

At 1 o'clock in the night following three officers waited upon Elder Barker and arrested him on a charge of disturbing a worshipping assembly. In the morning, on the way to the court house, Mr. Sam Turner, an attorney, informed the officers that he would take care of Elder Barker until the time set for trial. Accordingly he took the Elders to his home and entertained them most hospitably.

At the trial the court room was packed. It lasted four hours. The greater part of the people turned in favor of the Elders. The judge said he did not want them to go back to Utah and have it to say how bad the people of Pickett county were, and that they should have protection and freedom to preach when and where they pleased. He imposed a small fine, which was promptly paid by friends who were present.

The Elders were invited to hold a meeting in the court house, and a leading merchant, Mr. Smith, tendered them his home for headquarters during the winter. They received many other hospitable invitations besides.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

Havana, Oct. 19.—Three additional survivors of the wreck of the coasting steamer Triton, which went ashore between Dominica and Mariel, on the coast of the province of Pinar del Rio, on Saturday morning last, have arrived here. The scene among the men, women and children, the survivors state, was terrible. When the Triton foundered, there were 230 persons aboard her, passengers and crew, and so far only forty-nine of this number have been heard from.

San Francisco, Cal., Oct. 19.—Senator Morgan and his daughters, and F. M. Hatch, the new minister from Hawaii, were among the passengers who arrived from Honolulu upon the steamship Belgic today. Senator Morgan expressed himself as well pleased with what he saw and the manner in which he was entertained while on the islands. He is more than ever enthusiastic on the subject of annexation and intimates that Hawaii may become a part of this country before the close of the coming year. He said:

"Hawaii is certainly going to be a State; but whether it will be at the time of its annexation or later remains to be seen. Should it be annexed as a territory, the Hawaiian commissioners will surely recommend that the islands be admitted to statehood and a special act of Congress would undoubtedly follow.

"I have favored annexation from the beginning, but I was surprised upon investigating the matter to find that the arguments in favor of the movement had been understated. In my opinion, Hawaii is absolutely indispensable to the United States, and we must have those islands. The only opposition I found was that of a few Liliuokalani royalists, who have no weight over there, and are for the most part royalists for revenue only."

The Senator and the Misses Morgan will leave here for their home in Selma, Ala., in a few days.

Springfield, Mo., Oct. 19.—Raymond, the twelve-year-old son of A. D. Allen, stenographer in the circuit court, went to school this morning carrying a portion of a stick of dynamite. The explosive, which the boy had found in a stone quarry, was in his pocket with a knife, top, marbles and a quantity of other things common to boys' pockets.

In getting into his seat the boy banged his dangerous collection of old junk against the desk, causing an explosion which will probably cost his life, and which was heard for several blocks. The child's right hand was blown off, and in his right groin a ter-

rible wound was inflicted, from which the surgeons say the boy cannot recover.

Chicago, Oct. 20.—A special from Washington says:

President McKinley will issue an order placing a large district in Alaska, of which St. Michaels will be the center, under the control of the military arm of the government. By this action the authorities believe that the lawlessness feared as a result of the rush of the gold-seekers to the great northwest territory will be suppressed.

The proposed military district will be about one hundred miles square.

The determination to issue the order was arrived at, it is said, at a cabinet meeting. While no official reports of anything but a peaceful condition have reached the department, private communications from responsible parties have convinced the authorities that something more was necessary than civilian rule. The authorities say that the offenses committed within the boundaries of the district, to be described by President in his order, will subject those responsible to arrest by the military, and prosecution by the civilian authorities before whom they will be brought.

The war department also proposes to establish an army post on the Yukon river, but this will not be done before next spring.

Washington, Oct. 20.—The secretary of war will today issue an order creating a military reservation in that part of Alaska lying within a radius of fifty miles of St. Michaels. The purpose is to confer upon Lieutenant-Colonel Randall the necessary legal authority to preserve order and protect property in this section of the country.

St. Louis, Oct. 20.—A special to the Post Dispatch from Liberty, Mo., says that a mob of about 100 masked men and armed, attempted to enter the county jail about midnight for the purpose of lynching William Foley and Frank Wade, murderers held awaiting trial. The sheriff summoned a few deputies, and with a show of arms compelled the mob to disperse. Several shots were fired but nobody was hit. Foley, who killed his mother and sister, was tried last July but the jury disagreed.

Pittsburg, Pa., Oct. 20.—From all parts of western and central Pennsylvania, eastern Ohio and West Virginia come reports of forest and mountain fires. All the upper Youghiogheny region is in a haze. Across the Youghiogheny river, Limestone hill is a lurid slope of fire, and south of Connellville the fire is eating up the shrubbery, endangering homes and destroying hundreds of barns. In the vicinity of Ricebrook, Bedford county, nearly one hundred men are fighting the fires. Two oil rigs owned by the South Penn and Worth oil companies have been destroyed and a large tract of timber land was laid waste.

The barn of John A. Byers, a stock dealer of Dunbar township, has been destroyed. All his stock, twenty horses and the uncut crop of hay was consumed.

Springfield, on the top of Chestnut ridge, is threatened with destruction unless rain comes soon.

William Hodges and son, who lived on Indian creek, are missing, and it is feared they have perished in their cabin.

Simla, Oct. 20.—Official advices from Fort Lockhart say that after the fighting on Monday last between the British troops under Gen. Sir Yeatman-Biggs, and the insurgent tribesmen from Chagru, on Samana range, the British force returned to Ahinwari and that the tribesmen, greatly reinforced, re-occupied in force the heights west

of Chagru. The third brigade of the punitive expedition, which advanced today to Kharamppa, expects to have a lively time in clearing the heights.

Washington, Oct. 20.—Silver dollars are missing from the strongbox of the treasury and may number many thousands. Treasurer Roberts has employed experts to count piece by piece the \$100,000,000 which ought to be in the vaults.

Recently the coin was counted by the weighing process, but Roberts will not give a receipt to his predecessor, Morgan, until he knows the full extent of the robbery which he suspects has been carried on for some time.

During this count a trusted employe was caught opening bags which contain 1,000 silver dollars each, taking out as many as he wished, and making up the weight of the extracted silver with lead. At the conclusion of the count, all of the bags showed the required weight.

Upon the treasurer's suggestion some of the bags were opened. So much lead was discovered that a consultation was held with Secretary Gage and it was decided to employ a force of fifty clerks to go over the counting in detail. This task will consume six months and will cost the government \$25,000.

Silver City, N. M., Oct. 19.—Reports from the Yaquicato state that the Yaqui Indians resent the encroachment of white men in search of gold and that the Indians are driving all white men out of the country. A correspondent at Hermosillo, Mexico, advises white men to stay away as the Indians will not allow them to penetrate to the gold fields.

SMALLEST BOOK IN THE WORLD.

Italy has succeeded in producing the smallest book in the world, says the Philadelphia Bulletin. As far back as 1850 the well known historian, Cesare Cantu, together with the publisher Gnocchi of Milan, undertook to issue an edition of "The Divine Commedia" of Dante in the smallest known characters, but they were unsuccessful, although the Gnocchi house tried for twenty years. In 1870 the brothers Salmin and Padua took over the work and were successful in producing a tiny book of 500 pages, 38x22 millimeters in size, with 31 lines in each page, which book they claimed as the smallest in the world, and in fact, was of less dimensions than "The Official" of the celebrated Giunti, 49x33 millimeters, printed in Venice in 1519, and a Senect, "De Tranquillitate Animi," 42x32, printed in Leyden in 1601.

But another victory has been scored for the modern Italian typographical art by the brothers Salmin, who have made the booklet one-third smaller than the Dante possessed by M. George Salomon of Paris, who solemnly declared himself the possessor of the smallest book in the world. His book was printed in Holland in 1647, is 10x6 millimeters, but with such large letters that only a few words go to each page, and so it loses its likeness to a book. The Salmin house has made within the same dimensions a real book of 208 pages, each page with nine lines and 95 to 100 letters, being an unpublished letter of Galileo to Mme. Cristine of Lorraine in 1615. Anyone who sees this masterpiece of the art of printing cannot help being astonished at the smallness, exactness and elegance of the characters.

Pain in the back caused by a strain or kidney trouble is soon relieved by placing a towel across the back wet with alcohol and water in equal quantities, over this place a dry towel and let them remain on all night.