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VENEZUELAN CRISIS.

English Troops Sent Through Brazil to the Disputed Territory.

FORMER REPORTS NOW CONFIRMED

Although They Were Diplomatically Denied by England a Few Days Ago.

NEW YORK, Oct. 30.—The Herald's correspondent in Rio Janeiro telegraphs that news has been received from the governor of Para, confirming the report of the passage of British troops through the territory.

A CRISIS AT HAND.

CHICAGO, Oct. 30.—A special from Washington says: "The confirmation that an armed British force was marching through Brazilian territory to that part of Venezuela claimed by Great Britain will, it is said, bring the international dispute to a crisis at once.

In some quarters fears are expressed lest the negotiations be prolonged until England gets all the soldiers she wants in the disputed territory. Possession, in diplomacy as in law, is several points in favor of the aggressor and for months England, it seems, is playing trump cards.

Russian Fleet at Port Arthur.

NEW YORK, Oct. 30.—A special to the Herald from Shanghai says: A squadron of thirteen Russian warships are now anchored at Port Arthur, on the gulf of Pechili.

Enthusiasm for Cuba.

CHICAGO, Oct. 30.—Chairman Edwards F. Craigin and Secretary J. L. Pelton of the Chicago Cuban committee, have been receiving letters from all parts of the country contending offers of volunteer service. Most of the language is couched in highly patriotic style, and the writers evidently labor under a stress of enthusiasm for the Cuban cause. A few of them are Grand Army men, and they say they feel that they are ready to fight again for the liberty of an oppressed people. Others are ex-soldiers who have become convinced that the people of the United States should do more than extend their sympathy to the little band of Cubans, and still others are adventurous boys and young men who are willing to fight Spaniards, Indians, panthers or anything else.

ALASKA BOUNDARY LINE.

Report of the Joint Commission to be Published before Long.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30.—The report of the joint commissioners appointed under the convention made in 1892 between Great Britain and the United States for the survey of the territory of the United States and Canada, subject to the boundary line dividing Alaska and Canada, will be made in the course of the next three months. General Duffield, chief of the coast and geodetic survey, is the commissioner on behalf of the United States and D. F. King serves in a like capacity for Great Britain. The purpose of the survey is to furnish a basis for the determination of the line from latitude 54 degrees 40 minutes north to where the boundary line encounters the 141st degree of longitude, which runs northward, marking the eastern boundary of Alaska. General Duffield's assistants, L. F. Dickens and R. A. Weimer, have been in the field all summer and are now engaged in working out their data. Under the treaty between Great Britain and Russia defining the boundary line of Alaska and the subsequent treaty by which Alaska became the property of the United States the boundary line was to run from the point where the Portland canal intersects the 56th degree of latitude northward along the crest of the mountain range, if there should be any, to the 141st degree of longitude. If no mountain were found the line was to run ten marine leagues from the coast line. No range of mountains was found, so that the United States territory under the treaty is a strip of land ten marine leagues along the coast. Along the coast are a series of islands beginning with Prince of Wales Island to the southward, known as the Alexander archipelago, and when the reports of the survey are made, the question as to whether the ten marine leagues line is to run inland from the line of these islands or from the main land and as to whether the coast line shall be considered to rise from headland to headland or to follow the actual coast line must be determined under the convention by the President and Secretary Olney on behalf of the United States and Queen Victoria and Sir Julian Pauncefote on behalf of Great Britain.

The Canadian maps now make the boundary line run ten marine leagues from the coast line with the islands of the Alexander archipelago, showing that Great Britain is already prepared to make a contention for that line. The point at which the Portland canal crosses the fifty-sixth degree of latitude has been determined and the point at which the ten marine leagues line meets the 141st parallel, Mount St. Elias, it has been ascertained, is in longitude 140 degrees, 47 minutes west.

In some respects, a more interesting problem which General Duffield is now working on, is the determination of the points at which the 141st degree of longitude (the eastern boundary line of Alaska) crosses the Forty Mile creek and the Yukon river, as this boundary may involve the ownership of some of the gold properties now developing there. Ogilevie, a British official, determined these points astronomically, in 1887. By his observations the 141st parallel crossed Forty Mile creek 3 miles from its mouth, at junction with the Yukon river, and left the town on the latter now in Canadian territory. The coast line, however, was fixed entirely by astronomical observations. General Duffield's line will also be made from astronomical observations, but he has other data, which Ogilevie did not have, with which to check possible errors. The latitude and longitude of Camp Davidson show the Yukon have been absolutely fixed from a long series of observations. From that point the country has been triangulated to the Yukon and a transverse line has been run all the way to the head of Forty Mile creek. This work has been in progress since 1891 and the final calculations will be completed in about three weeks.

General Duffield does not expect the line to vary much from that of Ogilevie and from the information he has he gives it as his opinion that all of the gold properties of the Yukon and Forty Mile Creek are within the jurisdiction of the United States. So far as he has been informed and the report of the governor of Alaska agrees with this information, all the gold discoveries have been to the west of a line drawn from Cape Barrow to the extreme eastern point of Alaska (all of which is in United States territory). There are two ways of reaching the mining region on Forty Mile Creek, one from the southward by way of Chilcat Pass at the upper tributaries of the Yukon, and the other by ascending the Yukon from its mouth. The former is through Canadian territory and the latter through United States territory, save for the small distance around the bend of the Yukon and 21 miles up Forty Mile Creek. According to the advices from Alaska, British officials have been levying and collecting duties on mining materials as they passed through British territory. Tom General Duffield says, is entirely legal if the Ogilevie line is found to be substantially correct as he believes it will be. Still, much interest will attach to the work of the final commissioners General Duffield is making, as they will furnish boundary upon which the United States can stand.

ARMENIAN INSURRECTION.

Twenty-six Thousand Armed Men in Revolt Against the Sultan.

The Most Important News so Yet Received From That Region—The Reserves Called Out.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Oct. 30.—The most alarming news yet received from Armenia was made public here today. It is stated that in the Zeitoun mountain district there are 26,000 Armenians in open revolt against the rule of the Sultan. The Turkish government, in view of the gravity of the outbreak, has decided to call out the reserves.

The Obituary List.

MELBOURNE, Oct. 30.—J. B. Patterson, formerly prime minister of Victoria, is dead. He ministry resigned on September 25, 1894.

DETROIT, Mich., Oct. 30.—News was received in this city today of the death of Commander Hyrcanan, U. S. Navy, formerly commander of the Kearsage. He died on the North German Lloyd steamer Havel, en route to Dresden.

Wandering Jew in Florence.

HONG KONG, Oct. 30.—The American ship Wandering Jew, Capetain Nichols, which arrived from New York Sept. 18, is load for that port, and which was ready to sail, caught fire through some unknown cause today and was scuttled in order to prevent entire destruction. The Wandering Jew was owned by Carlson, Norwood & Co., of Camden, Maine.

The Railway Cup Race.

FRESNO, Cal., Oct. 30.—The conclusion has been reached here from data gathered during the past few days, that the raisin crop will be materially short in comparison with last year's output. The shrinkage is variously estimated at from 25 to 50 per cent. Up to the 20th inst., 2,000 cars have gone forward from this district and shipments have practically ceased since that date.

OFF FOR VENEZUELA.

An English Newspaper Sends a Correspondent to the scene of Trouble.

NEW YORK, Oct. 30.—A special to the Herald from Havana says: The correspondent of an English newspaper has just received orders from his paper to embark at once for Venezuela in anticipation of the demonstration that Great Britain is expected to make at La Guayra to enforce the demands of her ultimatum.

Texas and Mexican Cattle.

DALLAS, Texas, Oct. 30.—At a meeting of the executive committee of the Texas Livestock association, the following was adopted:

Whereas, Largely exaggerated reports have been put into circulation as to the importation of Mexican cattle into Texas; and

Whereas, Said imports are calculated to depreciate values in Texas cattle; therefore, be it

Resolved, That after a careful investigation of the matter, this committee feels justified in making the statement that the importation of Mexican cattle along the entire border from October 22 to Dec. 31 of this year will not exceed 100,000 head, and consequently will not, in the least, affect prices of in any way prove detrimental to the cattle interests of the state.

Ex-City Treasurer Boggs Arrested.

TACOMA, Wash., Oct. 30.—Ex-City Treasurer George W. Biggs was arrested this afternoon at Central Point, near Jacksonville, Ore., by Sheriff Parker, of this county. One warrant charges Boggs with larceny and embezzlement of $100,000; the second with unlawfully using $130,000 for a purpose not authorized by law. He readily gave himself up on hearing that he was wanted.

Fatal Rear End Collision.

IOWA FALLS, Iowa, Oct. 30.—A serious accident occurred today on the R. C. R. & N. road at Hardy station where the Sioux Falls express had orders to pass freight extra. The freight had not cleared the line when the passenger crashed into it. The freight conductor, Dan Gammon, of Lutherville, Iowa, was fatally injured, and Engineer Parmeire and Fireman Wagner, of the passenger, were seriously hurt. Some passengers were injured, but none dangerously, it is said.

IT MAY BE A FIGHT,

But Rifles and Militia Will Have a Hand.

A KANSAS TROOPS UNDER ORDERS

The Governor Still Determined That the Ring Battle Shall Not Come Off.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Oct. 30.—Governor Clarke has called out the First regiment to stop the fight between Corbett and Fitzsimmons. The companies Pine Bluff, Helena, Cabot and Jacksonville have been ordered to be ready to march this afternoon. The McCarthy Light Guard, the Fletcher Rifles and the Eagle Light Battery of this city have also been notified to be ready to move at 1 p. m. The captain of the Helena company says he has 65 men ready to march with 1,000 rounds of ammunition. Forest City has 38 men with plenty of cartridges, all eager for the trip. The plan now is to send about 100 militiamen to Hot Springs from this city today and meet the other companies at Little Rock, whence they may be sent to Hot Springs early tomorrow.

The Governor is still determined the fight shall not occur. He says he proposes to exhaust every resource at his command. General Taylor, commander of the state militia, was in consultation with Governor Clarke today, and Adjutant General Whipple and Col. Hollenberry, of the First regiment, are perfecting arrangements for the movement of the troops.

THE SPORTS EN ROUTE.

CHICAGO, Oct. 30.—Parson Davies and party reached Chicago this morning and left almost immediately for Hot Springs. The "Parson" expressed the opinion that Corbett would win. Sullivan refused to commit himself. Davies and Tommy Ryan was going to Hot Springs to fight and would meet "Boystown" Billy Smith in Boston or anywhere else. John Sullivan has been engaged by a New York newspaper to report the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight.

FITZSIMMONS'S MOVEMENTS.

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., Oct. 30.—Fitzsimmons and Julian have been warned of the danger of Texarkana of falling into the hands of the officers of Pulaski county, armed with warrants issued by Judge Martin at Little Rock. It is possible they may leave the Texas and Pacific train at Marshall, Texas, proceed to Shreveport, thence north into Arkansas by way of Lewisville. If this plan is adopted, the party cannot well reach here before Tomorrow.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Oct. 30.—Fitzsimmons was met at Marshall, Texas, by Sheriff Houpt and the party left at once for Shreveport. The route from that place will be through Alexander, Pine Bluff, thence over the cotton belt to Gabbin, from Camden to Guardon, thence to Malvern. The sheriffs of Clarke, Lafayette and Ouachita counties have been notified to arrest Fitzsimmons and Julian and hold them for the Sheriff of Pulaski county. As the party are on a special train, it is improbable that they will be arrested.

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., Oct. 30.—The announcement from Little Rock that Governor Clarke had placed the militia under waiting orders, has produced no perceptible effect on the local sporting fraternity. It is thought this action was taken to prepare for the emergency of Fitzsimmons falling into the hands of Sheriff Houpt's officer at Texarkana, and being brought to this city.

A SHERIFF TO BE ARRESTED.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Oct. 30.—A warrant has been issued for the arrest of Sheriff Houpt, of Hardeman county, who is engaged in an effort to get Fitzsimmons to Hot Springs. The warrant was issued by Judge Martin, of Pulaski county circuit court.

COMSTOCK'S RUIN.

Attributed to His Heavy Loss at Horse Racing.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 30.—Chas. M. Comstock, who is arrest in New York for stealing jewelry has resented a sensation in a well known resident of Oakland. He is 30 years of age and is married. Relatives who were seen counted all knowledge of the circumstances surrounding the alleged theft of diamonds from Mrs. Caroline Colton Martin.

Comstock attended Harvard college and after completing a course there returned to California. He engaged in the insurance business for a time in San Francisco. After severing his connection with the Fidelity association he engaged in the agency of the Aetna company under Harry Gordon in Oakland. He isn't there about nine months ago and since then he has been engaged in no special line of employment.

Mrs. Martin, who is Comstock's alleged victim, is a daughter of the late Gen. D. D. Colton. She is the widow of Henry M. Martin.

Inquiry at the pawnshop where Comstock pawned the jewelry for $900 reveals the fact that on Monday some one had redeemed the pledges for Comstock. W. J. Barnett, the lawyer named letter to the New York authorities concerning Comstock's arrest, refuses to talk about the matter.

Comstock's ruin is attributed to horse races. He played the races and is reported to have lost heavily. Now that he has been exposed reports of numerous wrong doings in a petty way have come to light.

MISLEADING REPORTS

Concerning a Compromise Between Missionaries Put Up Positions.

NEW YORK, Oct. 30.—A local paper says: Statements published during the last day or two that a compromise has been effected between the Armenian Northern Pacific reorganization committee and the officers of that corporation are misleading. The facts are that the policy of the reorganization has been not to interfere with the receivership while the officers of the corporation in their effort to secure representation in the receivership, are responsible for the present complicated condition of affairs. With the view of keeping the expense of managing the trust estate within reasonable limits, the reorganization committee has favored the appointment of not more than three receivers and three for the entire system. The committee has also taken the ground that certain of the advances aggregating $5,000,000, which it has made to the receivers upon their certificates that the receivers should not be objectionable to the interests that advance that money.

Expelled from the Board of Trade.

CHICAGO, Oct. 30.—For violation of the rules relating to the tomatoes business, the directors of the board of trade have expelled H. H. Bennett tomato factory, and J. E. Willard was suspended for three years.

ATLANTIC & PACIFIC RAILROAD.

The Case to Have Another Hearing on Saturday Next.

SANTA FE, N. M., Oct. 30.—The Atlantic & Pacific case, involving the sum of $16,500,000 comes on again for hearing before Judge Collier in the United States district court at Albuquerque on Saturday next. The title of the case is the United States Trust company vs the A. & P. Railroad company et al. The trust company has filed exceptions to the defendants' answer in the former suit, charging irrelevancy. Arguments are to be heard on this point.

Among the attorneys engaged are S. D. K. Hall, L. E. Parker, Robert Dunlap, H. L. Wilson and Judge Story for the railroad, F. M. Jennings, of New York, and N. B. Field for the trust company.

The court's decision on these exceptions will practically determine whether or not Herbert will be able to foreclose sale under foreclosure of the Atlantic & Pacific road to satisfy the first mortgage bondholders represented by the United States Trust company. If the sale is ordered, doubtless the Santa Fe will see that the price will reach somewhere near $16,500,000.

The Santa Fe wants the Atlantic & Pacific, but is hardly prepared to pay $16,500,000 for it. Should the road fall into other hands the Santa Fe would be forced to build a branch line to the Pacific coast. The reorganization committee plan and float $20,000,000 of new bonds to build an independent line from the Rio Grande to the Pacific coast.

HOLMES'S TRIAL.

Whether Guilty or Not, He's an Abnormal Genius.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 30.—Weather Holmes is guilty of all or any of the crimes laid at his door this head, there is no doubt the man is an abnormal genius. Last night he recalled Lawyers Shoemaker and Rotan whom he had dismissed the day before, but it is apparent their presence even now is equal to nothing. Scarcely a question is put to a witness without being first framed or suggested by Holmes, and should his counsel ask anything without first consulting him, and the query fail to satisfy him in addition, he promptly displeasure by an irritable tapping with his pencil on the railing of the dock.

The first witness today was Susan Hurley, who said that Pitezel boarded at her house on Rockstreet a week in August, 1894.

Miss Alice Pierce, who has a cigar store at 1316, Callow street, identified Pitezel's picture as that of the man who lived at 1316 in 1894. Pitezel was not a man of cheerful disposition.

Ora Forest Perry, assistant to the president of the Fidelity Mutual Life, which was swindled out of $10,000 for which Pitezel's life was insured, identified the policy issued in 1892 to Carrie E. Pitezel, the widow, in the beneficiary. It is dated Nov. 9, 1892. Perry detailed how, after the policy had been paid to Jepsie D. Howe, a St. Louis attorney, representing Mrs. Pitezel, he (Perry) was sent by the president of the insurance company from Superintendent of Police Harrigan of St. Louis, giving the statement of Hedspeth, the train robber, that while in jail in St. Louis, he overhead this little crime, like a chapter of dreams, and gone to her moral destruction; a picture turned to the wall, a name never spoken, and oblivion, personal and social, for poor lost Blanche Lamont. And he was right for the moment. The murderer would his guilty way, with his undivulged crime, unexalted and unshipped of justice, while his victim lay in the spire that pointed its slender finger to the sky, as if representing its ruler for His unswerving indignation."

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Destructive Fire in Springfield.

SPRINGFIELD, Ohio, Oct. 30.—Springfield was visited by a destructive fire last. The Lamonda hotel was entirely consumed. It occupied half block of the principal blocks fronting on High and Limestone streets. The blaze originated in the kitchen about 12 o'clock and burned about four hours. The Dayton fire department was called on for assistance. It was with great difficulty the guests were rescued. There were numerous thrilling escapes.

The building was a five story brick, owned by John W. Brookwalter, of New York. The loss on the hotel and contents is estimated at $100,000, partly insured. On the street fronts were some of the principal stores in the city. The Western Union and postal telegraph offices were totally burned. The loss to the companies will run up into the thousands. Among other losers are: Stegthaler drug store, $10,000; Marcelest jewelry store $20,000; London clothing store, $15,000.

Responsibility for the Wreck.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 30.—Superintendent Brownlee, of the Missouri Pacific, said today the responsibility for the suburban wreck last night by between Engineer John Harper, of the westbound train, and Charles White, switch tender at Spring avenue. Engineer Harper is dead. The switch tender is missing.

A Brother's Salary.

SEATTLE, Wash., Oct. 30.—Judge Hanford has fixed the salary of Receiver Burlington of the Northern Pacific railroad at $15,000 a year.

The Deadly Gasoline Stove.

PETERSBURG, Va., Oct. 30.—An explosion of a gasoline stove today resulted in the burning to death of Mrs. Florence Whittle, the wife of Fortescue Whittle, and daughter-in-law of Bishop Whittle, of the diocese of Virginia; and in the probably fatal burning of the younger child of Mrs. Whittle, and the serious, if not fatal, burning of Miss Lucy Stone, the daughter of R. S. Stone.

Against a Steamship Company.

LONDON, Oct. 30.—In the queen's bench division of the high court of justice today, judgment was given against the owners of the British steamer Turkestan which ran into and sank the steamship Edam of the Netherlands-American line, off Start Point, in a fog, September 19. The owners of the Turkestan will therefore have to pay all damages. The Edam was valued at $260,000 and the cargo was estimated at $120,000.

The State Table.

To whom it may concern:

The state table that is being constructed by Mr. J. H. Wilson—the table upon which the first Governor of the state of Utah is to sign the first bill passed by the first State Legislature—is nearing completion. There will be a place prepared in the table wherein will be sealed up a copy of the Constitution of the State of Utah and a few choice autographs from many of the citizens of the State of Utah, especially of all those contained on the State ticket, including the members of both houses of the Legislature on the Populist, Republican and Democratic tickets. These autographs will receive a place in the table, and all persons who desire will please send them to my address: John H. Wilson, Salt Lake City. As it is impossible for me to call on each one in person I send this request and hope it will be favorably considered by all concerned. The table will contain the name, when born and where, and the official position now held or having been held.

Respectfully,

JOHN H. WILSON.

High School vs University.

The High school seniors and the University Kickers will engage in a game of football on the University campus at 10 o'clock next Saturday morning. The teams are both strong ones and they will no doubt furnish an interesting game.

DURRANT SCORCHED.

Eloquent Address of District Attorney Barnes,

CLOSING THE GREAT MURDER CASE

The Jury to be Instructed Tomorrow Morning, a Verdict Expected by Tomorrow Night.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 30.—District Attorney Barnes began the closing argument on behalf of the state in the trial of Theodore Durrant today. The court room was crowded to its greatest capacity and close attention was paid to the speaker. Judge Murphy will charge the jury tomorrow morning, and a verdict is expected by tomorrow night.

Following is a synopsis of District Attorney Barnes' closing address to the Durrant case:

"The individual who perpetrated the hideous murder, with whom the defendant stands charged, and which has exposed the soul and freeze the blood of this community, is an ordinary criminal, and his crime in every aspect in which it may be considered is without a parallel. It was not committed under a blind and furious impulse, to revenge some real or fancied wrong to his person, his property or his character nor from motives of gain, nor in the commission of robbery, nor yet under the impulse of jealousy. It was in no sense a crime of violent passion. It was without the slightest provocation or apparent excuse or palliation. The assassin chose for his victim an innocent maiden, she was undeveloped in mind, pure in life and thought, of simple and unsuspecting nature, and presenting in body none of the qualities which are supposed to arouse the evil passions of the seducer and the libertine. For the scene of his dreadful assault, the murderer selected a temple of God, dedicated to the worship of God. He took the life of his victim, not with the savage mercy of the quick pistol or the silent knife, but he tortured her with the lingering process of a strangling, driving the cruel fingers deep into the tender flesh of her slender throat; and so fiercely did he do his devil's work that the stigmata of his crime remained until the discovery of her corpse, clearly discernible as the stamp of death, not only by the expert medical examiner, but by the most unlearned observer. What other, if any, wrong was done her before her soul ascended and went to heaven, we do not know. The arrangement of natural decomposition baffled investigation and made knowledge impossible; but we know that either living, or dying, or dead, she was taken by him up the steep stairs of the steeple of the belfry of the church, where he supported the poor body with blocks of wood, and left it there to rot in nakedness, and wither in the cool, western wind that swept through the lofty spire. He hid the remains where he believed they would remain undiscovered and have no promise of Christian burial. None saw the crime save the God whom he feared not, as he extended the naked and slender form on the belfry floor, laid her white arms across the undeveloped bosom, prayed the dead, and straightened the meager body in the dust. Not a human being had beheld his retreat from the awful presence of the death which he had wrought, and he departed as calmly to and from his own breast. There lay the speechless and untenifying corpse, and what was it now to give him fear? It had been nothing but a girl after all, and concerning her, there was still he was safe and secure in which he could help in give currency—the same old story of a vanished girl, a distracted family, an inefficient and perfunctory search among the haunts of ill repute, a reluctant confession that this little one, like others of our daughters, had gone to her moral destruction; a picture turned to the wall, a name never spoken, and oblivion, personal and social, for poor lost Blanche Lamont. And he was right for the moment. The murderer would his guilty way, with his undivulged crime, unexalted and unshipped of justice, while his victim lay in the spire that pointed its slender finger to the sky, as if representing its ruler for His unswerving indignation."

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SPRINGFIELD, Ohio, Oct. 30.—Springfield was visited by a destructive fire last. The Lamonda hotel was entirely consumed. It occupied half block of the principal blocks fronting on High and Limestone streets. The blaze originated in the kitchen about 12 o'clock and burned about four hours. The Dayton fire department was called on for assistance. It was with great difficulty the guests were rescued. There were numerous thrilling escapes.

The building was a five story brick, owned by John W. Brookwalter, of New York. The loss on the hotel and contents is estimated at $100,000, partly insured. On the street fronts were some of the principal stores in the city. The Western Union and postal telegraph offices were totally burned. The loss to the companies will run up into the thousands. Among other losers are: Stegthaler drug store, $10,000; Marcelest jewelry store $20,000; London clothing store, $15,000.

Responsibility for the Wreck.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 30.—Superintendent Brownlee, of the Missouri Pacific, said today the responsibility for the suburban wreck last night by between Engineer John Harper, of the westbound train, and Charles White, switch tender at Spring avenue. Engineer Harper is dead. The switch tender is missing.

A Brother's Salary.

SEATTLE, Wash., Oct. 30.—Judge Hanford has fixed the salary of Receiver Burlington of the Northern Pacific railroad at $15,000 a year.

The Deadly Gasoline Stove.

PETERSBURG, Va., Oct. 30.—An explosion of a gasoline stove today resulted in the burning to death of Mrs. Florence Whittle, the wife of Fortescue Whittle, and daughter-in-law of Bishop Whittle, of the diocese of Virginia; and in the probably fatal burning of the younger child of Mrs. Whittle, and the serious, if not fatal, burning of Miss Lucy Stone, the daughter of R. S. Stone.

Against a Steamship Company.

LONDON, Oct. 30.—In the queen's bench division of the high court of justice today, judgment was given against the owners of the British steamer Turkestan which ran into and sank the steamship Edam of the Netherlands-American line, off Start Point, in a fog, September 19. The owners of the Turkestan will therefore have to pay all damages. The Edam was valued at $260,000 and the cargo was estimated at $120,000.

IN THE LAW COURTS.

The Mining Suit Still on in the Third District.

GRAND JURY AFTER COAL MEN.

Lake Held Over—Sim Duggins Pardoned—The Meldrum Assault Case, Etc.

Judge Merritt's time today was occupied in hearing arguments in the Marion-Geyser mining suit by Col. M. M. Kaighn and Col. Ellis for the plaintiff.

The necessary papers were filed with the clerk of the district court today in an appeal from Commissioner Greenman's court in the case of Richard Fenn against the Iowa Agricultural & Stock company, in which the plaintiff secured judgment of $87.55 for labor and $11.50 costs.

AFTER THE COAL EXCHANGE.

The grand jury is after the coal exchange and has examined as witnesses several prominent coal merchants who are members. The inquiry into the business methods of the association is a result of its alleged refusal to sell coal to T. P. Lewis except at retail prices, as he was not a member of the exchange, and the association having a sufficient enrollment of members, Mr. Lewis was denied admission.

LUKE HELD.

James A. Luke was held in Commissioner Sommer's court in the sum of $1,000 to await the action of the grand jury in the charge against him of perjury. Mr. Luke represents the Mercantile Protective association and the action arises out of an alleged neglect to serve a certain summons and a subsequent affidavit that the said summons was duly served. The bond was furnished.

SIMONS PARDONED.

President Cleveland has pardoned Sim Duggins, the saloon man well known in Ogden. Duggins was convicted before Judge Henderson, last June, of adultery and sentenced to the penitentiary. He was released yesterday immediately upon receipt of the pardon, without which his term would have extended to January 24, 1896.

THE MELDRUM CASE.

The case of Frank Meldrum will be held before the grand jury without the usual preliminary hearing before a commissioner. Meldrum is the man charged with criminally assaulting Annie Peterson.

REQUITED THE FINE.

Some time ago John Dover was fined in Commissioner Sommer's court for the unlawful killing of ducks. Recently the man accidentally shot off his right hand and yesterday the commissioner remitted the fine.

WESTERN WYOMING NEWS.

Two Deaths in Almy—Important Court Proceedings Pending.

RED CANON, Uinta, Wyo., Oct. 28th, 1895.

To the Editor:

I am happy to say that the health of the people of Almy is much improved since my last report, although we have had two deaths which occurred last week, and both were interred in the Evanston cemetery on Sunday, the 27th inst. The first was Elder Thomas Edwards, aged 80 years, who leaves a wife two years his senior, after a married life of fifty-five years, and by whom he had twenty-one children—ten living and eleven dead. He leaves six sons and four daughters; forty-nine grandchildren and five great grandchildren. He has been a member in the Church some fifty-one years and has held to the "iron rod" as an Elder forty-seven years. He is the holder of eighty acres of land, but it much needs the hand of a skilful workman to bring it up to its full productive condition. I understand the members of the family will sit in council today and decide which of the sons is to take the homestead.

Bishop James Brown, of Evanston, conducted the services from the residence to the grave. The corpse was conveyed to the Bishop's chapel, Evanston, where divine service was held over the mortal remains, to the presence of a large congregation of sincere hearers, and at 2 p. m. all that remained of him were consigned to the tomb to await the resurrection of the just.

The other person was the wife of Mrs. Ezra West, aged 30 years, who lately came from Rock Springs, scene of death general weakness and failing health. She leaves a husband and three children, one 8 years, one 3½ and one an infant.

A motion for a new trial in the Crooker murder case will be heard on the 6th of November before Judge Hagerman. The apparent hope upon which the counsel base their claim is that two jurors, William Graham and William Greene, from Plain City, Utah, who removed from Almy shortly before the Crooker case came on for a hearing, are considered not to be bona fide residents of the state or county.

The widows of the Almy mine sufferers, whose case was set back for fifty days at the last court, will be taken up and heard before Judge Knight in the court which opens on November 1, 1895.

RICHARD R. HODGSON.

Will Wed.

A marriage license was today issued to John H. Knox, 22, a Canon, Oregon, and Ella May Schenck, 20, of this city.