BIG STRIKE IN COAL MINES OF B. C. AND ALBERTA

Men Go Out Pending Satisfactory Agreement With Operators---Change of Front Caused By Developments in Anthracite Region.

(Special to the Times.)

Lethbridge, Alta., April 2.—The coal strike is now general in Alberta and Eastern British Columbia. A thousand miners went out here this morning supporting President Sherman's order until such time as an agreement satisfactory to all is reached, in answer to the operators' contention that the subject is a one-man affair, called by Frank Sherman contrary to the direction of the miners themselves. In a referendum vote to accompany the agreement which arrived last week at Macleod, the miners declare that there is no agreement until such is required, and that an entirely different phase has been put on affairs within the last week by the agreement arrived at in the anthracite regions and by bringing up of the agreement between the independent Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company and the men affected in the camps at Fernie, Michel, and Carbonado.

Previous to the anthracite settlement the international executive advised district No. 18 to accept any agreement that was as much in their favor as the expiring one. Immediately after the anthracite settlement, however, they advised them that if they wished to stand out for better terms they would have international support financially and otherwise. This mine workers' offer all the miners spoken to maintain is the cause of the sudden change of front within the last week. They maintain that they are practically solid behind Frank Sherman's stand at Macleod yesterday, and that they are out to win and will stay out until an agreement is arrived at as favorable to them as the agreement signed with the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company, and that is all they want.

The C. P. R. has been preparing for a strike and has coal stored all over its system. At Lethbridge the company has between 5,000 and 10,000 tons dumped on the prairie near the tracks.

All the camps in district No. 18, covering Eastern British Columbia and the province of Alberta were affected by the strike with the exception of the camps of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company at Fernie, Michel and Carbonado, the Maple Leaf Company of Bellevue and the Canada West at Tabor, who have broken away from the Western Coal Operators' Association.

John R. Galvin, vice-president of district 18, United Mine Workers of America, has resigned. He will move to Ohio to live. Robert Evans is appointed pro tem.

KING EDWARD IN EXCELLENT HEALTH

Biarritz, April 2.—There is no truth in the report published in Germany that King Edward has suffered a stroke of apoplexy. His Majesty, who is in excellent health, left here this morning for the Basque fetes at Sare.

DISQUALIFIED FOR PENSION.

London, April 2.—A husband and wife who have resided in England for 72 years have been disqualified for old age pensions because once during the last twenty years they visited Canada, where they remained for seven years.

ZEPPELIN AND MASTERY OF AIR

INTREPID INVENTOR'S LATEST TRIUMPH

Thousands Witness Balloon Descent at Munich After Successful Flight.

Din Golfing, Germany, April 2.—The Zeppelin airship that spent the night in an open field near this town, after having been driven by a storm yesterday from the neighborhood of Munich, reascended at a quarter-past eleven this morning and started on its return journey to the Bavarian capital. There is a moderate wind blowing.

On arising the airship manoeuvred in a most satisfactory manner, and headed in the direction of Munich amid the cheers of thousands of spectators who had assembled to witness the departure. A number of automobiles and a detachment of cavalry are following the route of the ship. The airship was inflated with gas this morning, and the military engineers repaired the injuries received by the motors during the trip yesterday.

Landshut, April 2.—The Zeppelin airship passed over Mosburg this morning, going to the west in the direction of Munich.

Munich, April 2.—The Zeppelin airship appeared over Munich about half-past one this afternoon and made a successful landing on the parade grounds outside the city. The count was greeted by the Prince Regent of Bavaria and several princes and princesses of the royal family.

A vast crowd had assembled to witness the descent, which was made lightly and easily. The authorities had been advised by telegraph of the hour when the airship could be expected. The public school children were given a holiday, and extra editions of the newspapers are being sold on the streets giving full accounts of the travels of the airship.

Count Zeppelin was greeted by the prince regent as he stepped from the car, and was carried off by the prince to luncheon. Many distinguished persons were present at the meal. The prince proposed the health of the Count and conferred a gold medal upon him. He also decorated the Count's companions. The airship left here at 2:30 o'clock on the return trip to Friederichshafen.

REICHSTAG ADJOURNS.

Berlin, April 2.—The entire budget passed its third reading in the Reichstag to-day, after which the house adjourned until April 20th. Throughout the past week the Reichstag has sat for twelve hours a day.

PREPARATIONS FOR BIG MARATHON RACE

Longboat is Strong Favorite For Contest in New York To-morrow.

New York, N. Y., April 2.—Every detail that will make the Marathon Derby of $10,000 at the Polo Grounds to-morrow afternoon a success, has been completed. Each one of the six runners—Tom Longboat, the Canadian Indian; Dorando Peitri, the Italian; Alfred Shrubb, the Englishman; Henri St. Yves, the Frenchman; Johnnie Hayes, the American, who captured the London Marathon race, and the Irish crack, Mat Maloney, is keyed up to the highest point of perfection, and each and every one is confident of being returned the winner.

The fine weather during the last few days has dried the Polo Grounds out to such an extent that a game of ball could be played on it to-day. The five lap track is being rolled to the smoothness of a billiard table. It will take a very heavy rainfall to hurt it to any great extent and with a good day overhead, the race will be undoubtedly the most sensational contest of its kind ever held. With the arrival of a huge delegation of Canadians, all loaded down with money to bet on Longboat's Marathon chances, the Indian's price has been hammered down to 6 to 5. Dorando rates a strong second choice at 5 to 2, and Shrubb is quoted at 3 to 1. Hayes and Maloney are both 5 to 1, and St. Yves is the outsider at 8 to 1.

DRUNKEN BRAWL.

Ottawa, Ont., April 2.—As the result of a drunken brawl, following a maple sugar party on Gatineau road last night, Amedee Sylvestere, 20 years old, of Hull, is reported to be in a dying condition. An arrest is expected to be made to-day.

Liverpool, April 2.—SS. Empress of Britain passed 132 miles west of Fastnet at 5 a. m. to-day.

GHASTLY CRIME IN LONELY SHACK

USES LIGHTED LANTERN TO SLAY HIS FRIEND

Uncalled for Remark Leads to Midnight Murder Near Dryden.

(Special to the Times.)

Winnipeg, Man., April 2.—A ghastly midnight murder was reported here this morning. The crime took place in a lonely shack in the bush at Minnetoki, near Dryden, east of here.

J. Miller and John Bell on their way here stopped at Ed. Buckley's shack for the night. Before retiring Bell made an uncalled for remark to Miller while lying in his bunk. Miller was going out to the stable to help with the chores and resented the remark used. He struck Bell over the head with a lighted lantern, the jugular vein being severed, resulting in immediate death.

Miller made no resistance to arrest.

WEATHER PLAYS "APRIL FOOL" AT REGINA

(Special to the Times.)

Winnipeg, Man., April 2.—The clerk of the weather played April fool with Saskatchewan province yesterday. A dispatch from Regina, the capital, says: "Yesterday the early morning hours were bright and warm with promises of an ideal spring day, but before long a strong wind sprang up, followed by a heavy fall of very wet snow, with the result that the city presents the most wintry appearance of the year.

WILL KEEP THE PEACE IN CENTRAL AMERICA

Mexico Willing to Co-operate With United States, Says President Diaz.

Mexico City, April 2.—President Diaz opened the second session of the 24th congress last night in the Palace of Mines, the Chamber of Deputies building having been destroyed by fire a few days ago. President Diaz referred to the return of prosperity and the peaceful relations existing between Mexico and the nations of the world. He declared that the United States had asked Mexico whether she would co-operate in case it became necessary, to compel the Central American republics to live up to the letter and spirit of the recent Washington peace pact and that his answer had been that such co-operation would be given to the full extent of the powers of the republic.

QUARTER OF MILLION DOLLARS INVOLVED

Injunction Granted in Dispute Regarding Mamquam River Timber Limits.

Vancouver, April 1.—Mr. Justice Clement yesterday granted an injunction to William E. Green to prevent Charles T. Dunbar from disposing of certain timber limits on the Mamquam river, in New Westminster district, valued at between a quarter and a half million dollars. D. G. Macdonell, who made the application on behalf of Mr. Green, said that the applicant had been a clerk in the Lands and Works Department at Victoria, and had been induced to come over and join Mr. Dunbar on the understanding that he would have a half interest in the timber staked. Mr. Dunbar now repudiated the agreement. Mr. Dunbar is at present in California, and it is understood that on his return he will test the matter further by bringing action to dissolve the injunction.

TRUE BLUE ASSOCIATION.

Provincial Grand Lodge Organized and Officers Elected.

Vancouver, April 1.—The organization of the Provincial Grand Lodge of the True Blue Association took place yesterday afternoon and the following officers were elected: Mrs. Frank Humphries, No. 34, grand mistress; Mr. J. F. Henderson, 191, deputy grand master; Mr. F. E. Harmer, 249, grand secretary; Mr. E. W. Cook, 162, grand treasurer; Mrs. L. Eggerton, 270, grand director of ceremonies.

A banquet was held in the evening at the Orange hall to entertain the delegates from outlying districts and there were over 250 guests present. Rev. E. C. Madill and Bro. Whitely, Grand Orange Lodge organizer in British Columbia, addressed the gathering on the subject of lodges and their benefits.

JAPANESE KILLED BY TRAIN.

New Westminster, April 1.—E. Matsuzaki, a Japanese workman on the new cut-off of the Great Northern railway between this city and Blaine, was killed yesterday morning as a result of being struck by the train. His body was found lying on the track.

CALL FROM LADYSMITH.

Ladysmith, April 1.—Rev. Mr. Robertson, of Duncan, has been called to the Presbyterian church of Ladysmith. At a meeting of the church officials held Sunday night after the regular services it was decided to extend the call to Mr. Robertson.

'SOUTH AFRICA'S LOYALTY TO EMPIRE

Pretoria, April 2.—Speaking in the legislative assembly last night, Mr. Justice De Villiers, the attorney-general, said the offer of a South African Dreadnought had been suggested, but he thought it best to be a united community at present. South Africa would stand as one man with the British Empire. No European race need look for help in war from any portion of its inhabitants.

ADMIRAL CERVERA DYING.

Puerto Real, Spain, April 2.—The condition of Admiral Cervera is considered to be hopeless. He is unconscious and is unable to take nourishment.

REMOVAL OF COAL DUTY

CHIEF TARIFF ISSUE BEFORE FEDERAL HOUSE

Government Will Not Take Action in Matter This Session.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, April 2.—During the debate on the budget, which will be brought on as soon as parliament reassembles after the Easter recess, it is probable the chief tariff issue to be raised will be in connection with the demand of a number of members from the west and from Ontario for free coal. Nothing will be done by the government this session towards removing the present duty, but it is certain the matter will be vigorously pressed next session in view of the offer contained in the Payne bill now before the United States congress for reciprocity in coal.

Ralph Smith (Nanaimo), will, during the debate on the budget, strongly urge action by the government to remove the coal duty next session.

ELECTIONS AND DRINK.

British Legislature Considers the Closing of Public Houses on the Day of Contests.

London, April 2.—Speaking on a bill introduced in the House of Commons to-day providing for the closing of drinking places in England on election day, Charles Henry Roberts (Liberal) quoted the opinion expressed on this subject by Charles W. Eliot, president of Harvard university, and added that "We hope to see Dr. Eliot as United States ambassador to this country."

The remark was greeted with hearty cheers.

EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS ALARM VIRGINIANS

Eichester, Va., April 2.—Two separate distinct shocks of earthquake were felt here about 2.30 this morning. While no reports of damage have been received, many residents were awakened and considerable alarm was caused by the disturbance.

Reports from Charleston and Harper's Ferry, W. Va., show that the 'quake was felt in these places also. The vibrations lasted about one half minute during each shock, and were from west to east.

Rome, April 2.—There is no truth in the report that another earthquake has been experienced at Messina.

PRIZE ESSAY ON PROGRESS OF AERIAL NAVIGATION

King Leopold of Belgium Offers $5,000 to Author of Best Work.

Antwerp., April 2.—King Leopold of Belgium has decided to grant a prize of $5,000 to the author of the best work answering the following question: "Describe the progress of aerial navigation and the best means to encourage it."

All essays or works competing for the prize must be sent in to the minister of science and arts in Brussels, before March 1, 1911. The competition is open to all nationalities. The jury will comprise three Belgians and four foreign members. No members of the jury will be allowed to send any work or essay to the competition. The manuscript work or essay winning the prize will have to be published during the year following the year in which the prize shall be awarded. Competitors may use any of these languages: French, English, Flemish, German, Italian, Spanish, or Portuguese.

TO BUILD STEAMER.

Contract Awarded to New Westminster Yards for Vessel to Cost $25,000.

New Westminster, April 1.—The contract has been closed for the building at the Royal City dockyards of the largest vessel, except, perhaps, the dredge Ajax, ever built at this port. The vessel will be about 100 feet in length by 21 feet 6 inches moulded beam, and 8-foot hull, and is being built for Messrs. L. & J. Rogers, who will use her in the local and coast line shipping trade. The steamer will cost $25,000. It is expected that the keel of the new boat will be laid within a few days, the order for the material having already been placed by the builders.

CITIZENS ARE SCORED FOR MILITARY APATHY

Merchants Accused of Discouraging Service in Fifth Regiment---Board of Trade Favors Canada Contributing to Navy.

(From Friday's Daily.)

An arraignment of Victorians, and especially of Victorian merchants, for their lack of support of the militia was a feature of the special meeting of the board of trade held yesterday afternoon to discuss the question of Imperial defence. It had to be admitted that the charge was true, too.

Lieut.-Colonel J. A. Hall, commanding officer of the Fifth Regiment, C. G. A., who has taken a deep interest in militia matters since he first settled here, spoke frankly and plainly to his fellow-members of the board. Lieut.-Colonel Prior, one of his predecessors in the command, endorsed his remarks. The result was the reference of the matter to the council of the board for immediate action.

On the subject of Imperial defence, the board placed itself on record as in favor of Canada contributing one or more Dreadnoughts to the Imperial navy, and the creation of a Canadian navy.

Lindley Crease introduced the subject, saying the time had arrived for Victoria and the rest of Canada to give definite expression to its views. The question of defence was one above all party politics, and both sides were disposed to do all that was necessary to maintain the solidity of the Empire and the position of its navy. A crisis seemed to have developed, making it more and more necessary for the Empire to rely on its navy. That note had to be struck sooner or later, and perhaps had been struck sooner and more emphatically than expected. Canada, having the good fortune to be an important part of the Empire, should do its full share in the portection of that Empire, and while strengthening and protecting itself should build up its own country. In the development of a Canadian navy we could act more rapidly if we were to purchase from the Mother Country ships which had passed their first stage of usefulness, but were not obsolete. This would give a means of training the seafaring population of which Canada was justly proud.

This scheme had many points to recommend it. One was that it saved the Dominion from making experiments in building ships. The money which would be paid for the ships would help the Mother Country in providing new ships. By degrees our ship-building facilities would be developed, and all the means of building, equipping and arming ships of war be available, to reach which result heavy government subsidies would be necessary. There would be the further step of providing docking accommodation sufficient to take in any vessels of the British fleet. Commercial power ran side by side with naval power. Everyone in Victoria, he was sure, as citizens of the Empire would give the government at Ottawa absolute support in whatever was done.

An Individual Duty.

Lieut.-Colonel Hall said he was rather anxious to hear what the opinions of the board were and to say "amen" to them. The question of Imperial defence, to his mind, was intimately connected with both the army and navy, and it was perfectly impossible to disassociate the two, if one would only take a sufficiently wide grasp of the whole situation. No subject was more important to the whole British community, and therefore he had devoted all his spare time to the militia service. This was a perfectly direct and personal contribution, vastly more important and impressive that any offer to give a day's wages for the construction of a warship. Col. Hall said he stood in the isolated position of being the only member of the board of trade who held a commisison in the militia service. Commercial men should devote some of their energies to putting themselves in a position to take part in the defence of their country. The coast defence artillery were in close touch with the navy. The safety of Esquimalt drydock depended absolutely on the Fifth Regiment. The organization of that work of defence was a matter for such men as were at the meeting, and in it commercial men could do good service.

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GERMANS TO OWN AND OPERATE GERMAN MINES

Protective Measure, Aimed at Foreigners, Introduced in Prussia.

Berlin, April 2.—The Prussian government has introduced a bill in the Diet forbidding foreigners from acquiring mineral property and operating mines within Prussia without the special permission of the Emperor, or the authorities representing him. It is assumed that this bill is largely due to the discussion which has been going on for some weeks among those interested in the potash industry regarding the probable purchase of potash mines in Prussia by American fertilizer combinations, so as to render themselves independent of the German potash syndicate.

INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS ON APPLIED CHEMISTRY

Washington, D. C., April 2.—The names of some of the most eminent chemists in the country, as the official delegates from the United States to the seventh international congress of applied chemistry to be held in London from May 27th to June 2nd next were to-day submitted to the state department for its approval.

The recommendations were made by Dr. Harvey Wiley, chief of the bureau of chemistry of the department of agriculture, through Secretary Wilson. Representing the government will be Dr. Wiley, who also is chairman of the American committee of the congress; Dr. A. S. Cushman, of the office of public roads department of agriculture; and Dr. Frank W. Clark, of the interior department.

The other delegates are: Dr. Chas. Baskerville, head of the chemical department of the college of the city of New York; Dr. Wm. H. Nichols, of New York; Dr. Max Toch, New York; Dr. Albert Plaut, of New York; Dr. Morris Loeb, of New York, and Dr. L. H. Balkeland, of Yonkers, New York.

Dr. Wiley states that the attendance upon the congress will be upwards of 5,000 and that at least 200 members will go from this country.

CAMBRIDGE FAVORITE FOR BOATRACE TO-MORROW

Putney, Eng., April 2.—Both the Cambridge and Oxford 'Varsity crews were out to-day in their final practice spins upon the river, and the latest form of the contestants in the rowing event of the year foreshadows an interesting struggle for to-morrow. The Cambridge men are good favorites, but the Oxfords are quite confident of their ability to wear down their opponents in the latter part of the race.

STEEL WORKER'S DEATH.

Winnipeg, Man., April 2.—Samuel Thompson, a structural steel worker, was instantly killed yesterday by falling at the new union depot. He was 27 years of age and came from the United States.

FILIPINO PROTEST AGAINST PAYNE BILL

Would Preclude Possibility of Independence and Decrease Island's Revenue.

Washington, D. C., April 2.—The voice of the Filipino for the first time was heard to-day in the legislative halls of congress. It was a voice raised in protest against the system of free trade which the Payne bill seeks to establish with the Philippines. Standing in his place in the House of Representative, Palmo O'Camp de Leon, resident commissioner from the island possession of the United States, criticized the proposition for free trade, because he said it would cause a decrease in the revenues of the islands, and act upon the trusts in such a way as to preclude the possibility of independence. Speaking for the Filipinos and voicing their sentiment, Mr. O'Camp de Leon pleaded for such independence.

Certain to Pass.

Washington, D. C., April 2.—The Republican leaders of the house to-day, as the result of a careful canvass, expressed absolute confidence in their ability to pass the tariff bill whenever they decide to put it up on its passage. The decision now is to put the bill on its passage next Wednesday, the 7th instant.

NEWSPAPER ARRAIGNED IN NEW YORK COURT

Personnel of World Defendants in Panama Libel Suit.

New York, April 2.—Investigation of the Panama canal libel charge against the New York World was resumed before a federal grand jury in this city to-day, under the direction of Stuart McNamara, special assistant attorney-general, who come over from Washington for that purpose. It is reported that the purpose of the new inquiry was to obtain indictments in this city against the publishers, and possibly one of the editors of the World, recently indicted in Washington, in order that their trials might be held in New York instead of Washington.

The witnesses subpoenaed to appear before the grand jury to-day included Don G. Seitz, business manager of the World; Dumont Clarke, vice-president of the Press Publishing Company, which publishes the World; L. C. Thwaites, secretary to Joseph Pulitzer, the publisher; C. N. White, the assistant cashier; Earl Harding and David Ferguson, reporters, and John Hadwin, a messenger in the World building.

KING VICTOR AND AEROPLANIST.

Rome, April 2.—King Victor Emmanuel received Wilbur Wright, the American aeroplanist, in private audience to-day. His Majesty in conversing with Mr. Wright showed his intense interest in the subject of aerial navigation. Mr. Wright thanked the King for his [illegible] and expressed the desire to [illegible] the flights he [illegible] the proceeds [illegible] the earthquake [illegible]

LANCERS CHARGE CAIRO MOB

FIRE HOSE USED TO ROUT DEMONSTRATORS

Passage of New Egyptian Press Law Leads to Riotous C[illegible]

April [illegible] press law promulgated [illegible] provides a penalty for [illegible] ng of false news, etc., against [illegible] blic order, was followed yesterday by riotous demonstrations in the streets of Cairo by a large body of students. The situation became so threatening that lancers and mounted policemen had to be called out to disperse the mob which numbered several thousand persons. The troops charged several times and a fire hose had finally to be brought into play to rout the demonstrators.

Further trouble is feared. The local garrison has been placed under arms and ball cartridges have been served out so that the authorities may be prepared to cope with any eventuality.

W. W. B. McINNES IS MADE COUNTY COURT JUDGE

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, April 2.—W. W. B. McInnes has been appointed senior County court judge for Vancouver.

ROOSEVELT VISITS GOVERNOR OF GIBRALTAR

Ex-President Refuses to Be Either Photographed or Interviewed.

Gibraltar, April 2.—The steamship Hamburg with Theodore Roosevelt and the members of his party on board, came into Gibraltar a few minutes before 9 o'clock this morning, and sailed again shortly after noon for Naples. An aide-de-camp of General Sir Frederick Forestier-Walker's, the governor of Gibraltar, was out to the Hamburg to welcome the former president of the United States.

After an exchange of greetings Mr. Roosevelt, wearing a frock coat and a silk hat, came down over the side and stepped into a launch sent out by the captain of the port, and was brought ashore. The party proceeded at once to the residence of the American consul. At half-past ten o'clock Mr. Roosevelt called upon General Forestier-Walker. The general invited Mr. Roosevelt to luncheon, but the latter was not able to accept the invitation on account of the very short stay here of the Hamburg.

Mr. Roosevelt refused to be photographed, and he declined every request for an interview. The weather was bright and warm, and Mr. Roosevelt appeared to be in the best of health and spirits.

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CENTENARY OF NOVELIST.

St. Petersburg, April 2.—The centenary of the birth of Nikolai Vassilivitch Gogol, the great Russian novelist, is being celebrated throughout the Empire to-day by public meetings and exercises in the various schools. The newspapers publish articles on this pioneer of the Russian naturalistic school of literature and the great influence he has exerted on succeeding writers.

FIRST SUPPLY BILL OF SESSION INTRODUCED

Government Votes Down Opposition Resolution on Marine Inquiry.

Ottawa, April 2.—In the Commons to-day the government voted down on a straight party vote the opposition resolution proposed yesterday in connection with the marine department. Hon. W. S. Fielding then introduced the first supply bill of the session totalling forty-five millions, including thirty millions passed to date, and one-quarter of all the remaining estimates. The latter are necessary to pay the current expenditure until the main items are passed.

METHODIST MINISTERS COMING TO B. C.

Toronto, Ont., April 2.—The following transfers have been decided on by the transfer committee of the Methodist church: The Rev. M. H. Barraclough, of British Columbia to London; the Rev. C. W. Brown, of Saskatchewan, to British Columbia; the Rev. G. O. Fallis, of Saskatchewan, to British Columbia; the Rev. Ernest Pugh, of Newfoundland, to British Columbia.

ANGLICANS MAY BUILD NEW CHURCH

Members of Congregation at Ladysmith Promise Liberal Contributions.

Ladysmith, April 1.—There is much talk here at present of building a new Episcopal church and Rev. Mr. Ambrose is desirous of receiving a lot for the purpose on the newly-cleared lands on First avenue. Several generous donations have already been promised, and with the co-operation of his parishioners the rector is confident of success.

The Ladysmith electric light debentures have been disposed of to Geo. A. Stimson & Co., Toronto, the figure being ninety-four.

URGING GENERAL STRIKE.

Paris, April 2.—The central committee of the united unions of Paris and the department of the Seine has issued a proclamation to the workmen urging a 24 hours' general strike on May 1st.

DAM DYNAMITED AS RESULT OF FUED

Lake Charles, La., April 2.—News of the dynamiting and complete destruction of the Mermentau dam at Grand Cheniere, forty miles south of here, has reached Lake Charles. The dam was built at a cost of nearly $10,000 by the rice growers of southwest Louisiana. This is the third time a dam there has been dynamited.

For many years a bitter controversy has gone on between the rice growers through whose efforts the dam was built, and the cattle raisers of Cameron parish. The former claimed it was essential to keep salt water from the gulf out of the Mermentau river and its tributaries, while the latter declared much of their stock was drowned by the overflow thus caused.

New York, April 2.—Steamer Lucania, from Liverpool and Queenstown for New York, was 480 miles east of Sandy Hook at 9 a.m. She will dock about noon on Saturday