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HOUSE.

WASHINGTON, May 22.—On motion of Kasson, of Iowa, senate amendment to house bill authorizing the receipt of United States gold coin in exchange for gold bars was agreed to.

Calkins, of Indiana, then called up the contested election case of Mackey vs. Dibble, from the sixth district of South Carolina.

Ramsey, of Pennsylvania, stated that there were reasons why his side did not desire to consider that case to-day, and raised the question of consideration. On division, the democrats refrained from voting.

A call of the house was ordered and disclosed the presence of 214 members. The doors were then closed and an order was passed directing the sergeant-at-arms to take into custody absent members and bring them to the bar of house. In the course of half an hour Oates, of Alabama, Van Voorhis, of New York and Young, of Ohio, were brought to the bar. After presenting their excuses, amid much merriment, they were discharged from custody. Calkins, of Indiana, giving them notice, however, that after to-day he would, unless bona fide excuses were offered, insist that some punishment should be visited upon these members.

Matters then remained at a standstill until 2 p. m., when Calkins suggested that discussion of the case be proceeded with.

Sparks, of Illinois, said that it was charged that part of the record was a forgery. He desired that the whole matter be sent back to the committee on elections.

The next members brought in were Richardson, of South Carolina, and Brumm, of Pennsylvania, the latter being a greenbacker. Various propositions were made that he be fined a flat, a Bland, or a trade dollar. Both were excused.

At 2:30 p.m., further proceedings under the call were dispensed with, and the vote again recurring on question of consideration resulted—yeas, 119—nays, 2, Phelps, of Connecticut, and Springer, of Illinois, voting no. No quorum.

Hiscock, chairman of the committee on appropriations, reported the general deficiency bill printed and recommitted. It recommends an appropriation of $6,425,319.

Another call of the house was then ordered. At conclusion of roll-call, Calkins remarked that it was impossible to get a voting quorum present to-day, and moved to adjourn.

The house then at 3:30 p. m. adjourned.

WASHINGTON, May 22.—Mr. Brown presented resolutions of the Georgia legislature asking for an appropriation in aid of education in that state.

Mr. Garland reported favorably, as amended from the judiciary committee, senate bill to attach the county of Dade, Florida, to the southern district of that state.

Mr. Miller, of Colorado, introduced a joint resolution to authorize the president to declare martial law in the territory of Alaska. Referred to the judiciary committee.

The calendar was proceeded with and senate bill to secure safe keeping of money paid into the courts, was passed. It directs that deposits of all moneys paid into any court of the United States in a pending cause with the treasurer or assistant treasurer, or some designated depository of the United States, and where there is none such with a bank, to be designated by the court. Provision is made for bond and sureties for the safe keeping of money and for judgment with damages on failure to make payment.

Senate bill to provide for payment of the claim of Joseph R. Shanon for a steamboat impressed into the Union service by General Butler, at New Orleans, in 1862, and destroyed by the Confederates while in that service, was passed, the committee's report asserting the loyalty of the claimant and the liability of the government.

After an executive session, the senate adjourned.

HOUSE.

Soon after the house met this morning an attempt was made to take up the Mackey-Dibble election case. Filibustering on part of the democrats began and still continues.

Calkins called up the contested election case as a privileged question.

Randall antagonized it with a call of the states and subsequently with Monday's special order for business.

Several votes taken showed no quorum, while a call of the house showed 223 members present. The doors were then closed and the sergeant-at-arms was directed to take absent members into custody.

Van Voohis, of New York, was the only member captured, and he was excused.

Several votes, resulting in no quorum, and calls of states, showing the presence of more than a quorum, were had. The remainder of the time was consumed in disputes among members. Finally the house at 4:40 adjourned, having accomplished nothing.

CONFIRMATIONS.

The senate to-day confirmed the nomination of H. L. Gosling for the western district of Texas; James H. Houston, postmaster, Uniontown, Alabama; W. G. Stewart, postmaster, Tallahassee, Florida, and George F. Arnow, Gainesville, Florida.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, May 23.—Mr. Pugh moved to reconsider the final vote on the passage of the five per cent. land bill, and as the measure had been sent to the house, he coupled with the motion a request for the return of the bill to the senate. The motion passed—yeas, 26; nays, 22.

Upon motion to reconsider the vote, the senate became badly tangled among points of order.

A question was asked President pro tem. Davis, in reply to which he began: "The court would say——" Being apprised of his error by a hearty burst of laughter, the chair answered the query. Finally the motion to reconsider was voted down.

Senate bill referring to the court of claims, the claim of the State National bank of Louisiana, for cotton taken by the United States after the close of the war, was passed.

At 2 o'clock the senate proceeded with the unfinished business, house bill for the distribution of the Geneva award, and Mr. Call addressed the senate.

The discussion was continued by Messrs. Bayard Jones, of Florida, Hale, Frye and Hoar.

The pending amendment providing for the claims of insurance companies, was rejected—ayes, 6; nays, 40.

Mr. Garland moved as an amendment the bill reported by the minority of the senate committee, recognizing the claims of sufferers by exculpated cruisers. Rejected.

The bill then passed. Following is the vote in detail:

Yeas—Aldrich, Allison, Blair, Brown, Call Cameron, of Pennsylvania, Cameron, of Wisconsin, Chilcot, Cockrell, Conger, Dawes, Farley, Frye, George, Gorman, Grover, Hall, Hawley, Hoar, Jonas, Jones, of Florida, Jones, of Nevada, Lapham, McDill, McMillan, McPherson, Miller, of California, Miller, of New York, Morrill, Platt, Rollins, Saunders, Sawyer, Sewell, Sherman, Slater, Vest and Windom—38.

Nays—Beck, Camden, Coke, Davis, of Illinois, Davis, of Wyet Virginia, Garland, Groom, Harris, Jackson, Maxey, Morgan and Williams—12.

Bayard, Ransom, Vance and Hampton were paired with Plumb, Logan, Kellogg and Fair. The bill passed as it came from the house, without alteration.

Adjourned.

NOTES.

The speaker laid before the house various executive communications (already published) which were appropriately referred.

The struggle over the contested election case, Mackey vs. Dibble, was then proceeded with, Randall, of Pennsylvania, raising a question of consideration in antagonism to the effort made by Calkins, of Indiana, to call up that case for discussion and action vote. The result was—yeas, 128; nays, 1—Phelps, of Connecticut,—47 less than a quorum, and a call of the house was ordered.

March, of Maine, (greenbacker) asked for indefinite leave of absence on account of sickness. This was opposed by the republicans and the motion was lost—yeas, 115; nays, 122. March was then excused for a day.

Rice of Massachusetts, Mason of New York and Smith of New York (republicans,) were also excused for a day on the same grounds. The doors were then closed and the sergeant-at-arms directed to bring in the absentees.

Tucker of Virginia, was the only member brought in under duress and he was excused upon giving a satisfactory explanation.

Members sat round in groupes cutting or reading papers, patiently awaiting further proceedings. After another call of the house the session for this evening was dispensed with and the house at 4:55 adjourned.

NOMINATIONS.

The president to day nominated as collector of customs, Francis E. Whitesell, district of Saint Augustine, Florida; John Tibler, district of Pensacola, Florida.

THE STAR-ROUTERS.

The star-route cases came up again to-day and all of the defendants gave the same bonds under the new indictments which had been required under the old indictments. The cases then were set for Friday.

Across the Ocean.

THE CITY OF LIMERICK'S BOAT.

LONDON, May 22.—A vessel arrived at Queenstown reports having picked up a boat marked City of Limerick.

THE NEW INSPECTOR-GENARAL.

Colonel Bruce has been appointed inspector-general of the Irish constabulary.

CORONATION TO BE DEFERRED.

A dispatch to the Central News, from Tilsit, states at the council of the Russian imperial family at Peterhorf palace it was decided because of the receipt of alarming information touching projects of Nihilists, to defer the coronation of the czar for one year.

PARLIAMENT.

In the house of commons, to-day, Mr. Gladstone, replying to Patrick Martin, member for county Kilkenny, stated that he has seen the resolution of the Irish judges against suppression of trial by jury, but he was bound to say that the government had carefully considered the matter before the resolution was framed, and that the repression bill contains their deliberate conclusions.

Trevelyan, chief secretary for Ireland, replying to Redmond, member for New Roscommon, said O'Mahoney, suspect, is not an American citizen, and had not been prevented from writing to Minister Lowell, of the United States government. He declared to have not offered O'Mahoney, or any American citizen, money to quit the country.

Gladstone announced that to-morrow he would move that the repression bill have precedence over all other business until its consideration is concluded. He said it he finds it is necessary he will afterward ask precedence for the arrears of rent bill.

Parnell gave notice he would move to-morrow Gladstone's resolution in regard to the repression bill and shall also reply to the arrears bill.

Gladstone moved the second reading of the arrears bill. The house was very crowded when he made his motion. Gladstone said it is impossible to compel people to borrow; therefore money supplied by the government must be a gift. He stated that there are 585,000 tenants in Ireland paying under £30 rent, on the Griffiths valuation, and of these 200,000 are excluded from the benefits of the land act by being in arrears; this he said must be remedied. He admitted the proposal was extraordinary, but so was the state of Ireland.

Mr. Schlatter Booth (conservative) moved an amendment declaring it is inexpedient to charge the consolidated fund with any payment of arrears, except in form of a loan. He described the government's plan as communistic and demoralizing. He said it was an evil precedent and most objectionable, in view of Scotch and English farmers who suffered as much as Irish farmers.

RUNNING SHORT.

A despatch from Berlin to the Daily Telegraph states that the Jewish committee have resolved that they will only help those whom the action of the Russian authorities or the destruction of their property obliges them to emigrate, as they are no longer able to assist voluntary emigrants.

BERLIN ADVICES.

A despatch to the News from Berlin states that negotiations between Prussia and the Vatican have advanced rapidly during the last few days with every hope of satisfactory settlement by the middle of June. Bismarck is still a great invalid, but he is determined to attend the second reading of the tobacco monoply bill in the Reichstag if he has to be carried to the house.

THE CROWN PRINCE WARNED.

BERLIN, May 22.—The Berlin Tagsblatt states that the German embassy at St. Petersburg, has warned the German Crown, Prince Frederick William that he will run great danger if he attends the coronation of the czar at Moscow, as there is a deep, but not fully undiscovered conspiracy against the czar and his guests.

THREATENING THE CARDINAL.

DUBLIN, May 22.—Cardinal McCabe has received a number of threatening letters. He is guarded by the police.

A DENIAL.

The Freemar's Journal denies that Mr. Parnell is about to resign his seat in the house of commons.

A SAD STATE OF AFFAIRS.

VIENNA, May 22.—The Presse correspondent at Brady says the condition of the Jews there is more terrible than a previous telegram led the public to suppose. Complaint has been made against the Liverpool relief committee. They only transport the strong and young to America, while men and women with large families are left at Brady. Starvation is increasing and sickness is wide-spread. Emigration from Russia is still progressing and the Jews are selling the whole of their property at any cost and hurrying to the frontier. A later telegram states the mayor of Limburg has directed the relief committee of that town to commence disbursing a fund hitherto held back.

SURRENDERED.

CETTINJI, May 22.—The Crivoscians, being destitute of all means of carrying on revolt, have crossed the Montenegrin frontier and surrendered their arms to Montenegrin troops. The revolt is thus ended.

A DISASTROUS FIRE.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 22.—A fire in the Jewish quarter of Kovno destroyed 165 houses. Damage is 600,000 roubles.

Guiteau's Last Straw.

WASHINGTON, May 22.—The announcement that the decision of the court in banc upon exceptions in Guiteau's case would be read this morning attracted an unusual gathering at the circuit court-room. At 10:15 the judges filed into court and took their places upon the bench. Soon after the formal opening of court, Justice James said: "I am instructed by the court to announce the decision in the case of the United States vs. Charles J Guiteau, upon exception to the judgment of the criminal court." He then read from manuscript the decision of the court. At its conclusion, Judge James said that although the court was unanimous in the views set forth, there were some questions which it was desirable to discuss more fully than could well be done in the opinion he had just read. Justice Hagner had consented to discuss those questions in a separate opinion. Justice Hagner then read his opinion, and Chief Justice Carter made the following announcement: "The opinions which have here been uttered are the unanimous opinions of the court, that a new trial is denied and the judgment below affirmed in this case."

The court then adjourned.

The Bennett Property.

NEW YORK, May 22.—The partition sale was made to-day of the Bennett estate under the direction of the referee. Bidding was pretty spirited, but in all cases property was knocked down to James Gordon Bennett. The property is located at the foot of Washington, 5th avenue, 21st, 30th, 39th streets and Nassau street. The whole property realized $1,362,600, the Bennett building in Nassau street realizing $600,000 of the amount.

Commercial Notes.

THE NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

NEW YORK, May 22.—The stock market opened generally strong and ⅛@¾ higher than it closed Saturday, the latter for Wabash preferred. In the early dealings an advance of 4@5 took place, in which Richmond & Danville and Northern Pacific preferred were prominent, while St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba sold up 5½ to 131½. This was followed by a reaction of 4@5, the latter Pacific Mail, while St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba sold off 1½. At 1 o'clock there was a slight recovery in the mineral list and ½ in St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba.

Stocks strong; closed ½@3½ higher than yesterday. Chicago & Northwestern, 130½; do, prefered, 142½; Erie, 35½; East Tennessee railroad, 10⅞; Georgia railroad, 165; Illinois Central 135½; Lake Shore & Michigan Southern 102½; Louisville & Nashville 74⅞; Memphis & Charleston 50; Nashville & Chattanooga 90½; New York Central & Hudson River 127⅞; Pittsburg & Cleveland guaranteed 136½; Richmond & Alleghany 16½; Richmond & Danville 103; Rock Island 128, Wabash, St. Louis & Pacific 30½; Wabash preferred, 53½; Western Union telegraph 84½; South Carolina Brown consols, 100½.

FUTURES.

NEW YORK, May 22.—The Post's cotton market report says future deliveries continue to be freely offered. Stop-orders have again been acted on to some extent. The first call showed a decline of 6 to 10 points, and subsequently prices fell 9 to 10 points; reacted but fell off a second time, offers at the advance proving too large. Then came another advance which was better maintained, and the third call disclosed an improvement of 7 to 9 points over the lowest point of to-day. Hammering the market has ceased for the present.

GOING TO WIND UP.

BOSTON, MASS., May 22.—The Pacific National bank, which suspended some months ago and resumed but a few weeks since, stopped payment to-day and will wind up business. Its directors have voted to go into liquidation, and have applied for a receiver. Suspension is considered due to lack of business since resumption, public confidence not having been great enough to warrant any large dealings with the concern.

THE CAUSE.

The immediate cause of the suspension of the bank was the maturing of $500,000 of paper on Saturday, which the bank was unable to pay and which went to protest. It is understood all depositors will be paid in full, but that original stockholders will have their investment of $2,000,000 wiped out.

THE RECEIVER.

Lincus M. Price, of the treasury department, has been appointed receiver of the Pacific bank.

SHUTTING DOWN THE MILLS.

PHILADELPHIA, May 22.—An agreement entered into by the manufacturers of cotton goods, cottonades, jeans and other low grades of textile fabrics, looking to the reduction of quantity produced in Philadelphia and vicinity, went into effect to-day and many of the mills were shut down in consequence.

NEW EXCHANGE RULE.

CHICAGO, May 22.—By a viva voice vote, with scarely a dissenting voice, the board of trade to-day adopted a rule making winter and spring wheat of any higher grade good tender on all future contracts. The rule goes into effect June 1st.

Celebration of the Mecklenburg Declaration.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., May 20.—The 107th anniversary of the declaration of independence by the people of Mecklenburg county, on the 20th day of May, 1775, was celebrated here to-day with great eclat. Senator Vance made the welcoming speech, Senator Ransom read the declaration, and Senator Bayard, of Delaware, was the orator of the occasion. The two senators from South Carolina, Butler and Hampton, Congressmen Scales, Cox, and Armfield, of this state; Robinson, of New York; Berry, of California; Governor Jarvis and staff, were present. The review of the North Carolina State Guards by the governor and adjutant general of the state took place in Independence square, the spot on which the declaration was said to have been made, and the fire companies from Augusta, Columbia, Greenville, Spartansburg, South Carolina, and Danville, Virginia, took part with the Charlotte firemen in the parade. Military companies were present from Carolina, and the military parade, while not large, was imposing. The number of persons present was variously estimated at from 10,000 to 15,000.

Commercial Notes.

CLOSING OUT.

NEW YORK, May 20.—A Chicago special states that the branch house of A. T. Stewart & Co., in this city, discharged all of their employes, 150 in number, yesterday, and will close the store at once.

ATTACHED.

NEW YORK, May 20.—In the action brought in the supreme court by Kidder, Peabody & Co., against the People's Savings bank, of Mobile, Alabama, an attachment was granted to-day against property of defendants in this city for $11,767.76. Defendants claim that on the 4th of last April they cashed two drafts drawn upon them by L. Green & Co. to the order of cashier of defendant's and that those drafts were paid to them by bank accompanied by what purported to be bills of lading for 250 bales of cotton, which they assert has never been shipped. They allege that the bank warranted the bills of lading, and plaintiffs now say that they are fraudulent, and that Green & Co. have become insolvent, and that L. Green has left the state.

Washington Notes.

THE STAR-ROUTERS.

WASHINGTON, May 20.—The grand jury of the criminal court of the district to-day returned new presentments against Thomas J. Brady, John W. Dorsey, Stephen W. Dorsey, Montfort C. Reedell, Henry M. Turner, J. R. Miner, J. M. Peck, and Harvey M. Vail, charging them with conspiracy to defraud the United States, in connection with the awards of star route contracts. The points of difference between these presentments and the old indictments are given as follows: The name of J. L. Sanderson is omitted; Vaile is described as Harvey Vail, otherwise called H. M. Vail; Reedell is described as Montfort C. Reedell, otherwise called M. C. Reedell, otherwise called Montfort C. Reedell; the allegations of overt acts committed outside of the statute of limitation have been omitted; twelve new overt acts have been inserted, about the making of fraudulent claims against the government, based on fraudulent allowances. A number of letters and petitions are incorporated and finally the date of conspiracy is brought forward to May 23rd, 1878. The indictments are otherwise substantially the same as those now being tried, which will be dismissed and give place to the new indictments. They cover 195 closely written foolscap pages and it is thought by the prosecuting officers that they close up several loopholes which were left open in the old indictments. Immediately after presentation District Attorney Corkhill asked the court to issue bench warrants for the arrest of defendants, explaining that as they were already under bond in other cases he should not serve them unless it appeared to be necessary. Bliss stated that defendants would be furnished with printed copies of indictments before Monday. Judge Wylie then issued an order making warrants returnable next Tuesday.

SHIPBREAK.

Shipherd was asked this afternoon what reply he proposed to make to the ultimatum of the foreign affairs committee, and replied that he did not propose to bother with the committee any further; that they made them a proposition, which they had declined, and that now no power on earth could compel him to produce his documents before the committee; that he had wasted three months' time and expended several thousand dollars in counsel fees, simply to please the committee and public; that the committee had no power to compel him, and was well aware of it; that in the future he would not even notice a subpoena from them. He further intimated he proposed in a few days to give to the public through the press, the documents which the committee had declined to receive upon his terms. Shipherd leaves the city this afternoon but expects to return Monday, when he will make arrangements for the publication of his documents.

THE REASONS.

WASHINGTON, May 23.—The reasons of the democrats for declining to discuss in the house the Mackey-O'Connor election contest are stated by leading members of the party, among them Representatives Randall and Carlisle, in the following words: "There are two questions involved; first, the forging of the testimony; and, second, the right to a seat under the rules of the house. If the democrats consent to a consideration of the case the republicans will seat Mackey by a party vote without investigating the forgery. The democrats are ready to consider appropriation bills and other public business, but will not consent to try this case until a full investigation of the forgery is had.

EX-MARSHAL RUSSELL.

Stillwell H. Russell, ex-United States marshal for the western district of Texas, who was arrested on the charge of misappropriation of government funds, was arraigned in the criminal court and placed under $4,000 bond to appear before the United States circuit court at San Antonio, Texas, at the June term.

THE CHILI-PERUVIAN NUISANCE.

The house foreign affairs committee again to-day took up the investigation of the Peruvian company. The ex-assistant-secretary of state was the only witness but all of his knowledge had been obtained while acting as interpreter between Blaine and the agent of the Credit Industrial company, when the latter gentleman visited the state department in the effort to secure the intervention of the United States in behalf of Peru. The gentleman, though representing the Credit Industrial company as its agent, had only sought intervention in the interest of humanity, not of his company. Upon all other points Mr. Hill was profoundly ignorant. He had first heard of the missing papers after he left the department: never saw them; certainly would have remembered the same if he had ever seen them; it was hardly probable that they would come direct to the department without his seeing them. Witness was asked in relation to the status of of Trescott in the state department at the time he was apparently employed by the department in connection with the preparation of dispatches touching Chili-Peruvian matters, and replied that Trescott had just returned from China, where he had been one of the commissioners. Pending the settlement of that matter he was consulted in regard to the Chili-Peruvian matter and made a thorough investigation and prepared a statement of the facts upon which the secretary could act. He was specially charged with this matter in connection with the preparation of dispatches, and with exception of the secretary was the most competent person to explain the meaning of every word in those dispatches. He was very highly esteemed in the department, and on account of his high standing and experience as a diplomat was selected as commissioner to visit the South American states. The chairman announced that Blaine would again come before them to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock, and the committee adjourned.

TO BE REPORTED FAVORABLY.

The house committee on war claims, to-day instructed representative Houk, of Tennessee, to report favorably the bill for payment of $1,250 to Mitchell & Childres, of Knox county, Tennessee, in payment for supplies furnished Burnside's army in 1863.

Crimes and Casualties.

MEXICAN JUSTICE.

CITY OF MEXICO, May 22.—Five men who attempted to destroy a bridge on the Mexican National railway on Friday last were caught yesterday, and, by order of the governor of the state of Mexico, were immediately shot.

AN EXCEPTIONAL CASE.

KNOXVILLE, TENN., May 22.—Judge Matthews, of the United States supreme court, to-day convened the United States circuit court for the eastern district of Tennessee in special session to try the case of the State of Tennessee vs. Geo. L. Larkins, for murder about a year ago. Larkins was a deputy United States marshal, and killed his cousin. The case attracts much attention, as this is the only case of the kind ever tried in a United States court. Judges Baxter and Key sit with Judge Matthews. A jury was completed this afternoon, and the court adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow.

A STARTLING CONFESSION.

MUSCATINE, IA., May 22.—Notice was telegraphed Saturday of the murder of a man named McMinon by his children. The girl, Mary, who on Saturday declared that she shot her father in self defense, her brother and older sister, are here in jail. To-day the Daily Journal has a full confession from the two girls, showing that the murder was committed by the brother in order that the children might have things their own way at home, and it was arranged that the younger sister should acknowledge the shooting with the idea that a plea of self-defense and her extreme youth would save her from punishment.

A LOOSE HOOK.

NEW YORK, May 22.—Charles H. Smith, who was indicted by the grand jury on the charge of stealing from the treasury department certain plates and material of the 6 per cent. issue of bonds on January 15, 1880, was arraigned before United States Commissioner Benedict in Brooklyn to-day. His counsel raised the objection of misnomer and claimed his client's name was not Charles H. Smith. An adjournment was then taken. Smith says he has not been in Washington since 1875 and is innocent. Brockway is yet at large.

A WATERHAUL.

PHILADELPHIA, May 22.—When the steamer British King arrived here from Liverpool to-day James Fennigan was arrested at the instance of the British consul on suspicion of having been concerned in the murder of Lord Cavendish and Mr. Burke. He proved to be only a poor stowaway, however, and was released.

INDICTED.

PHILADELPHIA, May 22.—The May term of the United States district court for jury trials, which was delayed for a week on account of the absence of Judge Butler, began to-day. Among the bills presented to the grand jury for action were new indictments in the case of the star-route defendants arrested in this city. These indictments are similar to those which were preferred in similar cases in Washington. One of them is against Joseph Funk, Henry Arbuckle, William B. Cash and Joseph R. Black, and the third is against Benjamin B. Wiley, Christian Price and Legland Ensign. Blackman, Funk and Wiley were contractors. The two former indictments are 130 pages of legal cap and the other eighty pages.

AN UNNATURAL MOTHER.

New York, May 23.—A Sun special from Rappahanock, Virginia, narrates a murder committed by Mrs. Maria Bruce, victim being her step-daughter, aged 10 years. She had conceived a hatred for the girl because of the latter's disapproval of her father's second marriage. Entering the house in bad humor she cited a poker and beat the girl's head to a jelly. She then carried the body to a cabin in the field and pouring kerosine on it, endeavored to burn it. Some neighbors happened on the scene and arrested the woman.

UNSATISFACTORY.

COLLINGWOOD, ONT., May 22.—The latest advices from the wreck of the steamer of the Manitou line which was burnt near Killarney on Friday last, places the number of persons lost from twenty to twenty-five. The names of many who were lost are not recorded, and probably the names of all of the victims will never be known.

SHOT DOWN.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK., May 22.—W. F. Whitten was killed by Edward McPherson, at Russellville station to-day, after leaving the magistrates office where McPherson had arraigned Whitten for running away with Mrs. McPherson.

Explosion.

SHAMOKIN, PA., May 20.—An explosion of sulphur occurred in the Buckeye colliery, near this place, to-day, causing instant death to James Lawrence and Frank Osman, and fatally burning David Green and Frank Hoffman. Green has since died. Hoffman had entered the breast with a naked lamp, while the other men remained behind the battery. An unexpected body of sulphur was met which ignited from the lamp, causing a terrific explosion and hurling the gangway timbers. About 200 tons of top coal were destroyed, which fell on Lawrence and Osman. Frank Hoffman was terribly burned.

Religious.

THE EPISCOPALIANS.

NORFOLK, May 20.—The Episcopal council to-day appointed a committee of three clergymen and three laymen to examine the whole question of division and report at the next council whether the claim of Bishop Whittle to exclusive right of inciting a movement looking thereto is authorized by the constitution or canons of the church. The Bishop consented to serve as chairman of the committee. Adjourned.

THE SOUTHERN PRESBYTERIANS.

ATLANTA, GA., May 20.—The assembly of southern Presbyterians developed into a very full one. In to-day's session telegrams of Christian greeting were received from the Cumberland Presbyterian Assembly and from the Northern Presbyterian Assembly, and cordial responses were sent. The Assembly decided not to take action approving the revised New Testament at present. Next year's meeting of the assembly will be held at Lexington, Kentucky. A delegate from the Reformed Dutch church was heard to-day, and the moderator responded.

Labor Troubles.

THE BOILER MAKERS.

NEW YORK, May 22.—All boiler makers employed in this city, Brooklyn and Greenpoint, who are members of the Boiler Makers union, made a demand this morning for an increase of 10 per cent in their wages. The demand was rejected and the men at once quit work and were followed by non-union men. They held a meeting to-day and reports showed that riveters have been receiving $2.60 a day, and fitters-up $3.25.

THE PLUMBERS.

Journeymen plumbers of this city again went on a strike to-day, by order of the union, and will remain out until all of the members of Boss Plumbers' association pay their men $4 per day.

A Bad Job.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., May 20.—An attempt was made at 3 o'clock this morning to blow open the safe of the national bank of Hopkinton at Hope Valley. Powder had been blown in about the safe door. The explosion blew off the outer fastening and destroyed the lock, but entrance to the safe could not be made. The thieves escaped, leaving a fine lot of burglars' tools. They were traced only a few miles through the country. This is the fourth attempt that has been made to rob this bank within the past eight or ten years.

The Land Sharks.

YANKTON, D. T., May 20.—The Western Union telegraph company were compelled by the supreme court yesterday to produce telegrams relative to the Santa Fe land-scrip frauds. Their telegrams show that John D. Cameron, W. D. Russell and E. E. Carpenter, the latter of Beloit, Iowa, were implicated in the manufacture of bogus scrip. Carpenter has been indicted, and will be tried with the others if he can be found. Cameron is coming with an officer from St. Louis, he and Russell having been arrested some time ago. Carpenter is a very prominent man and property-holder.

The Fire Record.

THE LOSS AT LEADVILLE.

LEADVILLE, COL., May 20.—The loss by yesterday's fire is to-day estimated at $300,000, generally covered by insurance in eight companies. The proprietors of the Windsor hotel and other buildings used as lodgings, fear that fifteen lives were lost, although so far only one body has been recovered.

The dead body found has been recognized as that of J. H. Ballon, of Colorado Springs. The number of missing has been reduced to three firemen. The fire was incendiary.

To be Commenced Immediately.

AUGUSTA, GA., May 20.— Work on the Savannah Valley railroad from Anderson court-house, southwest South Carolina, to Dorse mines on the Augusta & Knoxville road, will be commenced immediately. The Greenwood Laurens & Spartansburg railroad is being graded. The Augusta & Knoxville directors subscribed $35,000 of stock in the roads named to-day. These roads will be controlled in Augusta, and, it is thought, consolidated.

Horrible.

MUSCATINE, IOWA, May 20.—John McMinemar, a farmer living twelve miles west of Muscatine, aged 65, was shot and killed by his 15year-old daughter yesterday. The father and daughter, were quarreling when the girl's brother aged 12, handed her a revolver with which she shot her father through the heart. It is supposed the children decided to get possession of their father's property. The mother is in an insane asylum.

Political.

THE TENNESSEE STATE DEBT BILL.

New York, May 20.—A Nashville special says the house of representatives this evening passed by a vote of 42 to 29 the state debt bill submitted by the committee who recently visited New York to confer with the holders of Tennessee bonds. The bill has been signed by Governor Hawkins. The extra session of the general assembly, called to consider the settlement of the debt, will end Monday.

Maritime.

PORT OF NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, May 20.—Arrived: Assyrian Monarch, City of Rome, Bristol. Arrived out: Bulgarian, Crest, Konigstad, Swallow.

THE PERUVIAN SAFE.

ST. JOHNS, N. B., May 20.—The steamer which arrived here to-day with a boat damaged by a collision with an iceberg was the Prussian. The Peruvian was spoken on Thursday under sail, steering north to get out of the ice. All is well with her.

Futures.

NEW YORK, May 20.—The Post's cotton report says: Future deliveries 2 points lower; at first call again 2 to 4 points lower. After the call a slight advance did not hold long and prices fell lower than before. Toward the close there was a complete break, and a decline of 7 to 9 points, with a slight reaction, but the market closed weak.

"Short."

CHICAGO, May 20.—The Evening Journal's Little Rock special states that a committee which has been investigating the books of the ex-state treasurer, now Governor Churchill, for the past fourteen months, filed a report this morning. The deficit foots up $11,482.09.

Paul Boyton.

NEW YORK, May 20.—Paul Boyton, aquatic voyager, yesterday afternoon performed the heretofore unaccomplished feat of shooting the rapids of the James river from one mile below the city to mean tidewater, a descent of nearly sixty feet.

Acquitted.

NEW ORLEANS, May 20.—The jury in the case of Captain Asariah F. Wilde, United States secret service, charged with manslaughter for shooting and killing Albert A. Weeks, aged twelve, returned a verdict of not guilty.

The Peruvian.

FATHER POINT, QUEBEC, May 22.—The disabled steamship Peruvian has reached here in tow of the Arcadian.