

The successful test of a Westinghouse electric engine induces Sweden to equip her state railways with electricity.

The Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees, in convention at Detroit, re-elected W. D. Mahon as president.

Former Vice President Hyde of the Equitable society demands protection before he will testify before the legislative committee.

Investigation developed that President McCurdy of the Mutual Life Insurance Company, receives \$150,000 salary annually.

Fire that originated from crossed electric wires in the R. G. Koch Furniture company's establishment at Oil City, Pa., caused a loss of \$12,000, covered by insurance.

An order for 1,000 steel gondola cars has been given to the Cambria Steel Company by the Jersey Central and it is said the order may be doubled.

The production of gold in the Rand, South Africa, last month is officially announced to have amounted to 416,487 fine ounces, a decrease of 12,094 ounces as compared with August.

Net earnings of the United States Steel corporation for the current year, based on orders now booked, will, it is estimated, be \$140,000,000, or the largest in the history of the corporation.

The American Association of Bankers put itself squarely on record as favoring Government subsidies for the upbuilding of the American merchant marine.

General Greely, chief signal officer of the army, has decided to install a wireless telegraph system between Zamboanga and Jolo, Philippine Islands.

A report has been received at Mojil that the British steamer Leho struck a floating mine 90 miles east of the Shantung lighthouse on September 20. Of the crew and passengers 15 are reported missing, among them two foreign engineers.

Colonel von Eitmann, Chief of Police at Krasnoyarsk, Eastern Siberia, has been murdered. Colonel von Eitmann was returning from the theater with his family when he was attacked. The assassin fired six shots, several of which took effect.

While engaged in painting the elevator shaft of the Washington monument at a distance of 270 feet from the bottom, Joseph G. Owings, through the collapse of the scaffolding, was precipitated to the ground and met with instant death. His body was badly mangled.

James Fowlkes, colored, charged with assault on a white woman at Clinton, Ky., was tried, convicted and sentenced to seven years in the penitentiary, while on board a passenger train, because the authorities feared Fowlkes would be lynched should they leave the train with their prisoner.

## Football Player Dies.

Charles Hagadus, an Austrian, 19 years of age, died at the hospital at Oil City, Pa., from injuries received in football practice. Hagadus kicked at the ball, missing it, and fell on his breast. He neglected to call a physician at the time.

Catholene Leysick, aged 27, of 104 Ivandale street, Pitsburg, killed her six-months' old daughter, Annie, by cutting her throat with a razor, and then committed suicide by slashing her own throat.

# \$100,000 AND MAN GONE

## Clerk for Adams Express Company Takes Big Package.

### ANOTHER SHORTAGE OF \$10,000

### Cunliffe Went Home, Changed His Clothes and Bade His Wife an Affectionate Farewell.

One of the most gigantic robberies in the history of the express business was perpetrated in Pitsburg, October 9. The Adams Express company was victimized to the extent of \$100,000 in cold hard cash. Edward G. Cunliffe, a trusted employe of the company, who has been missing ever since the money disappeared, is naturally under suspicion, and his pictures and description have been sent to all parts of the United States and Canada and Europe. A warrant has been issued for his arrest.

Cunliffe was employed in the money department of the express company, and on that day he had a chance to serve in the place of the regular money clerk. With the chance came the opportunity to handle a package containing the large sum mentioned, \$80,000, being in \$100 bills.

Monday afternoon at 4:15 o'clock a bank of Pitsburg delivered to the Adams Express company, a package containing currency to the amount of \$100,000, which was consigned to a bank in Cincinnati. Cunliffe, acting as regular money clerk, made out a receipt for the amount to the bank messenger. In the package were \$80,000 in \$100 bills, \$10,000 in \$50 bills and the remaining \$10,000 in denominations of \$5, \$10 and \$20 bills.

The \$100 and \$50 bills were new, having been just issued by the Farmers Deposit National bank of Pitsburg, and the Bank of Pitsburg, N. A. The remainder of the money was currency which had been used.

The company supposed that Cunliffe had started the money on its journey to Cincinnati, and it was not until the next morning, when Cunliffe did not report for work that the large sum was missed. Then it became suspected that one of the most daring robberies in many years had been successfully accomplished.

Charles H. Helmer, general agent of the Adams Express Company in Pitsburg, immediately started an investigation of Cunliffe. It was found that he is short in his accounts \$1,000 in addition to the missing \$100,000. Detectives were immediately placed on the case, and it was found that the money had never been received at the forwarding office in Union station.

Cunliffe left the office Monday night at the usual time of closing. There was not the slightest suspicion of anything being amiss. He went to his home and ate quietly the evening meal. He then changed his clothes and affectionately bade his wife and four little children goodby, saying he was going out for the evening.

## RAMSEY DEFEATED

### Forced from Directorate of the Wabash System.

At the meeting of the Wabash stockholders in Toledo, Joseph Ramsey, Jr., failed completely in his effort to wrest control of the Wabash system from George Gould.

The directors chosen by the bondholders of the road were: Thomas H. Hubbard, E. T. Jeffrey, John T. Terry, H. S. Pierce, M. Galloway, Edgar T. Welles. The total vote cast was 299,350. The vote for each of the above directors was 228,510. Ramsey's vote was 21,840.

The directors chosen by the stockholders were: S. C. Reynolds, George J. Gould, Russell Sage, W. B. Sanders, R. C. Clowry, W. H. Blodgett. The total vote cast was 498,509. The vote for each of the above directors was 461,467. Ramsey's vote was 38,042. The director elected by the 12 named above was F. A. Delano.

Not only was Ramsey utterly defeated in all he undertook, but he was forced from the directory of the road and now has nothing whatever to do with its management in any manner.

## Union Pacific Drops Hyde.

James H. Hyde, of New York, former president of the Equitable Life Assurance society, was dropped from the board of directors of the Union Pacific railroad at a meeting of the board in Salt Lake City. P. A. Valentine, of Chicago, was elected. With these exceptions, all members of the former board were re-elected. There was no opposition to the Harriman interests.

## Gets \$500,000 from Mrs. Hearst.

Several valuable gifts were received by the board of regents for the California state university at its monthly meeting. Mrs. Hearst's donation alone amounting to nearly \$500,000. For the past seven years she has been collecting from all parts of the world archaeological and anthropological material, and this collection she has given to the university.

## Canal Captain Is Drowned.

Elmer Thomas, a young captain of Cumberland, Md., who had charge of a boat on the Chesapeake and Ohio canal, was drowned in the canal at Dovesville. He accidentally fell from the deck while the boat was passing through a lock.

The Scotch steel makers have agreed to raise the list quotations of manufactured steel \$2.50 per ton. This makes an increase of \$5 per ton within the past two weeks.

## MUTINY WAS THE CAUSE

### Battleship Blown Up Because Japs Disliked Peace Terms.

The steamer Tartar, which arrived at Victoria, B. C., brought news from Japan that the story was current that the accident to the battleship Mikasa, at Saseho, was occasioned as a result of a mutiny on board because of the resentment by the crew of the peace terms.

Robert W. Collins, who represented the Associated Press with Kuroki's army throughout the campaign, and who was a passenger on the Tartar, said the story was given some credence in diplomatic circles in Japan. Mr. Collins said the report was the men mutined and attempted to secure the ship, when some officers fired the magazine. Soon after the disaster Admiral Togo went to Tokyo to lay a report of the occurrence before the emperor.

## SHOT HIS RELATIVES

### Nebraska Man Takes Vengeance Over Mother's Dead Body.

Over the dead body of his mother John Budenek shot his sister, his brother and his brother-in-law at Hastings, Neb. Miss Frances Budenek, aged 22, was shot in the hand; Jacob Budenek, aged 52, received a bullet in the eye, and Peter Smeal was shot through the leg, through the abdomen and through the left shoulder. The latter two are in a dying condition.

The shooting occurred in a death chamber at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Smeal, where Mrs. M. Budenek died that night, and was the culmination of a family quarrel.

## To Ratify Treaty by Cable.

The treaty of peace between Russia and Japan will become effective on its approval, without awaiting the formal exchange of ratifications at Washington. This course has been decided upon that the speediest possible termination of the war may be had. The treaty is now before the respective Emperors of Japan and Russia for the royal signatures. As soon as it has been signed this fact will be communicated by cable to the State Department at Washington and the Washington Government will appreciate each Emperor of the act of the other. This will end the war.

## HAWLEY UNDER ARREST.

### One of Uncle Sam's Marines Charged With Murder.

Charles Hawley, 23 years old, was arrested at Sanders rifle range, Md., on the charge of having murdered Simon Donahue at Masontown, Fayette county, Pa., on October 29, 1904. Hawley escaped from Masontown after the crime and later enlisted in the marine corps. A short time ago the authorities got a line on him and he was apprehended. He is being held by the Washington authorities upon request of the officials of Fayette county.

## NO TUBERCULOSIS CURE

### No Specific Curative for Consumption Has Been Discovered.

The international tuberculosis congress at Paris discussed the varied forms and chemical aspects of consumption. It was admitted that a specific curative medicine had not been discovered, but the palliative qualities of certain remedies were recognized.

## The Boston Wool Market.

The wool market is quiet and firm. The bulk of the trade is coming from the woolen goods manufacturers. Since the close of the London sales the market has stiffened on the low grade wools. Territory wools are notably strong, with prices practically unchanged. The market for pulled wools is quiet, especially for S supers. Foreign grades are strong. Leading quotations follow: Ohio and Pennsylvania XX and above, 36@37c; X, 34@35c; No. 1, 40@41c; No. 2, 41@42c; fine unwashed, 28@29c; quarter wool unwashed, 34@35c; three-eighths blood, 25@26c; half-blood, 24@25c; unwashed delaine, 30@31c; unmerchable, 31@32c; fine washed delaine, 39@40c.

## TWO MINERS PERISH

### Explosion in Hazelkirk Shaft Was Followed by Fire.

In a mine explosion which occurred at shaft No. 2 at Hazelkirk, Pa., near Vanvorhis station on the M. & W. branch, two lives were lost. The 10 other men in the mine were overcome by gas, but were rescued, and have completely recovered. The dead are: Joseph Kosko, single; John Kosko, married, leaves widow and one child. The two men killed were foreigners and machine operators.

The trouble was caused by a brother workman making a shot at the head of the entry. Dan Griffith, boss driver, was told of the trouble. He, with a party of friends, started into the mine, but were very soon driven back by the heat.

## Capture Three German Steamers.

The Norwegian steamer Arnfrid and the German steamers Kowloon, Hans Wagner and M. Struve have been captured by the Japanese at various times recently while on their way to Vladivostok.

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# KEYSTONE STATE CULLINGS

## COMPLETION OF MERGER

### Capital Stock of Electric Railway Company Is Turned Over to a New Concern.

The action of the directors of the Pennsylvania & Mahoning Valley Electric railway line in selling the properties to the new \$10,000,000 mortgaged company known as the Shenango & Mahoning Valley Light & Power Company was formally ratified at a meeting of the stockholders at the general offices of the company in New Castle. Over 98 per cent of the capital stock of \$8,000,000 was represented. The stock was turned over to James Blackburn of Youngstown, as a formality in the completion of the merger. The other lines taken into the consolidation are the New Castle-Sharon, and the Youngstown-Sharon Interurban lines.

R. E. Zimmerman, a hardware dealer of Beaver Falls, was robbed of about \$100 in money by two young strangers. They made a small purchase, gave Mr. Zimmerman a \$5 bill to change and learned that he had his money in his safe, which was unlocked. Then one of them got out on the sidewalk to show him a washing machine while the other left the store, went around the block, crawled in through the back window and went through the safe. The merchant did not miss the money for an hour.

Rev. E. J. Gwynne, D. D., president of Keystone College at Martinsburg, Blair county, and brother-in-law of W. W. Blackburn, of Pitsburg, and a man who has been a Methodist all his life, applied for admission to the Huntington Presbyterian of the Presbyterian Church, giving up his membership in the Methodist denomination. In order to fit himself for the Presbyterian pulpit he will take a post-graduate course in Princeton Theological Seminary.

The Attorney General's department has furnished State Health Commissioner Dixon with an opinion to the effect that it is the duty of the county commissioners of counties, where there are no poor directors, to provide sustenance for all indigent persons residing within their district, who are affected with disease, or who are kept from their regular employment by reason of quarantine established by the State health department.

The Jones & Laughlin Company of Pitsburg will Tuesday take up one of the largest blocks of coal ever secured by one firm in Washington county. The tract comprises 16,000 acres and is located in West Bethlehem and Amwell townships. It is at present held by the Jones Brothers, extensive independent coal operators. The Jones & Laugh