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THE MINE WORKERS ARE CONVENTION ON

Over a Thousand Delegates Assembled at Mitchell's Call

MAY AVERT STRIKE

The Miner's Demands--The Troublesome Ryan Resolution--Some Hope of a Friendly Agreement in the Bituminous Field--Situation Reviewed.

INDIANAPOLIS, March 15.--The national convention of the United Mine Workers of America opened here today in the German House, with over 1,000 delegates, representing 1,400 local unions.

When the last convention of the mine workers adjourned, February 2, following a joint conference with the operators which had failed to arrive at a wage agreement, a strike on April 1 was inevitable unless something should intervene.

The miners also adopted a resolution offered by Mr. Ryan of Illinois that no district should sign a wage agreement until all the districts signed. This action, known as the Ryan resolution, will come before the convention for action.

When the convention met today differences that have appeared to exist between President Mitchell and Vice-President Lewis, were apparently laid aside, and it was the expressed wish of both officials that personal matters should not interfere with the more important work of the convention in order that the miners might present a united front.

WOMAN WITH GUN OUT FOR J. P. MORGAN AND SON IS SENT TO AN ASYLUM

NEW YORK, March 15.--At a hearing before the private chambers of Magistrate Walkin in the Tombs police court yesterday, Mrs. G. B. Williams, an English woman, who resided at the Hoffman House, was committed to Bellevue Hospital to be examined as to her sanity.

BAD FIRE IN AMHERST

AMHERST N. S. March 15 (Special).--The most disastrous fire that has occurred in the business section of the town broke out at 4.15 this morning in the Hickman house, the brick block opposite the post office.

MR. FITZGERALD ON THE STAND

Further Evidence in the Insurance Enquiry at Ottawa This Morning.

TO MARCH OUT IN MONTH OF MAY

VICTORIA, B. C., March 15.--(Special).--The last British garrison in Canada will be withdrawn in May, Col. English, commanding the garrison, has announced that he will march out on Saturday night to hold himself in readiness to march out of West Point barracks in this month.

NEW BANK BUILDING

The Bank of New Brunswick has purchased from Dawson Roberts Wisely his residence and property at 387 Main street, and will erect upon the lot fronting on Main street an up-to-date building, which will be used as the N. B. End branch.

In the police court this morning one drunk was fined \$5.

The steamship Manchester Shipper from Manchester passed Brier Island at 1.30 p. m. bound inward from Manchester.

Donaldson line steamship Selacia passed Brier Island at 11.30 a. m. to day bound inward from Glasgow.

A Halifax despatch says:--The funeral arrangements of the late Lieut.-Governor Jones are not yet completed, but it is likely the funeral will take place on Saturday.

ALD. McARTHUR DEMANDS THAT CIVIC CANDIDATES ADDRESS PUBLIC MEETING

From present indications there is every reason to believe that the election for mayor and aldermen to be held on April 17 will be the most exciting civic contest fought at the polls in many years.

Following the announcement yesterday that John H. McRobbie would enter the lists for the mayoralty comes all sorts of stories as to possible combinations and tactics. The creation of a three-cornered fight has also aroused much interest.

Friends of the candidacy of Edward Sears, who has been named as one of the candidates, are making up a deficiency and are a thorough search in the department could not find any. This referred to the old line companies that were once an important company that had been asked to go out of business, and it closed up in 1882 because its assets were not equal to its liabilities.

When Mr. Sears ran his last election against Mayor White, he polled the remarkable strong vote of 2,000, while the present mayor was returned with 2,574.

It is pointed out by Mr. Sears' friends that Messrs. McRobbie and Frink will divert more from each other than they will from Mr. Sears, and this being the case, the fight should be at least a very close and exciting one.

It is also stated that an effort may be made to have either Mr. Frink or Mr. McRobbie retire from the contest. Those who favor this action say that the city has need for both men. In a three-hand contest, one at least must be left behind, and there is a possibility of both.

The Brussels street lock-up is haunted. It is the starting point of a mystery, but no one was to be seen. It is a mystery, but no one was to be seen.

Many of the cops are unbelievers in the theory of "ghosts" and "spirits" and have some experience in the lock-ups they are now very dubious. A few illustrations would perhaps show the sincerity of the story.

Officer Perry is a well-known policeman and not easily frightened. He happened at the idea of the lock-up, when all his custom, and the door until he had partaken of his lunch. He turned the key so it is said, but no sooner sat down

than a loud rapping was heard and the door was flung open but no one was to be seen. He further stated that a dive was kept there a long time ago and a man was seen to enter it one time and he was so peculiar and nervous that he was the haunted lock-up.

DEPEW'S ILLNESS

NEW YORK, March 15.--Dr. John P. Mann physician to Senator Chauncey M. Depew, who is ill at his home in this city, denied last night that the condition of his patient was critical. He added: "Senator Depew's present indisposition is, I believe, only temporary."

THREE WERE KILLED

JAMESTOWN, Ind. March 14.--While nine men were sitting about the stove in a grocery store this afternoon, three of them were killed and five injured by the fall of a barrel of dynamite.

THE BRITISH KING

NEW YORK, March 15.--The steamer Manheim, which recued part of the crew of the steamer British King, which sank near Brier Island last Sunday, arrived here today.

MR. PURDY AND HIS TURKEY DINNER

F. S. Purdy, the Wintley street grocer, is enjoying a turkey dinner today with his family, and it is probable that he never will eat another turkey dinner.

There is another resident of the Valley who had "fool" dogs upon a turkey dinner for today, but it was not to be for Mr. Purdy has come again into his own. Mr. Purdy will munch the white and dark meat and trim the dressing and gravy.

Mr. Purdy laid, exposed for sale, in front of his establishment last night, three fine, fat, excellent "turkeys." The windows of the store were fronted by a by-stander who was being what went on inside.

But "that" had been villain, you are discredited, for the theft of the turkey was done by a by-stander and this morning Mr. Purdy was notified.

With all speed he sent an emissary clothed with plenipotential powers to rescue the bird from the pawing owner that waited for it. He was just in time, for the turkey was found in the thief's kitchen dressed, stuffed and ready to cook.

That is why Mr. Purdy has turkey to thank who someone else stuffed for him.

FORGERY CHARGED AGAINST WHITE

HE CAPTURED THE MURDERER

And Will Reap a Rich Reward --A Desperate Criminal in the Toils.

E. N. Abbott Laid the Information Today

FORGED MONEY ORDER

Made Payable in New York to the Order of R. L. Domino--Police say White Will Now be Arrested in Few Hours--No Other Shotgins is Referred to.

LOST \$700 ON STOCK DEAL

A very important and interesting case was tried in the civil court this morning before Judge Ritchie. It was an action on a promissory note, brought by W. S. Barker, broker, against Patrick McDevitt.

The whole case arose out of the defendant dabbling in the stock market and in his evidence he stated to the court that he had lost somewhere in the vicinity of \$700. The defendant stated that he sold 30 shares in the Reading Railroad stock, at 65. He sold on the margin principal and paid \$100 down. Stocks went up and the defendant kept paying money in margins until he had no more. Then he gave promissory notes, three or four of them, all in the vicinity of \$80. The first coming due, McDevitt refused to pay, and hence the case this morning.

The plaintiff claims that it is a legal contract to pay, and the defendant alleges that it is illegal, as it is gambling. He further claims that there was no delivery in the case, and no legal consideration. The defendant also stated that a friend of his told him about the stock and induced him to make a fortune. He saw the stocks going up, having got his income from his salary, and he thought it was a good chance to make a fortune. He saw the stocks going up, having got his income from his salary, and he thought it was a good chance to make a fortune.

run on the same principle as betting or gambling, and Section 20 of the Criminal Code, which is illegal. He contended that there was no delivery, and hence his client was not bound to pay the note.

The magistrate said that if it were gambling both parties were guilty of an indictable offense and liable to a fine of \$500 or five years in prison. His honor said "This may not be a bucket-shop, but it is coming pretty close to it." He then said that he would look into the authorities and deliver judgment on Thursday next.

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General Wood's reply denied that there was any wanton killing, and says a considerable number of women and children were killed in the fight because they were actually in the works when assaulted; that Moros men were crossed and their children were used as shields.

The Dominion Express tangle advanced several stages in development this morning when Edward N. Abbott, the local agent of the company, swore out an information against Harry B. White, of this city, on a charge of forgery. White, it is charged, forged an express order for fifty dollars payable to R. L. Domino and signed by F. McIn as remitter. The order was forged on March 2nd.

Mr. Abbott's formal information is as follows: "The information and complaint of Edward N. Abbott of the city of St. John, in the city and county of St. John, and province of New Brunswick, agent of the Dominion Express Company, at St. John, taken on oath before me, the undersigned, Robert J. Ritchie, police magistrate in the city of St. John, this fifteenth day of March, A. D. 1906, at the city of St. John, aforesaid, Harry B. White, of the city of St. John, aforesaid, knowingly did forge a certain document, to wit, an express money order, copy of said document being as follows: "Express money order E-23178

"When countersigned by agent at point of issue, the Dominion Express Company agrees to transmit and the National City Bank to pay to the order of R. L. Domino, Bank New York. The sum is fifty dollars. Dollar. Not good for more than highest printed marginal amount, in no case to exceed fifty dollars. Countersigned: E. N. Abbott.

"Issued at St. John, N. B., on the 15th day of March, 1906.

"Date, March 2, 1906.

"Any erasure, alteration, deletion or mutilation of this order renders it void. (Endorsed) R. Domino--Edward N. Abbott."

Mr. Abbott when seen this morning said he could not at present give any further information that is contained in the official documents. Work upon the books is still going on but no further reference is in the complaint against White. The police said this morning that White would be arrested this afternoon.

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The reply was sent by Secretary Taft to the President with a note in which the Secretary says that General Wood's cablegram seems to him to show most clearly that the unfortunate loss of life was unavoidable, to which the President, replied that General Wood's answer is, of course, entirely satisfactory.

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

Another ardent swimmer has laid poetic siege to the affections of the popular leader of the younger social set, the lovely Miss McWist. He writes:--

Oh! Back in the days when you were but a tot I loved you, oh Birdie, dear Birdie McWist.

And now when you've reached the height of your charms I long, dear, to clasp you, all mine, in these arms.

And in your dear ringlets to straighten the kinks-- And I'd do it, too, better than any low Bink.

I long for a smile and a favoring word So you will not be cruel, now will't you, Birdie!

Oh! Say you'll be mine and join in my lot Oh, Birdie, dear Birdie, my Birdie McWist.

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GREAT GROWTH IN TRADE

OTTAWA, Ont., March 15 (Special).--There was an increase in the foreign trade of Canada for the eight months ending with Feb. 29 of \$31,317,294 over the same time last year. There was an increase in the imports and exports, and every branch of trade contributed to this great growth of business throughout the Dominion.

The total imports and exports for the past eight months were \$338,277,966, compared with \$306,760,702 for the same time last year. The exports were \$176,069,833, an increase of \$38,504,310 and the imports \$162,208,233, an increase of \$16,012,415.