

NEWS FROM WASHINGTON.

THE INDIANS WERE VICTIMS.

Official Reports Show There Was a Conspiracy Against the Bannocks.

The department of justice has received from the United States district attorney and marshal of Wyoming the official reports of their investigation into the Bannock Indian troubles made by the direction of the attorney general.

"I have no doubt whatever that the killing of the Indian Tanega on or about the 13th of July was an atrocious, outrageous and cold-blooded murder, and that it was a murder perpetrated on the part of the constable, Manning, and his deputies in pursuance of a scheme and conspiracy on their part to prevent the Indians from exercising a right and privilege which is, in my opinion, very clearly guaranteed to them by the treaty before mentioned."

"Should the prosecution on the part of the United States be determined upon, it would be useless to commence it before a commissioner. As the law is now, we are bound to bring prisoners before the United States Commissioner nearest to the place of arrest, and in this case it would be Mr. Pettigrew, the commissioner at Marysville. I am informed that he is thoroughly in sympathy with the so-called settlers in that region, and that he advised the constable, Manning, and his posse that the provisions of the treaty under which the Indians claim the right to hunt upon the unoccupied lands of the United States had, for some reason, ceased to be operative. Hence, I think that to cause the arrest of these men and take them for hearing before the commissioner would simply result in their discharge."

It seems to me to be a great pity that there is no national law which can certainly be invoked for the protection of these, our domestic subjects, weak and defenseless as they are, in their right to enjoy those privileges guaranteed to them by a solemn treaty to the enforcement of which the honor of the country is pledged, and that their only protection against forcible resistance to their enjoyment of these rights must be found in the courts of the states where the parties will unquestionably look upon them as possessing no rights which a white man is bound to respect."

The district attorney has been advised that the department concurs with him in the opinion that there is no federal statute under which the offenders can be punished.

Accompanying the report of the district attorney is a scathing arraignment of the Jackson Hole settlers, made in a report of the United States deputy marshal who investigated the troubles. The deputy marshal's report says that a careful investigation of the whole affair shows that the reports made by the settlers, charging the Indians with wholesale slaughter of game for wantonness, or to secure the hides of the animals killed, has been very much exaggerated.

SIXTEEN DROWNED.

Unfortunate Colorado Miners Dead Under One Hundred Feet of Water.

The list of those supposed to be dead in the two mines at Central City, Col., number 16. Ten men are known to be dead under 100 feet of water. Four are positively in the tunnel. It is comparatively dry, but the water having cut off ventilation, the gases will kill the imprisoned men. Volunteers are trying to force their way to where the entombed miners are supposed to be. State Mining Inspector Talbot arrived to investigate the disaster.

The accident was due to carelessness. The danger was known, but neither of the mines where the men lost their lives had pumping apparatus, and when the water rushed in on them it rose fully 10 feet per second, and the wretched men sank out of sight.

ALL LIVES LOST.

A Widow's Four Children Swept Away in a Breath.

Three little children of a widow named Jenkins, of Sullivan, Mo., went to a place near the barn to gather eggs. The place was rather out of the way and dangerous, owing to snakes, which are numerous in that region. One child thrust its hand into what it supposed was the hen's nest and quickly withdrew it, exclaiming that the hen pecked its hand. The other two children put in their hands with the same result and then set up a loud cry.

The mother was at the well with the baby, and the alarm so excited her that she left the baby and ran to the assistance of the three children, who, she seems, had been bitten by a rattlesnake. During the excitement the little babe fell into the well and was drowned and the three other children also died.

TELESCOPED BY A BOULDER.

Colorado Train Smashed and One Passenger Killed.

What came very near being a serious accident occurred on the Colorado Midland, between Leadville and Granite. The California express, coming west, was struck by a huge rock that had rolled down the mountain side, completely telescoping the baggage car and one end of the smoker. Luckily only three persons were caught in the wrecked cars. E. J. O'Conner, supposed to be a banker of New York, has died of his injuries, and two persons whose names were not learned were dangerously, if not fatally, injured.

Two Persons Killed.

An excursion train on the Southern railroad, carrying the Knights of Pythias between Holden and Poplar Ferry. The baggage car and two passenger coaches turned over. J. A. Kennedy of this city, and Mrs. Hancock of Americus, Ga., were killed, and almost every person in the two coaches was hurt more or less seriously. Several of them are likely to die. There is no way of accounting for the accident, as it is said the track was in perfect condition.

Owners Responsible.

The coroner's jury, after six days' investigation of the Gentry Hotel disaster at Denver, made its report. It says that testimony was conflicting, that it was impossible to fix the responsibility for the disaster upon any one person, but that the owners, Peter Gentry and B. C. Greiner, were blameable for requiring their engineer to work 16 hours of the day, and it is believed that a superheated volcano is on the point of eruption.

Earthquake in Mexico.

Four violent earthquake shocks are reported from Pinotepes and Nacional, in Oaxaca, causing widespread terror. Walls were rent and roofs caved in. The inhabitants of the towns have taken refuge in the open country, in fear of other formidable shocks, as a slight trembling continues. The severe shocks were preceded by a loud roar, coming from the sea, and it is believed that a superheated volcano is on the point of eruption.

Between August 16 and 28, 14 steamers left Spain for Cuba, carrying 811 officers and 21,459 common soldiers.

Chinese rioter attacked the Christians at Hock Chiang, wounded four and destroyed the houses.

TELEGRAPHIC TICKS.

Torpedo-boat No. 14 capsized in the North Sea. Thirteen persons are reported to have been drowned.

A dispatch from Shanghai says that it is officially reported that 40 deaths from cholera occurred in Peking in August.

Ji-Hung Chang has been appointed imperial chancellor by imperial decree in place of viceroys of the province of Chi-Li, which office he formerly held.

During the prevalence of a squall and hard rain on the St. Clair river, near Marysville, a rowboat containing four persons was upset and all were drowned.

Hon. Emory Speer, United States judge for the Southern circuit of Georgia, has been chosen orator for the opening exercises of the Cotton States and International Exposition.

Lawyers are trying to find Parker Valentine, who is the heir to \$100,000 left by his mother. If he turns up he will be arrested for murder, having killed a man in Minneapolis some years ago.

One hundred employees of the Specialty glass works at East Liverpool, O., which started on Monday, are locked out because they refuse to violate union rules by making prescription ware before September 1.

The Tennessee coal, iron and railroad company have booked an order from the Carnegie company, of Pittsburgh, Pa., for 25,000 tons of "basic iron," to be used in the latter company's steel mills at Braddock and Bessemer, Pa.

Twenty men were taken from Penns Grove, N. J., on the eastern coast of the Delaware river, and lodged in jail at Wilmington, Del., charged with violation of the neutrality laws in having organized a hostile expedition to Cuba.

A dispatch from Berlin says that the Vossische Zeitung has news from Tiflis that 5,000 soldiers and 10,000 Kurds under Sako Pasha, attacked the Armenian town of Kemakh and several villages. They plundered the churches and monasteries and burned the houses.

Hans and Knute Knudsen, the train robbers who held up the Union Pacific train No. 8, at Brady Island, Wednesday, and were brought to North Platte, from Mason city, pleaded guilty before Judge Neville, of the district court, and were each sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary.

At Thursday morning's session of the twenty-sixth triennial convocation of the grand encampment of Knights Templars of the United States, it was voted that the next convocation be held in Pittsburgh, Pa. Deputy Grand Master Warren Larue Thomas, of Mayville, Ky., was elected to succeed Most Eminent Sir Hugh McCurdy as grand master.

A GREAT RACE.

Robert J. Takes Three Straight Heats in a Tight Race.

Twelve thousand persons saw Robert J. regain at Fleetwood park on the 29th the laurels he lost at Cleveland, O., one month ago, when Joe Patchen caught him out of form and beat him in one of the most sensational harness races on record. He met Joe Patchen again along with John B. Gentry and Mascot. The first heat was a good deal of a fluke. Gentry was laid up, Robert J. going to the front, followed by Patchen and Mascot, a length apart to the half, in 1:02. At the point of rocks Joe Patchen and Robert J. broke simultaneously, and Mascot took the lead. But Robert J. kept quickly and steadily, and in the eighth, easily beat Patchen out in 2:06 1/2. Gentry was third, and Patchen, who made a bad break was fourth. Robert J. won the second heat, leading all the way. Joe Patchen going to a break before he reached the first turn, Robert J. crossed the line a clever winner in 2:05 1/2, the fastest time ever made by a pacer or a trotter on the Fleetwood track. In the third heat, Gentry was four lengths behind Robert J. at the finish, in 2:04 1/2, Mascot far back of him, and Joe Patchen just inside the flag. Time—2:05 1/2, 2:04 1/2, 2:04 1/2.

THREE HUNDRED SLAIN.

Terrible Work of Bulgarians by Dynamite in a Turkish Village.

Details have been received of the recent attack made by a band of Bulgarians upon the Mohammedan village of Dospat, across the Turkish frontier, in the Rhodope mountains. The attack, it appears, occurred at dawn, and while the villagers were asleep. The Bulgarians used dynamite, charged with the most powerful explosive, and the inhabitants tried to escape. Men, women and children, it is claimed, were killed indiscriminately, and according to one version of the affair, 300 persons perished.

Cholera in Hawaii.

The steamer Monawi from Australian ports did not stop at Honolulu as usual. When off the coast the steamer was headed by the American consul in a small boat who announced that Cholera had broken out in Honolulu. Among the natives and Chinese the cholera broke out soon after the steamer sailed. It is presumed the disease was brought by that vessel. The Monawi did not enter Honolulu harbor, but steamed direct to San Francisco. Her passengers for Hawaii were brought to San Francisco. There has been eight deaths from the disease among the natives and Chinese.

Earthquake in East.

Two distinct earthquake shocks were felt in the eastern section of the United States Sunday. The wave seemed to extend in a northeast and southwest direction, and reports show that it came from Maryland, or even farther south, covered eastern Pennsylvania, jumped over into New Jersey as far as Asbury Park, and extended along the coast to New York city and part of the State. Southern New Jersey and central Pennsylvania did not feel the shock. The wave in Pennsylvania did not seem to be more than 20 miles wide, but in New Jersey it spread out and reached clear across the upper part of the state, a distance of some 60 miles.

Nihilists Again Active.

The Caoligne Gazette publishes a dispatch from its correspondent in St. Petersburg asserting that nihilism is now more active throughout Russia than at any time since the death of the czar, Alexander II. The nihilists have gradually grown bolder since the accession of the new czar. The police have made a number of arrests, and more are expected.

Human Flesh For Bears.

Two Roumanian exhibitors of performing bears have been arrested in Debreczin, in the Haiduk district of Hungary, charged with having fed their animals human flesh. In their examination the men admitted they had killed four boys, cut their bodies to pieces and fed their bears with their flesh. The confessed exhibitors have aroused popular indignation to the highest pitch.

Cholera is spreading rapidly in the division of Volynia, Russia.

THE INDUSTRIAL OUTLOOK.

BOTTLE SCALE SETTLED.

The Workers Accept a Compromise Advancement of Five Per Cent.

The green glass bottle wage scale for 1895-96 was settled in Pittsburgh Saturday midnight with an advance of 5 per cent. over last year's wages. The conference committee were in session three days, and the compromise was the offer of the manufacturers, after an exhaustive discussion on trade and wages.

The manufacturers did not insist upon the restoration of the apprentice rule allowing manufacturers one apprentice to 10 blowers and one additional for a multiple of 10 in excess of five, as reported they would. The feeling among the employers changed considerably between the meeting early in August and the time of the wage conference. They concluded not to make the fight on the apprentice rule, and accepted the rule in force two years ago, one boy to each 15 blowers, straight. The workers demand the restoration of the 14 and 15 per cent. reduction taken last year, but accept the compromise of 5 per cent. rather than risk a fight with steam work all season in sight. There are 10,000 men dependent upon the green glass bottle trade, 3,000 of whom are skilled workmen.

Flint Glass Resumption.

The settlement of the flint glass scale by the conference committee in Pittsburgh is received with great satisfaction by Eastern flint workers. They will be a general resumption of work in Eastern flint factories by September 16, and several will be in blast before that time. Whittall, Tatum & Co., have placed five under three of their big furnaces at South Millville, N. J., and two more will be made ready to go to blast at once. Telegrams from Baltimore announces that there will be a speedy resumption of work in flint factories there.

Niagara Harnessed.

After almost five years of work and the expenditure of over \$3,000,000, Niagara has finally been harnessed and the power generated by the monster 5,000 horsepower dynamo at Cataract construction company are now sending out the electricity for commercial use. The first power was delivered to the works of the Pittsburgh reduction company at Niagara Falls, Monday morning when dynamo No. 2 in the 7th command was put into motion. Everything was found to work perfectly and great satisfaction was expressed by the officers.

Refused a Good Advance.

The Hip Nail Company, of Cleveland offered a 10 per cent. advance to its striking employees amounting to 10 per cent. to the fine wire-drawers, that being within 2 per cent. the wages paid in 1892, and 12-13 per cent. to the coarse wire drawers. The strikers have decided not to accept the terms proposed.

To Locate at New Castle.

The Eagle Iron works of Meadville, Pa., is about to locate at New Castle, and has purchased a site of ten acres. About \$10,000 will be invested in the concern, which will employ 100 men.

LABOR NOTES.

Another sign of prosperity is manifested at Salem, Mass., where the 2,700 employees of the Naumkeag Cotton Mills have been notified that hereafter their wages will be increased from 5 to 20 per cent. over that now being paid. The managers of the company say that business has been very good and that the increase is warranted.

The Great Western file works at Beaver Falls, Pa., will be put into operation by the Nicholson File company and will furnish employment to 350 people.

The puddlers of Youngstown voted against seceding from the Amalgamated association, and the effort to form an independent organization has failed for the present.

Labor day was observed at Wheeling on Saturday by a parade of 2,000 workmen and women and a celebration at Mozart park.

The Falcon Iron and Nail company, of Niles, O., granted an increase of 10 per cent. to employees not governed by the association.

The nailers at the Ellis & Leisig factory, Potstown, Pa., have received an advance of 25 per cent in wages.

The Specialty glass works at East Liverpool will resume work after an idleness of several months.

WAR DANCE IN WISCONSIN.

During the Festivities Rival Aspirants to the Chieftainship Fight.

A big war dance of the Winnebagoes near Black River Falls, Wis., furnished attraction for a great number of visitors. There was a genuine war dance, in which the Chippewa Indians joined. A vast number of presents were showered upon the Winnebago dancers. The dance will be continued next Friday, Saturday and Sunday, when another delegation of 30 Chippewas will visit the Winnebagoes and extend the friendship of the tribe and smoke the pipe of peace.

But one encounter took place, and that was the outgrowth of the Black Hawk murder. The affair was between Green Cloud, who is striving to get at the head of the tribe, and Herman Chase, who was interpreter at the Swallow examination. Green Cloud received a broken arm in the encounter with the wily young warrior. Bloodshed is looked for when Chief Black Hawk returns from the northern part of the State, as he has sworn to avenge the murder of his son and legitimate successor.

SIX PRISONERS ESCAPE.

A Blanket, Rope and Hook Assists in a Jail-Breaking Episode.

Six prisoners escaped from the jail in Cumberland, Md., by making a rope of blankets. They removed a bar from a cell on the ground floor and obtained entrance to the yard, scaling the wall by means of the rope, to one end of which was fastened a strong iron hook made from a cell cot. Several of the fugitives are desperate characters. John Mulliken, alias William Frazier, colored, is charged with murder. Edward and Joe Scully, both with bad records, are awaiting trial on the charge of burglary. Farquhar is a firm-fa expert. Geo. Williams, colored, and Charles Smith are charged with larceny. A reward of \$25 is offered for the arrest of each of the escaped prisoners.

National Flag Changed.

Another star, the forty-fifth, is to be added to the flag. The new star will represent Utah, and the order for its addition to the national colors was issued by Secretary Lamont. The star will be placed to the right of the fourth row from the top.

The order for the addition of the star is accompanied by one changing the size of the colors. Heretofore the standard has been six feet by five. The new order makes the regulation size five feet six inches by four feet four inches. Utah will not attain statehood until July 4, next, but all flags under her control should contain the star heralding the admission of that territory into the Union of states.

KNIGHTLY PAGEANT.

Over 25,000 Templars Participate in the Boston Parade.

Probably half a million people saw the parade of over 25,000 Sir Knights Templars Tuesday, and with one accord, pronounced it the grandest pageant ever witnessed in the city of Boston.

The clear skies and hot sun of the past two days had given way to heavy clouds, but finally the sun broke through the clouds, and vigorously endeavored to drive the mists away. Although a majority of the Sir Knights were almost suffocated by the heat, the clear skies and hot sun of the past two days had given way to heavy clouds, but finally the sun broke through the clouds, and vigorously endeavored to drive the mists away.

Trains from every direction brought thousands of uniformed Templars and their friends to swell the host. At the depots the crowds were almost suffocatingly dense. From every State commanderies began to arrive at an early hour, and thousands of spectators came with them. The streets near the depots echoed with the din of organs and bands and the tramp of marching regiments. The railroad men were overwhelmed with the magnitude of the crowd.

Everywhere within a radius of 20 miles of the State House the day was practically a holiday. Most of the factories in nearby cities are closed, and the operators helped to swell the crowds who watched the procession. The police appointments were well kept perfect. Shortly before the parade started platoons of officers cleared every street through which the Sir Knights were to pass and rapped them until the light division had passed. No traffic of any kind was allowed on these thoroughfares.

The lines of the parade were formed in thirteen divisions in a column of double sections. At 9 o'clock the commanderies of the first division began to gather in the south side of Commonwealth avenue, near Berkeley street and at about the same hour the other divisions began to take up their positions in the avenue of the back bay district. There was the usual delay consequent to the forming of great processions, but all was in readiness shortly after 10 o'clock and by 10:55 the long line was in motion, the signal for the start being greeted by the cheers and salutes of 10,000 people gathered near the start.

The Western States were represented in the seventh division. Ohio and Kentucky being in line with the grand commandery of Maine, R. Eminent, Sir John A. Warner, grand commander of Ohio, was chief of this division, attended by Em. Sir James Pettibone and several other officers. The grand commandery of Kentucky three, R. Eminent, Sir Edward B. Spencer, grand commander of the Knights of Pennsylvania, was chief of division 8, and chief of staff Winslow Ruhn was assisted by 12 aides. The grand commandery of Pennsylvania, Indiana, Washington and Texas were represented in this division.

SHOT THREE STRIKERS.

A Man Fatally Wounded in a Riot at Wapakoneta, O.

The strike on the water works' trenches at Wapakoneta, O., developed into a tragedy Tuesday afternoon, and three men, Joshua Tillers, of Pittsburgh; Albert Seifert and Oscar Voorhes of Wapakoneta, were shot. Tillers through the lungs, Seifert through the arm, and Voorhes through the hand. Tillers will die.

Monday morning the men went on a strike, and declared no one should go to work until their demands were satisfied. Some went to work at noon but were driven out. The trustees of the water works, Lemuel Vanvliet and another party to fill some trenches and cover some pipe in the Second ward. They began work, and a crowd of strikers congregated and commenced beating Vanvliet over the head with clubs and shovel handles. After he had been struck several times, Vanvliet drew a revolver and fired into his assailants three times, with the above results.

Several of the participants have been arrested, and officers are after others.

INDIANS TAKE LANDS.

Drive Away Settlers and Threaten Them With Death.

Trouble has again broken out between Kalispell Indians and settlers along the east side of the Pend d'Oreille river, in Idaho, over the disputed possession of what the Indians claim is their reservation, but which is in reality government land. A large delegation of white settlers came to Spokane, Wash., the other day, stating that they were driven off their farms by Indians, who threatened them with death if they dared to return. The redskins forcibly took possession of the homes and property of the whites and told the latter that such was their instructions from Indian Agent Babb. The settlers are preparing to go back armed and in a force, and drive the Indians out of the neighborhood.

The trouble arises directly from the fact that settlers have been granted land that laps on the reservation and the general land office refused to issue patents for lands in the immediate neighborhood of the reservation.

TO FURNISH SMALL BILLS.

Arrangements Made by the Treasury to Move Crops.

Treasurer Morgan has issued the following order, which will go into effect at once:

"Notice: For deposits of gold coin or United States notes in sums of \$500, or any multiple thereof, made with the assistant treasurer of the United States in New York, like sums of paper currency (less charges for transportation at bankers' express rates) of the denominations of \$5, \$10 and \$20, or of the denominations of \$1 and \$2, if available at the time of application, will be sent by express to the order of the depositor from the treasury at Washington. For deposits made early in the day the remittances will go forward the same day."

The purpose is to facilitate the forwarding of small bills to interior points with which to move crops. As soon as money is deposited in the sub-treasury in New York the treasurer will be notified by telegram, and the bills will be shipped the same day for the destination named in New York. The treasury department has also arranged for the transfer by telegraph of money deposited in New York to New Orleans for the movement of the cotton crop.

WILL PROTECT AMERICANS.

The Turkish Government Appears to be In Earnest Now.

A cable was received from Minister Terrell at the State Department saying:

The Porte gives emphatic assurances of security for American citizens at Tasarus. No doubt is expressed as to the Turkish Government doing all it can do to protect American citizens, but with the best intentions the Government is not always able to restrain the lawless bands and marauders in different parts of the Empire. Up to the present time the Turkish Government has acceded to all requests presented by Minister Terrell and has shown a willingness to carry out the promise in the dispatch.

Beaten by White Caps.

Monday night about 11 o'clock an unknown number of White Caps went to the home of Martha White, a well-known old woman, aged 55 years, on the Virginia side of the mountains, near Seay-ord, Ky., and pulled her and her 20-year-old daughter from their beds, and taking them to a patch of woods near their home, tied them to trees, and beat them most brutally. They were finally rescued by a neighbor. They are not expected to survive their injuries.

KEYSTONE STATE COLLINGS.

PENNSYLVANIA POINTS.

A Summary of the News—Reunion of Canal Boatmen.

A reunion of all the Pennsylvania canal boatmen was held at Lock Haven, and almost 200 men of that calling were in town, coming from almost every point along the canal. The meeting was held in the opera house. Rev. J. K. Melbor opened the meeting with prayer. Mr. J. H. McKee made an address of welcome, which was responded to by Rev. Getty, of Saltburg.

A NEW ELECTRIC LINE.

The opening of the county bridges to the street railway companies by the commissioners furnish great possibilities for the future, among which is the running of electric cars between Franklin and Oil City. The putting down of a car line between Franklin and Oil City is certainly one of the directors of the Franklin electric railway company stated that the road would be in operation by fall.

REUNION OF THE BUCKTAILS.

The famous Bucktail regiment, the first rifle regiment of the Pennsylvania Reserve corps will hold a reunion at Lock Haven, September 3 and 4. No meetings of old soldiers are fuller of interest than the reunion of the survivors of the Bucktails. The citizens are preparing for the entertainment of the men.

Miss Desbie Bowman, daughter of M. H. Bowman, was perhaps fatally injured in a runaway at Conestoga. She was sitting in the buggy watching the horse while a friend was shopping. The animal became frightened, and Miss Bowman was thrown on the pavement, sustaining many cuts.

Morris Harrison, colored, of Pittsburgh, is under arrest at New Castle for shooting into a crowd at a Rock Point picnic. He emptied a revolver into the crowd. Nobody was injured.

John Kerr's skull was fractured by the fall of a beam at the Gukenheimer distillery at Freeport.

At Uniontown Ben Hixon was held for court for the robbery of P. E. Jooly's gun store in 1893. He was held on the testimony of two relatives who claim Hixon told them that he and another man committed the robbery.

The Presbyterian synod of Pennsylvania will meet its annual session in the Presbyterian church at Butler, Thursday, October 17.

Ground was broken for the erection of the Sharov-Sharpville hospital, which received an appropriation of \$17,000 from the state.

J. G. Wainwright and W. A. Stanton, of Pittsburgh, president and secretary of the Basse brick company now building at Johnstown, say the works will start very soon.

Jack Gallagher, of Scottdale, who murdered John Welsh by stabbing him at Scottdale about two weeks ago, surrendered to the sheriff at Greensburg, claiming the killing was done in self-defense.

Coroner Johnson, of Washington county, has received a letter from the widow of the Austrian miner, killed recently in that county, asking for a certificate of death, so that she can marry again. She lives in Europe.

William Fleck's tin store at Marion Center, Indiana county, was burned. Loss, \$1,900.

General W. H. Koonz, of Somerset, addressed the veterans at the Scottdale encampment.

The Blair county courts sustained the action of the county auditors in surcharging the directors of the poor for several illegal expenditures of the public money. The directors are required to refund \$1,900 to the county.

Van Kirk and Miss Lulu Hibbs in attempting to cross a track ahead of a train near Uniontown were thrown against a telephone pole and slightly hurt. Their buggy was demolished.

The Southwest natural gas company has notified all its customers at Conestoga that no gas will be furnished them this winter.

The jury at Clarion gave a verdict in favor of sustaining the will of Lot Gardner, and the contestants will probably carry the case to the Supreme court.

The general store of C. B. Rhoads, at Branch Junction, near Greensburg, was burglarized Tuesday night and goods to the amount of \$100 taken.

A knife blade which Horace Graham of New Castle got into his hand during a fight years ago, was removed Saturday.

At Easton, Inspector Anthony Comstock arrested the leader of a gang of greenbacks swindlers. The prisoner was identified by O. D. Rhoads, of Kaneas, as Joseph Dexter Jones, the man who robbed him of \$300 last month. The swindler was taken to New York.

The Fourth Pennsylvania veteran cavalry will hold its annual reunion in Latrobe, Wednesday and Thursday, September 4 and 5.

Squire W. C. Knox of Ligonier was fired upon by an unknown man while walking along a dark road, and the shot passed through his coat sleeve.

Joseph B. Donaldson, George Morran, Geo. Schanaghaney and Stanley Small, court clerks, were cleared of a charge of illegal liquor selling at Canonsburg.

Grand Chancellor Jackson of the Knights of Pythias declined at Reading that a Pythian knight in good standing is a Pythian knight the world over.

Samuel Heitbrand, an employe of the Eureka mines, at Smithson, near Greensburg was instantly killed by a fall of slate.

Prof. T. F. Kane, of Nungateck, Conn., has been elected city superintendent of public works of New Castle, at a salary of \$1,500 per year.

The Westmoreland agricultural society have engaged as Speakers James G. McSparran, of Lancaster, president of the Mt. Gretna exhibition society; J. A. Gandy, of Lewisburg, who is vice-president of Mt. Gretna society, and a member of the state board of agriculture; C. B. McWilliams, of Juniata county, who is a lecturer of the state grange.

A woman was drowned at the Brownsville wharf Sunday. The body was taken to the undertaking rooms of S. Crawford, where an inquest was held by Deputy Coroner S. H. Smith. The body was identified as that of Annie Clark, a young woman, probably 20 years of age, and her home near Centerville. A woman who came up by boat Saturday night bought two cents worth of laudanum at the drugstore of Robert Graham, and was last seen going in the direction of the river. This is the body of that woman, and the cause of her death is supposed to be either accident or suicide.

Four are Dead.

A bloody war between two factions resulted from a long standing feud has been fought in the Cumberland mountains, 75 miles north of Bristol, Tenn., on the Virginia and Kentucky lines. A brother-in-law of boys relatives and Thomas relatives with Winchester met at an illicit distillery, where the battle began. Four men, John Boyd, Will Cox, Jack Thomas and Floyd Thomas, are dead and several are wounded.

Thomas Barkis, a mill worker of Steubenville, O., was stabbed to death by Frank Rosner.

The Academy of Music, the oldest theater in Buffalo, N. Y., was burned. Loss \$250,000.

IMPROVEMENT CONTINUES.