

AGAINST BEEF TRUST TERRIFIC EXPLOSION

Attorney General of New York Begins Action.

REFEREE NAMED TO TAKE TESTIMONY

Application Made Under the Donnelly Antitrust Law—Proceedings Being Carefully Guarded—All Subpoenas Are Served.

ALBANY, N. Y., May 14.—Attorney General Davies personally made application to Supreme Justice Chester at his chamber late in the afternoon for the appointment of a referee to take the testimony of certain witnesses in the matter of the so-called beef trust preliminary to framing a complaint.

The application was granted, and ex-Justice Landon of Schenectady was appointed referee, and a hearing will be had before the said referee in this city tomorrow.

Governor Odell has been fully advised of the result of the investigation made by the attorney general to date, and the proceedings by the attorney general meet with his entire approval.

Attorney General Davies said that an attaché of his office had been dispatched to subpoena the various witnesses upon whose evidence his department intends to prove its case. He declined to make public at present either the names of the firms that he is proceeding against or the men that he intends to call as witnesses.

His application to Judge Chester was made under the provisions of the Donnelly antitrust law, and the department intends to guard all of the particulars of the action until a personal service of the papers in the case has been secured. He stated that eight persons are named in the moving papers and intimated that additional witnesses would be called should it be deemed advisable.

The action is directed against Arthur Colby, who is believed by the attorney general's department to be the agent of the combine in fixing prices in New York state and vicinity, Swift & Co., Armour & Co. and four other western beef companies.

Archibald McEachern Meets With a Fatal Accident.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., May 14.—Archibald McEachern, the well known champion bicycle rider of Toronto, while being paced by a motor tandem at the Coliseum track met with an accident which resulted in his death twenty minutes later.

The accident was the result of the breaking of the chain on the motor cycle. Riding the tandem were Alf Boake and Robert B. Thompson, who have raced with McEachern for ten years past. The effort was to establish a new mile record.

Several miles had been covered when the chain broke, and in the sudden stopping of the damaged tandem McEachern collided with it and shot in the air like a rocket. His head struck against a projecting board which cut a gash in his neck from which blood spouted in a stream. The jugular vein had been torn open. He expired shortly after his removal to a hospital. Boake and Thompson were uninjured.

Bloody Riots in Haiti.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—The secretary of state has received a dispatch from the American minister in Haiti, dated Tuesday, as follows: "The chambers have been closed by a mob. Much firing ensued, and one deputy was mortally wounded. The populace attacked the palace and the arsenal during the night. Several were killed and wounded. The diplomatic corps embarks the president at 12 o'clock today. The minister for foreign affairs and the minister of war have taken refuge at the American legation. Firmly with his army, is marching on Port au Prince. Great excitement prevails at Port au Prince, and business is suspended for the present."

Ware Succeeds Evans.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—Eugene F. Ware of Kansas has taken the oath of office as commissioner of pensions and this morning assumed active charge of his new duties. Mr. Ware has determined, for the present at least, to make no announcement of the policy of his administration of the office. Mr. Evans will not leave for his post as consul general to London for several weeks.

Three New States Favored.

WASHINGTON, May 10.—The opposition in the house to the bill for the admission of Oklahoma, Arizona and New Mexico collapsed at the last minute, and the bill was passed without division as it came from the committee except for a few verbal amendments.

Twenty-five Dead and Hundreds Injured.

FEARFUL ACCIDENT NEAR PITTSBURG

Carloads of Burning Naphtha Spread Death and Destruction Far and Wide—Great Loss of Property.

PITTSBURG, May 14.—A careful and systematic search for the dead and injured in the Sheridan horror reveals a list of 23 dead and 202 injured. The complete list of the injured may never be known, as many were able to get away without making known their identity. A conservative estimate made by those thoroughly familiar with the situation places the number more or less seriously hurt at not less than 300.

The death list will likely be added to, as quite a number of the victims at the hospitals are reported by the physicians to be in such serious condition that it will be a miracle if they survive.

The cause of the catastrophe was the explosion of a train of naphtha cars which were being switched at the yards, and in the switching the rear car telescoped a car forward. The leaking naphtha ignited from a switch light, causing an explosion which threw the flames fifty feet high. Much of the escaping naphtha ran through Cork's Run to Esplan Borough, a distance of one and a half miles, and caused another explosion, blowing to atoms the Seymour hotel and the Collins House, on River road, and badly wrecking a frame building near by in which were congregated 200 or more sports from Pittsburg and vicinity betting on the races, baseball, etc. Few of the occupants of this building escaped injury, many being badly hurt. Mrs. Seymour and her daughter of the Sheridan hotel were seriously and, it is feared, fatally injured.

The damage to property by the explosions and fire were heavy. The loss at the mouth of Cork's Run tunnel alone will probably exceed \$100,000. In addition to the heavy loss by the railroad company twenty-five houses were destroyed either by the force of the explosions or by the fire which followed.

THE TIEUP COMPLETE.

Anthraxite Workers to a Man Join Big Strike.

PHILADELPHIA, May 13.—Mine workers throughout the entire anthracite coal regions of Pennsylvania to the number of 145,000 have formally begun their struggle for increased wages and shorter hours. Never in the history of hard coal mining has a tie-up been so complete, not one of the 357 collieries in the territory being in operation. There is every indication for the belief that the suspension which was to cover only the first three days of this week will be made permanent by the miners' general convention at Hazleton.

The coal companies in various parts of the regions have already made preparations for a siege. Coal train crews, telegraph operators, switchmen, carpenters, machinists and other employees numbering several thousand not identified with the Mine Workers' union have been laid off until further notice. Some of the companies have also brought their mules to the surface and placed them in pasture.

Largest Cargo of Fruit.

NEW YORK, May 14.—The steamer Mexico has just arrived from Havana with the largest cargo of fruit ever brought from Cuba to New York. She has 22,185 barrels of pineapples besides a lot of other fruit.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL.

Closing Stock Quotations.

New York Markets.

Flour—Held firmly, but was less active; Minnesota patents, 44¢; winter wheat, 43¢; western, 42¢.

Wheat—Opened up on the crop report and then eased off under realizing and unfavorable late cables; July, 75¢; September, 78¢.

Corn—Opened stronger with wheat, but also reacted; July, 67¢; September, 66¢.

Oats—Quiet, but firm; track, white, state, 40¢; track, white, western, 40¢.

Pork—Firm; mess, 11¢; family, 12¢.

WASHINGTON.

From our Regular Correspondent.

Washington, May 12, 1902.

On Monday afternoon Senator Lodge delivered his wily heralded speech in support of his Philippine bill and a more brilliant array of erudite platitudes and panegyrics one seldom hears. It bore every evidence of being the production of the cultured sophist. Assuming, what was not the case, that the democrats had attacked the American army, and totally avoiding the democratic proposition that the cruelty and abuses which had been proven to exist were inseparable from a war of conquest conducted by a superior race, he indulged in a glowing tribute to the army. Referring to the cruelties and tortures practiced, he cited similar atrocities by the Filipinos supporting, by implication, the theory that two wrongs make a right. Democratic charges, that the privileges and franchises of the islands were being farmed out to the favored few as a result of the policy of the administration, he passed over with an eloquent testimonial to the character of the members of the Philippine Commission. Reviewing Mr. Lodge's speech, outside of the sympathetic atmosphere created by the magnetism of the speaker, one is led to deplore the fact that so able a statesman should have been guilty of employing his exceptional talents in an effort to create partisan feeling by gross misrepresentation of the real attitude of his opponents.

On Tuesday and Wednesday Senators Beveridge and McComas, taking their cue from their leader, made speeches alleged to be in favor of the Philippine bill but apparently with the purpose of creating campaign material which would counteract the presentation of the Philippine situation which has heretofore been made by the democrats. Mr. Lodge tells me that he believes he will be able to dispose of his bill this month and it is understood that Cuban reciprocity will be the next subject considered by the Senate. There is still a determination by the Senate to take up the question of an isthmian canal but it is impossible to say at this date whether the determination will be fulfilled. Several appropriation bills remain for senatorial action with the prospects that they will carry the session into the heated term and already the members of the lower chamber are talking of adjournment.

Three times within the past week the House of Representatives has learned of the loss by death of one of its members. Hon. Amos J. Cummings of New York, Hon. Peter J. Otey of Virginia and Hon. Joshua S. Salmon of New Jersey all passed over within the short space of five days. Never before in the history of the House has death visited three members within so short a space of time. All three were democrats. As a mark of respect the House adjourned without the transaction of business on Saturday, Monday and Tuesday, and only yesterday did the Ombuds territorial bill come up for action. All of the territorial delegates have assured me of their faith in the success of this measure in so far as the lower house is concerned and all have more or less hope that it will pass the Senate. They have been indefatigable in their efforts to promote the success of the measure and their hard work would seem to deserve success.

There is reason to believe that the Naval appropriation bill, which will be considered in the House, probably immediately after the passage of the territorial bill, will precipitate a pretty fight. The measure as reported contains a provision that one or more of

the new ships to be constructed shall be built under the supervision of the Secretary of the Navy in one of the government navy yards and it is this provision which will occasion a wide difference of opinion in both the House and the Senate.

It is generally supposed that the provision will pass the House because it is warmly espoused by the labor organizations who believe that they would profit were the government to build its own ships. In the Senate, however, it will meet with more vigorous opposition. Senator Perkins of California is championing it because he believes the Secretary will select the Mare Island Navy Yard and that will mean not only the construction of a ship at that point but the investment of \$175,000, carried by the bill, for the establishment of the necessary plant. The democrats are inclined to favor the provision because they believe it is a blow at the trust which now constructs our naval vessels. Senators Hanna and McMillan, who are stock holders in the trust, are bitterly opposed to it. Senator Hale, Chairman of the Senate Committee on Naval Affairs, will oppose the provision on economic grounds as he does not believe the fund above mentioned would prove nearly adequate to install the necessary machinery, etc.

The appointment of Henry Clay Evans to the Consul Generalship at London is a matter of keen regret to the republicans, although they say that they will not oppose his confirmation. Senator Burton said yesterday that he did not believe Mr. Evans deserved this recognition and that, irrespective of the facts, he believed it to be a mistake for the republicans to honor a man who had incurred, whether justly or unjustly, the universal condemnation of the soldiers. On the other hand, he said, he appreciated that there were many people who believed that Mr. Evans had

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been sacrificed to popular clamor and that his entire removal from public service would be misconstrued by many good men. Considering the fact that the President has given Mr. Evans' former place to a Kansas soldier Senator Burton will present no opposition to Evans' confirmation. The Senator apparently fails to realize that practically any man who fills the position of Pension Commissioner and administers the office with absolute rectitude will incur more or less enmity and particularly from the pension attorneys.

The County Treasurer's sale of seated and unseated lands will take place on Monday, June 9, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

EUREKA HARNESS OIL. Rain and sweat have no effect on harness treated with Eureka Harness Oil. It resists the damp, keeps the leather soft and pliable, stretches do not break, does not roughen, does not cause chafing and does not cut. The harness not only keeps looking like new, but wears twice as long as the use of Eureka Harness Oil.

Table with 5 columns: Station, A.M., A.M., P.M., P.M. Rows include Scranton, Pittston, Wilkes-Barre, Piquette Ferry, Mooson, Mooson, Wapwallopen, Nesquehoning, Catawissa, Sunbury, Harrisburg, Philadelphia, Washington, etc.

RAILROAD TIME TABLE. LACKAWANNA RAILROAD. BLOOMSBURG DIVISION. In effect, Feb. 2, 1902. STATIONS: NORTHUMBERLAND, Danville, Catawissa, Harrisburg, etc.

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PHILADELPHIA & READING RAILROAD. In effect March 1, 1902. TRAINS LEAVE BLOOMSBURG For New York, Philadelphia, Reading, etc. For Danville and Milton, weekdays, 7:10 a.m. For Catawissa weekdays 7:10, 8:38, 11:30 a.m. For Reading weekdays 7:10, 8:38, 11:30 a.m.

EUREKA HARNESS OIL advertisement with image of a horse and rider.

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Advertisement for J. SALTZER, featuring a photograph of a sewing machine.

LIFE SIZED PHOTOGRAPHS. Having just received a new, large camera and lens, of celebrated make, we CAN FURNISH you with the largest DIRECT PORTRAIT and GROUPE PHOTOGRAPHS made in Columbia County.

Advertisement for Capwell's Studio, featuring a photograph of a studio.

Advertisement for PATENTS, featuring a photograph of a patent document.

Advertisement for GASNOW, featuring a photograph of a gas cylinder.

Advertisement for ASK Druggist CATARRH, featuring a photograph of a bottle of medicine.

Advertisement for ELY'S CREAM BALM, featuring a photograph of a bottle of balm.