

WILD WITH FRIGHT

quake in India Causes Great Loss of Life and Property.

DOPS CRUSHED TO DEATH

Number of Europeans, Including Children, Among Those That Lost Their Lives.

The Kangra valley, a district north of Lahore, having an area of over 8,700 square miles, and a population of 800,000 people, is believed to have been devastated by the earthquake. The town of Kangra, with a population of over 50,000, is reported to have been reduced to ruins. The loss of life must be enormous, but no authentic details are obtainable.

Terrible news is at hand from Dharmasala, 400 men of the Seventh Gurkha regiment, 20 men of the Second, and 50 men of the First battalion of the First Gurkhas, were rescued alive, and it is impossible to rescue them. The mortality among the Gurkha troops is ascribed to their occupying a new stone barracks, which was thrown up from the ground two feet by the movement of the earth, causing its total collapse.

There were many women, children and camp-followers in the building, and they are among the victims. The survivors seemed to be paralyzed by the suddenness and awfulness of the catastrophe, and for some time made no attempt to rescue the buried.

When the masses of masonry were removed more than 200 persons were extricated. Many of these were terribly crushed. Nine more Europeans are to be added to the death roll at Dharmasala.

The shock was so sudden that occupants had no time to leave their houses. Some perished on the thresholds.

The movement of the earth, was accompanied by a roaring sound resembling thunder. Unofficial reports state that the number of deaths in the area affected by the earthquake exceed 2,000.

A private telegram reports that the town of Palampoor, with 20,000 inhabitants, was levelled to the ground. Not a single house escaped damage in the town of Sialkot.

TOWN ALMOST WIPED OUT

Eighty Per Cent of Inhabitants of Dharmasala, India, Dead.

It is reported here that 80 per cent of the inhabitants of Dharmasala, the hill station, 95 miles northwest of Simla, were killed, as a result of recent earthquake there. The government has dispatched from Lahore for tents, food, blankets, doctors, nurses, etc., for the sufferers at Dharmasala. The earthquake was severely felt at Kasuluh, but no lives were lost, and the Pasteur Institute escaped. A second shock at Simla Tuesday evening, caused such a panic that the residents rushed from their houses and slept all night in the open.

A dispatch to a news agency from Calcutta says Lady Curzon, formerly Miss Letler, of Chicago, wife of the viceroy of India, had a narrow escape during the earthquake at Simla. A massive chimney fell through the roof and ceiling into the room above that in which she was sleeping.

WATER BOILS IN CRATER

La Soufriere Again Shows Signs of Disturbance.

In view of the fact that earthquake shocks were experienced on the islands of St. Christopher, Dominica and Antigua and at Pointe-a-Pitre, Guadeloupe and of the prevalence of intense heat at Kingston, the chief of police and two constables, April 3, made the ascent of La Soufriere.

They found the area of the lake diminished, and met with water, green and boiling, on the north side of the lake, steam rising from all over the lake, for the first time since the eruptions of 1902. Steam was also coming from a large creek in the lip of the crater, and from numerous fissures inside the crater.

MORMONS SUSTAIN SMITH

Apostles Taylor and Cowley, Accused of Polygamy, Also Sustained.

Joseph F. Smith was sustained as prophet, seer and revelator of the Mormon church by unanimous vote of the members at the opening session of the seventy-fifth annual conference.

When a vote was taken to sustain the 12 apostles two hands were raised in dissent. One of the dissenters rose to explain his vote, but was not permitted to speak. President Smith merely saying that he could present his objection to the proper authorities. The members who dissented afterward said that they desired to protest against sustaining such officers of the church as live in polygamy.

Among the apostles sustained were Taylor and Cowley. They had been accused of living in polygamy. Senator Smoot was not present, nor were Apostles Taylor and Cowley.

Turkey is preparing for a struggle, expecting to have to fight for existence against the European powers.

WIFE AND BARRNS CREMATED

Husband and Father Arrested, Charged With the Crime.

The charred remains of Mrs. W. J. Thompson and her two children were found in the ruins of their burned home at Shadwell, Albemarle county, Va. The husband of the woman was arrested on the charge of murdering the three.

Shadwell is near Charlottesville, where a former Mayor, J. Samuel McCue, was recently executed for wife murder.

MANY STEEL ORDERS

General Increase in Wages of Workmen an Indication of Improved Business Conditions.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s "Weekly Review of Trade" says: Recent gains in the volume of business are fully maintained, but further improvement is somewhat retarded by unfavorable weather in some sections. Buyers are still arriving at the leading cities, placing additional spring orders, and most fall lines that have been opened are meeting with an encouraging reception. Despite occasional requests for extensions collections are more prompt on the whole. Manufacturing returns are all that could be desired, building operations expand as the season advances, and agricultural prospects are better than normal. There is little friction between capital and labor, most new wage scales being arranged on the old basis, and in some cases advances are granted, while the number of unemployed is steadily decreasing. Freight traffic is very heavy some congestion occurring, and railway earnings in March were 9.2 per cent. larger than last year.

Foreign commerce at New York is very heavy, exports for the last week exceeding the same week in 1904 by \$1,530,709, while imports increased \$1,975,296. A general increase of wages at the plants of the greatest iron and steel producers is another tangible evidence of the improvement in that industry. New orders are coming forward constantly and it is probable that the campaign of advance business on the books now surpasses all previous high-water marks, although there is some discussion regarding the low prices at which some of this business was accepted last fall. Railway equipment of all kinds continues to find a ready market, and there is seasonal activity in structural steel, while machine shops in all parts of the country are working at full capacity.

Commercial failures for the week in the United States are 232, against 244 last week, 255 the preceding week and 235 the corresponding week last year. Failures in Canada number 23 against 23 last week, 16 the preceding week and 29 last year.

DECREASE IN FATALITIES

Report on Railway Accidents Shows Many Killed and Hurt.

A report of the railroad accidents in the United States during the months of October, November and December, 1904, as compiled by the Interstate Commerce Commission. It shows that in the quarter 5 passengers and 189 employees were killed, and 1,430 passengers and 1,868 employees injured, a total of 242 persons killed and 3,298 injured in train accidents. Other accidents to passengers and employees not the result of collisions or derailments during the months bring the total number of casualties up to 14,978—951 killed and 14,027 injured.

The report indicates a decrease of 175 killed and 624 injured, as compared with the last preceding quarter. Of the total number of 53 passengers killed in train accidents, 29 were killed in one collision between a passenger train and a freight train. The total number of collisions and derailments in the quarter was 2,950, the financial damage aggregating \$2,405,081.

The number of employees killed in coupling and uncoupling cars in the quarter was 71—12 more than in the preceding three months.

Santo Domingo Accepts Terms.

A dispatch to Washington from Minister Dawson announces that President Morales has accepted the terms for collection of the revenues of San Domingo, especially regarding the salary of \$500 a month to be paid Supt. Colton. It is suggested, however, that Colton go to Santo Domingo before the other collectors and arrange with the Dominican government for their salaries.

Gives \$50,000 to Knox College.

The authorities of Knox college at Galesburg, Ill., announced a gift of \$50,000 by Andrew Carnegie to that institution for a new science building.

BLOCKED BY ENGLAND

Refused to Allow Nation's Representative to Receive Money.

A serious hitch in the agreement recently signed between British and German bondholders and the Venezuelan government threatens to render the scheme for the satisfaction of the nation's claims unworkable.

A clause in the contract provides that the proportion of the revenue allotted to the bondholders shall be paid to the British legation and consular officials in Venezuela, but the British government, refuses consent.

The bondholders are discussing an alternative arrangement, but considerable doubt exists that the contract will be carried out.

Threatened Roosevelt.

At Minneapolis, Alexander E. Granville Gordon, charged with sending a threatening letter to President Roosevelt was sentenced to one year in the Stillwater prison by the United States circuit court. Gordon asked for leniency, saying that he was under the influence of cocaine at the time he wrote the letter. He is a descendant of an honored English family.

Burton Will Resign.

J. R. Burton will resign his seat as United States senator from Kansas in a short time, according to information given out by one of his close personal friends here. He is now sounding his Neutentans over the state in regard to the matter. When Burton was first indicted, according to a friend, he felt sure of acquittal. After he was convicted, and pending his appeal to the Supreme Court, he could not resign, for fear it would be taken as an admission of his guilt.

POLICE FORBID FUNERAL

Cossacks Disperse Crowds of Angry Polish Workingmen.

RAID ON REVOLUTIONARIES

A General Upehval is Expected in St. Petersburg After the Russian Easter.

In anticipation of the funeral of a girl who died of wounds received in the fighting in Dzikia street, Warsaw, last Sunday, workmen of all the factories in the northern part of the city left work and crowded Elekoralna and Leszno streets. The police, fearing a hostile demonstration, forbade the funeral and summoned Cossacks, who, using their knouts and swords freely, succeeded in dispersing the gathering.

Owing to the closing of the University of Warsaw, 1,600 students were dismissed. All students whose conscription was postponed during their university year, will be compelled to serve now.

A non-striking workman at the gas works, whom strikers had condemned to death, was shot and severely wounded in Wolska street, by a workman, who escaped.

The police and military made a house-to-house visitation in the suburb of Wola Tuesday night, where they arrested 14 persons and discovered great quantities of revolutionary proclamations.

Prospects of a general upheaval of the city of St. Petersburg and country with the advent of spring increase daily. Evidence accumulates that the radical forces are acting in unison, awaiting a signal, which it is generally believed will be given shortly after the Russian Easter.

Terrorists are showing great activity, and reports from all over the country prove that the workmen who, in many cases, have been formulating petty demands, which are no sooner granted than they are succeeded by others, are acting under instructions from the revolutionary leaders, who are only biding their time. The employers admit it is impossible to continue their businesses, and some of them have already shut down. The people are plainly becoming panicky, and the authorities also cannot conceal their alarm.

FATAL EARTHQUAKE IN INDIA

Serious Loss of Life and Great Damage to Buildings.

A violent earthquake has occurred accompanied by serious loss of life and great damage to public and other buildings. The town hall is almost razed and the cathedral and Jama Masjid, one of the finest mosques in India, are seriously injured. Other big buildings are cracked and fissured. Many houses in the native quarter collapsed.

At Mussoree, eleven earthquake shocks were experienced in one day. The first was continued for three minutes. It was impossible to stand without support. The left wing of the Savoy hotel entirely collapsed, the new Catholic church was wrecked and every house in the place damaged. The Mall cracked in five places. One woman was killed and many natives injured. Reports from the Debra Dun and Rajpur districts show extensive damage has been done.

INDIANS ON WARPATH

Shooting Down Mexicans and Devastating Country.

John St. Clair, a trustworthy prospector, has returned from the Yaqui country, near Ures, Sonora, Mexico, and he reports that the Yaqui Indians are still on the warpath. He says that Malpuche, an old chief, is at the head of a band of 50 bucks, and is devastating the country. While going from Ures to his camp in the mountains, St. Clair heard firing and ran into what had been an Indian ambush. He found two dead Mexicans, who had been killed only a few minutes before he reached the place, he says.

CHICAGO ELECTS DEMOCRAT

City Committed to Policy of Public Ownership.

The Republican party met defeat in a memorable effort to capture the majority of Chicago. As a direct result the city is officially committed to the policy of the quickest possible cessation of private franchises for public utilities. Municipal ownership is especially threatening street car lines.

After winning successively four remarkable biennial fights of independents against the regular Republican party organization, John Maynard Harlan, son of Associate Justice Harlan, of the United States Supreme court, was loser as Republican candidate for mayor. The victor is Judge Edward F. Dunze, Democrat.

Russian Troops Go Toward India.

The Times of India authentically says Russian troops have replaced those of the Ameer of Bokhara at all posts on the Upper Oxus, and that 4,000 men have been detached from the Merv garrison as a permanent addition to the Kushik and Murghab river force.

Will Increase Union Pacific Stock.

Official announcement was made that a meeting of the Union Pacific Railroad company stockholders will be held at Salt Lake City, Utah, May 5, for the purpose of considering and acting upon a proposed amendment of the articles of incorporation of the company increasing its preferred capital stock by the amount of \$100,000,000 and of authorizing the issue of such additional stock.

The Whiteside hotel at Morrison, Ill. was burned. Loss \$250,000.

TWO MEN KILLED IN WRECK

The Steubenville Accommodation on C. and P. Crashes Into Freight.

Two trainmen were killed and a third injured in a wreck on the Cleveland and Pittsburgh Railroad at Costonia, O. The Steubenville accommodation, eastbound, was struck by extra freight No. 7241, head-on. The engine of the passenger train was derailed, and went over an embankment. The cars of both trains were badly damaged. No passengers were injured. The dead are: Edward Fuller, of Wellsville, O., engineer, passenger train. H. C. Ewing, of Mansfield, O., fireman, passenger train.

The injured trainman is: M. C. McIntire, of Cleveland, brakeman, passenger train. The freight train was running at a much higher rate of speed than the passenger, and the nature of the engine of neither train could see the other until the collision was inevitable. Engineer Fuller and Fireman Ewing attempted to escape by jumping, but were carried along with the locomotive when it went over the embankment.

UNSIGNING BANK NOTES

Decision of Supreme Court Makes These Notes Good.

Information at the Treasury department that the National bank notes without the signatures of the proper officials of the banks to whom the notes were issued were being circulated in Western Pennsylvania has caused a stir among the officials of the express companies under whose care and supervision these bank notes left the Treasury for their destination. It is understood these notes bear evidence that they have been in a fire and are believed to be part of those supposed to have been consumed in a recent burning of a mail car on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad near Connellsville.

The Supreme court has held that unsigned notes as issued to the National banks are the "promises to pay" of the Federal government secured by bonds deposited before the notes are issued and that the signatures are not necessary to make them negotiable.

LOST IN BOTH BANKS

Many Oberlin People Caught in the Lorain Failure Also.

A director of the wrecked Citizens Savings bank of Lorain, said that the shortage due in the stock speculations of Cashier Keneen and his two assistants would reach \$122,000, and that the findings of the expert accountant promises to furnish another sensation.

Many Oberlin people who lost heavily as stockholders of the Citizens National bank of that city, wrecked by the operations of Mrs. Chadwick and President Beckwith, will also lose as a result of their holdings in the Lorain savings bank. Of the 1,000 shares of stock of the defunct local bank, 400 are owned by Oberlin people.

CABLE BRIEFS.

Ambassador Meyer has left Paris for St. Petersburg, to assume his new duties as Ambassador to Russia.

Emperor Joseph has left Budapest for Vienna. There is no prospect of an early formation of a Hungarian Cabinet.

Frank Stevens, one of the two Americans injured in an automobile accident near Monte Carlo, April 3, is dead. Stevens' companion, Louis Hay, is recovering.

Emperor William has arrived at Naples on the steamer Hamburg, amidst the booming of cannon and ringing hurrahs from thousands. He was welcomed by the Duke of Aosta and will see the King Thursday.

Hans Bierman, editor of the Oldenburg Resizhenotca, has been sentenced to a year's imprisonment for accusing Franz Rehserrat II, Minister of Public Worship, Education and Justice of Oldenburg, of embezzling and alleging that he was not fit to superintend the clergy, schools and courts.

A ROYAL MATCH

King Alfonso, Will Wed Arch-Duchess Eleonore Marie of Austria.

After comparing the charms of the daughter of the duke of Edinburgh with those of the princesses of the German royal families, the affection of King Alfonso of Spain have settled upon Arch-Duchess Eleonore Marie of Austria.

While as yet the formal announcement of their engagement has not been made, it is expected that it will be announced when the young king and his future queen meet in June at Cannes.

Stay Granted Mrs. Chadwick.

Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick was granted a stay of execution by the United States circuit court of appeals at Cincinnati, to hold until the further order, it appearing that a writ of error had been sued out within the required sixty days and a copy of the same had been lodged in the clerk's office of the lower court. Judge Francis J. Wing, counsel for Mrs. Chadwick, said that he expected to be able to present the appeal sometime during the month of May.

Operators Sign Mining Scale.

The threatened strike of the soft coal mines in the Central Pennsylvania field has been averted, the operators granting the miners' demands. The scale calls for 62 cents a ton and 37 cents a ton for machine mining. Skilled laborers will be paid \$2.25 to \$2.75 a day and laborers from \$1.75 to \$2.05 a day. The men will resume work at once.

Dr. L. B. R. Smith has been appointed a pension examining surgeon at Greensburg, Pa.

MANY KILLED IN WINE

Terrible Disaster at Ziegler, Ill., Entombs Workmen.

BODIES TERRIBLY BLACKENED

Theory That Explosion Was Caused by Union Men on Account of Strike Not True.

About fifty miners were entombed in Joseph Letler's mine at Ziegler, Ill., by a terrific explosion of gas. It is probable 30 or more of the buried men are dead. The explosion, it is said, was due to the fact that the Letler mines are not worked on Sunday, thus allowing gas to accumulate in the lower workings.

When between 35 and 45 miners had descended into the mine Monday to resume work, an explosion blew the mouth of the mine high into the air. One of the steel cages was blown to the surface from the bottom of a 500-foot shaft. The shock of the explosion was felt at Benton, 12 miles northeast of Ziegler. A teamster driving along a road half a mile from the mine was covered with falling cinders, and debris covered the floor of his wagon half an inch deep.

One miner was killed and four were severely injured at the mouth of the shaft in which the explosion occurred. The work of rescue was begun at once by miners who were arriving when the explosion took place. The main shaft was demolished, so rescue work has to be carried on through the air shaft. This has hindered the work of aiding the entombed men.

A committee of union miners from Duquoin and other neighboring mining towns, headed by District President Morris, hastened to Ziegler soon after the explosion, and offered their aid.

The bodies of the dead are so blackened that identification was difficult. Three men came out alive.

There was much excitement among miners when the accident became known, because there had been a strike of long duration, and many conflicts had occurred between strikers and non-union miners. An all-day investigation tends to show that the catastrophe was due to the accidental explosion of accumulated gas.

WAGES INCREASED

Nearly 8,000 Workmen in Wheeling District Will Be Affected.

Official notices of the advance in wages by the United States Steel corporation were posted at the Laughlin, Aetna-Standard and Bellaire plants of the Carnegie Steel company and Riverside department of the National Tube company. The increase will run on all besides tonnage men from 5 to 7 1/2 per cent.

The pay roll of the National Tubemakers will be increased \$125,000 annually. Nearly 8,000 men are affected in the Wheeling District. The Smet-Solvay Chemical company increased the wages of employees at the Benwood plant 6 per cent.

Portable Wireless Service.

During his hunting trip in Colorado, President Roosevelt will keep in constant touch with Secretary Loeb and his official staff at Glenwood. This will be accomplished by means of the wireless telegraph under the supervision of the military arm of the government, where the receiving station will be located on top of Lookout Mountain. Two wires will be strung temporarily up Lookout Mountain and connected with the local lighting system which will furnish current for operating the induction coils. Messages will be telephoned to and from the hotel where Secretary Loeb will be located.

FOUR KILLED IN WRECK

Caused by Engineer's Watch Being Thirty Minutes Slow.

As a result of a wreck on the Southern railway, near Badham, four persons are dead. The through freight train from Columbia to Charleston, and the fast passenger train from Charleston to Columbia collided at Badham during a dense fog.

It is alleged that Freight Engineer Reed's watch was 30 minutes slow, and that this was the direct cause of the wreck. The dead are: Thomas Conlin, engineer on passenger train; Chadwick, white brakeman; Adams and Stephens, negro brakemen; Freight Engineer Arthur Reed was fatally injured.

Boxer Movement not Alarming.

Russia has been informed by the United States that so far as the American minister at Peking, Mr. Conger, has been able to find out, the reported anti-foreign movements in China are not unusual in extent or character. The Russian government recently requested Secretary Hay to inquire into this matter.

Sues Nephew for \$1,200,000.

Former Judge Samuel L. Bronson of New Haven, Conn., who was the Democratic governor of Connecticut in 1900, has been made defendant in a suit for \$1,200,000 damages, brought by his aunt, Miss Susan Bronson of Waterbury, who alleges her nephew has not rendered a proper accounting of her business entrusted to him.

A mob at Fulton, Ky., twice attempted to lynch three negroes in jail there charged with killing Officer Baker.

ARTILLERY DEPOT BLOWN UP

Man Exploded Bomb at Harbin, Killing Himself and 75 Others.

Seventy-five persons including four artillerymen and 40 Chinese coolies, were killed by the terrific explosion of a bomb in the artillery depot in Harbin, Manchuria. The man who caused the explosion was also killed. The entire laboratory, a huge establishment, was wrecked and 10,000,000 projectiles were destroyed—2,000 packing cases containing 5,000 each. Millions of other projectiles not yet completed were made useless.

Boston Wool Market.

Since the strong closing of the London wool sales, more confidence appears on the part of dealers in the wool market. The foreign wools are firm. Leading quotations follow: Ohio and Pennsylvania—XX and above, 33@34c; X, 30@31c; No. 1, 36@37c; No. 2, 37@38c; fine unwashed, 24@25c; quarter blood, unwashed, 30@31c; three-eighths blood, 30@31c; half blood, 29@30c; unwashed delaine, 27@28c; unmerchanted, 29@30c; fine washed delaine, 35 1/2@37c; Michigan—Fine unwashed, 20@21c; quarter blood, unwashed, 29@30c; three-eighths blood, 30c; half blood, 28@29c; unwashed delaine, 25@27c.

Hay's Health Improved.

The steamship Cretic with Secretary of State Hay and Mrs. Hay on board arrived at Naples, after a pleasant voyage. Mr. Hay declares that his health has been greatly improved by the trip and Mrs. Hay also is enjoying the voyage.

Three Men Killed by Nitro-Glycerin.

A small tank used for the storage of nitro-glycerin exploded at the dynamite manufacturing plant of H. H. Thomas six miles from Bay City, Mich. An Indian, 40 years old, George Godfrey of Kawakawin, and George Ulbricht of Auburn were blown to pieces.

Afterdamp Caused Explosion.

Afterdamp, due to an explosion of blasting powder, set off by persons as yet unknown, caused the death of 43 miners at Joseph Letler's coal mine at Ziegler, Ill., according to the verdict of a coroner's jury, as returned.

Calls for \$27,000,000.

Secretary Shaw issued a call upon the national bank depositories of the treasury throughout the country for payment into the treasury of \$27,000,000. Under the terms of the Secretary's call a part of this money must be paid May 15 and a part July 1.

Coal Land Purchased.

The D. E. Mitchell farm at West Alexander, Pa., comprising 10,200 acres of valuable coal land, was sold April 5, through R. A. Whiteside of Pittsburgh to an eastern syndicate headed by J. V. Thompson, for \$40 an acre.

Palace on Wheels.

The most expensive and luxurious private car ever constructed is being built at the Chicago works of the Pullman company for W. K. Vanderbilt. When finished it will cost Mr. Vanderbilt, \$50,000.

NEWS NOTES.

Ralph Voorhees, of New Jersey, has donated \$100,000 to the American Tract Society.

On his trip, President Roosevelt made speeches in Kansas, Indian territory and Texas.

Lord Milner, retiring governor of the Transvaal, sailed for Great Britain.

President Roosevelt has reorganized the Isthmian canal commission, with Theodore P. Shonts as chairman.

Three officials of the failed Lorain (O.) bank were arraigned at Lorain and pleaded not guilty. They must furnish \$5,000 bail each.

The barn owned by A. Bailey, two miles from Salem, O., was destroyed by fire. Two horses, farm implements and machinery were also burned. Loss \$1,300.

Harry E. Miller and Capt. Augustus Olander are believed to have lost their lives in an attempt to explore Tiburn Island in Arizona.

France has announced America has endorsed her policy in Morocco. Germany has sent an explanation to Washington.

A Venezuelan court decision declares that an officer of the Asphalt company gave \$100,000 to aid the revolution against President Castro.

James H. Hyde has won a notable victory, his opponents in the Equitable society agreeing to his plan for mutualization.

Police Commissioner Szabolcz, of Lodz, Russian Poland, was seriously injured by a bomb thrown at him in the street.

The report of the betrothal of King Alfonso of Spain to Princess Patricia of Connaught is officially declared in London to be unfounded.

An eastbound passenger and express train on the Lehigh Valley railroad ran into a derailed car of a freight train at Valco, near Seneca lake. The engineer of the freight train was killed and the fireman badly hurt.

Many Killed in Earthquake.

A message from Catecura says: Eight natives were killed during the earthquakes at Mussoree, northwest provinces. Nine Europeans were killed at Dharmasala. They were:

Mrs. Robinson, wife of the colonel commanding the troops there and her two daughters. Mrs. Holderness, Capt. Muscroft and four members of the Indian civil service. Seventy natives were killed and many injured.

KEYSTONE STATE CULLINGS

ILLEGAL VOTING ALLEGED

Man Accused of Not Paying Taxes Within Two Years and Not Being Naturalized.

At South Sharon Dr. W. G. Berryhill entered complaint before Justice of the Peace Peter Cook against Louis Berger, charging him with illegal voting at the February election. Berryhill alleges that Berger has not paid taxes within two years and has no naturalization papers. Mr. Berger waived a hearing and gave bail for court. He denies the charges.

J. V. Thompson, of Uniontown, informed the board of trustees of Washington and Jefferson College, of which he is a member, that he would in a few days turn over to them the \$100,000 which he promised more than two years ago for the endowment of the President's chair. Mr. Thompson made the donation conditional upon the sale of a certain portion of his coal holdings in Washington county. This coal was sold last week to the Vesta Coal Company. Mr. Thompson is a graduate of the institution, and the donation of 100,000 is the amount his father spent on the son's education, together with interest.

The home of the late Bronson B. Fordyce, the recluse who died a few days ago near Smithfield, has been further searched for money. A lead pipe was found between the upstairs floors and the ceiling, full of gold pieces, containing in all \$200. In the same place was an old coffee pot with \$130 in gold, and a tin box containing \$5,000 in government bonds. The money so far found on the premises, including the bonds, amounts to \$5,8