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A MINE HORROR

Explosion of Fire Damp Kills Twenty-One Men in a Mine at New Whatcom.

The Community Excited Over the Occurrence, and Assistance Will be Rendered the Bereaved—Blame Attaches to No One.

ZANESVILLE, O., April 5—Four persons were killed outright and a fifth fatally injured in a wreck on the Bellaire, Zanesville & Cincinnati narrow-gauge, at a trestle five miles west of Somerfied, this morning. The coach jumped the tressle, which is situated on a curve. The coach ran into the ties half way across and then the engine also left the rails, carrying down five bents of the trestle to the ravine below.

Eli Lucas, engineer, whose family reside in this city, was instantly killed.

Mrs. E. Young and little daughter, of Somerfield, resident of Bellsville, suffered the same fate, and Jessie Johns, fireman, was fatally injured.

The remoteness of the scene of the accident from telegraphic communication renders it impossible to secure information from any one except the railway authorities, and the road is a narrow-gauge and does but little business. The train consisted of only a combination baggage car and a passenger car. Just before arriving at the trestle the coach jumped the track. The trestle is double-decked, fully 50 feet high, and consists of 17 bents, crossing a stream. It is built on a curve so that after dragging the coach more than half way across the structure, the engine, too, was pulled from the tracks and both car and engine toppled into the ravine below, carrying down three bents of the trestle.

The car was smashed to kindling wood, and only two passengers, Nathan Young, of Somerfield, and J. Dennon, of Woodsfield, escaped alive. Mrs. Nathan Young and her little daughter, and Henry Brown, of Bellsville, were instantly killed. Engineer Eli Lucas was also instantly killed, and Fireman Jesse Johns fatally injured. Both men might have been saved by jumping, but they chose to remain at their posts. Johns was thrown from the engine as it went down, while Lucas was caught under the machinery and instantly killed.

A Mine Horror.

NEW WHATCOM, Wash., April 8—An explosion of firedamp, in the Blue Canyon coal mine on Lake Whatcom, at 2:45 this afternoon, killed 21 men. W. A. Telford came from the mine tonight. He was at the bunkers when the explosion occurred. He went to the incline and found James Kearns at the mouth of the shaft, nearly dead with exhaustion. Kearns said all in the mine were dead. He had carried Ben Morgan as far as he was able and dropped him. Morgan, he thought, was dead. Kearns and X. Gellum were the only ones who escaped out of 24 who were at work. Tom Valentine and J. O. Anderson were the incline men, and they escaped. At the switch of the gangway, 800 feet from the mouth of the tunnel, Ecklund and Telford found the body of George Roberts, and beyond were three loaded cars, which had been blown off the track. They next found the body of Ben Morgan, where it was dropped by Kearns, Ecklund and others. They were unable to go beyond room 21, 500 feet from the angle of the tunnel and gangway. Their safety lamps went out and the gas drove the explorers back. In room 21 they found the bodies of Thomas Conlin and James Kirby. It is supposed that, in addition to the to the four found, 17 perished. The gas was so thick that the rescuing party was able to stay only a few minutes.

The Leader Killed.

HENNESSY, O. T., April 5—Part of the posse in pursuit of the bandits who robbed the Rock Island trainnear Dover, Wednesday night, came upon the gang 35 miles west of Hennessey at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

A fight ensued in which one of the robbers was killed and others wounded. As soon as the robbers were sighted the deputies jumped from their horses and used them as breast-works. While the robbers made an attempt to retreat two of their horses were shot from under them and one man was killed. Another's leg was broken, but he managed to get on his horse; another was badly hit, but he too succeeded in getting away. The marshals gave chase to the retreating outlaws and finally cornered them in a bunch of timber about two miles from the scene of the battle. A waiting game is being played as the outlaws must have food and water.

The dead man was brought to Hennessey at 11 o'clock last night and has been positively identified as Dick Yeager, alias Gyp Wyatt, on whose head there is an aggregate reward of over $6000, including $1000 offered yesterday for each of the robbers by the Rock Island. He was identified by United States Marshal Graves and G. C. Krepps, a farmer who was acquainted with Wyatt. He was also identified as one of the Dover robbers by the entire crew this morning, as they passed here. Conductor Mack says he was the leader. In his possession was found the sack the porter was compelled to hold while the passengers deposited their valuables in it.

Son Against Father.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 5—Rudolph Spreckels, the youngest son of Claus Spreckels, has sprung the latest sensation in the family altercation. In the course of the trial of his injunction suit against the Nevada bank, Rudolph Spreckels' attorney handed in an affidavit full of ugly charges against his father. Rudolph had signed the document and duly acknowledged it before a notary. Its purport is to charge Claus Spreckels with endeavoring to injure the credit of his two younger sons to prevent them from paying the indebtedness of C. A. Spreckels to his father. In the event of the obligation not being met, certain securities in the Nevada bank, turned over to guarantee payment, would become the property of Claus Spreckels. Rudolph, in his affidavit, denies the charge made by the bank that he aided or abetted the Hawaiian revolution. He also charged that the Nevada bank is not a bona fide purchaser of the stock, but is trying to assist Claus Spreckels in the performance of a threat, publicly made, that he would yet ruin and destroy Rudolph and break with him. The affidavit, also, alleges that Claus Spreckels is trying hard to injure the credit of Rudolph and prevent the payment of the debt of C. A. Spreckels when it falls due. The case will go on tomorrow.

Parr Boys Captured.

PENDLETON, Or. April 5—After a long and exciting chase a posse has captured the Parr boys and brought them to Pendleton. They were arraigned on the charges of horse-stealing and assault with intent to kill. They have been in the penitentiary at Salem before.

Sheriff Houser, with Indian Agent Harper, put Indian policemen on the trail of the Parrs and for two days they made a search. Last night they had been traced to the Boriper place on the reservation. As the posse approached, the Parrs hurried out, mounted their horses and made for the mountains. Pursuer and pursed were heavily armed, and the chase was kept up until the deep canyons of the Blue mountains were reached, when the fugitives abandoned their horses and continued their flight afoot. The posse pressed on, and when the distance apart was not more than a hundred feet the Parr boys turned at bay, drew their revolvers and emptied them at the officers No one one was injured by the fusilade, and when the chambers were all emptied the arrest was easily made.

Horribly Mutilated.

STOCKTON, Cal., April 5—Robinson W. Smith, an insane patient, was taken to the asylum here last night with his throat cut. Some four weeks ago Smith slashed himself with a razor while demented, cutting through the larynx and into the windpipe. Physicians sewed up the wound, which is about four inches long, but Tuesday Smith secured an old jackknife and sawed open the old wound. The cut now presents a horrible appearance, the ragged edges of the old wound having healed some. Smith now has to breathe through the hole in his neck and can only speak by placing his hand over the opening and pressing the edges of the cut together, and then the sounds that come from his lips sound more like the grunts of a beast than the words of a human being. Physicians at the asylum will sew up the wound today.

Our Southern Neighbors.

WASHINGTON, April 5—Gresham is advised that the British foreign office has, within the past 48 hours, informed Bayard that England does not desire any Nicaraguan territory, that her colonial possessions are already sufficient large to satisfy her ambition, and that all she desires of Nicaragua is the indemnity. Assurances are also given that, while England will show an earnest determination to collect this indemnity, there is little probability that Greytown will be bombarded by the English fleet in the event of Nicaragua's slow compliance with England's request. No dispatches regarding Venezuela have been received.

THIS TIME MEXICO.

Three Americans Unjustly Held Prisoners in Mexico.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., April 6—The case of the three Americans Joseph Carter, William Carney and D. A. Moore, who were arrested during the latter part of January by Mexican officials on the charge of smuggling horses over the border, and were imprisoned at Ensenada, seems from all accounts to be in a more unsettled state than ever. The Hon. W. W. Bowers, representative from the seventh congressional district, brought the matter before the state department with the result that the men, after examination, were ordered released, their stock returned to them, and they left to use their own discretion about returning to United States territitory with their possessions. There the matter was supposed to have ended, so far as the governments of the two countries were concerned, and the correspondence between United States Vice-Consul Godbe, Assistant Secretary of State Uhl, W. W. Bowers and M. Romero, the Mexican minister, would seem to bear out that supposition. The men, however, give an entirely different version of the result of their trial, stating they were still virtually prisoners, their stock still withheld from them, and they forbidden to quit Mexican territory. They claim that local officials are using discretionary powers not warranted by government orders, and ask that the state department give their case immediate consideration.

Cheap Popularity.

WASHINGTON, April 6—Advices from Venezuela state that that ex-Congressman Livingston, of Georgia, is the hero of the day there, and that it would not be surprising if his statue were erected on the public square at Caracas, alongside that of ex-President Monroe, as an exponent of the Monroe doctrine. Mr. Livingston introduced the resolution, which passed congress, directing the state department to intercede between Great Britain and Venezuela for a settlement of their troubles. He also made a speech on the subject, sounding the Monroe doctrine. The speech, it seems, struck a popular chord in Venezuela.

Too Much Poker.

The old sea captain that sailed from Port Townsend the other day knows how to beat a sure thing poker game. Two gamblers made his acquaintance, went aboard the ship, with the result that the captain was considerably poorer the next morning. He invited them to renew the game the next evening, which invitation was gladly accepted. Once aboard the gamblers were kept prisoners, and the ship sailed next day for Callao, Peru. They will have an opportunity to get all the poker they want for the next sixty days, but it is safe to say the captain will get the best of the game, and the gamblers will be landed minus money and jewelry.

Death of Mr. Cannon

NEW York, April 6—Anthony M. Cannon, 60 years old, of Spokane, Wash., a guest at the Sturtevant house, was found dead in his room at the hotel soon after 2 o'clock this afternoon. The hotel people notified the coroner's office, and Deputy Coroner O'Hanlan, after examining the body, declared that no suspicious circumstances, indicating suicide, were visible, and gave a permit for the removal of the body to an undertaker's. In the dead man's pockets was found a card of the bank of Spokane Falls, in one corner of which was this inscription, "A. M. Cannon, president."

An Effort Will be Made.

SALEM, Or., April 6—Jeff Myers, a member of the state board of agriculture, has received a letter from Governor McKinley, of Ohio, in answer to a request that he be present at the next state fair. The governor cannot promise assuredly yet, but a strong effort will be made to have him here.

INCOME TAX AGAIN

A Portion of It Will Be Considered Unconstitutional.

OSCAR IN PRISON

The Apostle of Estheticism Languishes in a Loathesome Dungeon.

Some Meddlesome Preacher Interferes in Matters Which Should Not Concern Him and Receives the Censure He Deserves.

WASHINGTON, April 6—The attention of some members of the cabinet was called today to a dispatch from Chicago regarding the publication there of the supreme court decision on the income tax, but they declined to express an opinion thereon, on the ground it would be manifestly improper to discuss any opinions of the court at least until they had been officially promulgated.

From another, but entirely authentic source, it was learned that whatever the decision of the court may be the president will not call an extra session of congress, and even should the decision declare the law wholly unconstitutional, the president will adhere to his determination not to call congress together, and will so announce.

All efforts to secure from members of the supreme court either an authoritative confirmation or denial of the Chicago publication prove unavailing.

Senator Vorhees, chairman of the finance committee, when told of the publication today said: "It may be that a portion of the law may not be sustained. I consider there is a possibility of such result, but I do not believe any one outside of the court knows a thing about it. But suppose it should be true that that portion of the law regarding rents and municipal bonds should prove to be, in the opinion of the court, unconstitutional, the law will not be materially impaired. It will still afford an immense revenue. Estimates are entirely too low on the revenue which would be derived from the law as a whole. Instead of it including from $15,000,000 to $20,000,000, it will add $50,000,000, $75,000,000 or even $100,000,000 revenue."

WASHINGTON, April 8—Chief Justice Fuller began this morning to read the decision of the supreme court in the income tax case. He began by stating the exceptions to the law as made by counsel for the appellant as follows:

First—That the act imposes a direct tax in the respect of real estate, rents, issues and profits as well as of incomes and profits of personal property, and not being apportioned is in violation of section 2, article 1 of the constitution.

Second—That the law, if not imposing a direct tax, is, nevertheless, unconstitutional, in that its provisions are not uniform throughout the United States, and do not operate with the same force and effect upon the subject of tax, wherever found, and in that it provides exemptions in favor of individuals and co-partnerships, while denying all exemptions to corporations, having a similar income derived from like property values, and provides for other exemptions and inequalities in violation of section 8, article 1 of the constitution.

Third—That the act provides no exemption of tax upon incomes derived from stocks and bonds of the states of the United States, and counties and municipalities therein, which stocks and bonds are no proper subject for the taxing power of congress. The income from these securities in the United States amounts to over $65,000,000 per annum, on which the total annual income tax would be $1,300,000.

Coming down to the present tariff act, he said the law was passed in a time of profound peace, and it was to be taken as evidence that congress had sought in this matter to form a precedent and establish a departure from the established lines, and it, therefore, became important to inquire into the circumstances with some attention to details, and for the purpose of comparison he went back to the enactment of the income tax during the civil war. He quoted from a decision in the Springer case, giving the history of the case and devoting much attention to it, as he said the defense had apparently relied upon this more generally than upon any other precedent. It is, he said, conceded in all cases, from Hylton to Springer, that taxes on land are direct taxes, but in some of them it was determined that taxes on rents derived from land are direct taxes, while in some of them it was determined that taxes on rents derived from land are indirect taxes. Was there, he asked, any distinction between the tax on land and on the income derived from the land? The court had been unable to see any distinction. He closed by saying the court had reached the conclusion that a tax on rents was invalid. The chief justice then took up the question of the taxation of municipal and state bonds. The decision was also adverse to this part of the law, as repugnant to the constitution. On other points the court was divided, and therefore no opinion could be given. The lower court having ruled in favor of the law, the law would stand except as to rent and state, county and municipal bonds, and on these two points it was directed that judgment be now reversed.

When Chief Justice Fuller had finished Justice Field began to read the dissenting opinion, finishing before 2 o'clock. He said:

"I am of the opinion that the whole law of 1894 is null and void." He laid stress upon the fact that the law does not exempt judges of the United States court from payment of the tax. It was not right, he said, that the supreme court should remain silent and make no protest when many United States judges drawing small salaries, would be affected because of the law. He called attention to a letter once written by Chief Justice Chase to the treasury officials protesting against the deduction of income tax from the salaries of United States judges.

Justice Field was followed by Justice White in a second dissenting opinion. His dissent was largely extemporaneous and very long. He favored upholding the whole law.

Justice Harlan followed Justice White in a dissenting opinion, and the case closed. Nothing was said as to how any of the justices stood save the three who read dissents.

FAREWELL, OSCAR.

Whether Wilde is Convicted or Acquitted He Will Have Lost Caste in Society.

LONDON April 6—Although Oscar Wilde is languishing in jail as a criminal without bail, on a heinous charge, he still has a number of influential friends, who are zealous in his defense, nothwithstanding that they are intimate enough with him to know most of the secrets of his private life. Lord Douglas of Hawick, second and eldest son of the Marquis of Queensberry, is one of them. He is altogether the manliest-looking of the family. Before the death of his elder brother, Viscount Drumanrig, he was well and favorably known as plain Percy Douglas. He has an unsmirched reputation, and entirely differs in every respect from his effeminate younger brother, Lord Alfred Douglas. Since his return from Australia last fall Douglas of Hawick has been an almost constant associate of Oscar Wilde. He says he is willing at any time to go upon the witness stand in Wilde's behalf. He is vehement in his denunciation of Wilde's counsel for having withdrawn the suit.

One thing is certain, and that is no matter what may be the outcome of the case, whether Wilde goes free or is sent to prison, the death knell of Wilde has been rung and the corpse is prepared for burial. The prurient plays of Wilde and the cognate productions, "The Second Mrs. Tanqueray" and "The Notorious Mrs. Ebbsmith," which are now called "binerotic," are doomed, and there is a strong reaction toward a healthier treatment of stage representations, while the current decadent literature will also get a setback.

IN BAD TASTE.

The Attack of the Massachusetts Ministers Disclaimed by the M. E. Church.

SALEM, Mass., April 6—The attack of Rev. Dr. Lansing on the president in his address here Wednesday night, has not been well received. One well-known clergyman said today: "I wish Dr. Lansing had taken some other time and place to attack the president than our Methodist conference. It is very strange we had no intimation of the charge in advance, and I sincerely hope Dr. Lansing has not been misinformed by making such a charge. It's too bad." Similar utterances have been heard from the clergy here in attendance. While Dr. Lansing, in an evening Boston paper, is quoted as expressing doubt that he used the word "Drunkard" in referring to the president, and many of the clergy positively testify to the accuracy of the published reports.

At the session of the conference today, the Rev. Frederick Woods, of East Boston, presented the following: "Whereas, In the admirable, earnest and able address of Rev. Dr. Lansing, Thursday evening, there occurred serious imputations upon the moral character of the president of the United States, this conference while recognizing that there is doubtless need of public criticism of some who occupy high places in the land, and while profoundly impressed with the ability and sincerity of the orator who so eloquently served us on our temperance anniversity, yet feels constrained to disclaim responsibility for the utterances, concerning which the honored brother is able to speak for himself, however his statements may be construed."

The conference expunged the whole matter from the minutes. During the debate there was considerable excitement, and it was difficult at times for the bishop to maintain order.

The Sentiment Growing.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 8—Advices from Honolulu, dated March 30, per steamer *Peru*, contain nothing startling At a recent meeting of annexationists, under the auspices of the American League, C. B. Wilson, the ex-queen's agent, and C. L. Hopkins, urged the natives to favor annexation as the only remaining weapon to overthrow the present government.

The cabinet and line officers at a recent conference, agreed to obtain a United States military officer to be colonel of the Hawaiian troops. President Dole thinks their poor management during the recent rebellion has showed the necessity of a military commander.

Williams Still at Havana.

WASHINGTON, April 5—Surprise is expressed in diplomatic circles that United States Consul-General Williams still continues to discharge official functions at Havana. More than a month ago Spain requested his recall because of his alleged sympathy with the insurrection. It is now understood that Spain has made another demand for a change at Havana.

Survey to Begin Monday.

ASTORIA, April 6—The outfits of the engineers who are to complete the survey of the route of the Astoria-Goble railroad arrived in this city today, and the corps of engineers will start out Monday morning. The work will be in charge of Mr. Jamieson, who assisted Enigneer W. H. Kennedy when the route was surveyed about two years ago.

Storm at Hilgard.

The recent wind storm played havoc at Hilgard. A large pine tree was broken in two like a pipestem and the upper portion fell across the residence building belonging to John Reilly, in the eastern part of town, and smashed in the roof. One of the members of the family occupying the house, the eldest daughter of Mrs. Hyde, sustained some painful injuries on the head, inflicted by flying pieces of ceiling. She was attempting to start a fire in the cooking stove when the tree fell crashing through the roof, and then through the ceiling over the stove. Fortunately none of the other members of the family were hurt, although it was a close call for serious, if not fatal, injuries.

Our New Dress.

The TIMES-MOUNTAINEER appears to-day in a complete new dress, and enlarged to a six column folio. Of course this is an event worthy of note, for every publisher takes great pride in the artistic appearance of the printed page. The type came from a celebrated type-foundry, and is of the latest manufacture. Boastfulness is not an element of our mentality; but on this occasion we may be pardoned for feeling somewhat satisfied with the new clothes of the TIMES-MOUNTAINEER, and for saying, "Look at us; aren't we stylish."

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A FRIGHTFUL DEATH.

Mrs. H. E. Foster Meets Death by Being Thrown From a Buggy and Dragged a Long Distance.

The *Oregonian* of Sunday says: Mrs. H. E. Foster, a widow, 65 years of age, living at Progress, a small settlement eight miles southwest of the city, met a frightful death last evening by being thrown from a buggy and dragged nearly a mile under the heels of a runaway horse.

In company with Mrs. Rachael McKay, a neighbor, and a little granddaughter, Mrs. Foster visited Portland yesterday to do some shopping and visit relatives. The horse driven by her had been owned in the family for 15 years, and was regarded as a gentle animal, although, on rare occasions, it indulged in some kicking freaks, but was not considered dangerous. On the return home last evening, when about half a mile beyond Mount Zion schoolhouse, the horse indulged in some of his kicking antics, and was more than usually unruly. The first kick tore off the dashboard and one of the forewheels broke down, throwing Mrs. McKay out, who escaped injury. The child was less fortunate, and has a badly-cut face.

As the wheel broke Mrs. Foster was thrown forward over the broken dashboard, her head striking the shaftbar, and her hair caught in the tracehooks. Her body fell under the foreaxle, and, unable to extricate herself, she was dragged for nearly a mile before the horse was stopped by a Mr. Rogers, who rushed into the road on seeing the runaway, and, seizing the animal by the bits, brought him to a stand. Mrs. Foster was dead, her body badly lacerated and many bones broken.

POLITICAL.

The Question of Finance and Tariff Settled at a Country School Discussion.

Last Saturday evening a debate was held at the Mesplie school house, on Mill creek. The question to be discussed was to the effect that both of the old parties were corrupt and rotten to the core, and should be wiped out of existence; that the Populists were the saviors of the country and comprehended in its platform all there was of moral excellence in the principles of government; that its leaders, including Gen. Coxey, Prof. Rork and Gen. Scheffel, were latter day saints and would not suffer death but be miraculously translated into an upper and better world. A large number of farmers were present and took part in the discussion. The judges were A. Huguenin, John Mesplie and Andrew Urquhart. After the last argument was through the judges retired, and after consultation decided that the Populist party was *the* organization; that Gen. Coxey was a persecuted saint, and too righteous to exist in the contaminating influence of this lower world. We do not expect this decision will have much effect upon the vote in 1896.

A Card.

To whom it may concern:

There seems to be some little speculation in regard to whether or not the *Baptist Sentinel* and the *Oregon Statesman*, the Populist newspaper recently started in our city, are in anyway related. We wish to inform inquirers, one and all, that there is *none* whatever It is true we printed their first edition for them, but it was done from the reason they had not yet received their press, and we did it simply as a favor, and charged them accordingly. We trust that this will relieve the minds of all in regard to this matter, as only one paper is now and will be issued from our office, and that is the *Sentinel*.

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