

THREE MEN KILLED AND MANY WOUNDED

IN FIGHT BETWEEN STRIKERS AND OFFICERS

The Trouble Arises Over Attempt to Arrest Miners Charged With Violating Injunction.

Charleston, Kanawha County, W. Va., Feb. 25.—At Staniford, Raleigh County, a terrible battle took place at dawn to-day between the joint posse of Deputy United States Marshal Cunningham and Sheriff Cook on one side and rioting miners on the other, as a result of which three miners were killed, two others mortally wounded and a number of others on both sides more or less seriously hurt.

The trouble grew out of the attempt to arrest 34 miners for violation of the blanket injunction issued by Federal Judge Keller last August. Deputy Marshal D. W. Cunningham went last Saturday to Adkinsville, a mining town in Raleigh county, to arrest the men charged with violating the injunction. He was surrounded by a large party of miners armed with Winchester rifles who ordered him to leave the place, an order which he quickly obeyed. Sheriff Cook at this time attempted to make some arrests under process issued by the State court, and was treated in like manner.

Cunningham returned to this city and reported to the marshal and district attorney that he could do nothing without a large posse, and then only at imminent risk of precipitating a bloody conflict. He was instructed to return with mine sufficient to arrest them, and to do it at all hazards.

Before Cunningham returned to Adkinsville, however, Marshal John D. Thompson and S. C. Burdett, attorney for the United States, went to the scene, spending most of Sunday and Monday there. They found everything quiet, the rioters having withdrawn from the immediate neighborhood and crossed the New River, going into camp three hundred yards near the "Big O" mine. Thompson and Cunningham and a strong posse went from there to make the arrests.

When Adkinsville was reached the federal forces were joined by Sheriff Cook and his posse, the coal companies nearby furnishing some guards, and a number of sheriffs found themselves in command of about 100 well armed and determined men. The rioters had retreated to the river on Tuesday and were marching up and down below the river on coal works. They numbered 150 to 200, and were armed with Winchesters. They intimidated the miners at work in the mine, and drove away the guards of the mine. Emboldened at this success they attempted to burn down a bridge of the Chesapeake & Ohio railroad, and threatened the destruction of other property. Last night they went into camp near the city.

About daybreak to-day the officers and their combined posse surprised the rioters in their camp and called on them to surrender. The reply was a shot which was answered by a shot and immediately a furious battle was waged. When it ceased three of the rioters were dead, many others were wounded and a score or two of them fatally. Seventy-three arrests were made, ten falling to the share of Deputy Cunningham and 43 to that of Sheriff Cook. All the prisoners were taken to Beckley, the county seat of Raleigh, where the prisoners were given a hearing by Commissioner Dunn and held for appearance here. They will be brought on an early morning train. The federal authorities will try to get the state to give up the 63 so that they may be tried in the Federal court, but it is doubtful if it will do so as the State court will meet on Monday, and it is thought they possibly can be tried more expeditiously here.

Mr. Burdett went to Beckley to-day to attend the case of the rioters. The injunction which the miners are charged with violating was the blanket writ of Judge Keller, in the suit of the Chesapeake & Ohio Coal Agency Co. The defendants in the case were all the coal companies operating in the new river field, 150 members of the Mine Workers of America, by name, including President Mitchell and Wilson, and all other persons whatsoever who aided and abetted them. The injunction covered almost every foot of ground in the coal mining region of New River, while all the mines in the Kanawha and New River sections have been worked for some months. The strike has not been officially declared off.

In connection with the steamship deal just consummated by the C. P. R., the rumored probable arrangement between the G. T. R. and Allan lines, a special cable received to-day states that the Canadian Northern also contemplates having its own line of steamships between Canada and Europe. The cable declares that it is the prevailing opinion in the London railroad and shipping world that J. J. Hill, of St. Paul, is backing Mackenzie's plan. It is also friendly to the Grand Trunk Pacific project, seeking to use all as weapons against the Canadian Pacific.

IRISH LAND BILL

Will Be Introduced in Imperial Commons in Two Weeks.

London, Feb. 25.—Seldom in the history of the Irish question has such a conciliatory spirit been displayed on all sides as that which marked the discussion of John Redmond's amendment on the Irish land question in the Commons. The only disappointing aspect from the point of view of the Nationalists was the silence of the members of the Unionist party, which seemed apprehensive regarding the heavy demands on the nation's purse which the bill is introduced a fortnight hence. For the present, however, the old animosities seem to have disappeared. John Redmond and Mr. Wyndham exchanged almost flattering compliments. Col. Sanderson, the member for North Antrim, confessed that he was wrong in disbelieving in the Dublin landlord and tenants' conference. T. W. Russell, Liberal-Unionist, expressed the strongest belief in the government's generosity, and hardly a dissenting voice was raised.

John Morley, the former chief secretary for Ireland, who rose to speak during the hurricane of cheers which marked the close of Mr. Wyndham's speech, began by declaring that nothing like the present situation had happened since Strongbow landed in Scotland. The demand was no longer to get rid of the landlords, but to provide some means to enable them to remain on their estates. He was greatly pleased with the tone and temper now prevailing in Ireland. The speech of the Chief Secretary for Ireland, he said, that the difficulty of the question lies in its financial aspects, and estimated that the Dunraven land purchase scheme would involve a free grant of \$10,000,000 and loan of \$75,000,000. But, he continued, if the matter was proceeded with in a cautious manner it would not be necessary to spend the whole sum at once.

Sir Edward Grey, the former under secretary for foreign affairs, Mr. Haldane, Liberal, and others, urged the government not to be hasty in the matter. Mr. Redmond eventually withdrew his amendment.

JOINT COMMISSION.

United States Senator Wants Sum Set Aside to Pay Expenses.

Washington, Feb. 25.—Senator Culom from the committee on foreign relations, to-day reported an amendment to the Sundry Civil Appropriation Bill of an appropriation of \$50,000 for the payment of expenditures on the part of the United States for the joint commission for the adjustment of the differences between the United States and Great Britain in respect to Canada.

TO PROTECT RAILWAY.

Dutch Government Will Take Steps to Ensure Regular Service.

The Hague, Feb. 25.—Premier Kuyper introduced in the second chamber of the states general to-day three bills in connection with the recent railroad strike. He explained that the government considered it necessary to oppose any unreasonable strike society which would sacrifice the well-being of the people to the desire of a certain class for influence and to political tyranny. The government therefore proposed to form a railway brigade, to ensure regular service of trains in case of need.

TROOPS FIRED ON CROWD.

Municipal Guards Forced to Retreat and Soldiers Were Sent to Their Rescue.

Vigo, Spain, Feb. 25.—Two persons were killed and 15 wounded here yesterday in a conflict between municipal guards and persons taking part in the carnival, growing out of the ill-treatment of a masquerader by some of the guards. The guards charged the crowd, but were beaten back by the showers of stones, and were obliged to take refuge in the town hall. A detachment of soldiers was sent to the rescue, and ordered to fire on the crowd. One of the killed was a 13-year-old boy.

THE BANK OF COMMERCE

Will Seek Permission to Increase Its Capital.

Toronto, Feb. 25.—The Bank of Commerce has decided to apply for authority to increase its capital to ten millions. None of the new stock will be issued this year.

OPENING POSTPONED.

Why the Newfoundland Legislature Does Not Meet This Week.

St. Johns, Nfld., Feb. 25.—The opening of the colonial legislature has been postponed another week owing to a curious circumstance. Sir Cavendish Boyle, governor of Newfoundland, is due to arrive here to-morrow on the steamer "Helen" from Halifax. His authority is revived when he enters the territorial waters three miles off Cape Race, and Deputy Governor Horwood will therefore be unable to act at the opening of the legislature, although Governor Boyle may not have yet landed. The postponement was accordingly ordered.

HOMEWARD BOUND.

The Colonial Secretary and Mrs. Chamberlain Have Sailed From Capetown.

NANAIMO MINERS RETURN TO WORK

COLLIERY OPERATIONS RESUMED THURSDAY

Offer Submitted by the Western Fuel Company Has Been Accepted by the Men.

Nanaimo, Feb. 26.—The people of Nanaimo were greatly relieved yesterday when the news that the miners' difficulty was about to end spread through the town. Yesterday morning Superintendent Russell sent for the executive of the union and told them that the company had decided to have the difficulty settled at once, and would make the following concessions: 25 cents per ton net for lamps and 80 cents per ton net for the coal dust on the long wall in Protection mine. Mr. Russell told the executive that President Howard, of the Western Fuel Company, had important business matters to attend to in California and was desirous of seeing the trouble terminated before leaving the city.

At a mass meeting of miners in the opera house in the afternoon the company's concessions were accepted and work was resumed to-day. The agreement is for no stipulated time, but a recurrence of the trouble is not anticipated. The men give great praise to James Barber, of Skeena city, representative of the Western Federation of Miners, for the manner in which he conducted the negotiations.

Since the closing of No. 5 mine, the miners who worked there have been idle. These will now find employment in Protection mine, where the company is putting on a large number of men to work the long wall seam. Great satisfaction is expressed by business men at the happy termination of the difficulty, as the outlook was somewhat gloomy and some firms had cancelled their spring orders.

To-day the mines are working with a full force of men, and the steamer Wyefield is taking cargo at the coal wharf. It is just thirteen days since the cessation of work in the mines. The prospects for a period of prosperity at Nanaimo are very bright.

NOTES FROM WINNIPEG.

Manitoba Treasurer Submits Budget—A Surplus of \$288,686 For Last Year.

Winnipeg, Man., Feb. 25.—Provincial Treasurer J. A. Davidson brought his budget to the legislature this afternoon. It shows a surplus of \$288,686 for last year. The revenue for 1902 was \$1,890,720, being \$69,780 in excess of the revenue for 1899, the last year of the Greenway administration. This increase is made up by \$224,000 received from the Dominion government on school lands funds account, and \$177,000 for M. & N. W. land sales accruing from the beginning of the Greenway government in 1895. The balance of \$288,686 was derived from the increased revenue of land titles, offices and other provincial departments as a result of the increase in population and the great prosperity which has visited Manitoba during the last year.

Will Be Arrested.

Police officers have gone to Fargo to arrest, if possible, W. F. Young, late manager of the Rainy River Gazette, who is wanted on a charge in connection with the destruction of the Gazette office by fire.

Northern Pacific Application.

A Manitoba government caucus was held last night. The matter of the petition made by the Northern Pacific for a charter to build in the province was dealt with in full, and reported. It is said, however, that the province is not inclined to give favorable consideration. It is stated that scarcely a dissenting voice was raised against the incoming of the Northern Pacific. O. E. Hamilton, promoter of the Northern Pacific bill, left to-day for St. Paul.

Railway Improvements.

General Superintendent Leonard, of the C. P. R., who has just returned from the East, says that the amount of railway building in the Western division will depend principally on the labor supply. This summer it is intended to expend between \$6,000,000 and \$7,000,000. The principal items of this amount are for additional yards and terminal facilities.

TWO HUNDRED IDLE.

Workmen Thrown Out of Employment by Fire—Damage \$200,000.

TOWN FLOODED.

Property Loss Amounts to Nearly \$100,000—Number of Narrow Escapes.

Deerly, Conn., Feb. 22.—The breaking of three reservoirs in the town of Shelton early to-day caused damage estimated at between \$75,000 and \$100,000, and there were several narrow escapes from death. The torrent tore a great gully 110 feet long and thirty feet wide through Howe avenue. Logs and trees and huge cakes of ice were carried along and crushed into several buildings.

The house of Walter Nichols was struck by the flood. Nichols was away and his wife was awakened by the ice crashing against the door. A few minutes later the water commenced to flow into the bedrooms, where six children were sleeping. Mrs. Nichols hurried to the door and held it while her children escaped to an upper floor. A few moments later the water forced its way under the door and flooded the rooms. The family remained prisoners in the upper part of the house until the water receded.

LORD DUNDONALD ON MILITARY MATTERS

Has Recommended That All Establishments Be Kept Up to War Strength.

Ottawa, Feb. 26.—There was a good attendance at the annual meeting of the Artillery Association in the railway committee room to-day. Lord Minto was present and made a speech, showing the work done by the association. Lord Dundonald said that he had recommended that all establishments should be kept up to war strength. Sir F. Borden approved of this. Two six-inch guns, 12 4.7 guns and two 6-inch howitzers had been ordered. Lord Dundonald favored a camp of instruction where the staff of the service should meet. Col. Coote was elected president of the association.

Lampably Weak.

A constitutional authority to-day said that the British Columbia government must be kept weak in constitutional etiquette. He said that in knowledge, judging from his action in billing parliament for one date for the dispatch of business after then for another, without giving any satisfactory reason.

The wallpaper men want more protection. A delegation from the civil service to-day petitioned the prime minister and asked for an increase in all salaries of all classes. Scientific Observations. On the recommendation of W. F. King, chief astronomer, Hon. Clifford Kibbe has appointed Otto Kille and F. W. O. Veery to make scientific observations along the line of the Pacific cable. In 1892 it was continued from Green- wich to Montreal, and since that time has carried across the continent along the line of the C. P. R. to Vancouver, and now the observations are to be continued to Australia, where connection with previously determined telegraphic lines will make a circuit around the world. In addition to determining the longitudes of all the cable stations, the completion of the direct astronomical circuit of the globe will be a notable achievement for Canada.

BLIND MAN'S CRIME.

Wallace, Idaho, Feb. 21.—Almost insane with jealousy and rage, John P. Bjerklin, totally blind, mortally wounded Mrs. High Smith, of Blackfoot, by firing a single shot into her breast and then took his own life by blowing his brains out with the third bullet. The tragedy occurred at Bjerklin's room at the Portland hotel in this city about 1 o'clock this afternoon. The woman, who says she had been in the habit of going to the man's room at least once a week, went to call on him to-day as usual. When Mrs. Smith arose to go Bjerklin walked to the door, locked it and, turning around, said: "Had you known what was in my mind you would not have come to see me to-day." At that the blind man, who apparently was crazed over the woman, grappled with her, forcing her back to the bed, where he held her so firmly that she could not release his grasp. During the struggle Bjerklin groped blindly under the bed covering and at last brought the weapon from its hiding place. When Mrs. Smith saw the revolver she cried: "Jack, don't do it! Don't do it!" But it was too late. The next instant the fatal shot was fired. He pressed the gun against her breast, glancing and coming out behind the arm, making only a skin wound.

Bjerklin then released his bleeding victim, threw his hands and to his horror, muffled report, was followed by a dead fall on the floor. Bjerklin was dead at the feet of his mortally wounded victim. He shot himself in the right temple, the bullet passing through his brain.

The above is as related by the woman herself. In addition to this, the unfortunate woman, who is in great pain, between labor pains, said: "He had threatened to do such a thing several times, but I was never afraid."

ENORMOUS DAMAGE BROUGHT BY FIRE

FOR HOURS FLAMES WERE BEYOND CONTROL

Cincinnati, Ohio, Scene of Conflagration—Big Building Burned and Others Damaged.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Feb. 26.—This city was to-day visited by the most destructive fire in its history. About 12 o'clock flames were discovered in the cellar of Jeff's grocery, in the Pike building on Fourth street, between Pim and Walnut. An hour later there was an explosion. The flames shot up through the roof of the six story stone front building. For several hours after that the fire was beyond control.

The Pike building was destroyed, including the office of the United States Express Company, the Adams Express Company, White's restaurant, owned by Maynard & Kerr; Jeff's grocery, Jno. Martin's restaurant, Henry Strauss's cigar store, and the office of the Pike Theatre Company, on the first floor; the Pike theatre auditorium and green rooms and other offices on the second floor, and all of the offices on the third, fourth and fifth floors.

The Season Good building, adjoining the Pike building on the west, was badly damaged. The building adjoining the Pike building on the east, owned by the L. B. Harrison estate and occupied by the Robert Clark Company, publishers, and Dumore Bros., jewelers, on the first floor, and others in upper stories, the walls of other structures, which are of brick, gave way with the falling floor. The fire swept across the alley known as Baker street and burned the large publishing house of the American Book Company and other property along Baker street, and did great damage to the telephone building. All telephones in the city were out of service for some time.

All the guests in the burned house on Pine street, just across from the telephone building, were called out of their rooms, as were those at the Gibson, the Ensign and Starg hotels, which were in close proximity of the fire. The Kinkaid building, diagonally across from the Season Good building, and Pike opera house, which is occupied by the Western Union Telegraph Company, Associated Press and by other offices, were threatened, and all the wires of the Western Union for hours were in jeopardy. This building was saved from damage, however.

It was not until after daylight that the fire was brought under control and damped. A general conflagration was believed to have occurred. About 20 persons usually slept in the Pike building, and there were at first reports that several lives had been lost. None of these have been confirmed. There were many narrow escapes, however. The night watchman and two doorkeepers saved six lives by entering through the smoke and rescuing lodgers. Five men were asleep in one room near the door was broken in. Captain Glanlin, head of a detective force, who was asleep on the third floor, escaped in his night clothes. He lost all the contents of his office. Nothing whatever was saved from the upper floors.

BANKERS SWINDLED.

Are Reported to Have Lost Two Million Dollars—Man Arrested at Panama.

New York, Feb. 25.—By the arrest of a man who gave his name as Fernan Montero, who was about to sail for New York, says the Herald-Panama correspondent, it has been revealed that several of the most important banking houses of Santiago, Chili, were swindled out of \$2,000,000 in gold several weeks ago. Montero, who is accused of the crime, was easily identified and quietly submitted to arrest. He will be returned to Chili by the next Chilean steamer for trial.

CANTONESE AGITATED.

Report That United States Desires Small Island Off Canton.

Paris, Feb. 26.—A steamer which has arrived at Marseilles with the Chinese mail, also brought advices from Canton to the effect that the Cantonese have been agitated over the arrival there of two American warships which gave rise to the report that the United States desired to secure the small island of Hainan, occupying a strategic position in front of Canton. The Chinese and some of the foreign element circulated the report.

Vancouver, Feb. 26.—Dr. G. R. Parker arrived here to-day and left for Victoria in company with Hon. Messrs. Prior, Eberhart, Wells and McLane.

Burdock's Blood Bitters. Cannot be Exceeded by any preparation on the market to-day as a Cure For Dyspepsia, Boils, Pimples, Headaches, Constipation, Loss of Appetite, Salt Rheum, Erysipelas, Scrofula.

Stomach, Liver, Bowels or Blood. It has been in general use for over a quarter of a century, and every person who has used it has nothing but words of praise as to its curative properties.

COVERING POSTERS. Mrs. Patrick Campbell on the Action of Montreal Moral Reformation.

Montreal, Feb. 25.—Mrs. Patrick Campbell, the actress, is very much annoyed at the action of the morality department in pasting over her pictures. She said to-day, referring to a bill pasted over: "I am taking that away with me as a curious memento of this visit. I never realized before that my poor neck had grown so unsightly that it were a disgrace to leave it uncovered. You will allow me to say that I have a very poor opinion of the intelligence and discrimination of this police censor of yours. I heartily sympathize with any effort to clean up the city free from any objectionable poster with bills of paper. Such a method only heightens the original suggestiveness and excites unhealthy curiosity and comment, as in the case of the poster I refer to."

ELECTRIC MOTORS Will Be Used on a Number of Railways in Great Britain.

London, Feb. 25.—Important conferences between the consulting engineers of the railroads of Great Britain are being held with the object of deciding on a uniform scheme for electric equipment, whereby the rolling stock and electric motors of the various companies will be able to travel indiscriminately on all the lines. The trunk companies have all practically decided to use electric motors, and the suburban lines are awaiting an agreement on the subject of the uniformity of the plant.

CHAMPIONSHIP FIGHT.

Feather-Weights Will Meet at San Francisco To-Night—Betting Favorable to Young Corbett.

San Francisco, Feb. 26.—A contest for the feather-weight championship of the world between Young Corbett and Eddy Hanlon, which will be decided to-night at the Mechanics pavilion, promises to attract one of the largest audiences that ever witnessed a ring battle. Both men are reported to be in perfect condition. Corbett was 142 pounds over-weight yesterday, but said he would have no trouble in getting down to 130 pounds by to-night. The betting is 10 to 6 in his favor.

MILLION DOLLAR STAMPS.

Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 26.—Jok. Ramsey, Jr., president of the Wabash Railroad Company, has approved the plan for the new station in this city, and the contract for its construction has been awarded. The structure will cost over one million dollars.

THE BALKANS.

Russia's Warning to Slav States Against Revolution. St. Petersburg, Feb. 25.—It is officially announced that the Russian government has instructed its representatives throughout the Balkans to give the widest possible publicity to the warning that Russia is prepared to safeguard the interests of the Christians she "will not sacrifice a single inch of her territory to the smallest portion of the heritage of the Russian people if the Slav states should attempt to revolutionize or force to change the existing state of affairs in the Balkan peninsula."

FREIGHT WRECK.

Altoona, Pa., Feb. 25.—One man was killed and six were fatally injured in a freight wreck on the Pennsylvania rails at Eitzfating Point, seven miles west of here, to-day. The dead man is J. H. Cox, flagman. The freight train of thirty-six loaded coal and coke cars ran away down the eastward slope of the Allegheny mountains and collided with another freight standing on the same track. Thirty cars were demolished, blocking the traffic for several hours.

SPEECHLESS AND PARALYZED.

Mrs. J. S. Goode, of Truro, N. S., "I suffered terribly and was often speechless and partially paralyzed. The use of Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart gave me relief, and before long I was able to go about. To-day I am a well woman." Sold by Jackson & Co. and Hall & Co., 33.

THE HAGUE PROTOCOL.

Is Being Discussed by Representatives of the Powers. Washington, Feb. 25.—Great Britain, Germany and Italy are still considering the rough draft of The Hague protocol, submitted by their representatives here yesterday by Mr. Bovee last week. It provided that the Czar of Russia shall select the personnel of the court to pass on the preferential contention of the allies. Meanwhile Mr. Bowen is carrying on negotiations with the other claimant, and hopes to finish up the French protocol this week. Mexico's protocol possibly will be signed to-morrow.

WARM WORDS BETWEEN

JUDGE ADMONISHES THEM TO KEEP

Mr. Cassidy's Vain Effort North Victoria Protest—Application Agreed.

"There must be something all this than appears on. Please try to keep your temper, and don't interrupt me when the North Victoria men, who had the word of Mr. Justice Walker was before him. It was trying to continue in that the case ought to be set down for trial and discontinue the legislature meets and also before the 15 days the session during which the Act says no trials may be held. P. Duff, K. C., was not equal vigor on the other side though the House may not assemble until April 2nd, still considered as in session on the date for which it was summoned, and the proclamation together for the dispatch on that date being still in force. Duff's contention is that the claimant merely amounts to a adjournment of the House frequently takes place during the argument on this point at 10:30 yesterday morning. For several hours, at times being exceedingly warm, the panel, a somewhat unexpected. "This game is full of tricks," Mr. Cassidy, "Yes," replied some of the floor at the time, and the proclamation of this instance are such as one for only from a card sharp moment it looked as if the case was about to assume the dimensions of the United States case of the law with a very highly rapid progress towards the when His Lordship suddenly adjourned court. "I am sorry," Duff, after the excitement, "that I refer to no one present."

Mr. Cassidy asked His Lordship his decision this morning, and he replied that the decision forthcoming just as quickly as the case was ready to go to the point. "We would like to-day," said Mr. Cassidy, "press me any further." His reply was, "You have a fair one, you never satisfied with any of your decision."

The election petitions didn't however. Mr. Duff applied through the register to bring a motion against Col. Prior for this session, arguing that the against the dismissal of the objections was no reason for trial. A. P. Linton opposed Mr. Justice Walker's dismissal of Duff's summons. The latter the leave to appeal to the Full Court. His Lordship granted and conferred with the other members of the Full Court, and an endeavor to have the Full Court on this morning, but later at that the application must be granted. Mr. Justice Walker's appeal on, and it may possibly be decided this afternoon.

In Chambers. The following matters were posed of by Mr. Justice Walker this morning: Newton vs. Bank of N. S. Escove W. E. Oliver, for removal for amendment of state claim, which was granted, and ment against Escove in default of defence, which also was granted, reserved. Gardon vs. Wilson et al.—A. J. Jay obtained an order for account Re Samuel Gardner, deceased. The case of Bosowitz vs. P. now in course of trial before Mr. Justice Walker in the County court.

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